

# St. Charles County

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County  
Composite  
Rank



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Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2012	2016	2012	2016		State Rate	County Rank
<b>Economic Well-Being</b>							
Children under 18 in poverty	8,371	6,007	9.3%	6.5%	↑	19.2%	1
Food insecurity for children <sup>b</sup>	13,490	13,000	14.6%	14.1%	↑	18.6%	1
<b>Health</b>							
Low birthweight infants <sup>a,c</sup>	1,699	1,517	7.3%	6.7%	↑	8.2%	23
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) <sup>b,d</sup>	657	502	7.1	5.4	↑	7.2	34
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) <sup>b,d</sup>	625	573	6.8	6.2	↑	9.2	83
<b>Family &amp; Community</b>							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	156	118	12.7	9.2	↑	23.3	5
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) <sup>a</sup>	314	351	3.4	3.8	↓	4.2	34
<b>Education</b>							
Graduation rate	3,889	4,248	92.1%	94.6%	↑	91.5%	65
Achievement proficiency <sup>a,e</sup>							
3rd grade English/Language Arts (MAP)	2,384	3,082	57.2%	71.7%		60.7%	
8th grade English/Language Arts (MAP)	2,702	3,172	63.1%	73.8%		59.3%	
4th grade Math (MAP)	2,417	2,994	58.9%	68.1%		52.6%	
Algebra I (End of Course exam)	3,074	3,488	68.0%	80.0%		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	369,048
	2016	390,918
Child population under 18	2012	92,277
	2016	93,216
Children under 18 as % of total population	2012	25.0%
	2016	23.8%
Child population under 6	2012	28,694
	2016	28,878
Children under 6 as % of total population	2012	7.8%
	2016	7.4%
Minority child population under 18	2012	13,114
	2016	13,940
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population	2012	14.2%
	2016	15.0%
Minority child population under 6	2012	4,507
	2016	4,435
Minority child population under 6 as % of child population	2012	15.7%
	2016	15.4%
Children in single-parent families	2007-2011	19.1%
	2012-2016	21.9%
Children in married-parent families	2007-2011	80.7%
	2012-2016	78.0%

### Economic Well-being

Children in poverty under 6	2007-2011	9.3%
	2012-2016	4.7%
Children in poverty, ages 5-17	2007-2011	9.3%
	2012-2016	5.9%
Housing cost-burdened households	2007-2011	22.3%
	2012-2016	16.2%
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2007-2011	15.1%
	2012-2016	16.0%
Children in families receiving SNAP	2012	15.5%
	2016	12.8%
Median income family household with children under 18	2007-2011	\$86,662
	2012-2016	\$92,572
Adult unemployment	2012	6.0%
	2016	3.5%
Child homelessness	2012	1.2%
	2016	1.4%

### Education

Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2012	115.7
	2017	108.3
Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2012	—
	2017	11.4%
School attendance, grades K-12	2012	95.1%
	2016	95.5%

### Family & Community

Teen unintentional injuries/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2007-2011	27.6
	2012-2016	29.0
Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2007-2011	7.1%
	2012-2016	7.6%
Juvenile law violation referrals (per 1,000)	2012	41.4
	2016	20.9
Annual high school dropout rate	2012	1.6%
	2016	1.0%
Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2012	1.8
	2016	1.7
Children living in high poverty areas	2007-2011	3.0%
	2012-2016	3.0%

### Health

Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2007-2011	5.7
	2012-2016	4.4
Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2007-2011	15.4
	2012-2016	11.6
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2007-2011	11.2
	2012-2016	9.7
Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2007-2011	36.6
	2012-2016	21.0
Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 <sup>a</sup>	2007-2011	28.6%
	2012-2016	50.0%
Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) <sup>b</sup>	2006-2010	15.6
	2011-2015	18.0
Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2006-2010	80.2
	2011-2015	93.4
Uninsured children	2011	5.0%
	2015	4.0%
School attendance, grades 9-12	2012	94.0%
	2016	94.3%

<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.