

Vernon County

County
Composite
Rank



County Seat: Nevada

Population: 20,691

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2014	2018	2014	2018		State Rate	County Rank
Economic Well-Being							
Children under 18 in poverty	1,316	1,109	26.8%	24.0%	↑	18.3%	73
Food insecurity for children ^b	1,380	930	26.1%	18.7%	↑	17.5%	51
Health							
Low birthweight infants ^{a,c}	86	84	6.8%	6.6%	↑	8.5%	17
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) ^{b,c}	25	40	4.7	8.1	↓	7.1	86
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) ^b	30	30	5.7	6.1	↓	7.5	95
Family & Community							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	24	19	28.7	22.9	↑	21.6	43
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) ^a	25	22	4.8	4.5	↑	4.0	54
Education							
High school graduation	207	204	87.7%	92.7%	↑	91.3%	68
Achievement proficiency ^{a,d}							
3rd grade English/Language Arts (MAP)		70		34.5%		48.6%	
8th grade English/Language Arts (MAP)		107		43.9%		49.0%	
4th grade Math (MAP)		78		32.2%		45.8%	
Algebra I (End of Course exam)		28		16.2%		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	21,001
	2018	20,691
Child population under 18	2014	5,250
	2018	4,841
Children under 18 as % of total population	2014	24.3%
	2018	23.8%
Child population under 6	2014	1,558
	2018	1,492
Children under 6 as % of total population	2014	7.4%
	2018	7.3%
Minority child population under 18	2014	375
	2018	363
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population	2014	7.3%
	2018	7.5%
Minority child population under 6	2014	132
	2018	108
Minority child population under 6 as % of under 6 child population	2014	8.5%
	2018	7.2%
Children in single-parent families	2009-2013	39.3%
	2014-2018	28.3%
Children in married-parent families	2009-2013	56.0%
	2014-2018	68.2%

Economic Well-being

Children in poverty under 6	2014	34.4%
	2018	28.9%
Children in poverty, ages 5-17	2009-2013	24.3%
	2014-2018	22.6%
Housing cost-burdened households	2009-2013	28.8%
	2014-2018	23.1%
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2009-2013	50.0%
	2014-2018	42.0%
Children in families receiving SNAP	2014	37.6%
	2018	35.9%
Median income family household with children under 18	2009-2013	\$38,176
	2014-2018	\$54,316
Adult unemployment	2014	5.6%
	2018	3.1%
Child homelessness	2014	3.5%
	2018	4.7%

Education

Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2014	58.3
	2019	65.5
Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2014	—
	2019	0.0%
School attendance, grades K-12	2014	94.8%
	2018	95.2%

Family & Community

Teen unintentional deaths/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2009-2013	62.7
	2014-2018	25.6
Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2009-2013	12.0%
	2014-2018	8.0%
Juvenile law violation referrals, ages 10-17 (per 1,000)	2014	80.6
	2018	60.7
Annual high school dropout rate	2014	3.1%
	2018	1.0%
Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2014	4.9
	2018	2.9

Health

Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2009-2013	7.1
	2014-2018	7.1
Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2009-2013	26.4
	2014-2018	61.0
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2009-2013	18.7
	2014-2018	64.1
Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2009-2013	64.7
	2014-2018	0.0
Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 ^a	2009-2013	66.7%
	2014-2018	0%
Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) ^b	2008-2012	14.9*
	2013-2017	3.2**
Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2008-2012	45.7
	2013-2017	54.7
Uninsured children	2013	9.3%
	2017	6.7%
School attendance, grades 9-12	2014	93.6%
	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)