

# Douglas County

County Seat: Ava

County  
Composite  
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Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2011	2015	2011	2015		State Rate	County Rank
<b>Economic Well-Being</b>							
Children under 18 in poverty	1,084	978	37%	35.5%	↑	20.4%	100
Food insecurity for children*	930	810	29.5%	27.4%	↑	20.8%	105
<b>Health</b>							
Low birthweight infants <sup>^+</sup>	66	48	8.7%	6.3%	↑	8.0%	17
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18* (per 1,000)	17	9	5.6	3.1	↑	7.6	3
Child asthma ER rates* (per 1,000)	12	2	4	0.7	↑	10.2	2
<b>Family &amp; Community</b>							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	16	13	41.1	36.6	↑	25.0	73
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) <sup>^</sup>	37	21	12.3	7.4	↑	4.5	74
<b>Education</b>							
Graduation rate	101	101	94.4%	95.3%	↑	90.2%	31
Achievement proficiency <sup>^#</sup>							
3rd grade English/Language Arts (MAP)	48	59	47.5%	52.2%		57.2%	
8th grade English/Language Arts (MAP)	74	65	52.9%	57%		57.6%	
4th grade Math (MAP)	66	49	57.9%	45%		49.2%	
Algebra I (End of Course exam)	120	64	71.9%	68.1%		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	13,619
	2015	13,373
Child population under 18	2011	3,011
	2015	2,821
Children under 18 as % of total population	2011	22.2%
	2015	21.1%
Child population under 6	2011	934
	2015	921
Children under 6 as % of total population	2011	6.9%
	2015	6.9%
Minority child population under 18	2011	101
	2015	135
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population	2011	3.4%
	2015	4.8%
Minority child population under 6	2011	32
	2015	49
Minority child population under 6 as % of child population	2011	1.1%
	2015	1.7%
Children in single-parent families	2006-2010	22.7%
	2011-2015	34.7%
Children in married-parent families	2006-2010	77.3%
	2011-2015	64.1%

### Economic Well-being

Children in poverty under 6	2006-2010	35.3%
	2011-2015	31%
Children in poverty, ages 6-17	2006-2010	37%
	2011-2015	35.5%
Housing cost-burdened households	2006-2010	28.6%
	2011-2015	32.8%
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2006-2010	58.6%
	2011-2015	56.2%
Children in families receiving SNAP	2011	58.4%
	2015	47.5%
Median income family household with children under 18	2006-2010	\$36,250
	2011-2015	\$34,470
Adult unemployment	2011	8.5%
	2015	6.8%
Child homelessness	2011	0%
	2015	1%

### Education

Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2011	35.2
	2016	41.1
Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2011	-
	2016	39.7%
School attendance, grades K-12	2011	94.6%
	2015	94.8%

### Family & Community

Teen unintentional injuries/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2006-2010	171.1
	2011-2015	76.5
Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2006-2010	8.4%
	2011-2015	10.6%
Juvenile law violation referrals (per 1,000)	2011	21.2
	2015	24.2
Annual high school dropout rate	2011	0.4%
	2015	0.2%
Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2011	5
	2015	3.2
Children living in high poverty areas	2006-2010	76.2%
	2011-2015	60.7%

### Health

Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2006-2010	7.9
	2011-2015	5.3
Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2006-2010	69.1
	2011-2015	49.5
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2006-2010	46.8
	2011-2015	35.1
Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2006-2010	164.9
	2011-2015	116.3
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	0
	2010-2014	6.2
Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2005-2009	49.8
	2010-2014	46.4
Uninsured children	2010	9.2%
	2014	10.3%
School attendance, grades 9-12	2011	94.3%
	2015	94.2%

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