

Macon County

County Composite Rank

2015 **35**

2019 **85**

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County Seat: Macon

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2013	2017	2013	2017		State Rate	County Rank
Economic Well-Being							
Children under 18 in poverty	1,027	720	28.2%	20.7%	↑	18.5%	39
Food insecurity for children ^b	750	790	20.1%	21.6%	↓	17.4%	85
Health							
Low birthweight infants ^{a,c}	67	62	7.5%	6.9%	↑	8.4%	26
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) ^b	27	23	7.2	6.5	↑	7.1	64
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) ^b	19	13	5.1	3.7	↑	8.0	43
Family & Community							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	13	17	30.4	37.9	↓	22.5	93
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) ^a	23	29	6.2	8.2	↓	3.3	97
Education							
Graduation rate	160	158	93.0%	88.3%	↓	91.0%	104
Achievement proficiency ^{a,d}							
3rd grade English/Language Arts (MAP)		115		68.5%		62.2%	
8th grade English/Language Arts (MAP)		103		58.9%		60.4%	
4th grade Math (MAP)		106		57.0%		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			Education		
Total population	2013	15,544	Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2013	65.1
	2017	15,251		2018	63.1
Child population under 18	2013	3,693	Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2013	—
	2017	3,551		2018	62.5%
Children under 18 as % of total population	2013	23.7%	School attendance, grades K-12	2013	95.3%
	2017	23.3%		2018	95.5%
Child population under 6	2013	1,115	Family & Community		
	2017	1,075	Teen unintentional injuries/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2008-2012	80.7
Children under 6 as % of total population	2013	7.2%		2013-2017	21.8
	2017	7.0%	Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2008-2012	7.4%
Minority child population under 18	2013	309		2013-2017	8.7%
	2017	271	Juvenile law violation referrals (per 1,000)	2013	64.3
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population	2013	8.4%		2017	35.9
	2017	7.6%	Annual high school dropout rate	2013	2.1%
Minority child population under 6	2013	84		2017	1.3%
	2017	82	Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2013	8.7
Minority child population under 6 as % of child population	2013	7.5%		2017	13.2
	2017	7.6%	Health		
Children in single-parent families	2008-2012	25.0%	Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2008-2012	2.2
	2013-2017	31.0%		2013-2017	8.9
Children in married-parent families	2008-2012	74.9%	Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2008-2012	37.3
	2013-2017	68.7%		2013-2017	16.3
Economic Well-being			Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2008-2012	25.7
Children in poverty under 6	2013	27.4%		2013-2017	13.0
	2017	23.1%	Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2008-2012	93.9
Children in poverty, ages 5-17	2013	25.1%		2013-2017	33.2
	2017	18.6%	Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 ^a	2008-2012	100.0%
Housing cost-burdened households	2008-2012	23.9%		2013-2017	%
	2013-2017	21.3%	Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) ^b	2007-2011	14.5**
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2008-2012	42.9%		2012-2016	25.1*
	2013-2017	46.0%	Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2007-2011	61.4
Children in families receiving SNAP	2013	35.3%		2012-2016	62.2
	2017	28.8%	Uninsured children	2012	7.8%
Median income family household with children under 18	2008-2012	\$50,469		2016	6.7%
	2013-2017	\$54,844	School attendance, grades 9-12	2013	94.5%
Adult unemployment	2013	5.6%		2017	94.6%
	2017	3.7%			
Child homelessness	2013	0.0%			
	2017	0.0%			

^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).