

Boone County

County Seat: Columbia

County
Composite
Rank



Population: 176,594

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2012	2016	2012	2016		State Rate	County Rank
Economic Well-Being							
Children under 18 in poverty	5,724	5,381	16.9%	15.4%	↑	19.2%	17
Food insecurity for children ^b	6,060	5,740	18.0%	16.3%	↑	18.6%	7
Health							
Low birthweight infants ^{a,c}	784	805	7.5%	7.6%	↓	8.2%	52
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) ^{b,d}	285	275	8.2	7.7	↑	7.2	82
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) ^{b,d}	239	315	6.9	8.8	↓	9.2	98
Family & Community							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	119	79	15.8	10.4	↑	23.3	7
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) ^a	93	115	2.7	3.2	↓	4.2	25
Education							
Graduation rate	1,535	1,605	87.6%	91.4%	↑	91.5%	94
Achievement proficiency^{a,e}							
3rd grade English/Language Arts (MAP)	808	1,115	47.9%	60.6%		60.7%	
8th grade English/Language Arts (MAP)	893	990	54.2%	59.4%		59.3%	
4th grade Math (MAP)	828	834	48.9%	48.8%		52.6%	
Algebra I (End of Course exam)	955	1,099	57.9%	68.0%		66.2%	

Trend: ↑ better ↓ worse → no change

^a Outcome not included in County Composite Rank.

^b Data based on 2011 and 2015.

^c Data based on 5-year time spans, 2007-2011 and 2012-2016.

^d If no number is listed, the count is suppressed by DHSS for confidentiality purposes.

^e Achievement proficiency measures those that scored proficient or above on the MAP tests and Algebra I End of Course exam. Comparisons between 2012 and 2016 data should be treated with caution due to differences in testing standards; accordingly, no trend arrows or county ranks are shown.

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Contextual Indicators

Demographics

Total population	2012	168,730
	2016	176,594
Child population under 18	2012	35,028
	2016	35,734
Children under 18 as % of total population	2012	20.8%
	2016	20.2%
Child population under 6	2012	12,310
	2016	12,448
Children under 6 as % of total population	2012	7.3%
	2016	7.0%
Minority child population under 18	2012	9,129
	2016	9,472
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population	2012	26.1%
	2016	26.5%
Minority child population under 6	2012	3,340
	2016	3,172
Minority child population under 6 as % of child population	2012	27.1%
	2016	25.5%
Children in single-parent families	2007-2011	28.9%
	2012-2016	29.1%
Children in married-parent families	2007-2011	70.7%
	2012-2016	70.7%

Economic Well-being

Children in poverty under 6	2007-2011	20.9%
	2012-2016	16.5%
Children in poverty, ages 5-17	2007-2011	16.9%
	2012-2016	14.1%
Housing cost-burdened households	2007-2011	30.6%
	2012-2016	28.3%
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2007-2011	29.8%
	2012-2016	30.5%
Children in families receiving SNAP	2012	32.4%
	2016	27.9%
Median income family household with children under 18	2007-2011	\$64,642
	2012-2016	\$68,239
Adult unemployment	2012	4.6%
	2016	3.2%
Child homelessness	2012	0.9%
	2016	1.2%

Education

Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2012	162.1
	2017	179.7
Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2012	—
	2017	33.9%
School attendance, grades K-12	2012	94.6%
	2016	95.0%

Family & Community

Teen unintentional injuries/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2007-2011	31.6
	2012-2016	30.7
Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2007-2011	8.2%
	2012-2016	7.6%
Juvenile law violation referrals (per 1,000)	2012	57.8
	2016	31.5
Annual high school dropout rate	2012	3.0%
	2016	2.0%
Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2012	4.4
	2016	4.1
Children living in high poverty areas	2007-2011	8.5%
	2012-2016	8.6%

Health

Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2007-2011	5.3
	2012-2016	4.5
Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2007-2011	23.2
	2012-2016	20.3
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2007-2011	9.2
	2012-2016	15.3
Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2007-2011	61.7
	2012-2016	47.9
Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 ^a	2007-2011	66.7%
	2012-2016	0.0%
Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) ^b	2006-2010	15.6
	2011-2015	30.0
Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2006-2010	44.2
	2011-2015	97.0
Uninsured children	2011	6.8%
	2015	6.4%
School attendance, grades 9-12	2012	93.1%
	2016	93.8%

^a If no % listed, no vehicle fatalities happened in the county during that period.

^b If no rate listed, rate is suppressed for confidentiality purposes.