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.

Butler (BT)
2022 Rankings

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County Demographics

	County	State
Population	14,333	3,163,561
% below 18 years of age	22.3%	22.9%
% 65 and older	23.2%	17.9%
% Non-Hispanic Black	0.3%	4.0%
% American Indian & Alaska Native	0.2%	0.6%
% Asian	1.0%	2.8%
% Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	0.0%	0.2%
% Hispanic	1.6%	6.5%
% Non-Hispanic White	96.1%	84.5%
% not proficient in English **	0%	2%
% Females	50.4%	50.2%
% Rural	100.0%	36.0%

	County	Error Margin	Top U.S. Performers ^	Iowa
Health Outcomes				
Length of Life				
Premature death	7,200	5,500-8,900	5,600	6,500
Quality of Life				
Poor or fair health **	14%	13-17%	15%	14%
Poor physical health days **	3.4	3.1-3.7	3.4	3.1
Poor mental health days **	4.2	3.9-4.5	4.0	4.1
Low birthweight	6%	4-7%	6%	7%
Additional Health Outcomes (not included in overall ranking)				
COVID-19 age-adjusted mortality **	79	48-124	43	99
Life expectancy	78.1	76.7-79.6	80.6	78.7
Premature age-adjusted mortality	370	310-420	290	340
Child mortality			40	50
Infant mortality			4	5
Frequent physical distress **	11%	10-12%	10%	9%
Frequent mental distress **	14%	12-15%	13%	13%
Diabetes prevalence **	9%	8-9%	8%	9%
HIV prevalence			38	110
Health Factors				
Health Behaviors				
Adult smoking **	18%	16-21%	15%	17%
Adult obesity **	36%	34-37%	30%	34%
Food environment index	9.0		8.8	8.4
Physical inactivity **	27%	24-30%	23%	26%
Access to exercise opportunities	52%		86%	73%

Excessive drinking **	24%	23-25%	15%	25%
Alcohol-impaired driving deaths	50%	28-67%	10%	27%
Sexually transmitted infections	249.3		161.8	508.5
Teen births	11	7-15	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	16	9-25	9	11
Insufficient sleep **	33%	31-34%	32%	33%

Clinical Care

Uninsured	5%	4-6%	6%	6%
Primary care physicians	7,220:1		1,010:1	1,350:1
Dentists	3,580:1		1,210:1	1,440:1
Mental health providers	2,050:1		250:1	570:1
Preventable hospital stays	3,528		2,233	3,134
Mammography screening	56%		52%	53%
Flu vaccinations	47%		55%	54%

Additional Clinical Care (not included in overall ranking)

Uninsured adults	6%	5-7%	7%	7%
Uninsured children	3%	2-4%	3%	3%
Other primary care providers	1,590:1		580:1	840:1

Social & Economic Factors

High school completion	94%	92-95%	94%	92%
Some college	73%	66-81%	74%	71%
Unemployment	4.7%		4.0%	5.3%
Children in poverty	9%	6-12%	9%	12%
Income inequality	3.8	3.3-4.3	3.7	4.2
Children in single-parent households	15%	10-20%	14%	21%
Social associations	20.8		18.1	14.8
Violent crime	10		63	282
Injury deaths	65	47-86	61	70

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

High school graduation			96%	91%
Disconnected youth			4%	6%
Reading scores	3.0		3.3	3.1
Math scores	3.2		3.4	3.1
School segregation	0.07		0.02	0.19
School funding adequacy	$2,291			$1,880
Gender pay gap	0.74	0.68-0.80	0.88	0.78
Median household income	$54,800	$47,200 to $62,400	$75,100	$62,400
Living wage **	$36.62			$37.38
Children eligible for free or reduced price lunch	30%		32%	42%
Residential segregation - Black/white			27	62
Residential segregation - non-white/white	35		16	45
Childcare cost burden **	27%		18%	24%
Childcare centers **	9		12	8
Homicides			2	3
Suicides			11	16
Firearm fatalities			8	10
Juvenile arrests				37

Physical Environment

Air pollution - particulate matter	8.6		5.9	8.2
Drinking water violations	No			
Severe housing problems	9%	8-10%	9%	12%
Driving alone to work	84%	81-86%	72%	80%
Long commute - driving alone	38%	34-41%	16%	21%

Additional Physical Environment (not included in overall ranking)

Traffic volume	6			260
Homeownership	77%	75-79%	81%	71%
Severe housing cost burden	8%	6-10%	7%	10%
Broadband access	78%	76-80%	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