



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

Wright (WG) 2022 Rankings

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County Demographics

	County	State
Population	12,416	3,163,561
% below 18 years of age	24.2%	22.9%
% 65 and older	23.6%	17.9%
% Non-Hispanic Black	0.8%	4.0%
% American Indian & Alaska Native	0.6%	0.6%
% Asian	0.6%	2.8%
% Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	0.2%	0.2%
% Hispanic	13.5%	6.5%
% Non-Hispanic White	83.6%	84.5%
% not proficient in English **	3%	2%
% Females	49.7%	50.2%
% Rural	56.8%	36.0%

	County	Error Margin	Top U.S. Performers ^	Iowa
Health Outcomes				
Length of Life				
Premature death	5,500	4,200-6,900	5,600	6,500
Quality of Life				
Poor or fair health **	16%	15-18%	15%	14%
Poor physical health days **	3.5	3.3-3.7	3.4	3.1
Poor mental health days **	4.1	3.9-4.4	4.0	4.1
Low birthweight	6%	4-7%	6%	7%
Additional Health Outcomes (not included in overall ranking)				
COVID-19 age-adjusted mortality **	107	65-165	43	99
Life expectancy	78.8	77.5-80.2	80.6	78.7
Premature age-adjusted mortality	340	290-400	290	340
Child mortality			40	50
Infant mortality			4	5
Frequent physical distress **	11%	10-12%	10%	9%
Frequent mental distress **	13%	12-14%	13%	13%
Diabetes prevalence **	10%	9-11%	8%	9%
HIV prevalence	77		38	110
Health Factors				
Health Behaviors				
Adult smoking **	18%	16-21%	15%	17%
Adult obesity **	43%	41-45%	30%	34%
Food environment index	8.7		8.8	8.4
Physical inactivity **	30%	28-33%	23%	26%
Access to exercise opportunities	77%		86%	73%

Excessive drinking **	22%	21-23%	15%	25%
Alcohol-impaired driving deaths	40%	15-62%	10%	27%
Sexually transmitted infections	334.3		161.8	508.5
Teen births	26	21-33	11	16

Additional Health Behaviors (not included in overall ranking)

Food insecurity	9%		9%	9%
Limited access to healthy foods	4%		2%	6%
Drug overdose deaths			11	11
Motor vehicle crash deaths	12	6-22	9	11
Insufficient sleep **	32%	31-34%	32%	33%

Clinical Care

Uninsured	7%	6-8%	6%	6%
Primary care physicians	2,510:1		1,010:1	1,350:1
Dentists	3,100:1		1,210:1	1,440:1
Mental health providers	1,130:1		250:1	570:1
Preventable hospital stays	2,358		2,233	3,134
Mammography screening	55%		52%	53%
Flu vaccinations	34%		55%	54%

Additional Clinical Care (not included in overall ranking)

Uninsured adults	8%	7-10%	7%	7%
Uninsured children	3%	2-5%	3%	3%
Other primary care providers	540:1		580:1	840:1

Social & Economic Factors

High school completion	93%	91-95%	94%	92%
Some college	61%	53-70%	74%	71%
Unemployment	4.0%		4.0%	5.3%
Children in poverty	15%	10-20%	9%	12%
Income inequality	3.5	3.1-4.0	3.7	4.2
Children in single-parent households	28%	19-38%	14%	21%
Social associations	27.9		18.1	14.8
Violent crime	74		63	282
Injury deaths	70	51-93	61	70

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

High school graduation	94%		96%	91%
Disconnected youth			4%	6%
Reading scores	2.9		3.3	3.1
Math scores	2.9		3.4	3.1
School segregation	0.02		0.02	0.19
School funding adequacy	\$42			\$1,880
Gender pay gap	0.73	0.64-0.82	0.88	0.78
Median household income	\$57,100	\$46,800 to \$67,500	\$75,100	\$62,400
Living wage **	\$35.76			\$37.38
Children eligible for free or reduced price lunch	58%		32%	42%
Residential segregation - Black/white			27	62
Residential segregation - non-white/white	30		16	45
Childcare cost burden **	23%		18%	24%
Childcare centers **	6		12	8
Homicides			2	3
Suicides	15	7-28	11	16
Firearm fatalities			8	10
Juvenile arrests	34			37

Physical Environment

Air pollution - particulate matter	8.3		5.9	8.2
Drinking water violations	No			
Severe housing problems	9%	6-11%	9%	12%
Driving alone to work	84%	80-88%	72%	80%
Long commute - driving alone	19%	15-23%	16%	21%

Additional Physical Environment (not included in overall ranking)

Traffic volume	23			260
Homeownership	73%	70-76%	81%	71%
Severe housing cost burden	6%	4-9%	7%	10%
Broadband access	75%	71-79%	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

