

St. Charles County

County Seat: St. Charles

County
Composite
Rank



Population: 389,985

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2014	2018	2014	2018		State Rate	County Rank
Economic Well-Being							
Children under 18 in poverty	8,096	6,411	8.9%	7.0%	↑	18.3%	1
Food insecurity for children ^b	14,580	11,900	15.8%	12.8%	↑	17.5%	1
Health							
Low birthweight infants ^{a,c}	1,570	1,606	6.9%	7.2%	↓	8.5%	34
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) ^{b,c}	506	464	5.5	5.0	↑	7.1	35
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) ^b	664	469	7.2	5.0	↑	7.5	81
Family & Community							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	126	96	10.1	7.6	↑	21.6	7
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) ^a	337	308	3.6	3.3	↑	4.0	29
Education							
High school graduation	4,093	4,249	92.3%	92.9%	↑	91.3%	67
Achievement proficiency ^{a,d}							
3rd grade English/Language Arts (MAP)		2,668		61.3%		48.6%	
8th grade English/Language Arts (MAP)		2,762		61.1%		49.0%	
4th grade Math (MAP)		2,741		60.6%		45.8%	
Algebra I (End of Course exam)		3,059		67.1%		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	379,493
	2018	389,985
Child population under 18	2014	92,376
	2018	92,666
Children under 18 as % of total population	2014	24.4%
	2018	23.8%
Child population under 6	2014	28,370
	2018	28,622
Children under 6 as % of total population	2014	7.5%
	2018	7.2%
Minority child population under 18	2014	13,915
	2018	14,437
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population	2014	15.0%
	2018	15.6%
Minority child population under 6	2014	4,622
	2018	4,474
Minority child population under 6 as % of under 6 child population	2014	16.3%
	2018	15.6%
Children in single-parent families	2009-2013	20.6%
	2014-2018	22.8%
Children in married-parent families	2009-2013	78.8%
	2014-2018	76.5%

Economic Well-being

Children in poverty under 6	2014	11.9%
	2018	8.7%
Children in poverty, ages 5-17	2009-2013	7.9%
	2014-2018	6.3%
Housing cost-burdened households	2009-2013	27.0%
	2014-2018	21.3%
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2009-2013	17.3%
	2014-2018	13.8%
Children in families receiving SNAP	2014	13.7%
	2018	11.8%
Median income family household with children under 18	2009-2013	\$87,494
	2014-2018	\$102,583
Adult unemployment	2014	4.8%
	2018	2.5%
Child homelessness	2014	1.3%
	2018	1.2%

Education

Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2014	117.8
	2019	115.9
Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2014	—
	2019	18.2%
School attendance, grades K-12	2014	95.4%
	2018	95.0%

Family & Community

Teen unintentional deaths/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2009-2013	27.6
	2014-2018	30.4
Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2009-2013	7.1%
	2014-2018	7.3%
Juvenile law violation referrals, ages 10-17 (per 1,000)	2014	20.3
	2018	15.3
Annual high school dropout rate	2014	1.3%
	2018	1.3%
Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2014	1.5
	2018	1.4

Health

Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2009-2013	5.4
	2014-2018	4.8
Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2009-2013	14.3
	2014-2018	13.3
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2009-2013	11.7
	2014-2018	9.0
Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2009-2013	25.3
	2014-2018	27.0
Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 ^a	2009-2013	50.0%
	2014-2018	25%
Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) ^b	2008-2012	14
	2013-2017	21.3
Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2008-2012	76.5
	2013-2017	90.0
Uninsured children	2013	5.0%
	2017	3.2%
School attendance, grades 9-12	2014	94.3%
	2018	93.9%

^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)