

Callaway County

County
Composite
Rank

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County Seat: Fulton

Population: 44,944

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2016	2020	2016	2020		State Rate	County Rank
Economic Well-Being							
Children under 18 in poverty	1,581	1,280	17.3%	14.4%	↑	15.5%	27
Food insecurity for children ^b	1,840	1,320	19%	13.9%	↑	15.1%	25
Health							
Low birthweight infants ^{a,c}	242	171	9.4%	7.1%	↑	8.7%	27
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) ^c	63	64	6.6	6.9	↓	7.1	75
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) ^b	64	58	6.7	6.2	↑	6.2	105
Family & Community							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	35	29	21.4	19	↑	18.8	43
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) ^a	71	77	7.4	8.3	↓	3.2	105
Education							
High school graduation	355	344	89%	91%	↑	91.3%	89
Achievement proficiency ^{a,d}							
3rd grade English/language arts (MAP)							
8th grade English/language arts (MAP)							
4th grade math (MAP)							
Algebra I (end-of-course exam)							

Trend: ↑ better ↓ worse → no change

^a Outcome not included in County Composite Rank.

^b Data based on 2015 and 2019.

^c Data based on five-year time spans, 2011-2015 and 2016-2020.

^d Due to the COVID pandemic, MAP tests were suspended in 2020, and proficiency reports were not issued for the 2019-2020 school year.

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Contextual Indicators

Demographics

Total population	2016	45,078
	2020	44,944
Child population under 18	2016	9,554
	2020	9,301
Children under 18 as % of total population	2016	21.2%
	2020	20.7%
Child population under 6	2016	3,043
	2020	2,995
Children under 6 as % of total population	2016	6.8%
	2020	6.7%
Minority child population under 18	2016	990
	2020	1,093
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population	2016	10.4%
	2020	11.8%
Minority child population under 6	2016	376
	2020	385
Minority child population under 6 as % of under 6 child population	2016	12.4%
	2020	12.9%
Children in single-parent families	2011-2015	30.2%
	2016-2020	19.3%
Children in married-parent families	2011-2015	69.6%
	2016-2020	69.1%

Economic Well-being

Children in poverty under 6	2016	10.1%
	2020	16.2%
Children in poverty, ages 5-17	2011-2015	21.2%
	2016-2020	13.7%
Housing cost-burdened households	2011-2015	25%
	2016-2020	21.5%
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2011-2015	32.5%
	2016-2020	30.4%
Children in families receiving SNAP	2016	32.1%
	2020	25.5%
Median income family household with children under 18	2011-2015	\$57,038
	2016-2020	\$69,591
Adult unemployment	2016	4.1%
	2020	4.5%
Child homelessness	2016	1.9%
	2020	1.5%

Education

Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2016	92.7
	2021	85.5
Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2016	19%
	2021	4.5%
School attendance, grades K-12	2016	95%
	2020	93.8%

Family & Community

Teen unintentional deaths/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2011-2015	37.1
	2016-2020	50.7
Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2011-2015	9.9%
	2016-2020	7.82%
Juvenile law violation referrals, ages 10-17 (per 1,000)	2016	35.3
	2020	37
Annual high school dropout rate	2016	2.3%
	2020	1.8%
Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2016	8.5
	2020	6.5

Health

Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2011-2015	8.2
	2016-2020	4.6
Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2011-2015	28.9
	2016-2020	31.8
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2011-2015	28.1
	2016-2020	19.7
Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2011-2015	37.2
	2016-2020	58.4
Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 ^a	2011-2015	75%
	2016-2020	0%
Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) ^b	2010-2014	24.7
	2015-2019	17.9
Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2010-2014	117.4
	2015-2019	113.1
Uninsured children	2015	6.1%
	2019	7.1%
School attendance, grades 9-12	2016	93.5%
	2020	92.2%

^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).