

Standard Measures for Counties

Category	#	Measure	Notes:
Public Safety	1.	Part I and II Crime Rates	Submit data as reported by the Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension
	2.	Citizens' rating of safety in their community (survey data, provide year completed and total responses)	Example of responses: excellent, good, fair, poor
	3.	Deputy Response Time	Time it takes on top-priority calls from dispatch to the first officer on scene
	4.	Percent of adult offenders with a new felony conviction within 3 years of discharge	MN Sentencing Guidelines Commission
	5.*	Total number of accidents that occur on County State Aid Highways, County Roads and Un-Organized Township Roads that involve fatalities and injury	Available in Towards Zero Death reports
Public Works	6.	Hours to plow complete system during a snow event	County records
	7.	Average county pavement condition rating	Pavement Quality/Condition Index. Provide average rating and the rating system program/type. Example, 70 rating on the Pavement Condition Index (PCI).
	8.	Citizens' rating of the road conditions in their county (survey data, provide year completed and total responses)	Example of responses: excellent, good, fair, poor. Alternatively: good condition, mostly good condition, many bad spots
	9.*	Average Bridge Sufficiency Rating	County records/MN Dept of Transportation
Public Health, Social Services	10.	General life expectancy	http://www.healthmetricsandevaluation.org/tools/data-visualization/life-expectancy-county-and-sex-us-country-comparison-global-1989-1999-2009#/overview/explore
	11.	Tobacco and Alcohol Use	www.countyhealthrankings.org
	12.	Workforce participation rate among MFIP and DWP recipients	Defined as "Percent of MFIP/DWP adults working 30 or more hours per week or off cash assistance three years after baseline"; data available from MN Dept of Human Services
	13.	Percentage of children where there is a recurrence of maltreatment within 12 months following an intervention	County records
	14.*	Child Support Program Cost Effectiveness	Recommended from 2012 Steering Committee report; Available from MN Dept of Human Services
	15.*	Percentage of low birth-weight births	MN Dept of Human Services or www.countyhealthrankings.org
Property Records, Valuation, Assessment	16.	Level of assessment ratio	If the median ratio falls between 90% and 105%, the level of assessment is determined to be acceptable; median ratio requested for all 3 types of assessment ratios submitted to Dept of Revenue
	17*	Turn-around time for recording, indexing and returning real estate documents	County records, MN Statutes 357.182, Subd 6 require a 10 day turn around time by the year 2011, 90% of the time
Elections	18.	Accuracy of post-election audit (% of ballots counted accurately)	County records
Veterans Services	19.	Percent of veterans surveyed who said their questions were answered when seeking benefit information from their County Veterans' Office (survey data, provide year completed and total responses)	Survey data
	20.*	Dollars brought into county for veterans' benefits	Federal and State dollars (this measure was recommended by 2008 OLA report)
	21.*	Percentage of veterans receiving federal benefits	This measure was recommended by 2008 OLA report
Parks, Libraries	22.	Citizens' rating of the quality of county parks, recreational programs, and/or facilities (survey data, provide year completed and total responses)	Example of responses: excellent, good, fair, poor
	23.	Number of annual visits per 1,000 residents	County records. (Number of visits / Population) x 1,000 = visits per 1,000 residents
Budget, Financial	24*	Bond rating	Standard & Poor's Ratings Services or Moody's Investor Services
Financial	25*	Debt service levy per capita; outstanding debt per capita	County records, Comprehensive Annual Financial Report
Environment	26*	Recycling percentage	Available in the SCORE report
	27*	Amount of hazardous household waste and electronics collected	County records

*New or amended measure