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Langlade County 2023 Health Rankings Released

The County Health Rankings rank the overall health of nearly every county in all 50 states. The County Health Rankings rank two factors; health outcomes which represents how healthy a county is right now and health factors that represents things that we can modify to improve the length or quality of life. The 2023 County Health Rankings that were released showed that Langlade County is ranked at 56 of 72 counties in the state of Wisconsin

The county is ranked among the top 25% least healthy counties in the state in both health outcomes and health factors.

The 2023 County Health Rankings identified the following areas of strength:

Measure	Langlade County	Wisconsin
Uninsured Percentage of population under age 65 without health insurance	8%	7%
Primary Care Physicians Ratio of population to primary care physicians.	1,190:1	1,240:1
Mammography Screening Percentage of female Medicare enrollees ages 65-74 that received an annual mammography screening.	47%	43%
Social Associations Number of membership associations per 10,000 population.	14.6	11.2



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The 2023 County Health Rankings identified the following areas for improvement:

Measure	Langlade County	Wisconsin
Adult Smoking Percentage of adults who are current smokers (age-adjusted).	21%	16%
Adult Obesity Percentage of the adult population (age 18 and older) that reports a body mass index (BMI) greater than or equal to 30 kg/m2 (age-adjusted).	36%	33%
Physical Inactivity Percentage of adults age 18 and over reporting no leisure-time physical activity (age-adjusted).	23%	20%
Excessive Drinking Percentage of adults reporting binge or heavy drinking (age-adjusted)	28%	26%
Teen Births Number of births per 1,000 female population ages 15-19.	22	14

The Langlade County health department has put emphasis on three top priority areas (alcohol and other drugs, mental well-being, and healthy living/active lifestyle) as outlined in the Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) 2023-2025 to try and combat the low rating in health outcomes in the county. “We all have a stake in creating a healthier community and no single sector alone can tackle the health challenges in Langlade County,” said Meghan Williams, Health Officer, Langlade County Health Department. “Collaboration is crucial,” she added.

As part of this collaboration effort, “Building a Healthier Langlade County” is working is a group of organizations, and citizens working collaboratively to address issues that affect health. Building a Healthier Langlade County meets monthly and anyone interested is invited to join. Please contact the Langlade County Health Department for more information at 715-627-6250. For a complete listing of the 2023 County Health Rankings visit, <https://bit.ly/42amzpa>.

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