



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

Black Hawk (BH) 2022 Rankings

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County Demographics

	County	State
Population	130,786	3,163,561
% below 18 years of age	21.7%	22.9%
% 65 and older	17.5%	17.9%
% Non-Hispanic Black	9.4%	4.0%
% American Indian & Alaska Native	0.4%	0.6%
% Asian	2.7%	2.8%
% Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	0.5%	0.2%
% Hispanic	4.7%	6.5%
% Non-Hispanic White	80.1%	84.5%
% not proficient in English **	2%	2%
% Females	50.8%	50.2%
% Rural	13.5%	36.0%

	County	Error Margin	Top U.S. Performers ^	Iowa
Health Outcomes				
Length of Life				
Premature death	7,400	6,900-8,000	5,600	6,500
Quality of Life				
Poor or fair health **	16%	14-18%	15%	14%
Poor physical health days **	3.5	3.2-3.7	3.4	3.1
Poor mental health days **	4.2	3.9-4.4	4.0	4.1
Low birthweight	7%	7-8%	6%	7%
Additional Health Outcomes (not included in overall ranking)				
COVID-19 age-adjusted mortality **	143	124-161	43	99
Life expectancy	77.6	77.1-78.1	80.6	78.7
Premature age-adjusted mortality	380	360-400	290	340
Child mortality	50	40-70	40	50
Infant mortality	6	5-8	4	5
Frequent physical distress **	11%	10-12%	10%	9%
Frequent mental distress **	14%	12-15%	13%	13%
Diabetes prevalence **	10%	9-11%	8%	9%
HIV prevalence	109		38	110
Health Factors				
Health Behaviors				
Adult smoking **	19%	17-22%	15%	17%
Adult obesity **	38%	37-39%	30%	34%
Food environment index	8.0		8.8	8.4
Physical inactivity **	29%	27-32%	23%	26%
Access to exercise opportunities	76%		86%	73%

Excessive drinking **	23%	22-23%	15%	25%
Alcohol-impaired driving deaths	20%	13-28%	10%	27%
Sexually transmitted infections	897.7		161.8	508.5
Teen births	16	15-17	11	16

Additional Health Behaviors (not included in overall ranking)

Food insecurity	10%		9%	9%
Limited access to healthy foods	9%		2%	6%
Drug overdose deaths	10	7-14	11	11
Motor vehicle crash deaths	9	7-11	9	11
Insufficient sleep **	35%	34-37%	32%	33%

Clinical Care

Uninsured	6%	5-6%	6%	6%
Primary care physicians	1,060:1		1,010:1	1,350:1
Dentists	1,350:1		1,210:1	1,440:1
Mental health providers	510:1		250:1	570:1
Preventable hospital stays	2,644		2,233	3,134
Mammography screening	57%		52%	53%
Flu vaccinations	60%		55%	54%

Additional Clinical Care (not included in overall ranking)

Uninsured adults	7%	6-8%	7%	7%
Uninsured children	2%	2-3%	3%	3%
Other primary care providers	660:1		580:1	840:1

Social & Economic Factors

High school completion	92%	91-93%	94%	92%
Some college	72%	68-76%	74%	71%
Unemployment	6.2%		4.0%	5.3%
Children in poverty	14%	9-19%	9%	12%
Income inequality	4.3	4.1-4.6	3.7	4.2
Children in single-parent households	24%	21-27%	14%	21%
Social associations	11.8		18.1	14.8
Violent crime	511		63	282
Injury deaths	64	58-70	61	70

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

High school graduation	89%		96%	91%
Disconnected youth	4%	3-6%	4%	6%
Reading scores	2.8		3.3	3.1
Math scores	2.8		3.4	3.1
School segregation	0.14		0.02	0.19
School funding adequacy	\$1,214			\$1,880
Gender pay gap	0.80	0.75-0.85	0.88	0.78
Median household income	\$56,100	\$52,200 to \$59,900	\$75,100	\$62,400
Living wage **	\$37.67			\$37.38
Children eligible for free or reduced price lunch	51%		32%	42%
Residential segregation - Black/white	59		27	62
Residential segregation - non-white/white	44		16	45
Childcare cost burden **	27%		18%	24%
Childcare centers **	8		12	8
Homicides	5	3-6	2	3
Suicides	15	12-19	11	16
Firearm fatalities	10	7-12	8	10
Juvenile arrests	41			37

Physical Environment

Air pollution - particulate matter	8.2		5.9	8.2
Drinking water violations	No			
Severe housing problems	14%	13-15%	9%	12%
Driving alone to work	80%	79-82%	72%	80%
Long commute - driving alone	9%	8-11%	16%	21%

Additional Physical Environment (not included in overall ranking)

Traffic volume	299			260
Homeownership	66%	64-67%	81%	71%
Severe housing cost burden	12%	11-14%	7%	10%
Broadband access	83%	82-84%	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

