County Health Rankings & Roadmaps
Building a Culture of Health, County by County

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The 2022 Rankings include deaths attributable to COVID-19 from 2020. See our FAQs for more information on COVID-specific data.

Adams (AA)
2022 Rankings

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County Demographics

	County	State
Population	3,588	3,163,561
% below 18 years of age	21.2%	22.9%
% 65 and older	23.6%	17.9%
% Non-Hispanic Black	0.6%	4.0%
% American Indian & Alaska Native	0.5%	0.6%
% Asian	0.7%	2.8%
% Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	0.0%	0.2%
% Hispanic	1.6%	6.5%
% Non-Hispanic White	95.8%	84.5%
% not proficient in English **	0%	2%
% Females	50.1%	50.2%
% Rural	100.0%	36.0%

	County	Error Margin	Top U.S. Performers ^	Iowa
Health Outcomes				
Length of Life				
Premature death			5,600	6,500
Quality of Life				
Poor or fair health **	15%	13-17%	15%	14%
Poor physical health days **	3.5	3.2-3.8	3.4	3.1
Poor mental health days **	4.3	4.0-4.6	4.0	4.1
Low birthweight	4%	2-6%	6%	7%
Additional Health Outcomes (not included in overall ranking)				
COVID-19 age-adjusted mortality **			43	99
Life expectancy	79.7	76.2-83.3	80.6	78.7
Premature age-adjusted mortality	310	220-430	290	340
Child mortality			40	50
Infant mortality			4	5
Frequent physical distress **	11%	10-12%	10%	9%
Frequent mental distress **	14%	13-15%	13%	13%
Diabetes prevalence **	9%	9-10%	8%	9%
HIV prevalence	0		38	110
Health Factors				
Health Behaviors				
Adult smoking **	20%	17-23%	15%	17%
Adult obesity **	38%	36-40%	30%	34%
Food environment index	8.8		8.8	8.4
Physical inactivity **	28%	25-31%	23%	26%
Access to exercise opportunities	52%		86%	73%

Excessive drinking **	24%	22-25%	15%	25%
Alcohol-impaired driving deaths	0%	0-42%	10%	27%
Sexually transmitted infections	388.7		161.8	508.5
Teen births	26	15-43	11	16

Additional Health Behaviors (not included in overall ranking)

Food insecurity	9%		9%	9%
Limited access to healthy foods	2%		2%	6%
Drug overdose deaths			11	11
Motor vehicle crash deaths			9	11
Insufficient sleep **	32%	30-33%	32%	33%

Clinical Care

Uninsured	6%	5-7%	6%	6%
Primary care physicians	3,600:1		1,010:1	1,350:1
Dentists	1,200:1		1,210:1	1,440:1
Mental health providers	3,590:1		250:1	570:1
Preventable hospital stays	650		2,233	3,134
Mammography screening	56%		52%	53%
Flu vaccinations	53%		55%	54%

Additional Clinical Care (not included in overall ranking)

Uninsured adults	7%	6-8%	7%	7%
Uninsured children	4%	2-5%	3%	3%
Other primary care providers	900:1		580:1	840:1

Social & Economic Factors

High school completion	93%	91-96%	94%	92%
Some college	67%	53-80%	74%	71%
Unemployment	3.8%		4.0%	5.3%
Children in poverty	16%	10-22%	9%	12%
Income inequality	3.4	2.5-4.2	3.7	4.2
Children in single-parent households	18%	10-26%	14%	21%
Social associations	13.9		18.1	14.8
Violent crime	66		63	282
Injury deaths	77	42-129	61	70

Additional Social & Economic Factors (not included in overall ranking)

High school graduation			96%	91%
Disconnected youth			4%	6%
Reading scores	3.2		3.3	3.1
Math scores	3.3		3.4	3.1
School segregation			0.02	0.19
School funding adequacy	$2,121			$1,880
Gender pay gap	0.71	0.54-0.88	0.88	0.78
Median household income	$56,300	$47,100 to $65,500	$75,100	$62,400
Living wage **	$35.60			$37.38
Children eligible for free or reduced price lunch	44%		32%	42%
Residential segregation - Black/white			27	62
Residential segregation - non-white/white			16	45
Childcare cost burden **	23%		18%	24%
Childcare centers **	5		12	8
Homicides			2	3
Suicides			11	16
Firearm fatalities			8	10
Juvenile arrests	50			37

Physical Environment

Air pollution - particulate matter	7.7		5.9	8.2
Drinking water violations	No			
Severe housing problems	7%	4-10%	9%	12%
Driving alone to work	77%	72-83%	72%	80%
Long commute - driving alone	24%	18-30%	16%	21%

Additional Physical Environment (not included in overall ranking)

Traffic volume	3			260
Homeownership	81%	80-82%	81%	71%
Severe housing cost burden	8%	4-12%	7%	10%
Broadband access	80%	75-84%	88%	83%

^ 10th/90th percentile, i.e., only 10% are better.

** Data should not be compared with prior years

Note: Blank values reflect unreliable or missing data