

County Health Rankings[®] – 2017 – Summary for Franklin County
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Measure	Data Years	Franklin County			Comparisons		
		Rank* (1-16)	Rate	Error Margin	Maine	Best ME County	Top U.S. Performers*
Health Outcomes		6					
Length of Life: 50% weight in health outcomes ranking		3					
Premature Death (years of potential life lost before age 75 (per 100,000 pop))	'12-'14		5792	4766–6819	6400	5100	5200
Quality of Life: 50% weight in health outcomes ranking		11					
Poor or Fair Health (% adults)*	2015		13%	12.5–13.4%	15%	10%	12%
Poor Physical Health Days (mean # days in past 30)	2015		3.7	3.5–3.9	3.8	2.9	3.0
Poor Mental Health Days (mean # days in past 30)	2015		3.9	3.7–4.1	4.0	3.4	3.0
Live Births with Low Birth weight (% <2500 grams)	'08-'12		7.2%	6.0–8.3%	6.7%	5.6%	6.0%
Health Factors		8					
Health Behaviors: 30% weight in health factors ranking		8					
Current Smokers (% adults)*	2015		18%	17.4–18.9%	19%	13%	14%
Diet and Exercise:							
Adults with Obesity (% Body Mass Index ≥30)*	2013		30%	27.3–33.2%	28%	23%	26%
Healthy Food Environment Index (0 (worst) to 10 (best))	2014		7.7		7.4	7.9	8.4
No Physical Activity in Past 30 days† (% ages 20+)*	2013		21%	18.1–23.1%	20%	15%	19%
Access to Exercise Opportunities (% population)	'10,'14		58%		68%	84%	91%
Alcohol and Drug Use:							
Excessive Drinking in Past 30 Days (% adults)*	2014		18%	16.9–18.3%	20%	15%	12%
Alcohol-Impaired Driving Deaths (% deaths)	'11-'15		42%	32.3–51.7%	40%	0%	13%
High Risk Sexual Behavior:							
Newly Diagnosed Chlamydia Cases (# per 100,000 pop)	2014		213		265.8	129.0	145.5
Teen Birth Rate (per 1,000 females ages 15–19)	'08-'14		20	17–23	21	12	17
Clinical Care: 20% weight in health factors ranking		5					
Access to Care:							
Uninsured Adults (% ages <65)	2014		14%	12–15%	12%	10%	8%
Ratio of Population to Primary Care Physicians	2014		842:1		900:1	630:1	1040:1
Ratio of Population to Dentists	2015		2499:1		1690:1	1160:1	1320:1
Ratio of Population to Mental Health Providers	2016		380:1		240:1	160:1	360:1
Quality of Care (for Medicare Enrollees):							
Preventable Hospital Stays (per 1,000 enrollees)	2014		47	41–54	47	34	36
Diabetic Monitoring (% diabetics who had HbA1c tested)	2014		91%	82–100%	89%	92%	91%
Mammography (% females ages 67–69)	2014		70%	60–79%	69%	75%	71%
Socio-Economic Factors: 40% weight in factors ranking		8					
Education:							
Ninth Graders who graduate in 4 years (%)	'14-'15		89%		87%	91%	95%
Some Post-Secondary Education (% ages 25–44)	'11-'15		61%	54–68%	65%	75%	72%
Unemployment (% ages 16+)	2015		4.8%		4.4%	3.4%	3.3%
Income:							
Children in Poverty (% ages <18)	2015		21%	15–28%	18%	11%	12%
Income Inequality (gap between lower/upper income)	'11-'15		4.3		4.6	4.0	3.7
Family & Social Support:							
Children in Single-Parent Households (% ages <18)	'11-'15		33%	26–41%	33%	28%	21%
Social (Membership) Associations (per 10,000 pop)	2014		10.2		11.2	14.9	22.1
Community Safety:							
Violent Crimes (# per 100,000 pop)	'12-'14		117		127	48	62
Injury Deaths (# per 100,000 pop)	'11-'15		65	53–79	70	60	53
Physical Environment: 10% weight in factors ranking		1					
Air and Water Quality:							
Daily Air Pollution (avg fine particulate matter density)	2012		7.2		7.4	6.5	6.7
Drinking Water Safety (1+ violations)	FY13/14		No		N/A	N/A	N/A
Housing and Transit:							
Severe Housing Problems (% households)	'09-'13		14%	11–16%	16%	13%	9%
Driving Alone to Work (% workforce)	'11-'15		73%	70–77%	78%	70%	72%
Commute 30+ Minutes (% workers who drive alone)	'11-'15		32%	28–36%	31%	18%	15%

* Ranking of Maine counties: 1 (Highest) to 16 (Lowest).

† Self-reported.

* Only 10% of counties throughout the US had better rates.

County Health Rankings[®] – 2014 vs. 2017 – Summary for Franklin County
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Measure	Franklin County 2017				Comparison - 2014 Rankings			
	Data Years	Rank* (1-16)	Rate	Error Margin	Data Years	Rank* (1-16)	Rate	Error Margin
Health Outcomes		6				8		
Length of Life: 50% weight in health outcomes ranking		3				6		
Premature Death (years of potential life lost before age 75 (per 100,000 pop))	'12-'14		5792	4766-6819	'08-'10		6096	5054-7139
Quality of Life: 50% weight in health outcomes ranking		11				10		
Poor or Fair Health (% adults)*	2015		13%	12.5-13.4%			<i>Changed how rate was estimated</i>	
Poor Physical Health Days (mean # days in past 30)	2015		3.7	3.5-3.9			<i>Changed how rate was estimated</i>	
Poor Mental Health Days (mean # days in past 30)	2015		3.9	3.7-4.1			<i>Changed how rate was estimated</i>	
Live Births with Low Birth weight (% <2500 grams)	'08-'12		7.2%	6.0-8.3%	'05-'11		6.8%	5.7-7.9%
Health Factors		8				12		
Health Behaviors: 30% weight in health factors ranking		8				9		
Current Smokers (% adults)*	2015		18%	17.4-18.9%			<i>Changed how rate was estimated</i>	
Diet and Exercise:								
Adults with Obesity (% Body Mass Index ≥30)*	2013		30%	27.3-33.2%	2010		30%	27.5-33.1%
Healthy Food Environment Index (0 (worst) to 10 (best))	2014		7.7		2011		7.9	
No Physical Activity in Past 30 days (% ages 20+)*	2013		21%	18.1-23.1%	2010		22%	19.7-24.4%
Access to Exercise Opportunities (% population)	'10,'14		58%		'10,'12		40%	
Alcohol and Drug Use:								
Excessive Drinking in Past 30 Days (% adults)*	2014		18%	16.9-18.3%			<i>Changed how rate was estimated</i>	
Alcohol-Impaired Driving Deaths (% deaths)	'11-'15		42%	32.3-51.7%	'08-'12		43%	
High Risk Sexual Behavior:								
Newly Diagnosed Chlamydia Cases (# per 100,000 pop)	2014		213		2011		228	
Teen Birth Rate (per 1,000 females ages 15-19)	'08-'14		20	17-23	'05-'11		21	18-24
Clinical Care: 20% weight in health factors ranking		5				13		
Access to Care:								
Uninsured Adults (% ages <65)	2014		14%	12-15%	2011		14%	13-16%
Ratio of Population to Primary Care Physicians	2014		842:1		2011		831:1	
Ratio of Population to Dentists	2015		2499:1		2012		2553:1	
Ratio of Population to Mental Health Providers	2016		380:1				<i>Data unavailable due to error</i>	
Quality of Care (for Medicare Enrollees):								
Preventable Hospital Stays (per 1,000 enrollees)	2014		47	41-54	2011		66	57-74
Diabetic Monitoring (% diabetics who had HbA1c tested)	2014		91%	82-100%	2011		85%	76-94%
Mammography (% females ages 67-69)	2014		70%	60-79%	2011		71%	62-80%
Socio-Economic Factors: 40% weight in factors ranking		8				13		
Education:								
Ninth Graders who graduate in 4 years (%)	'14-'15		89%		'10-'11		81%	
Some Post-Secondary Education (% ages 25-44)	'11-'15		61%	54-68%	'08-'12		57%	50-63%
Unemployment (% ages 16+)	2015		4.8%		2012		9.3%	
Income:								
Children in Poverty (% ages <18)	2015		21%	15-28%	2012		25%	19-31%
Income Inequality (gap between lower/upper income)	'11-'15		4.3				<i>Not included until 2015</i>	
Family & Social Support:								
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Social (Membership) Associations (per 10,000 pop)	2014		10.2				<i>Not included until 2015</i>	
Community Safety:								
Violent Crimes (# per 100,000 pop)	'12-'14		117		'09-'11		148	
Injury Deaths (# per 100,000 pop)	'11-'15		65	53-79	'06-'10		66	53-79
Physical Environment: 10% weight in factors ranking		1				4		
Air and Water Quality:								
Daily Air Pollution (avg fine particulate matter density)	2012		7.2		2011		10.5	
Drinking Water Safety (1+ violations)	FY13/14		No				<i>Metric changed</i>	
Housing and Transit:								
Severe Housing Problems (% households)	'09-'13		14%	11-16%	'06-'10		13%	10-15%
Driving Alone to Work (% workforce)	'11-'15		73%	70-77%	'08-'12		74%	71-77%
Commute 30+ Minutes (% workers who drive alone)	'11-'15		32%	28-36%	'08-'12		30%	27-34%

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