

# Pemiscot County

County Seat: Caruthersville

County  
Composite  
Rank

2013  
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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	2,186	1,899	44.3%	41.3%	↑	20.4%	113
Food insecurity for children*	1,500	1,400	28.8%	28.7%	↑	20.8%	112
<b>Health</b>							
Low birthweight infants <sup>^+</sup>	224	157	14.8%	11.1%	↑	8.0%	112
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18* (per 1,000)	100	58	20	12.3	↑	7.6	105
Child asthma ER rates* (per 1,000)	52	39	10.4	8.3	↑	10.2	95
<b>Family &amp; Community</b>							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	49	41	73.1	68	↑	25.0	115
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) <sup>^</sup>	72	48	14.4	10.3	↑	4.5	100
<b>Education</b>							
Graduation rate	259	246	74.9%	91.4%	↑	90.2%	87
Achievement proficiency <sup>^#</sup>							
3rd grade English/Language Arts (MAP)	160	141	56.5%	52%		57.2%	
8th grade English/Language Arts (MAP)	93	101	30.5%	41.7%		57.6%	
4th grade Math (MAP)	124	110	46.4%	41.4%		49.2%	
Algebra I (End of Course exam)	126	144	43.2%	42.7%		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	18,205
	2015	17,482
Child population under 18	2011	4,994
	2015	4,670
Children under 18 as % of total population	2011	27.5%
	2015	26.7%
Child population under 6	2011	1,684
	2015	1,602
Children under 6 as % of total population	2011	9.3%
	2015	9.2%
Minority child population under 18	2011	2,089
	2015	1,927
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population	2011	41.8%
	2015	41.3%
Minority child population under 6	2011	773
	2015	722
Minority child population under 6 as % of child population	2011	15.5%
	2015	15.5%
Children in single-parent families	2006-2010	49.9%
	2011-2015	55.2%
Children in married-parent families	2006-2010	49.1%
	2011-2015	42.8%

### Economic Well-being

Children in poverty under 6	2006-2010	56.3%
	2011-2015	39%
Children in poverty, ages 6-17	2006-2010	44.3%
	2011-2015	41.3%
Housing cost-burdened households	2006-2010	34.2%
	2011-2015	34%
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2006-2010	54.5%
	2011-2015	60.1%
Children in families receiving SNAP	2011	71%
	2015	70.3%
Median income family household with children under 18	2006-2010	\$32,647
	2011-2015	\$28,846
Adult unemployment	2011	9.7%
	2015	9.1%
Child homelessness	2011	0%
	2015	0%

### Education

Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2011	149.6
	2016	99.6
Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2011	-
	2016	0%
School attendance, grades K-12	2011	94.3%
	2015	94.6%

### Family & Community

Teen unintentional injuries/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2006-2010	83.2
	2011-2015	77.7
Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2006-2010	20.6%
	2011-2015	23.9%
Juvenile law violation referrals (per 1,000)	2011	8.5
	2015	26.8
Annual high school dropout rate	2011	4.1%
	2015	1.3%
Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2011	9.8
	2015	13.9
Children living in high poverty areas	2006-2010	85.8%
	2011-2015	84.9%

### Health

Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2006-2010	11.9
	2011-2015	15.6
Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2006-2010	61.3
	2011-2015	21.6
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2006-2010	64.9
	2011-2015	10
Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2006-2010	43.9
	2011-2015	76.3
Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18*	2006-2010	50%
	2011-2015	100%
Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000)	2005-2009	54.6
	2010-2014	63.4
Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2005-2009	171.3
	2010-2014	222.7
Uninsured children	2010	5.4%
	2014	6.8%
School attendance, grades 9-12	2011	93.5%
	2015	94.2%

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