

# Caldwell County

County Seat: Kingston

County  
Composite  
Rank



Population: 9,062

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2012	2016	2012	2016		State Rate	County Rank
<b>Economic Well-Being</b>							
Children under 18 in poverty	471	414	21.9%	19.4%	↑	19.2%	32
Food insecurity for children <sup>b</sup>	560	400	23.7%	18.2%	↑	18.6%	17
<b>Health</b>							
Low birthweight infants <sup>a,c</sup>	50	38	9.5%	8.1%	↑	8.2%	67
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) <sup>b,d</sup>	19	7	8.2	3.2	↑	7.2	6
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) <sup>b,d</sup>	10		4.3	1.9	↑	9.2	10
<b>Family &amp; Community</b>							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	9	7	28.9	22.2	↑	23.3	41
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) <sup>a</sup>	10	7	4.5	3.2	↑	4.2	26
<b>Education</b>							
Graduation rate	120	126	95.2%	99.2%	↑	91.5%	12
<b>Achievement proficiency<sup>a,e</sup></b>							
3rd grade English/Language Arts (MAP)	57	73	47.9%	59.3%		60.7%	
8th grade English/Language Arts (MAP)	95	75	64.2%	57.3%		59.3%	
4th grade Math (MAP)	61	54	46.6%	48.2%		52.6%	
Algebra I (End of Course exam)	97	74	63.8%	66.7%		66.2%	

Trend: ↑ better ↓ worse → no change

<sup>a</sup> Outcome not included in County Composite Rank.

<sup>b</sup> Data based on 2011 and 2015.

<sup>c</sup> Data based on 5-year time spans, 2007-2011 and 2012-2016.

<sup>d</sup> If no number is listed, the count is suppressed by DHSS for confidentiality purposes.

<sup>e</sup> 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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2014  
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## Contextual Indicators

### Demographics

Total population	2012	9,113
	2016	9,062
Child population under 18	2012	2,210
	2016	2,170
Children under 18 as % of total population	2012	24.3%
	2016	23.9%
Child population under 6	2012	635
	2016	587
Children under 6 as % of total population	2012	7.0%
	2016	6.5%
Minority child population under 18	2012	100
	2016	101
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population	2012	4.5%
	2016	4.7%
Minority child population under 6	2012	32
	2016	25
Minority child population under 6 as % of child population	2012	5.0%
	2016	4.3%
Children in single-parent families	2007-2011	24.4%
	2012-2016	24.1%
Children in married-parent families	2007-2011	75.6%
	2012-2016	75.5%

### Economic Well-being

Children in poverty under 6	2007-2011	25.9%
	2012-2016	22.7%
Children in poverty, ages 5-17	2007-2011	21.9%
	2012-2016	16.3%
Housing cost-burdened households	2007-2011	21.4%
	2012-2016	15.5%
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2007-2011	43.4%
	2012-2016	35.8%
Children in families receiving SNAP	2012	35.7%
	2016	28.3%
Median income family household with children under 18	2007-2011	\$49,519
	2012-2016	\$62,333
Adult unemployment	2012	7.4%
	2016	4.6%
Child homelessness	2012	1.2%
	2016	1.1%

### Education

Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2012	22.6
	2017	46.5
Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2012	—
	2017	19.8%
School attendance, grades K-12	2012	95.5%
	2016	95.9%

### Family & Community

Teen unintentional injuries/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2007-2011	60.1
	2012-2016	0.0
Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2007-2011	8.4%
	2012-2016	7.3%
Juvenile law violation referrals (per 1,000)	2012	35.2
	2016	31.4
Annual high school dropout rate	2012	1.5%
	2016	1.0%
Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2012	2.3
	2016	2.3
Children living in high poverty areas	2007-2011	0.0%
	2012-2016	0.0%

### Health

Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2007-2011	5.7
	2012-2016	6.4
Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2007-2011	37.7
	2012-2016	18.2
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2007-2011	41.0
	2012-2016	22.2
Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2007-2011	0.0
	2012-2016	0.0
Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 <sup>a</sup>	2007-2011	0.0%
	2012-2016	0.0%
Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) <sup>b</sup>	2006-2010	0.0
	2011-2015	0.0
Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2006-2010	65.7
	2011-2015	59.5
Uninsured children	2011	10.9%
	2015	8.8%
School attendance, grades 9-12	2012	94.6%
	2016	95.6%

<sup>a</sup> If no % listed, no vehicle fatalities happened in the county during that period.

<sup>b</sup> If no rate listed, rate is suppressed for confidentiality purposes.