

Missouri Opioid Overdose and Bloodborne Infection Vulnerability Assessments Supplementary Data



Washington County

Washington County is located in eastern Missouri and between years 2013 to 2017 had an estimated population of 24,968. Washington County ranks 45 in population size among Missouri's 114 counties plus the independent city of St. Louis. The 2013-2017 unemployment rate in the county was 9.9%. This was higher than the statewide unemployment rate of 5.8%. In 2013-2017, the poverty rate was 20.2%, which was higher than the statewide poverty rate of 14.6%. The 2013-2017 median income of the county was \$37,810. The population distribution is as follows:

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

Demographics – Total Population										
Sex	Count	Percent		Percent						
Male	12,855	51.5		0 – 9 years	3,038	12.1				
Female	12,113	48.5		10 – 14 years	1,743	7.0				
Race				15 – 19 years	5.9					
Black/African										
American alone	594	2.4		20 – 24 years	1,456	5.8				
White alone	23,725	95.0		25 – 39 years	4,583	18.4				
Other	649	2.6		40 – 59 years	7,174	28.7				
Ethnicity				Over 60 years	5,493	22.0				
Hispanic	320	1.3		Median Age	40.6 years					
Non-Hispanic	24,648	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

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	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							
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ımunity (Weight		Lack of a High School Education†								
Community (Weight		Unemployment†‡								
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[†] 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, Washington County ranked 108 (5th quintile) for vulnerability to opioid overdoses. Washington County ranked 104 (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

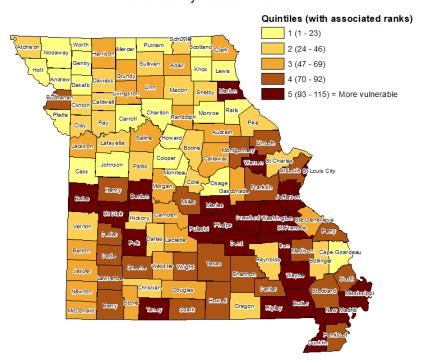


Figure 5: Individual Outcome Indicators

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
Washington	21	28.1	17	22.8	89	1.2	40	159.9	44	175.8	20.1
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

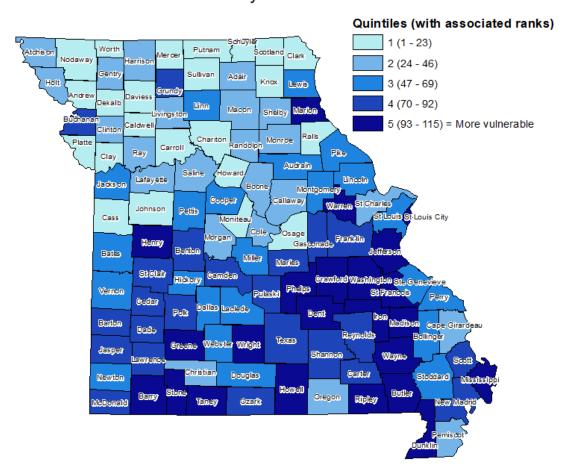


Figure 7: Individual Outcome Indicators

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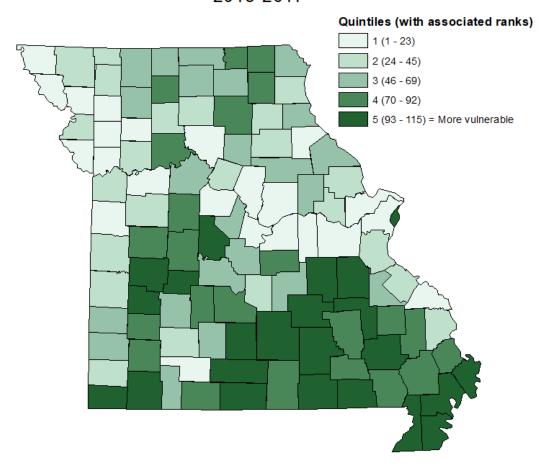
Bloodborne Infection Vulnerability Assessment Indicators														
County	Count: Drug OD Deaths by Residence County	Rate: Drug OD Deaths by Residence County	Count: Drug OD Deaths by County of Record	Rate: Drug OD Deaths by County of Record	Count: HIV, HBV, HCV	Rate: HIV, HBV, HCV	Count: HCV Among 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
Washington	21	28.1	17	22.8	86	115.2	39	194.2	89	1.2	38	151.9	44	175.8
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

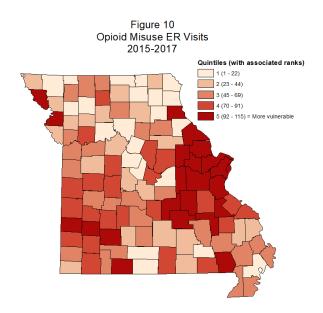
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Washington County										
ACS Data 2013-2017 Rate Rank Quintile										
Lack of a High School Education	23.0%	108	5th							
Median Income	\$37,810	93	5th							
Poverty	20.2%	85	4th							
Unemployment	9.9%	111	5th							
Uninsured	14.5%	81	4th							

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

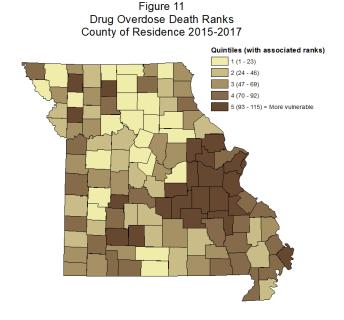


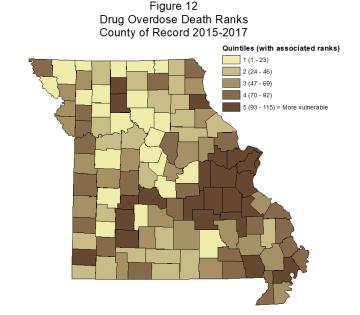
The 2015-2017 number of emergency room visits due to opioid misuse was 89, at a rate of 1.2 visits per 1,000 residents. This is rank 91 (4th quintile) for this indicator.

Washington County ranks 107 (5th 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 Washington County drug overdose deaths was 21, at a rate of 28.1 deaths per 100,000 population.

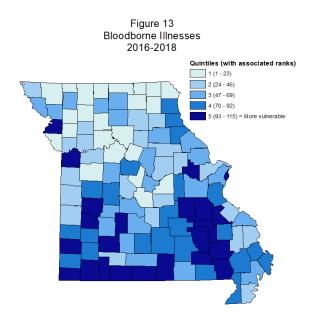
By county of record, the 2015-2017 number of Washington County drug overdose deaths was 17, at a rate of 22.8 deaths per 100,000 population.

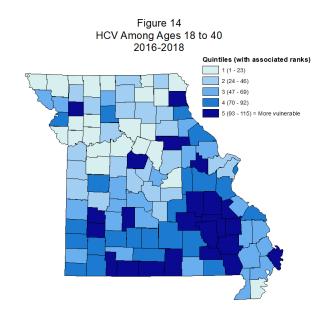




New cases of reported bloodborne illnesses (acute and chronic hepatitis B virus (HBV), acute and chronic hepatitis C virus (HCV), and human immunodeficiency virus (HIV)) in Washington County totaled 86 for 2016-2018, at a rate of 115.2 cases per 100,000 residents. This is rank 99 (5th quintile) for this 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 Washington County, 39 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 194.2 cases per 100,000 residents. Washington County ranks 99 (5th 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 43 new cases of acute and chronic hepatitis C identified in this age group, at a rate of 163.8 cases per 100,000 residents.

Out of 87 acute and chronic HCV cases, 51 (58.6%) were male. For the cases in which race was identified, <5 (<7.4%) were African American. However, please interpret race data for HCV with caution, as race was not identified in 33 (37.9%) of all 2016-2018 HCV cases in Washington County.

AIDS = Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome

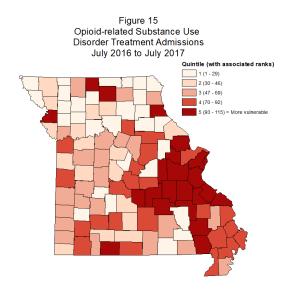
STD = Sexually Transmitted Disease

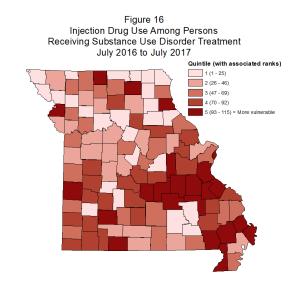
TB = Tuberculosis

[†] 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 40, a rate of 159.9 persons per 100,000 population, placing this county in rank 106 (5th quintile). This indicator was used only in the opioid overdose vulnerability assessment.

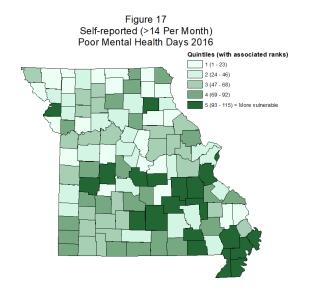
The number of persons receiving substance use disorder treatment and prior to treatment reported injecting drugs was 38, a rate of 151.9 persons per 100,000 population, placing this county in rank 95 (5th quintile). This indicator was used only in the bloodborne infection vulnerability assessment.

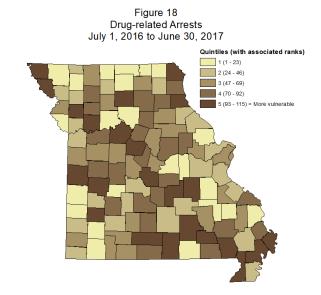




In 2016, 20.1 percent of Washington County adults 18 years of age or older reported more than 14 poor mental health days per month. This placed Washington County in rank 111 (5th quintile) for this indicator in the opioid overdose vulnerability assessment.

Between July 1, 2016 and June 30, 2017, a total of 44 drug-related arrests occurred in Washington County, at a rate of 175.8 arrests per 100,000 population. Washington County ranks 3 (1st quintile) for this indicator, which was used in both assessments.





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