



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

Bremer (BR) 2022 Rankings

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County Demographics

	County	State
Population	25,311	3,163,561
% below 18 years of age	22.7%	22.9%
% 65 and older	20.1%	17.9%
% Non-Hispanic Black	1.3%	4.0%
% American Indian & Alaska Native	0.2%	0.6%
% Asian	1.2%	2.8%
% Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	0.0%	0.2%
% Hispanic	1.8%	6.5%
% Non-Hispanic White	94.5%	84.5%
% not proficient in English **	0%	2%
% Females	50.5%	50.2%
% Rural	64.5%	36.0%

	County	Error Margin	Top U.S. Performers ^	Iowa
Health Outcomes				
Length of Life				
Premature death	5,200	4,100-6,200	5,600	6,500
Quality of Life				
Poor or fair health **	12%	11-14%	15%	14%
Poor physical health days **	3.0	2.7-3.3	3.4	3.1
Poor mental health days **	3.9	3.6-4.2	4.0	4.1
Low birthweight	6%	5-7%	6%	7%
Additional Health Outcomes (not included in overall ranking)				
COVID-19 age-adjusted mortality **	104	75-142	43	99
Life expectancy	80.8	79.7-81.8	80.6	78.7
Premature age-adjusted mortality	280	240-320	290	340
Child mortality			40	50
Infant mortality			4	5
Frequent physical distress **	9%	8-10%	10%	9%
Frequent mental distress **	12%	11-14%	13%	13%
Diabetes prevalence **	8%	7-9%	8%	9%
HIV prevalence	33		38	110
Health Factors				
Health Behaviors				
Adult smoking **	16%	14-19%	15%	17%
Adult obesity **	34%	32-36%	30%	34%
Food environment index	9.5		8.8	8.4
Physical inactivity **	25%	22-27%	23%	26%
Access to exercise opportunities	74%		86%	73%

Excessive drinking **	25%	24-27%	15%	25%
Alcohol-impaired driving deaths	20%	5-39%	10%	27%
Sexually transmitted infections	295.3		161.8	508.5
Teen births	5	3-6	11	16

Additional Health Behaviors (not included in overall ranking)

Food insecurity	6%		9%	9%
Limited access to healthy foods	1%		2%	6%
Drug overdose deaths			11	11
Motor vehicle crash deaths	10	6-16	9	11
Insufficient sleep **	32%	30-33%	32%	33%

Clinical Care

Uninsured	4%	3-4%	6%	6%
Primary care physicians	1,790:1		1,010:1	1,350:1
Dentists	1,490:1		1,210:1	1,440:1
Mental health providers	590:1		250:1	570:1
Preventable hospital stays	3,182		2,233	3,134
Mammography screening	54%		52%	53%
Flu vaccinations	51%		55%	54%

Additional Clinical Care (not included in overall ranking)

Uninsured adults	4%	4-5%	7%	7%
Uninsured children	2%	1-3%	3%	3%
Other primary care providers	720:1		580:1	840:1

Social & Economic Factors

High school completion	96%	95-97%	94%	92%
Some college	78%	72-84%	74%	71%
Unemployment	3.9%		4.0%	5.3%
Children in poverty	6%	3-8%	9%	12%
Income inequality	3.4	3.0-3.8	3.7	4.2
Children in single-parent households	18%	13-22%	14%	21%
Social associations	16.8		18.1	14.8
Violent crime	378		63	282
Injury deaths	52	40-66	61	70

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

High school graduation	96%		96%	91%
Disconnected youth			4%	6%
Reading scores	3.2		3.3	3.1
Math scores	3.3		3.4	3.1
School segregation	0.05		0.02	0.19
School funding adequacy	\$2,969			\$1,880
Gender pay gap	0.77	0.70-0.83	0.88	0.78
Median household income	\$74,600	\$66,700 to \$82,500	\$75,100	\$62,400
Living wage **	\$37.24			\$37.38
Children eligible for free or reduced price lunch	22%		32%	42%
Residential segregation - Black/white			27	62
Residential segregation - non-white/white	38		16	45
Childcare cost burden **	21%		18%	24%
Childcare centers **	10		12	8
Homicides			2	3
Suicides	11	6-18	11	16
Firearm fatalities	8	4-15	8	10
Juvenile arrests	42			37

Physical Environment

Air pollution - particulate matter	8.8		5.9	8.2
Drinking water violations	No			
Severe housing problems	9%	7-11%	9%	12%
Driving alone to work	78%	76-81%	72%	80%
Long commute - driving alone	27%	24-30%	16%	21%

Additional Physical Environment (not included in overall ranking)

Traffic volume	89			260
Homeownership	83%	81-85%	81%	71%
Severe housing cost burden	7%	5-9%	7%	10%
Broadband access	86%	84-88%	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

