

# Cape Girardeau County

County Composite Rank

2013  
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2017  
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County Seat: Jackson

Population: 78,572

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2011	2015	2011	2015		State Rate	County Rank
<b>Economic Well-Being</b>							
Children under 18 in poverty	3,457	3,210	21.2%	19.4%	↑	20.4%	28
Food insecurity for children*	3,470	3,450	21.5%	20.7%	↑	20.8%	28
<b>Health</b>							
Low birthweight infants <sup>^+</sup>	382	394	8.1%	8.6%	↓	8.0%	89
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18* (per 1,000)	143	114	8.6	6.8	↑	7.6	62
Child asthma ER rates* (per 1,000)	73	106	4.4	6.3	↓	10.2	75
<b>Family &amp; Community</b>							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	100	58	32.6	19.5	↑	25.0	24
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) <sup>^</sup>	45	72	2.7	4.3	↓	4.5	35
<b>Education</b>							
Graduation rate	674	623	80.8%	90.7%	↑	90.2%	90
Achievement proficiency <sup>^#</sup>							
3rd grade English/Language Arts (MAP)	342	499	46.5%	61.1%		57.2%	
8th grade English/Language Arts (MAP)	345	431	49.6%	59.4%		57.6%	
4th grade Math (MAP)	400	391	55.8%	51.9%		49.2%	
Algebra I (End of Course exam)	453	476	61.6%	69.2%		62.2%	

<sup>^</sup>Outcome not included in County Composite Rank

\* Data based on 2010/2014.

+ Data based on 5-year time spans; 2006-2010 and 2011-2015.

# Achievement proficiency measures those that scored proficient or above on the MAP tests and Algebra I End of Course exam. Comparisons between 2011 and 2015 data should be treated with caution due to differences in testing standards; accordingly, no trend arrows are shown.

**LEGEND:** ↑ Better ↓ Worse → No Change

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## Contextual Indicators

### Demographics

Total population	2011	76,663
	2015	78,572
Child population under 18	2011	16,770
	2015	16,931
Children under 18 as % of total population	2011	21.9%
	2015	21.5%
Child population under 6	2011	5,624
	2015	5,500
Children under 6 as % of total population	2011	7.3%
	2015	7%
Minority child population under 18	2011	3,010
	2015	3,350
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population	2011	17.9%
	2015	19.8%
Minority child population under 6	2011	1,127
	2015	1,256
Minority child population under 6 as % of child population	2011	6.7%
	2015	7.4%
Children in single-parent families	2006-2010	32.7%
	2011-2015	30.6%
Children in married-parent families	2006-2010	66.1%
	2011-2015	68.8%

### Economic Well-being

Children in poverty under 6	2006-2010	31.4%
	2011-2015	34.7%
Children in poverty, ages 6-17	2006-2010	21.2%
	2011-2015	19.4%
Housing cost-burdened households	2006-2010	28.7%
	2011-2015	29%
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2006-2010	35.4%
	2011-2015	33.4%
Children in families receiving SNAP	2011	35.9%
	2015	33.7%
Median income family household with children under 18	2006-2010	\$51,103
	2011-2015	\$61,359
Adult unemployment	2011	7%
	2015	4.3%
Child homelessness	2011	1.4%
	2015	4.4%

### Education

Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2011	117.8
	2016	107.8
Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2011	-
	2016	27.6%
School attendance, grades K-12	2011	95.1%
	2015	95.5%

### Family & Community

Teen unintentional injuries/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2006-2010	29.8
	2011-2015	27.3
Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2006-2010	14.4%
	2011-2015	12.8%
Juvenile law violation referrals (per 1,000)	2011	60.5
	2015	36.7
Annual high school dropout rate	2011	2.9%
	2015	2.3%
Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2011	5
	2015	10.3
Children living in high poverty areas	2006-2010	14%
	2011-2015	16.3%

### Health

Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2006-2010	7.4
	2011-2015	7.2
Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2006-2010	26.7
	2011-2015	21.6
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2006-2010	23.6
	2011-2015	18.8
Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2006-2010	41.1
	2011-2015	36.1
Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18*	2006-2010	100%
	2011-2015	66.7%
Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000)	2005-2009	17.4
	2010-2014	22.1
Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2005-2009	57.4
	2010-2014	66.3
Uninsured children	2010	5.3%
	2014	6.4%
School attendance, grades 9-12	2011	93.9%
	2015	94.3%

\*If no % is listed, no vehicle fatalities happened in the county during that period.