

# St. Louis County

County Seat: Clayton

County  
Composite  
Rank

2013  
**48**

2017  
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Population: 1,003,362

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2011	2015	2011	2015		State Rate	County Rank
<b>Economic Well-Being</b>							
Children under 18 in poverty	37,633	30,716	16.6%	14%	↑	20.4%	8
Food insecurity for children*	41,150	38,610	17.5%	16.9%	↑	20.8%	5
<b>Health</b>							
Low birthweight infants <sup>^+</sup>	5,453	5,224	9%	9%	→	8.0%	97
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18* (per 1,000)	2,039	1,679	8.7	7.5	↑	7.6	82
Child asthma ER rates* (per 1,000)	3,605	3,779	15.4	16.9	↓	10.2	114
<b>Family &amp; Community</b>							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	798	433	23.2	13.6	↑	25.0	13
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) <sup>^</sup>	486	563	2.1	2.5	↓	4.5	8
<b>Education</b>							
Graduation rate	10528	9619	82.8%	90.1%	↑	90.2%	95
Achievement proficiency <sup>^#</sup>							
3rd grade English/Language Arts (MAP)	4,853	6,191	47.9%	59.5%		57.2%	
8th grade English/Language Arts (MAP)	5,888	6,422	54.9%	60.8%		57.6%	
4th grade Math (MAP)	5,572	5,585	53.4%	53.7%		49.2%	
Algebra I (End of Course exam)	6,890	6,639	58.5%	67%		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	999,016
	2015	1,003,362
Child population under 18	2011	230,674
	2015	223,088
Children under 18 as % of total population	2011	23.1%
	2015	22.2%
Child population under 6	2011	70,503
	2015	70,163
Children under 6 as % of total population	2011	7.1%
	2015	7%
Minority child population under 18	2011	90,633
	2015	90,731
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population	2011	39.3%
	2015	40.7%
Minority child population under 6	2011	29,267
	2015	29,233
Minority child population under 6 as % of child population	2011	12.7%
	2015	13.1%
Children in single-parent families	2006-2010	33.2%
	2011-2015	34.5%
Children in married-parent families	2006-2010	66.1%
	2011-2015	64.7%

### Economic Well-being

Children in poverty under 6	2006-2010	17.1%
	2011-2015	18.6%
Children in poverty, ages 6-17	2006-2010	16.6%
	2011-2015	14%
Housing cost-burdened households	2006-2010	32.3%
	2011-2015	31.1%
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2006-2010	25.6%
	2011-2015	27.6%
Children in families receiving SNAP	2011	29.9%
	2015	28.6%
Median income family household with children under 18	2006-2010	\$73,738
	2011-2015	\$76,177
Adult unemployment	2011	8.1%
	2015	4.6%
Child homelessness	2011	2.4%
	2015	3.5%

### Education

Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2011	124.6
	2016	137.9
Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2011	-
	2016	24.2%
School attendance, grades K-12	2011	94.3%
	2015	94.6%

### Family & Community

Teen unintentional injuries/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2006-2010	41.9
	2011-2015	40.6
Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2006-2010	14.8%
	2011-2015	14.7%
Juvenile law violation referrals (per 1,000)	2011	58.2
	2015	33
Annual high school dropout rate	2011	2.1%
	2015	1.8%
Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2011	1.8
	2015	2.4
Children living in high poverty areas	2006-2010	18.2%
	2011-2015	19.4%

### Health

Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2006-2010	7.3
	2011-2015	6.5
Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2006-2010	21.4
	2011-2015	20.2
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2006-2010	16.4
	2011-2015	15.3
Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2006-2010	42.3
	2011-2015	42
Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18*	2006-2010	66.7%
	2011-2015	42.9%
Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000)	2005-2009	18.1
	2010-2014	15.5
Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2005-2009	72.7
	2010-2014	88.3
Uninsured children	2010	4.9%
	2014	5.6%
School attendance, grades 9-12	2011	92.8%
	2015	93.4%

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