

Dunklin County

County Seat: Kennett

County
Composite
Rank

2014
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2018
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Population: 30,535

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2012	2016	2012	2016		State Rate	County Rank
Economic Well-Being							
Children under 18 in poverty	2,951	2,879	37.0%	37.9%	↓	19.2%	109
Food insecurity for children ^b	2,330	2,140	28.6%	26.2%	↑	18.6%	111
Health							
Low birthweight infants ^{a,c}	283	252	11.9%	11.5%	↑	8.2%	112
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) ^{b,d}	274	114	33.5	14.3	↑	7.2	110
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) ^{b,d}	78	81	9.5	10.2	↓	9.2	110
Family & Community							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	63	59	63.3	59.4	↑	23.3	112
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) ^a	46	36	5.6	4.6	↑	4.2	48
Education							
Graduation rate	301	369	81.8%	95.8%	↑	91.5%	46
Achievement proficiency ^{a,e}							
3rd grade English/Language Arts (MAP)	233	206	56.0%	48.0%		60.7%	
8th grade English/Language Arts (MAP)	217	193	49.8%	48.5%		59.3%	
4th grade Math (MAP)	280	190	66.0%	45.9%		52.6%	
Algebra I (End of Course exam)	193	205	48.6%	59.2%		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	31,861
	2016	30,535
Child population under 18	2012	8,228
	2016	7,794
Children under 18 as % of total population	2012	25.8%
	2016	25.5%
Child population under 6	2012	2,735
	2016	2,596
Children under 6 as % of total population	2012	8.6%
	2016	8.5%
Minority child population under 18	2012	2,315
	2016	2,165
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population	2012	28.1%
	2016	27.8%
Minority child population under 6	2012	856
	2016	786
Minority child population under 6 as % of child population	2012	31.3%
	2016	30.3%
Children in single-parent families	2007-2011	43.8%
	2012-2016	45.4%
Children in married-parent families	2007-2011	55.4%
	2012-2016	54.4%

Economic Well-being

Children in poverty under 6	2007-2011	47.6%
	2012-2016	40.2%
Children in poverty, ages 5-17	2007-2011	37.0%
	2012-2016	36.6%
Housing cost-burdened households	2007-2011	25.2%
	2012-2016	23.0%
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2007-2011	59.4%
	2012-2016	55.3%
Children in families receiving SNAP	2012	70.1%
	2016	65.3%
Median income family household with children under 18	2007-2011	\$33,833
	2012-2016	\$37,368
Adult unemployment	2012	8.5%
	2016	8.2%
Child homelessness	2012	0.0%
	2016	0.8%

Education

Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2012	91.4
	2017	88.9
Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2012	—
	2017	6.9%
School attendance, grades K-12	2012	94.7%
	2016	95.2%

Family & Community

Teen unintentional injuries/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2007-2011	79.4
	2012-2016	44.5
Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2007-2011	11.9%
	2012-2016	13.3%
Juvenile law violation referrals (per 1,000)	2012	42.4
	2016	21.7
Annual high school dropout rate	2012	2.0%
	2016	1.1%
Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2012	9.8
	2016	14.9
Children living in high poverty areas	2007-2011	86.5%
	2012-2016	86.4%

Health

Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2007-2011	8.4
	2012-2016	10.9
Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2007-2011	29.1
	2012-2016	19.7
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2007-2011	26.7
	2012-2016	14.8
Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2007-2011	42.2
	2012-2016	44.0
Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 ^a	2007-2011	%
	2012-2016	0.0%
Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) ^b	2006-2010	123.6
	2011-2015	72.2
Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2006-2010	207.2
	2011-2015	188.4
Uninsured children	2011	7.1%
	2015	6.6%
School attendance, grades 9-12	2012	93.4%
	2016	94.2%

^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.