

Wright County

County Seat: Hartville

County
Composite
Rank

2016
89

2020
99

Population: 18,293

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2014	2018	2014	2018		State Rate	County Rank
Economic Well-Being							
Children under 18 in poverty	1,510	1,832	33.7%	39.9%	↓	18.3%	114
Food insecurity for children ^b	1,350	1,070	28.4%	23.5%	↑	17.5%	106
Health							
Low birthweight infants ^{a,c}	88	89	7.2%	7.2%	→	8.5%	32
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) ^{b,c}	42	38	8.8	8.2	↑	7.1	87
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) ^b	14	12	2.9	2.6	↑	7.5	33
Family & Community							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	25	23	44.2	37.8	↑	21.6	97
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) ^a	93	34	19.8	7.2	↑	4.0	82
Education							
High school graduation	213	211	96.8%	98.6%	↑	91.3%	8
Achievement proficiency ^{a,d}							
3rd grade English/Language Arts (MAP)		148		60.9%		48.6%	
8th grade English/Language Arts (MAP)		126		48.3%		49.0%	
4th grade Math (MAP)		102		43.2%		45.8%	
Algebra I (End of Course exam)		81		39.9%		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	18,291
	2018	18,293
Child population under 18	2014	4,691
	2018	4,703
Children under 18 as % of total population	2014	25.2%
	2018	24.8%
Child population under 6	2014	1,419
	2018	1,581
Children under 6 as % of total population	2014	7.8%
	2018	8.6%
Minority child population under 18	2014	250
	2018	271
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population	2014	5.4%
	2018	5.8%
Minority child population under 6	2014	98
	2018	102
Minority child population under 6 as % of under 6 child population	2014	6.9%
	2018	6.5%
Children in single-parent families	2009-2013	27.2%
	2014-2018	31.4%
Children in married-parent families	2009-2013	72.2%
	2014-2018	67.4%

Economic Well-being

Children in poverty under 6	2014	34.7%
	2018	40.6%
Children in poverty, ages 5-17	2009-2013	31.3%
	2014-2018	37.6%
Housing cost-burdened households	2009-2013	30.8%
	2014-2018	25.6%
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2009-2013	65.4%
	2014-2018	60.6%
Children in families receiving SNAP	2014	48.5%
	2018	43.0%
Median income family household with children under 18	2009-2013	\$30,000
	2014-2018	\$36,299
Adult unemployment	2014	7.1%
	2018	4.1%
Child homelessness	2014	0.9%
	2018	1.7%

Education

Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2014	61.8
	2019	76.5
Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2014	—
	2019	4.2%
School attendance, grades K-12	2014	95.3%
	2018	95.4%

Family & Community

Teen unintentional deaths/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2009-2013	31.9
	2014-2018	49.3
Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2009-2013	8.7%
	2014-2018	10.5%
Juvenile law violation referrals, ages 10-17 (per 1,000)	2014	26.3
	2018	25.8
Annual high school dropout rate	2014	0.1%
	2018	0.2%
Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2014	19.5
	2018	11.7

Health

Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2009-2013	9.1
	2014-2018	11.3
Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2009-2013	29.4
	2014-2018	35.3
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2009-2013	35.3
	2014-2018	31.9
Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2009-2013	0.0
	2014-2018	24.8
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	20.3*
	2013-2017	21.6*
Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2008-2012	79.8
	2013-2017	86.7
Uninsured children	2013	8.4%
	2017	8.0%
School attendance, grades 9-12	2014	94.4%
	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)