

Pemiscot County

County Seat: Caruthersville

County
Composite
Rank

2016
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Population: 17,031

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2014	2018	2014	2018		State Rate	County Rank
Economic Well-Being							
Children under 18 in poverty	1,870	1,827	40.2%	44.5%	↓	18.3%	115
Food insecurity for children ^b	1,400	1,180	28.3%	25.6%	↑	17.5%	113
Health							
Low birthweight infants ^{a,c}	197	143	13.5%	11.2%	↑	8.5%	111
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) ^{b,c}	62	39	12.5	8.9	↑	7.1	96
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) ^b	46	39	9.3	8.9	↑	7.5	112
Family & Community							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	42	18	65.0	34	↑	21.6	83
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) ^a	45	19	9.2	4.5	↑	4.0	53
Education							
High school graduation	209	238	86.4%	96.0%	↑	91.3%	28
Achievement proficiency ^{a,d}							
3rd grade English/Language Arts (MAP)		116		47.9%		48.6%	
8th grade English/Language Arts (MAP)		64		30.2%		49.0%	
4th grade Math (MAP)		99		40.2%		45.8%	
Algebra I (End of Course exam)		67		26.1%		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	17,650
	2018	17,031
Child population under 18	2014	4,889
	2018	4,183
Children under 18 as % of total population	2014	26.8%
	2018	26.3%
Child population under 6	2014	1,589
	2018	1,437
Children under 6 as % of total population	2014	9.0%
	2018	8.8%
Minority child population under 18	2014	1,950
	2018	1,718
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population	2014	41.3%
	2018	41.1%
Minority child population under 6	2014	724
	2018	632
Minority child population under 6 as % of under 6 child population	2014	45.6%
	2018	44.0%
Children in single-parent families	2009-2013	55.5%
	2014-2018	53.2%
Children in married-parent families	2009-2013	41.9%
	2014-2018	45.6%

Economic Well-being

Children in poverty under 6	2014	42.1%
	2018	38.3%
Children in poverty, ages 5-17	2009-2013	39.8%
	2014-2018	40.9%
Housing cost-burdened households	2009-2013	37.5%
	2014-2018	30.4%
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2009-2013	59.5%
	2014-2018	59.1%
Children in families receiving SNAP	2014	69.6%
	2018	70.9%
Median income family household with children under 18	2009-2013	\$28,500
	2014-2018	\$37,773
Adult unemployment	2014	9.0%
	2018	5.5%
Child homelessness	2014	0.8%
	2018	0.0%

Education

Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2014	97.4
	2019	97.1
Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2014	—
	2019	3.7%
School attendance, grades K-12	2014	94.6%
	2018	94.1%

Family & Community

Teen unintentional deaths/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2009-2013	59.1
	2014-2018	67.1
Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2009-2013	14.4%
	2014-2018	13.6%
Juvenile law violation referrals, ages 10-17 (per 1,000)	2014	12.7
	2018	64.4
Annual high school dropout rate	2014	1.5%
	2018	0.7%
Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2014	11.0
	2018	23.2

Health

Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2009-2013	13.0
	2014-2018	15.7
Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2009-2013	24.2
	2014-2018	17.9
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2009-2013	14.6
	2014-2018	14.0
Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2009-2013	69.0
	2014-2018	25.4
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	44.5*
	2013-2017	49.7*
Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2008-2012	198.5
	2013-2017	142.4
Uninsured children	2013	5.4%
	2017	4.4%
School attendance, grades 9-12	2014	94.4%
	2018	93.4%

^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)