

Missouri Opioid Overdose and Bloodborne Infection Vulnerability Assessments Supplementary Data



Ripley County

Ripley County is located in southeast Missouri along the Arkansas border and between years 2013 to 2017 had an estimated population of 13,807. Ripley County ranks 74 in population size among Missouri's 114 counties plus the independent city of St. Louis. The 2013-2017 unemployment rate in the county was 7.2%. This was higher than the statewide unemployment rate of 5.8%. In 2013-2017, the poverty rate was 23.4%, which was higher than the statewide poverty rate of 14.6%. The 2013-2017 median income of the county was \$33,849. The population distribution is as follows:

Figure 1: Ripley County Population 2013-2017 5-Year Estimates

Demographics – Total Population										
Sex	Count	Percent		Age Group	Age Group Count					
Male	6,906	50.0		0 – 9 years	1,877	13.6				
Female	6,901	50.0		10 – 14 years	804	5.8				
Race				15 – 19 years	771	5.6				
Black/African										
American alone	32	0.2		20 – 24 years	726	5.3				
White alone	13,323	96.5		25 – 39 years	2,332	16.9				
Other	452	3.3		40 – 59 years	3,674	26.6				
Ethnicity				Over 60 years	3,623	26.2				
Hispanic	177	1.3		Median Age	42.5 years					
Non-Hispanic	13,630	98.7								

The Department of Health and Senior Services conducted two vulnerability assessments of Missouri counties. The indicators used for these assessments are included in the table below.

Figure 2: Comparison of Indicators for Missouri Vulnerability Assessments

	Opioid Overdose	Both	Bloodborne Infection			
Outcomes ht x 3)	Opioid-related Substance Use Disorder Treatment (SUDT) Admissions	Drug Overdose Deaths†‡¥	Bloodborne Illnesses (HIV, Acute and Chronic Hepatitis B, and Acute and Chronic Hepatitis C)†‡			
Individual Out (Weight x	Self-reported Frequent (>14 Per Month) Poor Mental Health Days	Opioid Misuse Emergency Room (ER) Visits	Hepatitis C Virus Among Ages 18 to 40			
Indiv		Drug-related Arrests	Injection Drug Use (IDU) Among Persons Receiving SUDT			
ors		Median Income†‡				
Factors x 1)		Poverty†				
ımunity (Weight		Lack of a High School Education†				
Community (Weight		Unemployment†‡				
Cor		Uninsured†				

[†] These indicators were considered for the National Vulnerability Assessment.

[‡] Analysis completed for the National Vulnerability Assessment found these indicators to be more strongly associated with acute hepatitis C virus infection, which was considered a proxy for unsafe injection drug use.

[¥] Drug Overdose Deaths = (0.5 weight x county of residence rate) + (0.5 weight x county of record rate).

Figure 3: Distribution of Final Ranks

Figure 3 shows the distribution of the final ranks among five quintiles. In the Missouri vulnerability assessments, Ripley County ranked 107 (5th quintile) for vulnerability to opioid overdoses. Ripley County ranked 102 (5th quintile) for vulnerability to bloodborne infections. In the Missouri assessments, counties in the fifth quintile are considered to be more vulnerable. Please note that Figure 3 shows the distribution when no ties occur. When a tie occurs on a break point, a shift in the distribution may occur.

Final Ranks	Quintile Points	Vulnerability Level
1-23	1	
24-46	2	
47-69	3	
70-92	4	
93-115	5	More vulnerable

Figure 4 Missouri Opioid Overdose Vulnerability Assessment

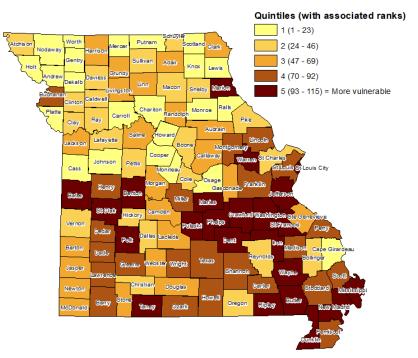


Figure 5: Individual Outcome Indicators

NOTE: Rates based on counts of 1 to 19 are considered unreliable and are shaded in gray.

Opioid Overdose Vulnerability Assessment Indicators											
County	Count: Drug Overdose (OD) Deaths by Residence County	Rate: Drug OD Deaths by Residence County	Count: Drug OD Deaths by County of Record	Rate: Drug OD Deaths by County of Record	Count: Opioid Misuse ER Visits	Rate: Opioid Misuse ER Visits	Count: Opioid- related SUDT	Rate: Opioid- related SUDT	Count: Drug-related Arrests	Rate: Drug-related Arrests	Rate: Self-reported Frequent Poor Mental Health Days
Ripley	8	19.4	6	14.6	47	1.1	6	44.2	126	928.9	20.8
Missouri	3,784	20.7	3,868	21.1	25,889	1.4	6,754	110.5	43,232	707.2	13.7

Figure 6
Missouri Bloodborne Infection
Vulnerability Assessment

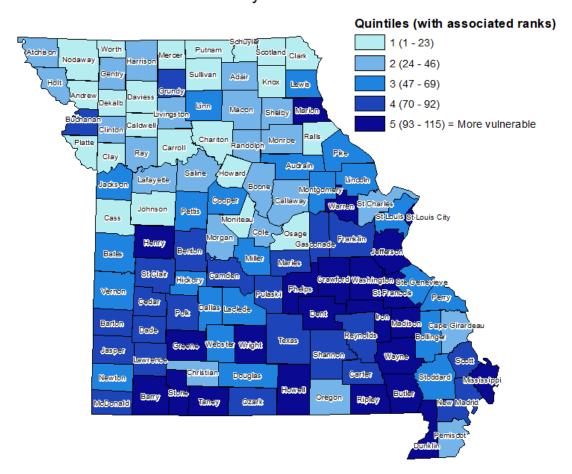


Figure 7: Individual Outcome Indicators

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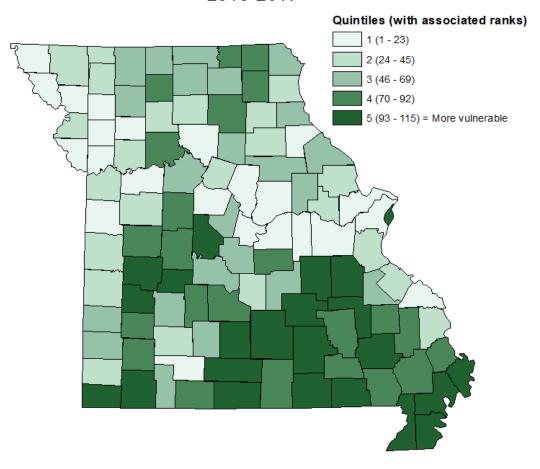
Bloodborne Infection Vulnerability Assessment Indicators														
County	Count: Drug OD Deaths by Residence County	Rate: Drug OD Deaths by Residence County	Count: Drug OD Deaths by County of Record	Rate: Drug OD Deaths by County of Record	Count: HIV, HBV, HCV	Rate: HIV, HBV, HCV	Count: HCV Among Ages 18 to 40	Rate: HCV Among Ages 18 to 40	Count: Opioid Misuse ER Visits	Rate: Opioid Misuse ER Visits	Count: IDU Among SUDT Recipients	Rate: IDU Among SUDT Recipients	Count: Drug-related Arrests	Rate: Drug-related Arrests
Ripley	8	19.4	6	14.6	39	94.7	15	144.9	47	1.1	14	103.2	126	928.9
Missouri	3,783	20.7	3,867	21.1	17,612	96.3	5,527	99.9	25,959	4.3	6,672	109.1	43,232	707.2

Figure 8: Community Factors

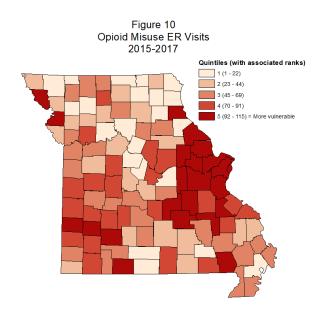
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Ripley County										
ACS Data 2013-2017 Rate Rank Quintile										
Lack of a High School Education	21.3%	105	5th							
Median Income	\$33,849	106	5th							
Poverty	23.4%	102	5th							
Unemployment	7.2%	85	4th							
Uninsured	14.5%	80	4th							

Social and economic factors within a community may impact available resources and influence vulnerability to opioid overdoses and bloodborne infections. Many of these indicators are interrelated. Data are from the U.S. Census Bureau's 2013-2017 American Community Survey (ACS).

Figure 9 Community Factors 2013-2017



Selected Individual Outcome Indicators

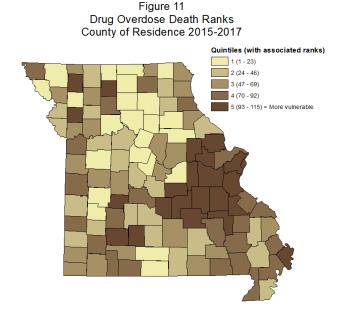


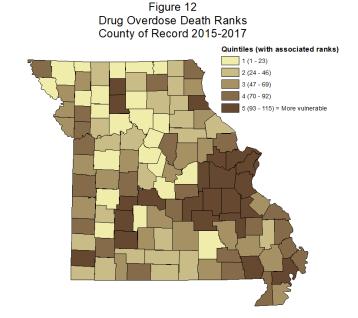
The 2015-2017 number of emergency room visits due to opioid misuse was 47, at a rate of 1.1 visits per 1,000 residents. This is rank 88 (4th quintile) for this indicator.

Ripley County ranks 75 (4th quintile) on the 2015-2017 combined drug overdose death rate indicator. This indicator considers both the decedent's county of residence and the decedent's county of record, which can be considered a proxy for the location of death.

By county of residence, the 2015-2017 number of Ripley County drug overdose deaths was 8, at a rate of 19.4 deaths per 100,000 population.

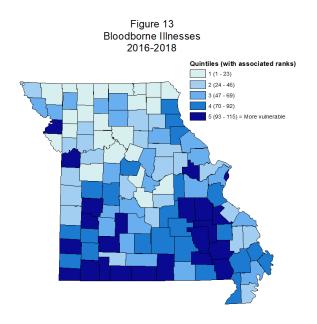
By county of record, the 2015-2017 number of Ripley County drug overdose deaths was 6, at a rate of 14.6 deaths per 100,000 population.

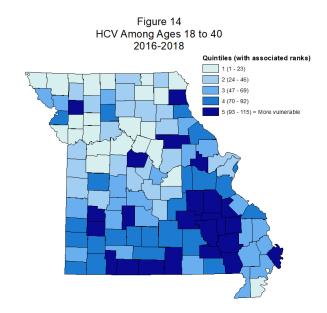




New cases of reported bloodborne illnesses (acute and chronic hepatitis B virus (HBV), acute and chronic hepatitis C virus (HCV), and human immunodeficiency virus (HIV)) for Ripley County totaled 39 for 2016-2018, at a rate of 94.7 cases per 100,000 residents. This is rank 84 (4th quintile) for bloodborne illnesses.

Per the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), "adults under 40 have the highest rate of new infections, largely because of the opioid crisis." In Ripley County, 15 new cases of acute and chronic HCV were identified among the 18- to 40-year-old age group in 2016-2018, for a rate of 144.9 cases per 100,000 residents. Ripley County ranks 81 (4th quintile) for this indicator.





Acute and chronic hepatitis C also significantly impact the 41- to 65-year-old age group. In 2016-2018, there were 21 new cases of acute and chronic hepatitis C identified in this age group, at a rate of 153.3 cases per 100,000 residents.

Out of 38 acute and chronic HCV cases, 22 (57.9%) were male. For the cases in which race was identified, 0 (0.0%) were African American. However, please interpret race data for HCV with caution, as race was not identified in 10 (26.3%) of all 2016-2018 HCV cases in Ripley County.

AIDS = Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome

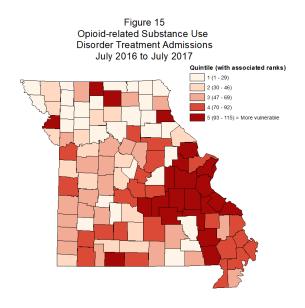
STD = Sexually Transmitted Disease

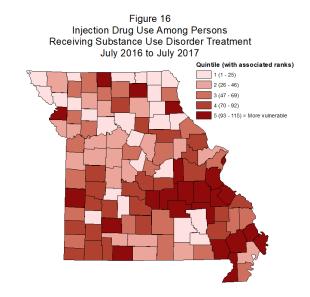
TB = Tuberculosis

[†] Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for HIV/AIDS, Viral Hepatitis, STD, and TB Prevention. CDC Estimates Nearly 2.4 Million Americans Living with Hepatitis C. (November 6, 2018). Accessed October 8, 2019, from https://www.cdc.gov/nchhstp/newsroom/2018/hepatitis-c-prevalence-estimates-press-release.html.

The number of people who received opioid-related substance use disorder treatment from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017 was 6, a rate of 44.2 persons per 100,000 population, placing this county in rank 50 (3rd quintile). This indicator was used only in the opioid overdose vulnerability assessment.

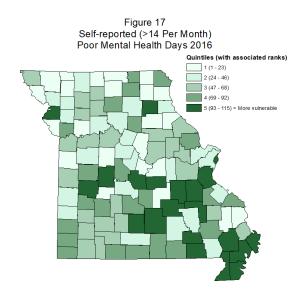
The number of persons receiving substance use disorder treatment and prior to treatment reported injecting drugs was 14, a rate of 103.2 persons per 100,000 population, placing this county in rank 65 (3rd quintile). This indicator was used only in the bloodborne infection vulnerability assessment.

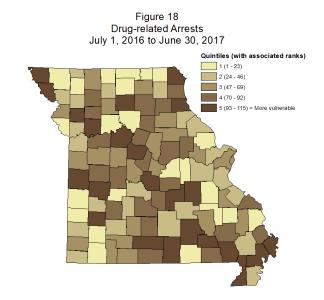




In 2016, 20.8 percent of Ripley County adults 18 years of age or older reported more than 14 poor mental health days per month. This placed Ripley County in rank 113 (5th quintile) for this indicator in the opioid overdose vulnerability assessment.

Between July 1, 2016 and June 30, 2017, a total of 126 drug-related arrests occurred in Ripley County, at a rate of 928.9 arrests per 100,000 population. Ripley County ranks 79 (4th quintile) for this indicator, which was used in both assessments.





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