

Bates County

County Seat: Butler

County
Composite
Rank

2016
93

2020
67

Population: 16,374

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2014	2018	2014	2018		State Rate	County Rank
Economic Well-Being							
Children under 18 in poverty	1,003	748	25.9%	20.3%	↑	18.3%	43
Food insecurity for children ^b	980	720	23.7%	18.1%	↑	17.5%	39
Health							
Low birthweight infants ^{a,c}	83	61	8.5%	6.6%	↑	8.5%	19
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) ^{b,c}	45	26	10.9	6.7	↑	7.1	67
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) ^b	36	25	8.7	6.4	↑	7.5	101
Family & Community							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	18	15	37.4	32	↑	21.6	79
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) ^a	29	16	7.1	4.2	↑	4.0	42
Education							
High school graduation	161	184	92.5%	94.8%	↑	91.3%	42
Achievement proficiency ^{a,d}							
3rd grade English/Language Arts (MAP)		105		51.5%		48.6%	
8th grade English/Language Arts (MAP)		91		42.9%		49.0%	
4th grade Math (MAP)		99		49.7%		45.8%	
Algebra I (End of Course exam)		74		35.9%		47.0%	

Trend: ↑ better ↓ worse → no change

^a Outcome not included in County Composite Rank.

^b Data based on 2013 and 2017.

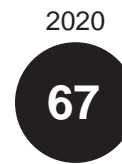
^c Data based on 5-year time spans, 2009-2013 and 2014-2018.

^d Achievement proficiency measures those that scored proficient or above on the MAP tests and Algebra I End of Course exam. Achievement data from 2014 are not shown due to differences in testing standards and assessments used in 2018; accordingly, no trend arrows or county ranks are shown.

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Contextual Indicators

Demographics

Total population	2014	16,584
	2018	16,374
Child population under 18	2014	4,105
	2018	3,805
Children under 18 as % of total population	2014	24.1%
	2018	23.9%
Child population under 6	2014	1,187
	2018	1,168
Children under 6 as % of total population	2014	7.2%
	2018	7.2%
Minority child population under 18	2014	277
	2018	265
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population	2014	6.9%
	2018	7.0%
Minority child population under 6	2014	119
	2018	93
Minority child population under 6 as % of under 6 child population	2014	10.0%
	2018	8.0%
Children in single-parent families	2009-2013	25.9%
	2014-2018	30.2%
Children in married-parent families	2009-2013	72.4%
	2014-2018	68.3%

Economic Well-being

Children in poverty under 6	2014	18.0%
	2018	18.8%
Children in poverty, ages 5-17	2009-2013	24.3%
	2014-2018	18.7%
Housing cost-burdened households	2009-2013	32.9%
	2014-2018	24.4%
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2009-2013	46.4%
	2014-2018	41.5%
Children in families receiving SNAP	2014	33.5%
	2018	28.5%
Median income family household with children under 18	2009-2013	\$44,635
	2014-2018	\$60,179
Adult unemployment	2014	7.0%
	2018	3.8%
Child homelessness	2014	0.4%
	2018	0.0%

Education

Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2014	54.7
	2019	39.9
Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2014	—
	2019	13.2%
School attendance, grades K-12	2014	95.6%
	2018	95.4%

Family & Community

Teen unintentional deaths/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2009-2013	17.7
	2014-2018	0.0
Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2009-2013	7.6%
	2014-2018	9.3%
Juvenile law violation referrals, ages 10-17 (per 1,000)	2014	27.5
	2018	35.6
Annual high school dropout rate	2014	0.5%
	2018	1.0%
Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2014	4.2
	2018	4.7

Health

Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2009-2013	3.1
	2014-2018	3.3
Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2009-2013	33.9
	2014-2018	20.4
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2009-2013	35.2
	2014-2018	21.4
Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2009-2013	27.3
	2014-2018	0.0
Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 ^a	2009-2013	100.0%
	2014-2018	%
Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) ^b	2008-2012	7.8**
	2013-2017	16.5**
Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2008-2012	52.5
	2013-2017	52.4
Uninsured children	2013	8.6%
	2017	6.7%
School attendance, grades 9-12	2014	94.8%
	2018	94.7%

^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)