

Christian County

County
Composite
Rank



County Seat: Ozark

Population: 84,275

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2014	2018	2014	2018		State Rate	County Rank
Economic Well-Being							
Children under 18 in poverty	3,610	2,484	17.2%	11.5%	↑	18.3%	8
Food insecurity for children ^b	4,120	3,330	19.4%	15.4%	↑	17.5%	10
Health							
Low birthweight infants ^{a,c}	293	329	5.8%	6.4%	↓	8.5%	12
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) ^{b,c}	125	100	5.9	4.6	↑	7.1	27
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) ^b	39	35	1.8	1.6	↑	7.5	13
Family & Community							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	51	44	18.9	16	↑	21.6	17
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) ^a	48	59	2.3	2.7	↓	4.0	20
Education							
High school graduation	1,017	1,001	96.2%	94.2%	↓	91.3%	49
Achievement proficiency ^{a,d}							
3rd grade English/Language Arts (MAP)		685		60.0%		48.6%	
8th grade English/Language Arts (MAP)		615		54.5%		49.0%	
4th grade Math (MAP)		661		58.2%		45.8%	
Algebra I (End of Course exam)		717		64.9%		47.0%	

Trend: ↑ better ↓ worse → no change

^a Outcome not included in County Composite Rank.

^b Data based on 2013 and 2017.

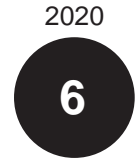
^c Data based on 5-year time spans, 2009-2013 and 2014-2018.

^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	82,101
	2018	84,275
Child population under 18	2014	21,290
	2018	21,985
Children under 18 as % of total population	2014	26.1%
	2018	25.8%
Child population under 6	2014	6,459
	2018	6,678
Children under 6 as % of total population	2014	7.9%
	2018	7.7%
Minority child population under 18	2014	1,744
	2018	1,774
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population	2014	8.1%
	2018	8.1%
Minority child population under 6	2014	549
	2018	578
Minority child population under 6 as % of under 6 child population	2014	8.5%
	2018	8.7%
Children in single-parent families	2009-2013	22.9%
	2014-2018	24.3%
Children in married-parent families	2009-2013	76.4%
	2014-2018	74.4%

Economic Well-being

Children in poverty under 6	2014	23.4%
	2018	5.3%
Children in poverty, ages 5-17	2009-2013	14.9%
	2014-2018	10.6%
Housing cost-burdened households	2009-2013	27.6%
	2014-2018	25.8%
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2009-2013	31.4%
	2014-2018	30.4%
Children in families receiving SNAP	2014	24.8%
	2018	20.6%
Median income family household with children under 18	2009-2013	\$60,808
	2014-2018	\$64,715
Adult unemployment	2014	4.9%
	2018	2.6%
Child homelessness	2014	1.6%
	2018	1.4%

Education

Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2014	75.5
	2019	71.9
Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2014	—
	2019	7.6%
School attendance, grades K-12	2014	95.7%
	2018	95.3%

Family & Community

Teen unintentional deaths/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2009-2013	30.5
	2014-2018	64.3
Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2009-2013	8.5%
	2014-2018	8.2%
Juvenile law violation referrals, ages 10-17 (per 1,000)	2014	26.1
	2018	27.8
Annual high school dropout rate	2014	0.7%
	2018	0.9%
Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2014	3.6
	2018	4.6

Health

Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2009-2013	4.3
	2014-2018	5.4
Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2009-2013	18.9
	2014-2018	15.7
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2009-2013	14.6
	2014-2018	9.7
Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2009-2013	40.8
	2014-2018	36.1
Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 ^a	2009-2013	50.0%
	2014-2018	%
Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) ^b	2008-2012	18.6
	2013-2017	21.5
Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2008-2012	52.6
	2013-2017	71.5
Uninsured children	2013	7.6%
	2017	4.5%
School attendance, grades 9-12	2014	95.7%
	2018	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)