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Population: 5,331

2023

Empty cells: Shaded cells indicate measures were new additions (@), omitted due to methodology change (#), or are unavailable due to low reliability.

Δ: Source data have not been updated since the 2022 County Health Rankings Release.

N/A: State is not ranked against counties.

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Kansas 2023
Number of Counties Ranked	102	104	104	104	104	104
Health Outcomes- Rank	91	94	99	87	90	N/A
Length of Life- Rank	97	100	101	95	95	N/A
Premature death (years of potential life lost, per 100,000) ^Δ	10467	11146	11501	10221	10221	7458
Quality of Life- Rank	63	58	69	71	72	N/A
% Reporting poor or fair health, adults [#]			18	20	15	13
Average number of poor physical health days, adults [#]			4	4	3	3
Average number of poor mental health days, adults [#]			5	5	5	4
% Low birthweight, <2,500 grams ^Δ	7.6	6.2	6.9	5.9	5.9	7.2
Health Factors- Rank	85	87	89	95	98	N/A
Health Behaviors- Rank	61	75	71	89	93	N/A
% Smokers, adults [#]			22	21	22	17
% Obese, adults age 20 and older [#]				38	37	36
Food environment index, 0 (worst) to 10 (best)	7.7	7.4	7.4	7.1	7.3	7
% Physically inactive, adults age 20 and older [#]				33	26	21
% Access to exercise opportunities [#]					70	80
% Excessive drinking, adults [#]			18	18	20	20
% Driving deaths with alcohol-involvement ^Δ	9	9	18	17	17	19
Sexually transmitted infection rate, per 100,000 population	241	215	304	184	202	502
Teen birth rate, per 1,000 females age 15-19 ^Δ	36	36	33	32	32	22
Clinical Care- Rank	90	82	96	95	86	N/A
% Uninsured, population under age 65	13	14	13	15	14	10
Primary care physicians rate, per 100,000 population	53	54	54	55	56	79
Dentists rate, per 100,000 population	72	73	74	75	75	62
Mental health providers rate, per 100,000 population	18	18	37	56	56	224
Preventable hospital stays rate, per 100,000 Medicare enrollees	5445	5034	7139	5770	3661	2708
% Mammography screening, Medicare females age 65-74	35	33	33	37	29	42
% Flu vaccinations, Medicare enrollees	23	28	30	31	33	51
Social & Economic Factors- Rank	87	84	79	82	96	N/A
% High school completion, adults age 25 and older [@]			90	91	89	92
% With some college, adults age 25-44	55	54	52	53	49	71
% Unemployed, population age 16 and older	3.7	2.9	2.5	4.4	2.6	3.2
% Children in poverty	22	20	20	18	23	14
Income inequality ratio, 80th to 20th percentile	4.3	4.3	3.8	3.5	4.1	4.4
% Children in single-parent households [#]			21	24	23	21
Membership associations rate, per 10,000 population	31.7	25	27.2	27.6	24.4	13.2
Injury death rate, per 100,000 population ^Δ	108	113	136	131	131	78
Physical Environment- Rank	49	47	54	50	50	N/A
Average daily density of fine particulate matter	8.5	8.5	7.2	8	7.6	6.7
Drinking water violations?	No	No	No	No	No	
% Households with severe housing problems	12	11	11	11	11	13
% Driving alone to work	83	81	83	82	80	79
% Long commute - driving alone	19	20	21	23	23	22

The annual *County Health Rankings* provide a snapshot of the health of Kansas counties. The *Rankings* are made up of two summary scores: **Health Factors** (which measure issues that can shape the health outcomes) and **Health Outcomes** (which measure length and quality of life). The following tables illustrate the “drivers,” or measures with the greatest impact on ranking position, for this county.

What do these drivers mean?

The drivers indicate the measures with the greatest impact on the ranking position. Drivers labeled with a green plus sign are measures on which the county performed particularly well. Drivers labeled with a red minus sign indicate priority areas which, if improved, could have the greatest impact on improving the rankings of the county.

Health Factors: Drivers with greatest impact on ranking, Harper County, KS - 2023

	Measure	Description	Factor Category	County Value	State Value	Impact on Rankings
1	Adult Smoking	Percentage of adults who are current smokers (age-adjusted).	Health Behaviors	22%	17%	-
2	Children in Poverty	Percentage of people under age 18 in poverty.	Social and Economic Environment	23%	14%	-
3	Some College	Percentage of adults ages 25-44 with some post-secondary education.	Social and Economic Environment	49%	71%	-
4	Injury Deaths	Number of deaths due to injury per 100,000 population.	Social and Economic Environment	131	78	-
5	Preventable Hospital Stays	Rate of hospital stays for ambulatory-care sensitive conditions per 100,000 Medicare enrollees.	Clinical Care	3661	2708	-

Health Outcomes: Drivers with the greatest impact on ranking, Harper County, KS - 2023

	Measure	Description	Factor Category	County Value	State Value	Impact on Rankings
1	Premature Death	Years of potential life lost before age 75 per 100,000 population (age-adjusted).	Length of Life	10221	7458	-
2	Low Birthweight	Percentage of live births with low birthweight (< 2,500 grams).	Quality of Life	5.9%	7.2%	+
3	Poor Mental Health Days	Average number of mentally unhealthy days reported in past 30 days (age-adjusted).	Quality of Life	5	4	-
4	Poor Physical Health Days	Average number of physically unhealthy days reported in past 30 days (age-adjusted).	Quality of Life	3	3	-
5	Poor or Fair Health	Percentage of adults reporting fair or poor health (age-adjusted).	Quality of Life	15%	13%	-

NR: Measure could not be reported for this county.

+ Green Plus: Measure with a positive impact on a county’s ranking position.

- Red Minus: Measure with a negative impact on a county’s ranking position.

Technical Note: The state values are only provided as a point of reference. They have not been used in the determination of county rankings or top drivers for health outcomes and health factors. Drivers are provided in order of impact on ranking for this year. For more information on the calculation of score and rankings, please visit: <https://bit.ly/2023CHRzScores>. For more information on measure source, ranking weight and year(s), please visit <https://bit.ly/CHRinfo>.



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