

St. Charles County

County Composite Rank

2015 **4**

2019 **5**

Population: 395,504

County Seat: St. Charles

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2013	2017	2013	2017		State Rate	County Rank
Economic Well-Being							
Children under 18 in poverty	7,520	6,146	8.3%	6.7%	↑	18.5%	1
Food insecurity for children ^b	13,910	11,940	15.1%	12.9%	↑	17.4%	1
Health							
Low birthweight infants ^{a,c}	1,622	1,603	7.1%	7.1%	→	8.4%	34
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) ^b	659	451	7.1	4.8	↑	7.1	31
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) ^b	635	508	6.9	5.4	↑	8.0	80
Family & Community							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	178	89	14.4	7.0	↑	22.5	5
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) ^a	274	249	3.0	2.7	↑	3.3	32
Education							
Graduation rate	3,971	4,189	91.0%	92.7%	↑	91.0%	65
Achievement proficiency ^{a,d}							
3rd grade English/Language Arts (MAP)		3,326		74.7%		62.2%	
8th grade English/Language Arts (MAP)		3,253		72.8%		60.4%	
4th grade Math (MAP)		3,020		69.3%		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	373,495
	2017	395,504
Child population under 18	2013	92,577
	2017	93,319
Children under 18 as % of total population	2013	24.8%
	2017	23.6%
Child population under 6	2013	28,522
	2017	28,853
Children under 6 as % of total population	2013	7.6%
	2017	7.3%
Minority child population under 18	2013	13,568
	2017	14,377
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population	2013	14.7%
	2017	15.4%
Minority child population under 6	2013	4,579
	2017	4,562
Minority child population under 6 as % of child population	2013	16.1%
	2017	15.8%
Children in single-parent families	2008-2012	19.8%
	2013-2017	22.4%
Children in married-parent families	2008-2012	79.7%
	2013-2017	76.9%

Economic Well-being

Children in poverty under 6	2013	7.2%
	2017	7.8%
Children in poverty, ages 5-17	2013	7.9%
	2017	5.8%
Housing cost-burdened households	2008-2012	26.4%
	2013-2017	21.5%
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2008-2012	16.4%
	2013-2017	15.0%
Children in families receiving SNAP	2013	14.7%
	2017	12.3%
Median income family household with children under 18	2008-2012	\$87,568
	2013-2017	\$97,328
Adult unemployment	2013	5.6%
	2017	2.9%
Child homelessness	2013	1.3%
	2017	1.5%

Education

Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2013	109.6
	2018	111.2
Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2013	—
	2018	14.3%
School attendance, grades K-12	2013	95.1%
	2018	95.2%

Family & Community

Teen unintentional injuries/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2008-2012	29.9
	2013-2017	28.1
Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2008-2012	7.3%
	2013-2017	7.6%
Juvenile law violation referrals (per 1,000)	2013	26.4
	2017	18.3
Annual high school dropout rate	2013	1.4%
	2017	1.4%
Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2013	1.6
	2017	1.3

Health

Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2008-2012	5.4
	2013-2017	4.5
Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2008-2012	13.7
	2013-2017	14.2
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2008-2012	9.7
	2013-2017	11.7
Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2008-2012	31.7
	2013-2017	25.9
Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 ^a	2008-2012	42.9%
	2013-2017	28.6%
Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) ^b	2007-2011	19.5
	2012-2016	20
Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2007-2011	86.5
	2012-2016	95.9
Uninsured children	2012	5.2%
	2016	2.8%
School attendance, grades 9-12	2013	94.1%
	2017	94.1%

^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).