

Pemiscot County

County Seat: Caruthersville

County
Composite
Rank

2014
114

2018
111

Population: 17,073

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2012	2016	2012	2016		State Rate	County Rank
Economic Well-Being							
Children under 18 in poverty	2,257	1,827	46.7%	41.3%	↑	19.2%	115
Food insecurity for children ^b	1,470	1,300	28.5%	27.0%	↑	18.6%	114
Health							
Low birthweight infants ^{a,c}	213	155	14.4%	11.3%	↑	8.2%	111
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) ^{b,d}	106	37	21.2	7.9	↑	7.2	85
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) ^{b,d}	44	44	8.8	9.4	↓	9.2	102
Family & Community							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	53	31	82.8	51.2	↑	23.3	111
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) ^a	39	61	7.9	13.6	↓	4.2	108
Education							
Graduation rate	209	247	79.8%	94.6%	↑	91.5%	65
Achievement proficiency^{a,e}							
3rd grade English/Language Arts (MAP)	119	156	45.2%	61.2%		60.7%	
8th grade English/Language Arts (MAP)	103	104	33.4%	43.3%		59.3%	
4th grade Math (MAP)	131	137	47.1%	52.9%		52.6%	
Algebra I (End of Course exam)	115	118	42.4%	45.4%		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	18,105
	2016	17,073
Child population under 18	2012	4,921
	2016	4,492
Children under 18 as % of total population	2012	27.2%
	2016	26.3%
Child population under 6	2012	1,629
	2016	1,530
Children under 6 as % of total population	2012	9.0%
	2016	9.0%
Minority child population under 18	2012	2,054
	2016	1,835
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population	2012	41.7%
	2016	40.9%
Minority child population under 6	2012	750
	2016	665
Minority child population under 6 as % of child population	2012	46.0%
	2016	43.5%
Children in single-parent families	2007-2011	52.2%
	2012-2016	51.0%
Children in married-parent families	2007-2011	47.3%
	2012-2016	47.8%

Economic Well-being

Children in poverty under 6	2007-2011	61.4%
	2012-2016	40.2%
Children in poverty, ages 5-17	2007-2011	46.7%
	2012-2016	39.0%
Housing cost-burdened households	2007-2011	30.2%
	2012-2016	24.0%
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2007-2011	56.9%
	2012-2016	58.1%
Children in families receiving SNAP	2012	75.0%
	2016	71.1%
Median income family household with children under 18	2007-2011	\$30,565
	2012-2016	\$34,725
Adult unemployment	2012	8.1%
	2016	8.9%
Child homelessness	2012	1.0%
	2016	0.0%

Education

Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2012	99.4
	2017	103.1
Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2012	—
	2017	0.0%
School attendance, grades K-12	2012	94.7%
	2016	94.8%

Family & Community

Teen unintentional injuries/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2007-2011	28.1
	2012-2016	78.6
Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2007-2011	13.5%
	2012-2016	13.5%
Juvenile law violation referrals (per 1,000)	2012	52.4
	2016	80.0
Annual high school dropout rate	2012	5.6%
	2016	1.7%
Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2012	10.8
	2016	19.8
Children living in high poverty areas	2007-2011	87.0%
	2012-2016	86.8%

Health

Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2007-2011	10.8
	2012-2016	16.7
Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2007-2011	55.0
	2012-2016	17.1
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2007-2011	37.8
	2012-2016	5.2
Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2007-2011	0.0
	2012-2016	72.2
Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 ^a	2007-2011	50.0%
	2012-2016	100.0%
Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) ^b	2006-2010	72.9
	2011-2015	45.5
Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2006-2010	197.6
	2011-2015	192.8
Uninsured children	2011	5.7%
	2015	5.4%
School attendance, grades 9-12	2012	93.6%
	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.