

Hickory County

County Seat: Hermitage

County
Composite
Rank

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Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2011	2015	2011	2015		State Rate	County Rank
Economic Well-Being							
Children under 18 in poverty	671	585	41.4%	39.3%	↑	20.4%	109
Food insecurity for children*	420	490	25.6%	29.6%	↓	20.8%	115
Health							
Low birthweight infants ^{^+}	23	37	5.6%	10.3%	↓	8.0%	108
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18* (per 1,000)	5	5	3	3.2	↓	7.6	4
Child asthma ER rates* (per 1,000)	3	2	1.8	1.3	↑	10.2	7
Family & Community							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	10	2	41.5	9.1	↑	25.0	6
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) [^]	9	6	5.3	3.9	↑	4.5	30
Education							
Graduation rate	142	109	93.4%	99.1%	↑	90.2%	3
Achievement proficiency ^{^#}							
3rd grade English/Language Arts (MAP)	71	76	59.2%	65%		57.2%	
8th grade English/Language Arts (MAP)	70	90	55.1%	70.9%		57.6%	
4th grade Math (MAP)	67	79	51.5%	71.8%		49.2%	
Algebra I (End of Course exam)	82	93	62.6%	79.5%		62.2%	

[^]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			Education		
Total population	2011	9,582	Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2011	101
	2015	9,201		2016	75.9
Child population under 18	2011	1,693	Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2011	-
	2015	1,529		2016	65.5%
Children under 18 as % of total population	2011	17.6%	School attendance, grades K-12	2011	94.7%
	2015	16.6%		2015	95.4%
Child population under 6	2011	532	Family & Community		
	2015	433	Teen unintentional injuries/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2006-2010	75.8
Children under 6 as % of total population	2011	5.6%		2011-2015	43.1
	2015	4.7%	Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2006-2010	7.3%
Minority child population under 18	2011	98		2011-2015	8.5%
	2015	88	Juvenile law violation referrals (per 1,000)	2011	18.7
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population	2011	5.8%		2015	40.3
	2015	5.8%	Annual high school dropout rate	2011	0.9%
Minority child population under 6	2011	44		2015	0%
	2015	23	Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2011	1.2
Minority child population under 6 as % of child population	2011	2.6%		2015	2.6
	2015	1.5%	Children living in high poverty areas	2006-2010	0%
Children in single-parent families	2006-2010	30%		2011-2015	67.6%
	2011-2015	27%	Health		
Children in married-parent families	2006-2010	69.4%	Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2006-2010	4.9
	2011-2015	69.7%		2011-2015	13.9
Economic Well-being			Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2006-2010	11.7
Children in poverty under 6	2006-2010	20.2%		2011-2015	25
	2011-2015	34.6%	Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2006-2010	0
Children in poverty, ages 6-17	2006-2010	41.4%		2011-2015	18.5
	2011-2015	39.3%	Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2006-2010	59.8
Housing cost-burdened households	2006-2010	29.8%		2011-2015	78.8
	2011-2015	30.7%	Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18*	2006-2010	100%
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2006-2010	49.6%		2011-2015	100%
	2011-2015	63.1%	Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000)	2005-2009	10.4
Children in families receiving SNAP	2011	44.9%		2010-2014	0
	2015	44.3%	Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2005-2009	80.4
Median income family household with children under 18	2006-2010	\$36,205		2010-2014	108
	2011-2015	\$27,259	Uninsured children	2010	11.1%
Adult unemployment	2011	12%		2014	13.8%
	2015	6.7%	School attendance, grades 9-12	2011	94%
Child homelessness	2011	0%		2015	95.4%
	2015	0%			

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