

Saline County

County Composite Rank

2015 **68**

2019 **81**

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County Seat: Marshall

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2013	2017	2013	2017		State Rate	County Rank
Economic Well-Being							
Children under 18 in poverty	1,452	1,108	28.5%	22.3%	↑	18.5%	56
Food insecurity for children ^b	1,260	1,030	23.6%	19.1%	↑	17.4%	48
Health							
Low birthweight infants ^{a,c}	126	122	8.1%	9.1%	↓	8.4%	97
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) ^b	51	45	9.5	8.5	↑	7.1	89
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) ^b	23	42	4.3	7.9	↓	8.0	104
Family & Community							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	29	16	37.0	20.1	↑	22.5	36
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) ^a	38	27	7.2	5.2	↑	3.3	68
Education							
Graduation rate	245	213	91.4%	89.5%	↓	91.0%	96
Achievement proficiency ^{a,d}							
3rd grade English/Language Arts (MAP)		136		49.8%		62.2%	
8th grade English/Language Arts (MAP)		134		50.6%		60.4%	
4th grade Math (MAP)		114		46.9%		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	23,252
	2017	22,660
Child population under 18	2013	5,314
	2017	5,183
Children under 18 as % of total population	2013	22.8%
	2017	22.9%
Child population under 6	2013	1,789
	2017	1,632
Children under 6 as % of total population	2013	7.7%
	2017	7.2%
Minority child population under 18	2013	1,348
	2017	1,348
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population	2013	25.4%
	2017	26.0%
Minority child population under 6	2013	542
	2017	460
Minority child population under 6 as % of child population	2013	30.3%
	2017	28.2%
Children in single-parent families	2008-2012	37.8%
	2013-2017	34.2%
Children in married-parent families	2008-2012	60.7%
	2013-2017	65.2%

Economic Well-being

Children in poverty under 6	2013	38.4%
	2017	30.1%
Children in poverty, ages 5-17	2013	28.9%
	2017	20.4%
Housing cost-burdened households	2008-2012	28.6%
	2013-2017	25.4%
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2008-2012	48.8%
	2013-2017	48.2%
Children in families receiving SNAP	2013	42.7%
	2017	37.2%
Median income family household with children under 18	2008-2012	\$39,780
	2013-2017	\$42,422
Adult unemployment	2013	5.5%
	2017	3.7%
Child homelessness	2013	7.9%
	2017	10.4%

Education

Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2013	65.1
	2018	50.4
Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2013	—
	2018	15.7%
School attendance, grades K-12	2013	95.3%
	2018	95.6%

Family & Community

Teen unintentional injuries/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2008-2012	53.6
	2013-2017	46.7
Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2008-2012	10.7%
	2013-2017	10.7%
Juvenile law violation referrals (per 1,000)	2013	48.7
	2017	44.6
Annual high school dropout rate	2013	1.6%
	2017	1.5%
Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2013	3.4
	2017	2.3

Health

Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2008-2012	7.7
	2013-2017	9.0
Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2008-2012	15.0
	2013-2017	11.4
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2008-2012	9.1
	2013-2017	4.5
Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2008-2012	39.4
	2013-2017	47.9
Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 ^a	2008-2012	100.0%
	2013-2017	100.0%
Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) ^b	2007-2011	16.0*
	2012-2016	19.1*
Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2007-2011	110.4
	2012-2016	127.5
Uninsured children	2012	8.7%
	2016	5.6%
School attendance, grades 9-12	2013	94.9%
	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).