

Perry County

County Composite Rank

2015 **27**

2019 **46**

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County Seat: Perryville

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2013	2017	2013	2017		State Rate	County Rank
Economic Well-Being							
Children under 18 in poverty	786	643	17.5%	14.7%	↑	18.5%	17
Food insecurity for children ^b	920	680	19.5%	14.5%	↑	17.4%	6
Health							
Low birthweight infants ^{a,c}	88	68	7.7%	6.2%	↑	8.4%	11
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) ^b	35	26	7.5	5.7	↑	7.1	49
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) ^b	20	12	4.3	2.6	↑	8.0	24
Family & Community							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	22	13	35.1	23.9	↑	22.5	48
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) ^a	19	28	4.1	6.2	↓	3.3	82
Education							
Graduation rate	167	146	90.8%	80.7%	↓	91.0%	114
Achievement proficiency ^{a,d}							
3rd grade English/Language Arts (MAP)		126		70.0%		62.2%	
8th grade English/Language Arts (MAP)		105		62.9%		60.4%	
4th grade Math (MAP)		100		49.5%		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	19,072	Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2013	142.0
	2017	19,225		2018	127.0
Child population under 18	2013	4,647	Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2013	—
	2017	4,513		2018	14.0%
Children under 18 as % of total population	2013	24.4%	School attendance, grades K-12	2013	94.4%
	2017	23.5%		2018	95.0%
Child population under 6	2013	1,430	Family & Community		
	2017	1,377	Teen unintentional injuries/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2008-2012	47.5
Children under 6 as % of total population	2013	7.5%		2013-2017	50.4
	2017	7.2%	Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2008-2012	9.7%
Minority child population under 18	2013	269		2013-2017	7.7%
	2017	304	Juvenile law violation referrals (per 1,000)	2013	29.5
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population	2013	5.8%		2017	20.7
	2017	6.7%	Annual high school dropout rate	2013	2.0%
Minority child population under 6	2013	113		2017	4.2%
	2017	122	Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2013	2.4
Minority child population under 6 as % of child population	2013	7.9%		2017	9.1
	2017	8.9%	Health		
Children in single-parent families	2008-2012	25.1%	Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2008-2012	0.9
	2013-2017	27.4%		2013-2017	3.7
Children in married-parent families	2008-2012	73.5%	Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2008-2012	21.3
	2013-2017	70.9%		2013-2017	4.4
Economic Well-being			Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2008-2012	5.1
Children in poverty under 6	2013	30.7%		2013-2017	0.0
	2017	19.7%	Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2008-2012	100.9
Children in poverty, ages 5-17	2013	16.4%		2013-2017	25.5
	2017	13.9%	Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 ^a	2008-2012	100.0%
Housing cost-burdened households	2008-2012	25.1%		2013-2017	50.0%
	2013-2017	20.9%	Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) ^b	2007-2011	11.7**
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2008-2012	36.8%		2012-2016	11.8**
	2013-2017	32.9%	Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2007-2011	70.6
Children in families receiving SNAP	2013	28.2%		2012-2016	70.1
	2017	26.1%	Uninsured children	2012	7.6%
Median income family household with children under 18	2008-2012	\$53,785		2016	5.1%
	2013-2017	\$66,283	School attendance, grades 9-12	2013	92.9%
Adult unemployment	2013	4.6%		2017	93.8%
	2017	2.7%			
Child homelessness	2013	0.0%			
	2017	2.8%			

^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).