



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

## Iowa (IW) 2022 Rankings

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### County Demographics

	County	State
Population	16,138	3,163,561
% below 18 years of age	23.3%	22.9%
% 65 and older	19.7%	17.9%
% Non-Hispanic Black	0.7%	4.0%
% American Indian & Alaska Native	0.3%	0.6%
% Asian	0.6%	2.8%
% Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	0.0%	0.2%
% Hispanic	3.2%	6.5%
% Non-Hispanic White	94.3%	84.5%
% not proficient in English **	0%	2%
% Females	49.8%	50.2%
% Rural	82.2%	36.0%

	County	Error Margin	Top U.S. Performers ^	Iowa
<b>Health Outcomes</b>				
<b>Length of Life</b>				
Premature death	5,700	4,400-7,000	5,600	6,500
<b>Quality of Life</b>				
Poor or fair health **	14%	12-16%	15%	14%
Poor physical health days **	3.3	3.0-3.5	3.4	3.1
Poor mental health days **	4.1	3.8-4.4	4.0	4.1
Low birthweight	5%	4-6%	6%	7%
<b>Additional Health Outcomes (not included in overall ranking)</b>				
COVID-19 age-adjusted mortality **	82	50-127	43	99
Life expectancy	78.5	77.4-79.7	80.6	78.7
Premature age-adjusted mortality	330	280-380	290	340
Child mortality			40	50
Infant mortality			4	5
Frequent physical distress **	10%	9-11%	10%	9%
Frequent mental distress **	13%	12-14%	13%	13%
Diabetes prevalence **	9%	8-9%	8%	9%
HIV prevalence	52		38	110
<b>Health Factors</b>				
<b>Health Behaviors</b>				
Adult smoking **	18%	15-21%	15%	17%
Adult obesity **	34%	32-36%	30%	34%
Food environment index	9.3		8.8	8.4
Physical inactivity **	26%	24-29%	23%	26%
Access to exercise opportunities	62%		86%	73%

Excessive drinking **	26%	24-27%	15%	25%
Alcohol-impaired driving deaths	21%	11-31%	10%	27%
Sexually transmitted infections	389.3		161.8	508.5
Teen births	10	7-14	11	16
<b>Additional Health Behaviors (not included in overall ranking)</b>				
Food insecurity	7%		9%	9%
Limited access to healthy foods	1%		2%	6%
Drug overdose deaths			11	11
Motor vehicle crash deaths	18	11-28	9	11
Insufficient sleep **	32%	30-33%	32%	33%
<b>Clinical Care</b>				
Uninsured	4%	3-5%	6%	6%
Primary care physicians	1,350:1		1,010:1	1,350:1
Dentists	2,690:1		1,210:1	1,440:1
Mental health providers	1,080:1		250:1	570:1
Preventable hospital stays	3,236		2,233	3,134
Mammography screening	49%		52%	53%
Flu vaccinations	50%		55%	54%
<b>Additional Clinical Care (not included in overall ranking)</b>				
Uninsured adults	5%	4-6%	7%	7%
Uninsured children	2%	2-3%	3%	3%
Other primary care providers	1,470:1		580:1	840:1
<b>Social &amp; Economic Factors</b>				
High school completion	94%	93-96%	94%	92%
Some college	71%	63-80%	74%	71%
Unemployment	4.4%		4.0%	5.3%
Children in poverty	7%	4-10%	9%	12%
Income inequality	3.7	3.0-4.4	3.7	4.2
Children in single-parent households	19%	10-27%	14%	21%
Social associations	16.1		18.1	14.8
Violent crime	104		63	282
Injury deaths	88	69-111	61	70
<b>Additional Social &amp; Economic Factors (not included in overall ranking)</b>				
High school graduation	95%		96%	91%
Disconnected youth			4%	6%
Reading scores	3.2		3.3	3.1
Math scores	3.2		3.4	3.1
School segregation	0.03		0.02	0.19
School funding adequacy	\$2,578			\$1,880
Gender pay gap	0.79	0.71-0.87	0.88	0.78
Median household income	\$67,800	\$58,200 to \$77,400	\$75,100	\$62,400
Living wage **	\$36.88			\$37.38
Children eligible for free or reduced price lunch	31%		32%	42%
Residential segregation - Black/white			27	62
Residential segregation - non-white/white	25		16	45
Childcare cost burden **	23%		18%	24%
Childcare centers **	6		12	8
Homicides			2	3
Suicides	19	11-32	11	16
Firearm fatalities	12	6-23	8	10
Juvenile arrests	8			37
<b>Physical Environment</b>				
Air pollution - particulate matter	8.7		5.9	8.2
Drinking water violations	No			
Severe housing problems	9%	7-12%	9%	12%
Driving alone to work	82%	78-86%	72%	80%
Long commute - driving alone	34%	29-39%	16%	21%
<b>Additional Physical Environment (not included in overall ranking)</b>				
Traffic volume	9			260
Homeownership	80%	77-83%	81%	71%
Severe housing cost burden	8%	6-10%	7%	10%
Broadband access	82%	79-84%	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

