

Ozark County

County Composite Rank

2015 **63**

2019 **96**

Population: 9,186

County Seat: Gainesville

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2013	2017	2013	2017		State Rate	County Rank
Economic Well-Being							
Children under 18 in poverty	757	605	41.7%	35.4%	↑	18.5%	106
Food insecurity for children ^b	450	450	24.3%	24.5%	↓	17.4%	109
Health							
Low birthweight infants ^{a,c}	43	41	9.5%	9.6%	↓	8.4%	104
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) ^b	11	7	5.8	4.0	↑	7.1	14
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) ^b	0	4	0.0	2.3	↓	8.0	17
Family & Community							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	7	11	30.0	44.7	↓	22.5	108
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) ^a	11	10	5.9	5.7	↑	3.3	74
Education							
Graduation rate	95	99	92.2%	95.2%	↑	91.0%	33
Achievement proficiency ^{a,d}							
3rd grade English/Language Arts (MAP)		68		63.0%		62.2%	
8th grade English/Language Arts (MAP)		64		58.2%		60.4%	
4th grade Math (MAP)		74		59.2%		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	9,560
	2017	9,186
Child population under 18	2013	1,864
	2017	1,754
Children under 18 as % of total population	2013	19.4%
	2017	19.1%
Child population under 6	2013	553
	2017	500
Children under 6 as % of total population	2013	5.8%
	2017	5.4%
Minority child population under 18	2013	80
	2017	92
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population	2013	4.3%
	2017	5.2%
Minority child population under 6	2013	29
	2017	30
Minority child population under 6 as % of child population	2013	5.2%
	2017	6.0%
Children in single-parent families	2008-2012	41.8%
	2013-2017	24.5%
Children in married-parent families	2008-2012	58.1%
	2013-2017	75.5%

Economic Well-being

Children in poverty under 6	2013	43.7%
	2017	33.9%
Children in poverty, ages 5-17	2013	36.9%
	2017	31.2%
Housing cost-burdened households	2008-2012	24.5%
	2013-2017	23.2%
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2008-2012	58.5%
	2013-2017	55.7%
Children in families receiving SNAP	2013	45.9%
	2017	43.6%
Median income family household with children under 18	2008-2012	\$33,644
	2013-2017	\$40,977
Adult unemployment	2013	7.6%
	2017	5.9%
Child homelessness	2013	0.0%
	2017	0.0%

Education

Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2013	43.1
	2018	39.9
Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2013	—
	2018	0.0%
School attendance, grades K-12	2013	94.8%
	2018	95.3%

Family & Community

Teen unintentional injuries/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2008-2012	109.0
	2013-2017	0.0
Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2008-2012	10.3%
	2013-2017	5.6%
Juvenile law violation referrals (per 1,000)	2013	21.4
	2017	16.2
Annual high school dropout rate	2013	0.0%
	2017	1.3%
Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2013	8.6
	2017	5.7

Health

Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2008-2012	4.4
	2013-2017	7.0
Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2008-2012	54.2
	2013-2017	43.9
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2008-2012	38.2
	2013-2017	41.0
Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2008-2012	60.2
	2013-2017	55.9
Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 ^a	2008-2012	50.0%
	2013-2017	100.0%
Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) ^b	2007-2011	19.1**
	2012-2016	10.3**
Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2007-2011	52.7
	2012-2016	44.2
Uninsured children	2012	12.5%
	2016	7.8%
School attendance, grades 9-12	2013	94.5%
	2017	95.1%

^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).