

# Miller County

County Seat: Tuscumbia

County  
Composite  
Rank

2016  
**73**

2020  
**74**

Population: 25,049

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2014	2018	2014	2018		State Rate	County Rank
<b>Economic Well-Being</b>							
Children under 18 in poverty	1,542	1,431	26.6%	24.8%	↑	18.3%	78
Food insecurity for children <sup>b</sup>	1,600	1,150	26.3%	19.4%	↑	17.5%	67
<b>Health</b>							
Low birthweight infants <sup>a,c</sup>	99	130	6.6%	8.4%	↓	8.5%	74
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) <sup>b,c</sup>	37	35	6.1	5.9	↑	7.1	53
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) <sup>b</sup>	25	22	4.1	3.7	↑	7.5	61
<b>Family &amp; Community</b>							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	34	27	45.5	36.5	↑	21.6	94
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) <sup>a</sup>	36	32	6.0	5.4	↑	4.0	63
<b>Education</b>							
High school graduation	314	348	93.5%	94.1%	↑	91.3%	53
Achievement proficiency <sup>a,d</sup>							
3rd grade English/Language Arts (MAP)		187		49.2%		48.6%	
8th grade English/Language Arts (MAP)		181		48.5%		49.0%	
4th grade Math (MAP)		195		49.1%		45.8%	
Algebra I (End of Course exam)		180		42.9%		47.0%	

Trend: ↑ better ↓ worse → no change

<sup>a</sup> Outcome not included in County Composite Rank.

<sup>b</sup> Data based on 2013 and 2017.

<sup>c</sup> Data based on 5-year time spans, 2009-2013 and 2014-2018.

<sup>d</sup> 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	25,141
	2018	25,049
Child population under 18	2014	5,964
	2018	5,918
Children under 18 as % of total population	2014	23.6%
	2018	23.7%
Child population under 6	2014	1,804
	2018	1,916
Children under 6 as % of total population	2014	7.2%
	2018	7.6%
Minority child population under 18	2014	364
	2018	361
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population	2014	6.1%
	2018	6.1%
Minority child population under 6	2014	120
	2018	119
Minority child population under 6 as % of under 6 child population	2014	6.7%
	2018	6.2%
Children in single-parent families	2009-2013	38.1%
	2014-2018	29.9%
Children in married-parent families	2009-2013	61.2%
	2014-2018	68.2%

### Economic Well-being

Children in poverty under 6	2014	28.0%
	2018	28.7%
Children in poverty, ages 5-17	2009-2013	25.1%
	2014-2018	23.1%
Housing cost-burdened households	2009-2013	33.0%
	2014-2018	27.5%
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2009-2013	54.9%
	2014-2018	37.8%
Children in families receiving SNAP	2014	40.2%
	2018	33.6%
Median income family household with children under 18	2009-2013	\$39,008
	2014-2018	\$59,153
Adult unemployment	2014	7.6%
	2018	3.7%
Child homelessness	2014	0.3%
	2018	0.4%

### Education

Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2014	76.8
	2019	84.2
Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2014	—
	2019	0.0%
School attendance, grades K-12	2014	95.1%
	2018	94.7%

### Family & Community

Teen unintentional deaths/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2009-2013	24.9
	2014-2018	24.8
Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2009-2013	9.7%
	2014-2018	8.3%
Juvenile law violation referrals, ages 10-17 (per 1,000)	2014	27.5
	2018	12.8
Annual high school dropout rate	2014	0.7%
	2018	1.1%
Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2014	3.4
	2018	2.7

### Health

Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2009-2013	7.3
	2014-2018	2.6
Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2009-2013	19.8
	2014-2018	16.8
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2009-2013	16.0
	2014-2018	14.1
Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2009-2013	38.2
	2014-2018	18.4
Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 <sup>a</sup>	2009-2013	42.9%
	2014-2018	0%
Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) <sup>b</sup>	2008-2012	16.0*
	2013-2017	22.0*
Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2008-2012	70.9
	2013-2017	98.4
Uninsured children	2013	8.9%
	2017	5.7%
School attendance, grades 9-12	2014	94.9%
	2018	94.2%

<sup>a</sup> If no % listed, no vehicle fatalities happened in the county during that period.

<sup>b</sup> \*Indicates unstable rate due to low count (<20 cases); \*\* indicates very unstable rate due to very low count (<5 cases)