

# Cass County

County Seat: Harrisonville

County  
Composite  
Rank



Population: 102,845

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2012	2016	2012	2016		State Rate	County Rank
<b>Economic Well-Being</b>							
Children under 18 in poverty	3,372	2,890	13.4%	11.7%	↑	19.2%	5
Food insecurity for children <sup>b</sup>	4,940	4,300	18.8%	16.7%	↑	18.6%	8
<b>Health</b>							
Low birthweight infants <sup>a,c</sup>	453	413	7.2%	7.0%	↑	8.2%	34
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) <sup>b,d</sup>	160	141	6.1	5.6	↑	7.2	40
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) <sup>b,d</sup>	104	118	4.0	4.7	↓	9.2	55
<b>Family &amp; Community</b>							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	88	65	26.3	19.0	↑	23.3	28
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) <sup>a</sup>	48	71	1.8	2.8	↓	4.2	17
<b>Education</b>							
Graduation rate	1,238	1,245	91.8%	92.6%	↑	91.5%	82
<b>Achievement proficiency<sup>a,e</sup></b>							
3rd grade English/Language Arts (MAP)	673	865	47.8%	64.2%		60.7%	
8th grade English/Language Arts (MAP)	804	821	57.9%	61.5%		59.3%	
4th grade Math (MAP)	754	749	56.6%	54.9%		52.6%	
Algebra I (End of Course exam)	896	879	62.1%	66.9%		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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## Contextual Indicators

### Demographics

Total population	2012	100,505
	2016	102,845
Child population under 18	2012	25,996
	2016	25,220
Children under 18 as % of total population	2012	25.9%
	2016	24.5%
Child population under 6	2012	7,867
	2016	7,556
Children under 6 as % of total population	2012	7.8%
	2016	7.3%
Minority child population under 18	2012	3,654
	2016	3,681
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population	2012	14.1%
	2016	14.6%
Minority child population under 6	2012	1,138
	2016	1,113
Minority child population under 6 as % of child population	2012	14.5%
	2016	14.7%
Children in single-parent families	2007-2011	26.8%
	2012-2016	26.1%
Children in married-parent families	2007-2011	73.0%
	2012-2016	73.6%

### Economic Well-being

Children in poverty under 6	2007-2011	13.6%
	2012-2016	21.6%
Children in poverty, ages 5-17	2007-2011	13.4%
	2012-2016	9.9%
Housing cost-burdened households	2007-2011	24.0%
	2012-2016	17.4%
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2007-2011	21.8%
	2012-2016	24.9%
Children in families receiving SNAP	2012	29.5%
	2016	23.2%
Median income family household with children under 18	2007-2011	\$67,998
	2012-2016	\$75,256
Adult unemployment	2012	6.8%
	2016	4.1%
Child homelessness	2012	1.7%
	2016	2.7%

### Education

Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2012	123.9
	2017	107.0
Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2012	—
	2017	23.2%
School attendance, grades K-12	2012	95.2%
	2016	94.9%

### Family & Community

Teen unintentional injuries/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2007-2011	45.9
	2012-2016	29.0
Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2007-2011	9.7%
	2012-2016	8.5%
Juvenile law violation referrals (per 1,000)	2012	57.7
	2016	35.6
Annual high school dropout rate	2012	2.3%
	2016	1.8%
Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2012	3.9
	2016	4.0
Children living in high poverty areas	2007-2011	6.4%
	2012-2016	6.3%

### Health

Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2007-2011	3.8
	2012-2016	5.2
Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2007-2011	18.2
	2012-2016	20.4
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2007-2011	12.9
	2012-2016	16.3
Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2007-2011	48.3
	2012-2016	39.3
Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 <sup>a</sup>	2007-2011	0.0%
	2012-2016	66.7%
Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) <sup>b</sup>	2006-2010	7.7
	2011-2015	14.3
Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2006-2010	78.8
	2011-2015	118.7
Uninsured children	2011	6.2%
	2015	5.1%
School attendance, grades 9-12	2012	94.5%
	2016	94.1%

<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.