

St. Louis City

County Composite Rank

2015 **115**

2019 **115**

Population: 308,626

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2013	2017	2013	2017		State Rate	County Rank
Economic Well-Being							
Children under 18 in poverty	27,318	19,009	43.1%	32.6%	↑	18.5%	101
Food insecurity for children ^b	15,730	14,890	23.0%	23.3%	↓	17.4%	100
Health							
Low birthweight infants ^{a,c}	2,992	2,854	12.1%	12.7%	↓	8.4%	116
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) ^b	845	714	12.9	11.5	↑	7.1	108
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) ^b	2,211	1,695	33.6	27.4	↑	8.0	115
Family & Community							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	421	220	46.4	27.7	↑	22.5	64
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) ^a	275	210	4.3	3.5	↑	3.3	43
Education							
Graduation rate	1,752	1,624	67.3%	74.3%	↑	91.0%	115
Achievement proficiency ^{a,d}							
3rd grade English/Language Arts (MAP)		1,034		34.4%		62.2%	
8th grade English/Language Arts (MAP)		743		34.9%		60.4%	
4th grade Math (MAP)		750		27.3%		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.

Contextual Indicators

Demographics

Total population	2013	318,416
	2017	308,626
Child population under 18	2013	64,598
	2017	59,774
Children under 18 as % of total population	2013	20.3%
	2017	19.4%
Child population under 6	2013	25,237
	2017	23,116
Children under 6 as % of total population	2013	7.9%
	2017	7.5%
Minority child population under 18	2013	45,656
	2017	42,821
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population	2013	70.6%
	2017	71.6%
Minority child population under 6	2013	16,606
	2017	15,361
Minority child population under 6 as % of child population	2013	65.8%
	2017	66.5%
Children in single-parent families	2008-2012	62.4%
	2013-2017	59.9%
Children in married-parent families	2008-2012	36.9%
	2013-2017	39.5%

Economic Well-being

Children in poverty under 6	2013	43.1%
	2017	27.2%
Children in poverty, ages 5-17	2013	43.0%
	2017	32.2%
Housing cost-burdened households	2008-2012	41.7%
	2013-2017	38.1%
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2008-2012	56.2%
	2013-2017	53.9%
Children in families receiving SNAP	2013	75.8%
	2017	68.5%
Median income family household with children under 18	2008-2012	\$31,525
	2013-2017	\$36,195
Adult unemployment	2013	9.1%
	2017	4.4%
Child homelessness	2013	14.6%
	2017	17.7%

Education

Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2013	199.2
	2018	187.5
Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2013	—
	2018	25.3%
School attendance, grades K-12	2013	93.0%
	2018	93.6%

Family & Community

Teen unintentional injuries/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2008-2012	116.7
	2013-2017	123.6
Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2008-2012	12.5%
	2013-2017	11.3%
Juvenile law violation referrals (per 1,000)	2013	47.5
	2017	27.4
Annual high school dropout rate	2013	9.6%
	2017	13.1%
Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2013	4.5
	2017	4.2

Health

Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2008-2012	11.5
	2013-2017	8.8
Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2008-2012	34.5
	2013-2017	38.3
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2008-2012	22.3
	2013-2017	25.8
Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2008-2012	96.9
	2013-2017	111.1
Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 ^a	2008-2012	84.6%
	2013-2017	90.0%
Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) ^b	2007-2011	20.1
	2012-2016	19.4
Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2007-2011	73.6
	2012-2016	96.1
Uninsured children	2012	5.9%
	2016	4.2%
School attendance, grades 9-12	2013	90.6%
	2017	92.1%

^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).