

Laclede County

County Composite Rank

2015 **96**

2019 **67**

Population: 35,443

County Seat: Lebanon

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2013	2017	2013	2017		State Rate	County Rank
Economic Well-Being							
Children under 18 in poverty	2,646	2,009	30.8%	23.6%	↑	18.5%	66
Food insecurity for children ^b	2,290	1,830	25.9%	21.2%	↑	17.4%	81
Health							
Low birthweight infants ^{a,c}	164	205	7.0%	8.4%	↓	8.4%	84
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) ^b	57	51	6.4	5.8	↑	7.1	52
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) ^b	44	31	5.0	3.5	↑	8.0	40
Family & Community							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	63	47	57.6	43.5	↑	22.5	106
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) ^a	78	76	8.8	8.7	↑	3.3	101
Education							
Graduation rate	360	395	87.8%	95.9%	↑	91.0%	21
Achievement proficiency ^{a,d}							
3rd grade English/Language Arts (MAP)		281		62.4%		62.2%	
8th grade English/Language Arts (MAP)		228		55.7%		60.4%	
4th grade Math (MAP)		220		51.6%		53.9%	

Trend: ↑ better ↓ worse → no change

^a Outcome not included in County Composite Rank.

^b Data based on 2012 and 2016.

^c Data based on 5-year time spans, 2008-2012 and 2013-2017.

^d Achievement proficiency measures those that scored proficient or above on the MAP tests. Achievement data from 2013 is not shown due to differences in testing standards and assessments used in 2017; accordingly, no trend arrows or county ranks are shown.

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Contextual Indicators

Demographics

Total population	2013	35,667
	2017	35,443
Child population under 18	2013	8,835
	2017	8,775
Children under 18 as % of total population	2013	24.8%
	2017	24.8%
Child population under 6	2013	2,815
	2017	2,886
Children under 6 as % of total population	2013	7.9%
	2017	8.1%
Minority child population under 18	2013	661
	2017	669
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population	2013	7.5%
	2017	7.6%
Minority child population under 6	2013	248
	2017	252
Minority child population under 6 as % of child population	2013	8.8%
	2017	8.7%
Children in single-parent families	2008-2012	34.9%
	2013-2017	26.5%
Children in married-parent families	2008-2012	64.1%
	2013-2017	72.0%

Economic Well-being

Children in poverty under 6	2013	32.0%
	2017	14.7%
Children in poverty, ages 5-17	2013	28.4%
	2017	22.0%
Housing cost-burdened households	2008-2012	27.8%
	2013-2017	26.6%
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2008-2012	51.4%
	2013-2017	46.6%
Children in families receiving SNAP	2013	47.3%
	2017	39.8%
Median income family household with children under 18	2008-2012	\$41,927
	2013-2017	\$49,091
Adult unemployment	2013	8.7%
	2017	4.9%
Child homelessness	2013	0.7%
	2017	2.3%

Education

Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2013	53.6
	2018	48.2
Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2013	—
	2018	0.0%
School attendance, grades K-12	2013	94.8%
	2018	94.8%

Family & Community

Teen unintentional injuries/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2008-2012	83.7
	2013-2017	18.2
Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2008-2012	10.9%
	2013-2017	9.0%
Juvenile law violation referrals (per 1,000)	2013	20.6
	2017	19.3
Annual high school dropout rate	2013	2.9%
	2017	1.7%
Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2013	7.7
	2017	6.8

Health

Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2008-2012	7.7
	2013-2017	9.5
Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2008-2012	27.1
	2013-2017	34.5
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2008-2012	16.2
	2013-2017	35.9
Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2008-2012	75.8
	2013-2017	27.6
Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 ^a	2008-2012	100.0%
	2013-2017	50.0%
Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) ^b	2007-2011	30.6*
	2012-2016	21.3*
Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2007-2011	98.7
	2012-2016	107.3
Uninsured children	2012	8.1%
	2016	5.8%
School attendance, grades 9-12	2013	94.3%
	2017	94.2%

^a If no % listed, no vehicle fatalities happened in the county during that period.

^b * Indicates unstable rate due to low count (< 20 cases); ** indicates very unstable rate due to very low count (< 5 cases).