

Ouachita (OU)



Health Outcomes

Ouachita (OU) is ranked in the lower middle range of parishes in Louisiana (Lower 25%-50%)



Health Factors

Ouachita (OU) is ranked in the higher middle range of parishes in Louisiana (Higher 50%-75%)

Parish Demographics -

		Parish	State
Population		152,439	4,645,318
% below 18 years of age		24.5%	23.3%
% 65 and older		15.8%	16.4%
% Non-Hispanic Black		37.8%	32.4%
% American Indian & Alaska Native		0.3%	0.8%
% Asian		1.1%	1.9%
% Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander		0.1%	0.1%
% Hispanic		2.3%	5.4%
% Non-Hispanic White		57.4%	58.1%
% not proficient in English	0	0%	1%
% Females		52.2%	51.3%
% Rural		24.2%	26.8%



		Ouachita (OU) Parish	Trend	Error Margin	Top U.S. Performers	Louisiana	
Health Outcomes							
Length of Life							
Premature death	0	<u>11,400</u>	~	10,800-12,000	5,600	10,200	
Quality of Life							
Poor or fair health	0	25%		22-27%	15%	22%	
Poor physical health days	0	4.8		4.5-5.1	3.4	4.6	
Poor mental health days	0	5.6		5.3-5.9	4.0	5.6	
Low birthweight		<u>12%</u>		12-13%	6%	11%	
Additional Health Outcomes (not included in overall ranking) –							
COVID-19 age-adjusted mortality	0	155		137-174	43	118	
Life expectancy		<u>73.6</u>		73.1-74.1	80.6	75.2	
Premature age-adjusted mortality		<u>540</u>		520-560	290	490	
Child mortality		<u>90</u>		80-110	40	70	
Infant mortality		<u>10</u>		9-12	4	8	
Frequent physical distress	0	16%		14-17%	10%	14%	
Frequent mental distress	0	19%		17-20%	13%	19%	
Diabetes prevalence	0	13%		12-14%	8%	11%	
HIV prevalence		508			38	551	



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Health Factors							
Health Behaviors							
Adult smoking	0	23%		20-26%	15%	23%	
Adult obesity	0	37%		36-38%	30%	36%	
Food environment index		6.0			8.8	5.0	
Physical inactivity	0	34%		32-37%	23%	32%	
Access to exercise opportunities		69%			86%	72%	
Excessive drinking	0	20%		19-21%	15%	22%	
Alcohol-impaired driving deaths		25%	<u>~</u>	21-30%	10%	31%	
Sexually transmitted infections		946.0	~		161.8	777.2	
Teen births		<u>34</u>		32-36	11	30	
Additional Health Behaviors (not included in overall ranking) –							
Food insecurity		17%			9%	16%	
Limited access to healthy foods		15%			2%	11%	
Drug overdose deaths		<u>20</u>		16-25	11	31	
Motor vehicle crash deaths		<u>17</u>		15-20	9	17	
Insufficient sleep	0	40%		39-42%	32%	38%	



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Social & Economic Factors	Ouachita (OU) Parish	Trend	Error Margin	Top U.S. Performers	Louisiana
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High school completion	88%		87-89%	94%	86%
Some college	55%		51-59%	74%	58%
Unemployment	7.4%	~		4.0%	8.3%
Children in poverty	<u>33%</u>	~	25-42%	9%	24%
Income inequality	5.9		5.4-6.4	3.7	5.4
Children in single-parent households	41%		37-44%	14%	35%
Social associations	12.5			18.1	9.5
Violent crime	1,378	~		63	541
Injury deaths	<u>96</u>		89-103	61	96