

2025 Whitman County Annual Health Summary



See below for a quick summary of Whitman County's health trends.

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Our Community's Health Snapshot

Improved

- Homicide Rate
- Drug overdose deaths
- People with health insurance
- Infant deaths
- Youth tobacco use
- Adolescents treated with diagnosed depression
- Aerobic and muscle-strengthening activity in adults

Worsened

- Suicide rate
- People who get the flu vaccine every year
- Household food insecurity
- Dental care rate
- 4th-grade reading skills
- Adults screened for colorectal cancer
- Adult cigarette smoking
- Employment rate
- Adult binge drinking

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Our Community's Health Priorities

Mental & Behavioral Health

Suicide Rate	2024 19.4	2025 25 ↑
Mental Illness Hospitalizations	2022 81.12	2023 112.9 ↑
People receiving mental health care (through Medicaid)	2023 59%	2024 60% ↑
People receiving treatment from substance use disorder (through Medicaid)	2023 32%	2024 32%
People prescribed opioids with sedatives (through Medicaid)	2024 7.4%	2025 7.1% ↓
People on chronic opioid therapy ≥ 50mg morphine (through Medicaid)	2024 4.9%	2025 4.2% ↓

Preventive Care

Routine Checkups for Youth (3-21 years) (through Medicaid)	2023 39%	2024 25% ↓
Routine Checkups for Older Adults (through Medicaid)	2022 32%	2023 33% ↑
Colorectal Cancer Screenings (50 - 75 years) (through Medicaid)	2023 39%	2024 34% ↓
Breast Cancer Screening (Females 50-74 years) (through Medicaid)	2023 50%	2024 45% ↓
Cervical Cancer Screening (Females 21-64 years) (through Medicaid)	2023 36%	2024 39% ↑

Standard of Living

Families with children in poverty	2022 11.7%	2023 12.9% ↑	Children who are homeless	2023 1.6%	2024 1.5% ↓
Seniors (65+ years) in poverty	2022 9.7%	2023 11% ↑	Child care costs as a percentage of income	2023 28%	2024 24% ↓
Households using Food Stamps in last year	2021 8.9%	2022 9.2% ↑			