

County Health Rankings & Roadmaps

Building a Culture of Health, County by County

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Allen County

ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS | Pop. 12,714

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Kansas 2018
Number of Counties Ranked	98	101	101	102	103	103
Health Outcomes- Rank	79	87	91	92	84	n/a
Length of life- Rank	82	85	91	96	89	n/a
Premature death (Years of Potential Life Lost)	8766	9491	10813	10374	9265	6782
Quality of life- Rank	75	76	70	67	62	n/a
% Reporting poor or fair health*	19	19	16	17	16	15
# Poor physical health days*	4	4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.1
# Poor mental health days*	2.9	2.9	3.3	3.3	3.5	3.3
% Low birthweight	6.5	6.2	6	5.9	5.6	7
Health Factors- Rank	81	74	77	87	88	n/a
Health Behaviors- Rank	60	63	70	83	69	n/a
% Adult smokers*	19	19	17	19	16	17
% Obese adults	34	34	34	34	37	32
Food environment index	7	6.6	6.4	6.3	6.2	7
% Physically inactive adults	28	29	30	30	30	25
% Access to exercise opportunities	40	69	53	53	77	81
% Excessive drinking*	11	11	15	14	15	17
% Driving deaths with alcohol-impairment	42	50	41	11	10	25
Sexually transmitted infection rate	210	180	143	274	163	395
Teen birth rate	48	47	40	37	32	30
Clinical Care- Rank	61	47	55	58	62	n/a
% Uninsured	14	15	14	11	9	10
Primary care physicians rate	30	38	46	46	63	76
Dentist rate	53	53	46	55	55	57
Mental health provider rate	75	130	139	134	126	180
Preventable hospital stays	91	72	71	61	84	51
% Diabetes monitoring	87	89	87	85	85	86
% Mammography screening	52	55	47	43	43	63
Social & Economic Factors- Rank	85	85	88	91	93	n/a
% High school graduation	91	93	90	90	90	86
% Population with some college	59	61	63	63	61	69
% Unemployed	6.4	5.5	5	5.2	5.9	4.2
% Children in poverty	28	26	25	26	22	14
Income inequality		4.3	4.2	4.5	3.9	4.4
% No social-emotional support	14					
% Children in single-parent households	35	35	35	30	32	29
Membership associations rate		15.8	14.5	16.3	16.5	13.7
Violent crime rate	322	294	294	218	218	348
Injury death rate	89	90	96	86	77	70
Physical Environment- Rank	59	14	5	44	74	n/a
Daily fine particulate matter*	8.2	8.2	8.2	9.1	9.1	8.5
% Exposed to unsafe drinking water	26	0				
Drinking water violations? yes/no			No	No	Yes	
% Severe housing problems	9	9	9	10	12	14
% Driving alone to work	86	82	81	80	80	82
% Long commute - driving alone	15	13	14	14	15	20

Empty cells: Shaded = Item was not used to calculate rankings that year; White = Data unavailable. NR: Health outcomes (e.g., length of life) or health factors (e.g., health behaviors) were not ranked that year. N/A: State is not ranked against counties.

* Represent substantial changes in data sources or calculation of the measure that would affect year-to-year comparisons. Please refer to the County Health Rankings & Roadmaps to find out more about the indicator changes.

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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 disease and deaths). The following tables illustrate this county's "drivers," or measures with the greatest impact on a county's ranking position.

What do these drivers mean?

The drivers indicate the measures with the greatest impact on a county's 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 county's rankings.

Health Factors: Drivers with greatest impact on ranking, Allen County, KS – 2018

	Measure	Description	Factor Category	County Value	State Value	Impact on Ranking
1	Unemployment	Percentage of population ages 16 and older unemployed but seeking work	Social and Economic Environment	5.9%	4.2%	—
2	Children in poverty	Percentage of children under age 18 in poverty	Social and Economic Environment	22%	14%	—
3	Adult obesity	Percentage of adults that report a BMI of 30 or more	Health Behaviors	37%	32%	—
4	Mammography screening	Percentage of female Medicare enrollees ages 67-69 that receive mammography screening	Clinical Care	43%	63%	—
5	Uninsured	Percentage of population under age 65 without health insurance	Clinical Care	9%	10%	+

Health Outcomes: Drivers with greatest impact on ranking, Allen County, KS – 2018

	Measure	Description	Factor Category	County Value	State Value	Impact on Ranking
1	Premature death	Years of potential life lost before age 75 per 100,000 population (age-adjusted)	Length of Life	9265	6782	—
2	Low birthweight	Percentage of live births with low birthweight (< 2500 grams)	Quality of Life	5.6%	7%	+
3	Poor mental health days	Average number of mentally unhealthy days reported in past 30 days (age-adjusted)	Quality of Life	3.5	3.3	—
4	Poor physical health days	Average number of physically unhealthy days reported in past 30 days (age-adjusted)	Quality of Life	3.4	3.1	—
5	Poor or fair health	Percentage of adults reporting fair or poor health (age-adjusted)	Quality of Life	16%	15%	—

NR: Measure (e.g., premature death) 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 counties' rankings or top drivers for health outcomes and health factors. For more information on the calculation of score and rankings please visit: <http://bit.ly/CHRzscores>.