

# St. Louis City

County  
Composite  
Rank

2014  
**115**

2018  
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Population: 311,404

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2012	2016	2012	2016		State Rate	County Rank
<b>Economic Well-Being</b>							
Children under 18 in poverty	27,775	23,196	42.0%	38.3%	↑	19.2%	110
Food insecurity for children <sup>b</sup>	16,410	14,830	23.6%	22.8%	↑	18.6%	79
<b>Health</b>							
Low birthweight infants <sup>a,c</sup>	3,032	2,862	12.0%	12.5%	↓	8.2%	114
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) <sup>b,d</sup>	920	708	13.9	11.2	↑	7.2	105
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) <sup>b,d</sup>	2,093	1,926	31.6	30.4	↑	9.2	115
<b>Family &amp; Community</b>							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	470	271	48.2	32.9	↑	23.3	76
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) <sup>a</sup>	220	306	3.3	4.9	↓	4.2	57
<b>Education</b>							
Graduation rate	2,137	1,802	66.8%	70.0%	↑	91.5%	115
Achievement proficiency <sup>a,e</sup>							
3rd grade English/Language Arts (MAP)	591	979	22.0%	33.2%		60.7%	
8th grade English/Language Arts (MAP)	641	722	26.7%	32.0%		59.3%	
4th grade Math (MAP)	564	721	21.1%	26.4%		52.6%	
Algebra I (End of Course exam)	630	961	37.5%	50.6%		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.

## Contextual Indicators

### Demographics

Total population	2012	319,083
	2016	311,404
Child population under 18	2012	65,722
	2016	61,887
Children under 18 as % of total population	2012	20.6%
	2016	19.9%
Child population under 6	2012	25,550
	2016	24,120
Children under 6 as % of total population	2012	8.0%
	2016	7.7%
Minority child population under 18	2012	47,051
	2016	44,496
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population	2012	71.6%
	2016	71.9%
Minority child population under 6	2012	16,997
	2016	16,018
Minority child population under 6 as % of child population	2012	66.5%
	2016	66.4%
Children in single-parent families	2007-2011	62.2%
	2012-2016	61.0%
Children in married-parent families	2007-2011	36.7%
	2012-2016	38.6%

### Economic Well-being

Children in poverty under 6	2007-2011	43.4%
	2012-2016	41.6%
Children in poverty, ages 5-17	2007-2011	42.0%
	2012-2016	37.4%
Housing cost-burdened households	2007-2011	39.6%
	2012-2016	33.6%
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2007-2011	55.2%
	2012-2016	55.6%
Children in families receiving SNAP	2012	79.2%
	2016	70.4%
Median income family household with children under 18	2007-2011	\$31,875
	2012-2016	\$33,148
Adult unemployment	2012	9.3%
	2016	5.4%
Child homelessness	2012	11.1%
	2016	17.9%

### Education

Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2012	201.7
	2017	180.1
Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2012	—
	2017	30.8%
School attendance, grades K-12	2012	92.9%
	2016	94.2%

### Family & Community

Teen unintentional injuries/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2007-2011	118.3
	2012-2016	119.0
Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2007-2011	13.3%
	2012-2016	11.4%
Juvenile law violation referrals (per 1,000)	2012	69.1
	2016	35.0
Annual high school dropout rate	2012	14.8%
	2016	12.4%
Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2012	3.2
	2016	4.5
Children living in high poverty areas	2007-2011	67.3%
	2012-2016	67.4%

### Health

Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2007-2011	11.3
	2012-2016	9.5
Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2007-2011	40.2
	2012-2016	32.5
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2007-2011	22.9
	2012-2016	20.9
Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2007-2011	107.6
	2012-2016	98.6
Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 <sup>a</sup>	2007-2011	90.0%
	2012-2016	88.9%
Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) <sup>b</sup>	2006-2010	16.8
	2011-2015	16.8
Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2006-2010	63.5
	2011-2015	93.0
Uninsured children	2011	6.7%
	2015	5.3%
School attendance, grades 9-12	2012	91.0%
	2016	92.7%

<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.