

Supplemental Digital Content: Measuring sub-county differences in population health using hospital and census-derived data sets: the Missouri ZIP Health Rankings project

Description of ZIP Code-Level Candidate Model Variables Evaluated by County Health Rankings Domain:

Health Outcomes: The candidate variable data set for the health outcomes domain was drawn from hospital discharge data. Mortality subdomain variables were based on years of potential life lost and number of hospital deaths prior to age 75, measured as a rate of the population. In-hospital deaths were identified using discharge codes indicating expiration during the hospitalization. Quality of life subdomain variables included 1) overall rates of hospital utilization; 2) indicators of neonatal health based on ICD 9-CM codes diagnosing low birth weight, preterm births, light body weight for age, infant malnutrition, delayed growth and immaturity; 3) rates of hospital utilization for mental health-related diseases and disorders as indicated by Major Diagnostic Category (MDC) 19; and 4) rates of hospital diagnoses for eleven chronic conditions based on the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality's Clinical Classification Software (AHRQ CCS) using definitions from the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS).

Health Factors: Candidate variables were categorized into four subdomains in accordance with the CHR population health framework.²⁹ The health behaviors subdomain included population-based rates of hospital diagnoses for primary and secondary tobacco smoke exposure, obesity, alcohol and substance abuse (MDC 20), sexually transmitted infections and teen births or pregnancies, as indicated by female patients under age 20 with a hospital encounter for pregnancy, childbirth and puerperium (MDC 14). Behavioral variables not identified with MDC codes were identified using arrays of ICD 9-CM codes.

The clinical care subdomain included candidate variables drawn from hospital discharge records and Nielsen, including the 1) rates of potentially avoidable emergency department utilization identified with the NYU ED Classification Algorithm³⁰; 2) rate of hospital utilization by

uninsured patients as indicated by expected primary payer codes of self-pay or charity care; 3) rate of after-hours emergency department visits; 4) percent of the civilian population employed in health care; 5) rate of high risk mammography occurring in hospital settings; and 6) preventable hospitalizations identified with the AHRQ Prevention Quality Indicator methodology.

The social and economic factors subdomain was drawn primarily from Nielsen data. Education was measured with the percent of the population age 25 and older with less than a high school education, a high school education, or some college education. Candidate employment variables included the unemployment rate and percent of the labor force in a blue collar occupation. County- and ZIP-code-level income and poverty was measured with the poverty rate for families with children, income inequality as measured by the ratio of median household income for white and black families, overall median household income, median home values, and the rate of hospital utilization by Medicaid-eligible patients. The candidate social support variables included average household size and the percentage of female-headed households.

Candidate variables in hospital and Nielsen data for the environmental health factors were limited. For the health factor subdomain candidate variables for environmental conditions we used available data which included hospital utilization for asthma, the rate of injury-related mortality, the rate of assault-related hospital diagnoses, the housing vacancy rate and the percent of renter-occupied housing units.

Supplemental Digital Content Table 1. Data Elements and Sources

Domain	Measure	Source	Final		
			Model	Purpose	
Health Outcomes	Mortality	Rate of years of potential life lost (YPLL) before age 75 occurring in a hospital setting (ZIP and County-Level)	J	Y	Model Input
		Rate of deaths before age 75 occurring in a hospital setting (ZIP and County-Level)	J	Y	Model Input
		Rate of YPLL before age 75 (ZIP and County-Level)	M		External Validity
		Rate of YPLL before age 75 for external validation (County-Level)	G		External Validity
	QOL	Rate of YPLL before age 75 for external validation (ZIP-Level)	I		External Validity
		Prevalence of hospital diagnosis of various chronic conditions (ZIP and County-Level)	J		Model Input
		Inpatient and ED Hospital utilization rates (ZIP and County-Level)	J	Y	Model Input
		Prevalence of low birth-weight and high-risk pregnancies (ZIP and County-Level)	J	Y	Model Input
		Hospital utilization rates for mental health disorders (ZIP and County-Level)	J	Y	Model Input
		Prevalence of self-reported chronic conditions (County-Level)	H		External Validity
		Prevalence of self-reported physical health status (County-Level)	H		External Validity
		Prevalence of self-reported mental health status (County-Level)	H		External Validity
		Prevalence of low birthweight and preterm births (ZIP and County-Level)	F		External Validity
		Health Behaviors	Diagnosed smoking rate (ZIP and County-Level)	J	
Diagnosed obesity rate (ZIP and County-Level)	J			Model Input	
Diagnosed alcohol/substance abuse rate (ZIP and County-Level)	J			Model Input	
Teen birth/pregnancy rate (ZIP and County-Level)	J		Y	Model Input	
Diagnosed STI rate (ZIP and County-Level)	J		Y	Model Input	
Adult smoking rate (County-Level)	H			External Validity	
Adult obesity rate (County-Level)	B			External Validity	
Excessive drinking rate (County-Level)	A			External Validity	
Teen birth rate (County-Level)	L			External Validity	
Rate of newly diagnosed chlamydia cases (County-Level)	N			External Validity	
Clinical Care	Population 16+ employed in health care occupation (ZIP and County-Level)		O	Y	Model Input
	Rate of uninsured hospital visits (ZIP and County-Level)		J		Model Input
	Rate of potentially avoidable ED visits using the NYU ED Classification Algorithm (ZIP and County-Level)		J		Model Input
	Rate of after hours ED visits (ZIP and County-Level)		J	Y	Model Input
	Uninsured rate under age 65 (County-Level)	Q		External Validity	
	HPSA and MUA/P Designation (County-Level)	P		External Validity	
	AHRQ Prevention Quality Indicators (ZIP and County-Level)	K	Y	Model Input	
	Rate of Mammographies for High-Risk Patients (ZIP and County-Level)	J		Model Input	
	Rate of preventable hospitalizations (County-Level)	D		External Validity	
	Rate of female Medicare enrollees ages 67-69 that receive mammography	D		External Validity	
Environment	Rate of diagnosed assault-gun, weapon, rape, etc. (ZIP and County-Level)	J	Y	Model Input	
	Rate of hospital mortality for injury (ZIP and County-Level)	J	Y	Model Input	
	Rate of hospital utilization for asthma (ZIP and County-Level)	J		Model Input	
	Housing vacancy rate (ZIP and County-Level)	O		Model Input	
	Renter occupied housing rate (ZIP and County-Level)	O		Model Input	
Socioeconomic Status	Percent age 25+ with less than high school (ZIP and County-Level)	O	Y	Model Input	
	Unemployment rate (ZIP and County-Level)	O	Y	Model Input	
	Housing Characteristics (ZIP and County-Level)	O		Model Input	
	Childhood poverty rate (ZIP and County-Level)	O	Y	Model Input	
	Median Household Income (ZIP and County-Level)	O	Y	Model Input	
	Rate of Medicaid hospital visits (ZIP and County-Level)	J		Model Input	
	Household composition (ZIP and County-Level)	O		Model Input	
	High school graduation Z-score (County-Level)	C		External Validity	
	Some college (County-Level)	C		External Validity	
	Unemployment Z-score (County-Level)	C		External Validity	
	Severe housing problem Z-score (County-Level)	C		External Validity	
	Children in poverty Z-score (County-Level)	C		External Validity	
	Income inequality Z-score (County-Level)	C		External Validity	
	Children in single-parent households Z-score (County-Level)	C		External Validity	
	Violent crime Z-score (County-Level)	C		External Validity	
Injury deaths Z-score (County-Level)	C		External Validity		
Pre-validated small-area socioeconomic deprivation index (ZIP and County-Level)	E	Y	Model Input		

Sources

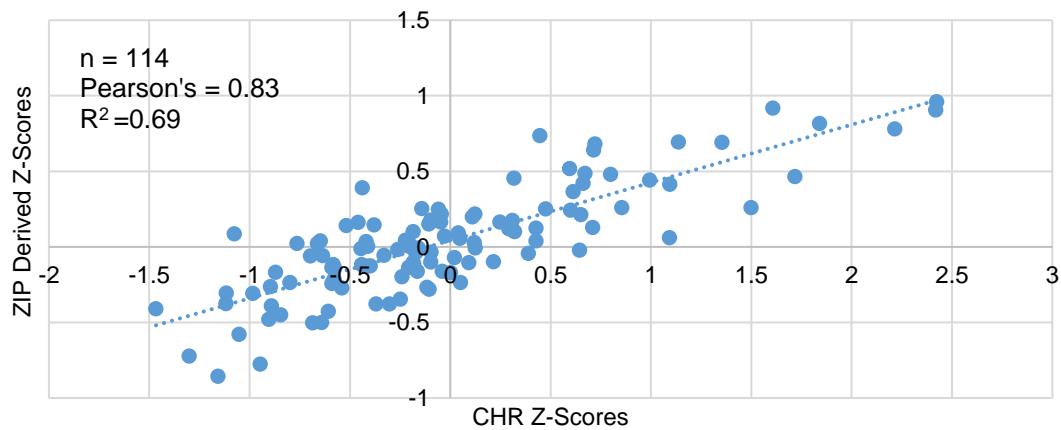
A	BRFSS (2006 - 2012)
B	CDC Diabetes Interactive Atlas (2011)
C	County Health Rankings and Roadmaps (2015)
D	Dartmouth Atlas of Health Care (2012)
E	Author 2011 [details removed for peer review]
F	Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, Birth MICA (multi-year through 2013)
G	Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, Bureau of Vital Records (multi-year through 2012)
H	Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, County-Level Study (2002-2003, 2007, 2011)
I	Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, Death MICA (multi-year through 2013)
J	Missouri Hospital Association, HIDI Inpatient and Outpatient Hospital Discharge Databases (multi-year through 2014)
K	Missouri Hospital Association, HIDI Inpatient Hospital Discharge Databases (multi-year through 2014)
L	National Center for Health Statistics - Natality files (2006 - 2012)
M	National Center for Health Statistics (multi-year through 2013)
N	National Center for HIV/AIDS, Viral Hepatitis, STD, and TB Prevention (2012)
O	Nielsen-Claritas PopFacts Premier (multi-year through 2014)
P	U.S. Health Resource Services Administration (2015)
Q	US. Census SAHIE (2013)

Supplemental Digital Content Table 2. Pairwise Correlations Between Derived and CHR Subdomain Scores for 114 MO Counties

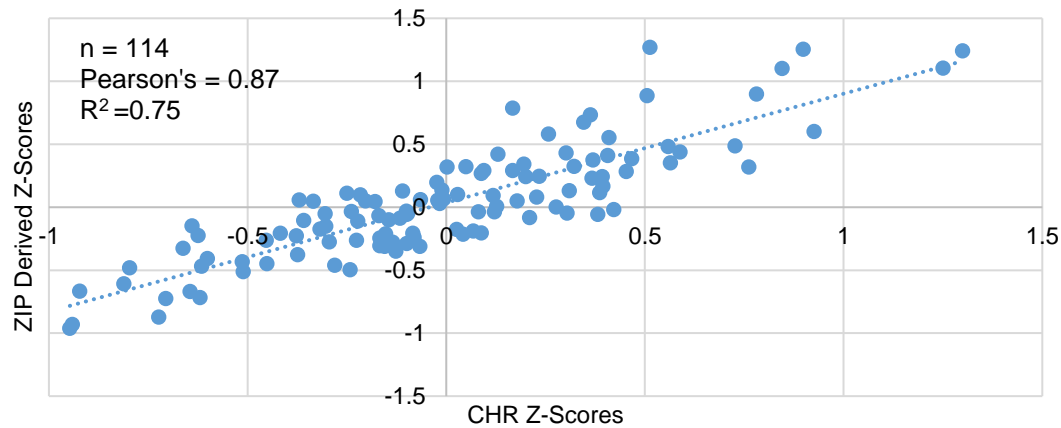
Subdomain	Key Input Variables	Input Variance Explained	CHR Subdomain Correlation
Mortality	Premature Death Rate, Years Productive Life Lost (YPLL)	0.93	0.64
Quality of Life	ED visits, IP Visits, Low Birthweight, Psychiatric Diagnoses	0.59	0.5
Behavior	Teen Pregnancy, Sexually-Transmitted Infections	0.71	0.58
Clinical Access	Off Hours ED visits, Healthcare worker density, AHRQ PQI Total	0.49	0.62
Environment	Assault Diagnoses, Injury-related Mortality	0.59	0.34
SES	Education < HS, Unemployment, Kids in Poverty, Median HHY, Socioeconomic Deprivation Index	0.74	0.79

*One Missouri county was excluded due to insufficient data.

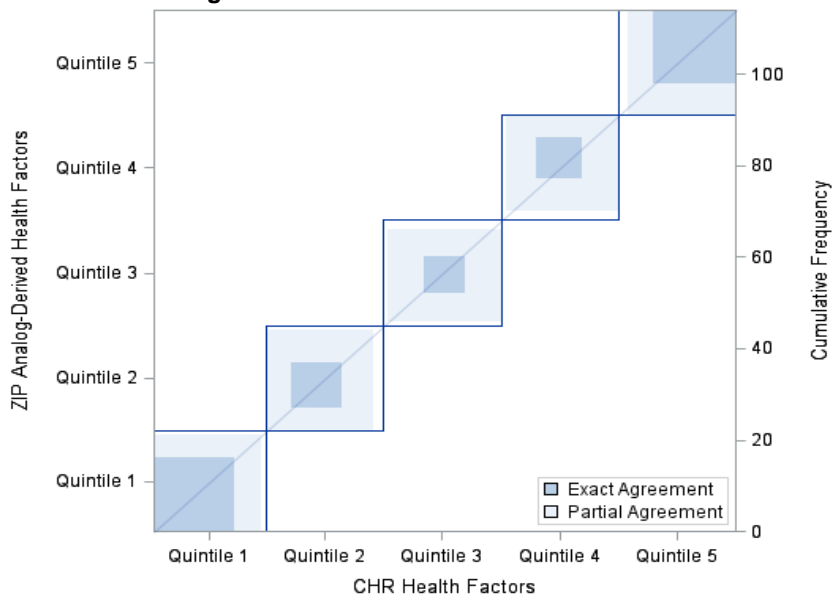
Supplemental Digital Content Figure 1. Scatter Plot of 2015 CHR and ZIP Analog Derived Health Outcomes Z-Scores for Missouri Counties



Supplemental Digital Content Figure 2. Scatter Plot of 2015 CHR and ZIP Analog Derived Health Factors Z-Scores for Missouri Counties

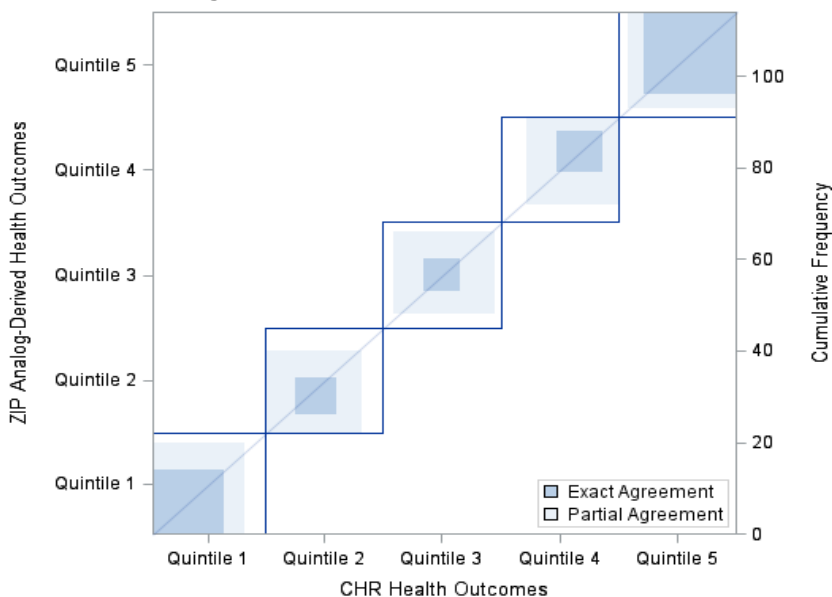


Supplemental Digital Content Figure 3: Agreement Chart and Cross-Tabulation for 2015 CHR and ZIP Analog Derived Health Factors Quintiles for Missouri Counties



	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5
Q1	16	5	1	0	0
Q2	5	10	6	2	0
Q3	1	7	8	7	0
Q4	0	1	6	9	7
Q5	0	0	2	5	16

Supplemental Digital Content Figure 4: Agreement Chart and Cross-Tabulation for 2015 CHR and ZIP Analog Derived Health Outcome Quintiles for Missouri Counties



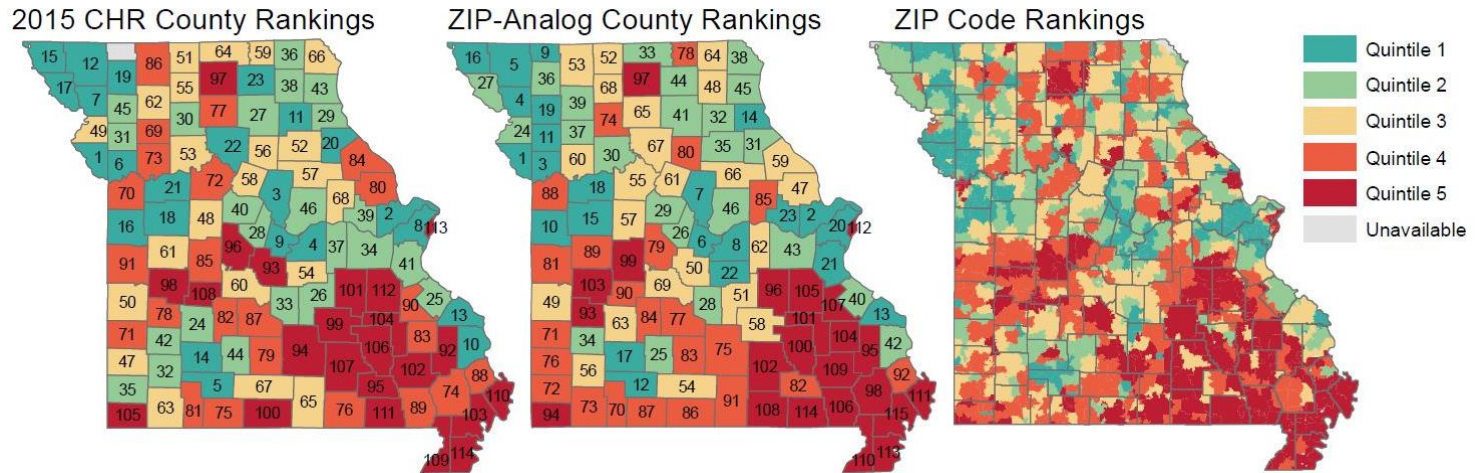
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5
Q1	14	4	3	1	0
Q2	6	8	5	3	1
Q3	2	6	7	7	1
Q4	0	5	6	9	3
Q5	0	0	2	3	18

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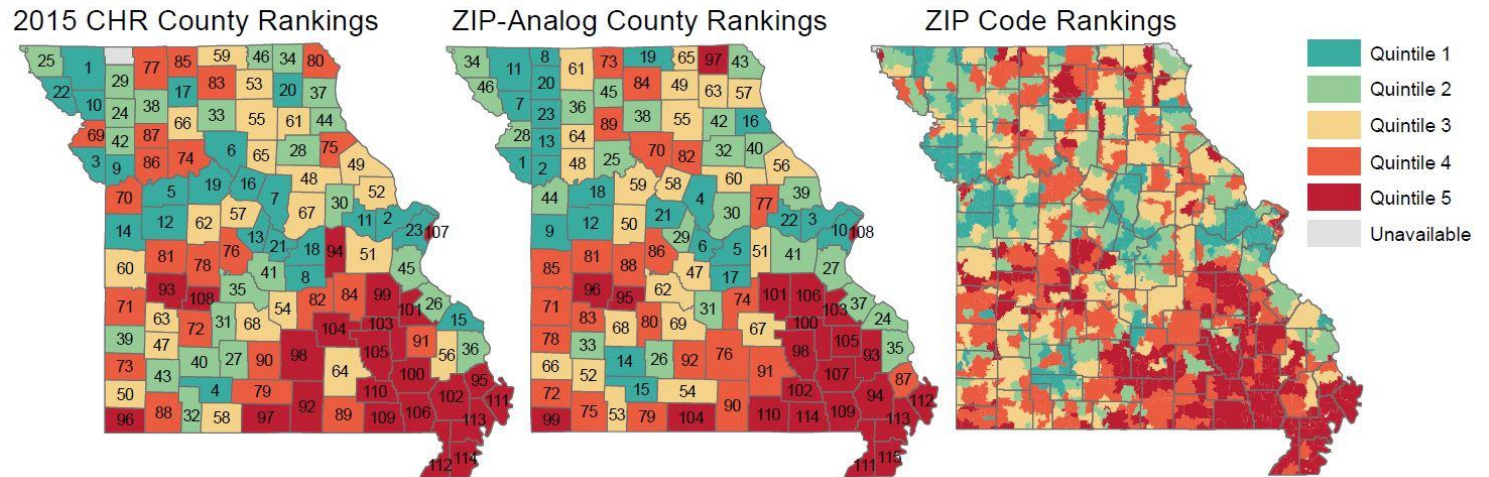
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Supplemental Digital Content Figure 5. County and ZIP-Level Rankings Derived from Hospital and Census-Derived Datasets vs. 2015 County Health Rankings Results

Health Factors

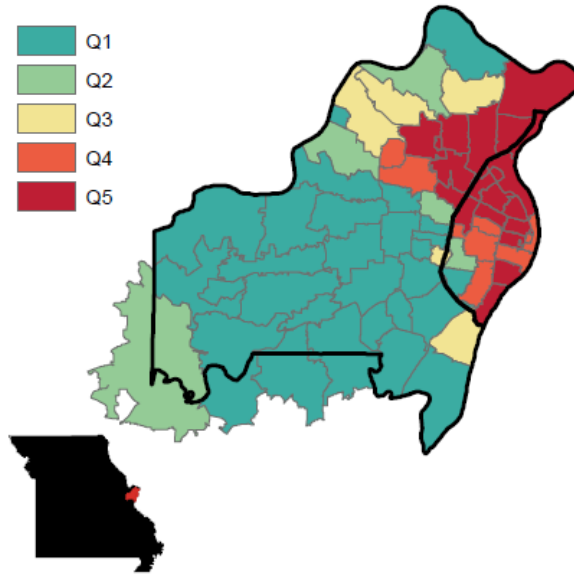


Health Outcomes



Supplemental Digital Content Figure 6. Subcounty Variation in Health Factors and Outcomes in Urban St. Louis City & County, Missouri

ZIP Ranking Range:
2 to 964 (of 976)



St. Louis city and County Characteristics

Health Factors Rank: 114 & 3 of 115
 Health Outcomes Rank: 111 & 20 of 115
 2015 Combined Population 1,319,047
 Percent Non-White: 35.9

Top-Ranked ZIP Codes

ZIP	Name	Statewide Rank of 976
63005	Chesterfield	2
63038	Glencoe	4
63040	Grover	5

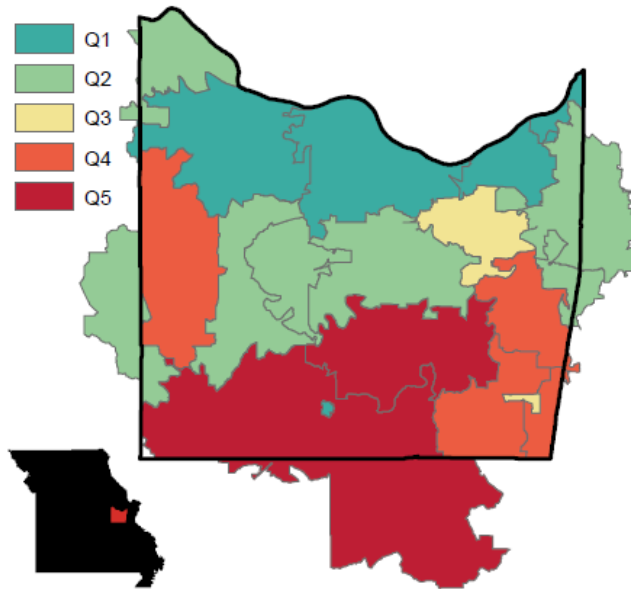
Bottom-Ranked ZIP Codes

ZIP	Name	Statewide Rank of 976	Top Health Determinant	Top Social Determinant
63107	North City E.	964	Asthma	Unemployment
63113	The Ville	963	Asthma	Unemployment
63115	North City W.	962	Asthma	Unemployment
63133	Pagedale-Wellston	942	Asthma	Single Parent Household
63136	Jennings	929	Asthma	Single Parent Household
63134	Berkeley	914	Asthma	Single Parent Household

Sources: Author's Calculations, 2016 County Health Rankings, and Roadmaps and U.S. Census Bureau QuickFacts

Supplemental Digital Content Figure 7. Subcounty Variation in Health Factors and Outcomes in Rural Franklin County, Missouri

ZIP Ranking Range:
158 to 828 (of 976)



Franklin County Characteristics

Health Factors Rank: 38 of 115
 Health Outcomes Rank: 35 of 115
 2015 Population 102,426
 Percent Non-White: 3.4

Top-Ranked ZIP Codes

ZIP	Name	Statewide Rank of 976
63068	New Haven	158
63055	Labadie	165
63090	Washington	180

Bottom-Ranked ZIP Codes

ZIP	Name	Statewide Rank of 976	Top Health Determinant	Top Social Determinant
63077	Saint Clair	828	Smoking	Unemployment
63080	Sullivan	810	Mental Health	ED Visits
63041	Grubville	753	Premature Deaths	Childhood Poverty
63072	Robertsville	686	Smoking	Unemployment
63037	Gerald	649	Kidney Disease	Preventable ED Visits
63060	Lonedell	645	Smoking	Unemployment

Sources: Author's Calculations, 2016 County Health Rankings, and Roadmaps and U.S. Census Bureau QuickFacts