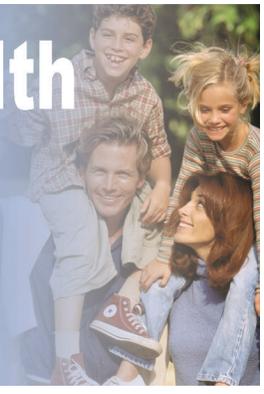
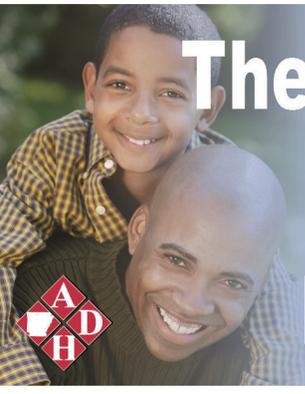


# The Arkansas Department of Health Sebastian County Because Your Health Matters



## Making Your County Healthier

The Arkansas Department of Health (ADH) is a centralized public health system with four main Centers and the Public Health Laboratory that work with 94 local health units to provide clinical preventive services, administer public health programs, and issue licenses and certificates. Everything at ADH is done because we believe that communities can be healthier and safer, and people can live longer.

### Clinical Preventive Health Services

- Immunizations
- Women's health services
- Women, Infants and Children (WIC) nutrition program
- Testing and support for tuberculosis and sexually transmitted diseases, including HIV
- In-home health services

### Public Health Programs

- Infectious disease investigations
- Statewide trauma system
- Local emergency preparedness planning
- Tobacco prevention and cessation programs
- Statewide prescription drug monitoring program
- Hometown Health Improvement

### Licensing and Certification

- Vital records (birth, death, marriage)
- Restaurant inspections
- Tests for drinking water
- Hospital and Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Licensing

## Services Information

### Budget and Employees<sup>a</sup>

Health Department Budgeted Annual Salary/Fringe	\$2,215,624
Health Department Employees	49

### Environmental Services

Food Establishment Inspections	782
Onsite Wastewater System Inspections	70
Swimming Pool Inspections	104

### In-Home Services

In-home services in this county are not provided by the Arkansas Department of Health.

For more information on in-home services in this county, contact the HomeCare Association at 501-376-2273 or visit <http://homecareassociationarkansas.org/>

### Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)

Number of Vendors <sup>***</sup>	14
Payments to WIC Vendors	\$3,400,104
WIC Clients served annually	8,716

<sup>a</sup>Includes Regional Office and County employees only. <sup>b</sup>Contract service providers' salaries and travel expenses. <sup>\*\*\*</sup>Payments in counties with one WIC vendor are not released



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Demographics	Description	Number	Percent	Rank	State %
Total Population	The number of people who live in a county.	127,342	N/A	4	4.3%
White (Non-Hispanic)		90,961	71.4%	48	73.7%
Black (Non-Hispanic)		8,131	6.4%	39	15.4%
Hispanic or Latino Origin		16,745	13.1%	1	6.9%

U.S. Census Bureau, 2013 Population Estimates: Ranks are based on the percent of the total population. Ranks are 1= highest and 75 = lowest.

Economic Indicators	Description	Number	Percent	Rank	State %
Median Household Income	The income at which half the households earn more and half the households earn less.	\$40,471	N/A	13	\$40,768
People of All Ages in Poverty	People of all ages living below the Federal Poverty Line (FPL).	26,997	21.2%	36	19.2%
Children in Poverty	Children under age 18 living below the Federal Poverty Line (FPL).	10,585	33.6%	45	27.9%
Children in Single Parent Homes	Children that live in a household headed by single parent.	11,232	37.8%	18	37.8%
Uninsured	Population under age 65 without health insurance.	24,350	19.5%	57	16.7%
No transportation	Households with no transportation.	3,354	6.8%	44	6.4%

Injury	Description	Number	Rate	Rank	State Rate
Injury Related Hospital Discharges		744	584.3	58	457.3
Unintentional Fall	Falls due to loss of balance and not due to sudden paralysis or injury.	385	302.3	63	208.1
Motor Vehicle Accidents	Includes cars, motorcycles and ATVs.	71	55.8	40	53.1
Traumatic Brain Injuries	Injury resulting from external mechanical forces.	83	65.2	38	62.4
Deaths from Injury	Deaths from intentional and unintentional (accidental) injuries.	64	50.9	3	73.6

\*Counts and rates for counties with fewer than 10 deaths were not shown. Rank was calculated for those counties where rates were available. Rates are per 100,000 population.

Health Indicators	Description	Number	Percent	Rank	State %
Current adult smokers	Adults (18+) reporting being current smokers.	20,510	21.4%	31	22.4%
Current youth smokers	Students grades 6-12 reporting being current smokers.	724	6.6%	10	7.6%
Low Birth-Weight Babies	Live births where the infant weighed less than 2,500 grams (approximately 5 lbs., 8 oz.).	119	7.4%	28	8.7
Life Expectancy	The average expected life time (in years) from birth.	76.5 yrs.	N/A	15	76.1 yrs.
Natural Teeth	Adults 65+ who have had all their natural teeth extracted.	5,373	30.0%	66	23.3%
Fluoridation	Citizens with public water containing enough fluoride to protect teeth.	14,842	11.8%	57	71.3%

		Number	Rate	Rank	State Rate
Infant Mortality, 2009-2013	Measures the number of deaths among children less than one year of age .	56	6.5	32	7.1
Teen births	Births to mothers aged 15 to 19 years.	169	42.3	24	43.1

Infant mortality rate is an estimate of the number of infant deaths for every 1,000 live births; Teen birth rates are per 1,000 female population ages 15-19 years. Counts are not shown when the number of teen births is fewer than 5.

Major Health Risk Factors	Description	Number	Percent	Rank	State Rate
Food Insecurity	The population who did not have access to a reliable source of food during the past year.	22,640	18.0%	33	19.4%
Physical Inactivity	Adults aged 20 and over reporting no leisure-time physical activity .	28,435	31.5%	26	30.9%
Obesity (adults)	Adults (Age 18+) reporting being obese (BMI >= 30.0)	22,263	23.7%	7	30.8%
Overweight (adults)	Adults (Age 18+) reporting being overweight (BMI >=25.0 - 29.9).	29,968	31.9%	12	35.4%
Obesity (youth)	Students grades K-10 with a BMI >= 95th percentile for age and sex.	4,565	20.1%	13	21.5%
Overweight (youth)	Students grades K-10 with a BMI >=85th percentile to <95th percentile for age and sex.	3,692	16.3%	12	17.3%
Low Health literacy	Adults with basic or below basic health literacy skills.	32,853	34.3%	19	37.1%
Substance Abuse (youth )	Students grades 6-12 reporting using drugs in the past 30 days.	1,372	12.5%	10	10.8%

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