

# Scott County

County Seat: Benton

County  
Composite  
Rank

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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	2,759	2,371	29.2%	25.8%	↑	20.4%	61
Food insecurity for children*	2,190	2,280	22.2%	24%	↓	20.8%	72
<b>Health</b>							
Low birthweight infants <sup>^+</sup>	271	225	9.2%	8.9%	↑	8.0%	95
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18* (per 1,000)	138	170	14.1	18.3	↓	7.6	111
Child asthma ER rates* (per 1,000)	44	104	4.5	11.2	↓	10.2	107
<b>Family &amp; Community</b>							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	82	53	66.3	49.7	↑	25.0	100
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) <sup>^</sup>	53	64	5.5	6.8	↓	4.5	72
<b>Education</b>							
Graduation rate	480	419	90.4%	95.7%	↑	90.2%	26
Achievement proficiency <sup>^#</sup>							
3rd grade English/Language Arts (MAP)	197	254	37.5%	47.5%		57.2%	
8th grade English/Language Arts (MAP)	219	233	45.2%	47.8%		57.6%	
4th grade Math (MAP)	225	182	43.9%	35.5%		49.2%	
Algebra I (End of Course exam)	288	253	52.7%	53.8%		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	39,131
	2015	39,008
Child population under 18	2011	9,623
	2015	9,412
Children under 18 as % of total population	2011	24.6%
	2015	24.1%
Child population under 6	2011	3,252
	2015	3,213
Children under 6 as % of total population	2011	8.3%
	2015	8.2%
Minority child population under 18	2011	2,072
	2015	2,154
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population	2011	21.5%
	2015	22.9%
Minority child population under 6	2011	794
	2015	825
Minority child population under 6 as % of child population	2011	8.3%
	2015	8.8%
Children in single-parent families	2006-2010	37.2%
	2011-2015	37.4%
Children in married-parent families	2006-2010	61.7%
	2011-2015	60.9%

### Economic Well-being

Children in poverty under 6	2006-2010	29.7%
	2011-2015	35.3%
Children in poverty, ages 6-17	2006-2010	29.2%
	2011-2015	25.8%
Housing cost-burdened households	2006-2010	24.4%
	2011-2015	24.8%
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2006-2010	45.8%
	2011-2015	51.3%
Children in families receiving SNAP	2011	55.4%
	2015	52%
Median income family household with children under 18	2006-2010	\$44,644
	2011-2015	\$41,102
Adult unemployment	2011	8.3%
	2015	5.3%
Child homelessness	2011	1.1%
	2015	1.4%

### Education

Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2011	126.1
	2016	122.3
Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2011	-
	2016	6.4%
School attendance, grades K-12	2011	94.8%
	2015	95%

### Family & Community

Teen unintentional injuries/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2006-2010	48.9
	2011-2015	56.9
Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2006-2010	16.6%
	2011-2015	17.9%
Juvenile law violation referrals (per 1,000)	2011	68
	2015	55.7
Annual high school dropout rate	2011	0.8%
	2015	1.4%
Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2011	5.5
	2015	13.7
Children living in high poverty areas	2006-2010	25.4%
	2011-2015	49.7%

### Health

Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2006-2010	7.8
	2011-2015	10.7
Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2006-2010	24
	2011-2015	31.7
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2006-2010	17
	2011-2015	28.4
Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2006-2010	54.2
	2011-2015	53.1
Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18*	2006-2010	100%
	2011-2015	100%
Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000)	2005-2009	14.3
	2010-2014	19.1
Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2005-2009	89.3
	2010-2014	87.8
Uninsured children	2010	6.4%
	2014	7%
School attendance, grades 9-12	2011	93.3%
	2015	93.9%

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