



POSITIVE TREND COUNTIES IN BROADBAND & HEALTH — 2017[†]

State	County	Rural*	Broadband Access (25/3 mbps)	Internet Adoption (>= 200 kbps)	Diabetes	Obesity	Preventable Hospitalizations	Median Income	County Pop.	More Data*
National			90.4%	60-80%	9.9%	27.8%	48.7/1000	\$55,775		

Overall

Alabama	Cherokee County	-	76	40-60%	13	34	79	\$39,144	25,418	PCPS, 65+, V
Georgia	Monroe County	-	100	60-80%	15	32	60	\$53,070	27,717	65+, V
Illinois	Franklin County	-	69	40-60%	12	30	90	\$43,428	37,314	65+, V
Louisiana	De Soto Parish	-	58	40-60%	14	39	83	\$41,691	25,450	PCPS, 65+, V
Maryland	Somerset County	-	99	40-60%	14	42	55	\$38,692	25,851	65+, V
Missouri	Dunklin County	-	76	40-60%	11	32	81	\$31,920	29,209	65+, V
Texas	Fannin County	-	91	60-80%	10	28	69	\$43,733	32,610	PCPS, AI, 65+, V
Texas	Matagorda County	-	67	60-80%	11	32	52	\$45,073	33,520	AI, 65+
Texas	Medina County	-	67	40-60%	11	32	70	\$52,831	47,043	PCPS, 65+, V
Texas	Upshur County	-	82	40-60%	11	30	68	\$45,494	38,658	PCPS, 65+, V
Texas	Wharton County	-	52	40-60%	10	32	62	\$45,198	38,368	65+
Virginia	Accomack County	-	64	40-60%	14	35	42	\$38,690	29,678	65+, V

Majority Rural

Arkansas	Poinsett County	R	65	40-60%	14	38	83	\$32,756	23,780	PCPS, PP, 65+, V
Georgia	Monroe County	R	100	40-60%	15	32	60	\$53,070	27,717	65+, V
Kentucky	Allen County	R	65	40-60%	14	34	72	\$42,287	20,974	PCPS, 65+
Kentucky	Bell County	R	61	20-40%	15	38	162	\$23,968	27,522	PP, 65+
Louisiana	De Soto Parish	R	52	40-60%	14	39	83	\$41,691	25,450	PCPS, 65+, V
Mississippi	Alcorn County	R	52	40-60%	14	38	99	\$41,383	37,842	65+
Mississippi	Marshall County	R	57	40-60%	16	39	62	\$38,006	38,920	PCPS, 65+
Missouri	Dunklin County	R	60	40-60%	11	32	81	\$31,920	29,209	PP, 65+, V
South Carolina	Barnwell County	R	74	40-60%	17	37	55	\$33,280	21,298	PCPS, 65+, V
Tennessee	Claiborne County	R	84	40-60%	15	31	83	\$35,193	32,799	PP, 65+
Tennessee	Hickman County	R	58	40-60%	12	32	60	\$39,682	23,923	PCPS, 65+, V
Texas	Upshur County	R	80	40-60%	11	30	68	\$45,494	38,658	PCPS, 65+, V
Virginia	Accomack County	R	64	40-60%	14	35	42	\$38,690	29,678	65+, V

*More Data Key

R • Rural – majority of county population resides in rural areas
 PCPS • Primary Care Physician Shortage Area per HRSA thresholds
 AI • Percentage of American Indians/Alaska Natives in county exceeds national average

PP • Census Bureau-designation as Persistent Poverty County
 65+ • Percentage of population 65 years of age or older exceeds national average
 V • Percentage of veterans in county exceeds national average

[†]The *Positive Trend Counties in Broadband Health 2017* inventory reflects annual broadband data for fixed residential connections as of December 2015 and is organized alphabetically by state, and within a state, by county. This inventory identifies the critical need counties (based on the prior year's data, in this case, December 2014 data) whose broadband metrics have improved year on year, shifting outside the designated threshold of less than or equal to 50%. Visit www.fcc.gov/health for methodology and for the current *Priority 2017* and *Rural Priority 2017* lists of critical need counties in broadband and health.