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Health Factors Rank

Health Outcomes Rank

Population: 2,082

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NR: Health outcomes (e.g., length of life) or health factors (e.g., health behaviors) were not ranked that year.

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	NR	40	43	28	39	N/A
Length of Life- Rank	NR	38	39	44	44	N/A
Premature death (years of potential life lost, per 100,000) ^Δ						7458
Quality of Life- Rank	NR	40	37	17	26	N/A
% Reporting poor or fair health, adults [#]			17	18	14	13
Average number of poor physical health days, adults [#]			3	3	3	3
Average number of poor mental health days, adults [#]			4	4	4	4
% Low birthweight, <2,500 grams ^Δ	6.1	6.7	8	7	7	7.2
Health Factors- Rank	NR	38	20	3	15	N/A
Health Behaviors- Rank	NR	43	34	7	7	N/A
% Smokers, adults [#]			18	15	17	17
% Obese, adults age 20 and older [#]				40	37	36
Food environment index, 0 (worst) to 10 (best)	6.5	6.1	5.6	9.1	9	7
% Physically inactive, adults age 20 and older [#]				31	24	21
% Access to exercise opportunities [#]					74	80
% Excessive drinking, adults [#]			19	18	19	20
% Driving deaths with alcohol-involvement ^Δ	67	75	33	29	29	19
Sexually transmitted infection rate, per 100,000 population		329	235	189	236	502
Teen birth rate, per 1,000 females age 15-19 ^Δ						22
Clinical Care- Rank	NR	91	83	46	91	N/A
% Uninsured, population under age 65	19	20	18	17	17	10
Primary care physicians rate, per 100,000 population	95	47	95	94	48	79
Dentists rate, per 100,000 population	47	48	47	48	48	62
Mental health providers rate, per 100,000 population						224
Preventable hospital stays rate, per 100,000 Medicare enrollees	7279	4542	5172	2650	4767	2708
% Mammography screening, Medicare females age 65-74	36	38	43	45	51	42
% Flu vaccinations, Medicare enrollees	44	44	45	44	45	51
Social & Economic Factors- Rank	NR	32	16	13	23	N/A
% High school completion, adults age 25 and older [@]			87	89	87	92
% With some college, adults age 25-44	45	53	59	70	64	71
% Unemployed, population age 16 and older	2.4	2.2	2	2.1	2	3.2
% Children in poverty	18	19	16	14	13	14
Income inequality ratio, 80th to 20th percentile	3.7	3.9	3.5	4	3.6	4.4
% Children in single-parent households [#]			8	12	18	21
Membership associations rate, per 10,000 population	47.3	37.6	42.8	42.5	38.6	13.2
Injury death rate, per 100,000 population ^Δ	121	112				78
Physical Environment- Rank	NR	1	4	5	2	N/A
Average daily density of fine particulate matter	6.8	6.8	5.4	6.3	5.7	6.7
Drinking water violations?	No	No	No	No	No	
% Households with severe housing problems	8	8	7	7	7	13
% Driving alone to work	65	68	70	72	67	79
% Long commute - driving alone	9	9	16	14	15	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, Wichita 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	17%	17%	+
2	Unemployment	Percentage of population ages 16 and older unemployed but seeking work.	Social and Economic Environment	2%	3.2%	+
3	Preventable Hospital Stays	Rate of hospital stays for ambulatory-care sensitive conditions per 100,000 Medicare enrollees.	Clinical Care	4767	2708	-
4	Uninsured	Percentage of population under age 65 without health insurance.	Clinical Care	17%	10%	-
5	Social Associations	Number of membership associations per 10,000 population.	Social and Economic Environment	38.6	13.2	+

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

	Measure	Description	Factor Category	County Value	State Value	Impact on Rankings
1	Poor Mental Health Days	Average number of mentally unhealthy days reported in past 30 days (age-adjusted).	Quality of Life	4	4	+
2	Poor Physical Health Days	Average number of physically unhealthy days reported in past 30 days (age-adjusted).	Quality of Life	3	3	+
3	Low Birthweight	Percentage of live births with low birthweight (< 2,500 grams).	Quality of Life	7%	7.2%	-
4	Poor or Fair Health	Percentage of adults reporting fair or poor health (age-adjusted).	Quality of Life	14%	13%	+
5	Premature Death	Years of potential life lost before age 75 per 100,000 population (age-adjusted).	Length of Life	NR	7458	NR

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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