



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

## Lucas (LU) 2022 Rankings

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### County Demographics

	County	State
Population	8,518	3,163,561
% below 18 years of age	22.7%	22.9%
% 65 and older	22.5%	17.9%
% Non-Hispanic Black	0.4%	4.0%
% American Indian & Alaska Native	0.4%	0.6%
% Asian	0.4%	2.8%
% Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	0.0%	0.2%
% Hispanic	2.6%	6.5%
% Non-Hispanic White	95.5%	84.5%
% not proficient in English **	1%	2%
% Females	49.2%	50.2%
% Rural	56.2%	36.0%

	County	Error Margin	Top U.S. Performers ^	Iowa
<b>Health Outcomes</b>				
<b>Length of Life</b>				
Premature death	7,800	5,700-9,900	5,600	6,500
<b>Quality of Life</b>				
Poor or fair health **	16%	14-18%	15%	14%
Poor physical health days **	3.6	3.3-3.8	3.4	3.1
Poor mental health days **	4.3	4.1-4.6	4.0	4.1
Low birthweight	6%	4-8%	6%	7%
<b>Additional Health Outcomes (not included in overall ranking)</b>				
COVID-19 age-adjusted mortality **	73	36-130	43	99
Life expectancy	77.4	75.6-79.3	80.6	78.7
Premature age-adjusted mortality	410	340-490	290	340
Child mortality			40	50
Infant mortality			4	5
Frequent physical distress **	11%	10-12%	10%	9%
Frequent mental distress **	14%	13-16%	13%	13%
Diabetes prevalence **	9%	9-10%	8%	9%
HIV prevalence	84		38	110
<b>Health Factors</b>				
<b>Health Behaviors</b>				
Adult smoking **	21%	18-24%	15%	17%
Adult obesity **	36%	34-37%	30%	34%
Food environment index	8.0		8.8	8.4
Physical inactivity **	28%	26-31%	23%	26%
Access to exercise opportunities	61%		86%	73%

Excessive drinking **	22%	21-23%	15%	25%
Alcohol-impaired driving deaths	50%	32-65%	10%	27%
Sexually transmitted infections	232.6		161.8	508.5
Teen births	26	18-34	11	16

**Additional Health Behaviors (not included in overall ranking)**

Food insecurity	10%		9%	9%
Limited access to healthy foods	10%		2%	6%
Drug overdose deaths			11	11
Motor vehicle crash deaths	22	11-37	9	11
Insufficient sleep **	35%	33-36%	32%	33%

**Clinical Care**

Uninsured	6%	5-7%	6%	6%
Primary care physicians	1,230:1		1,010:1	1,350:1
Dentists	1,700:1		1,210:1	1,440:1
Mental health providers	850:1		250:1	570:1
Preventable hospital stays	4,271		2,233	3,134
Mammography screening	50%		52%	53%
Flu vaccinations	42%		55%	54%

**Additional Clinical Care (not included in overall ranking)**

Uninsured adults	7%	6-8%	7%	7%
Uninsured children	3%	2-4%	3%	3%
Other primary care providers	1,060:1		580:1	840:1

**Social & Economic Factors**

High school completion	93%	91-95%	94%	92%
Some college	61%	52-71%	74%	71%
Unemployment	3.6%		4.0%	5.3%
Children in poverty	21%	13-30%	9%	12%
Income inequality	4.6	3.7-5.6	3.7	4.2
Children in single-parent households	17%	10-24%	14%	21%
Social associations	12.8		18.1	14.8
Violent crime	184		63	282
Injury deaths	93	67-127	61	70

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

High school graduation	98%		96%	91%
Disconnected youth			4%	6%
Reading scores	3.0		3.3	3.1
Math scores	3.0		3.4	3.1
School segregation	0.02		0.02	0.19
School funding adequacy	-\$932			\$1,880
Gender pay gap	0.70	0.61-0.80	0.88	0.78
Median household income	\$48,700	\$40,800 to \$56,500	\$75,100	\$62,400
Living wage **	\$36.39			\$37.38
Children eligible for free or reduced price lunch	57%		32%	42%
Residential segregation - Black/white			27	62
Residential segregation - non-white/white	58		16	45
Childcare cost burden **	27%		18%	24%
Childcare centers **	4		12	8
Homicides			2	3
Suicides			11	16
Firearm fatalities			8	10
Juvenile arrests	30			37

**Physical Environment**

Air pollution - particulate matter	7.7		5.9	8.2
Drinking water violations	No			
Severe housing problems	9%	6-12%	9%	12%
Driving alone to work	84%	80-89%	72%	80%
Long commute - driving alone	22%	18-27%	16%	21%

**Additional Physical Environment (not included in overall ranking)**

Traffic volume	9			260
Homeownership	76%	73-80%	81%	71%
Severe housing cost burden	10%	7-14%	7%	10%
Broadband access	78%	74-83%	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

