

Pike County

County Seat: Bowling Green

County
Composite
Rank

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Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2016	2020	2016	2020		State Rate	County Rank
Economic Well-Being							
Children under 18 in poverty	965	773	24.4%	19.8%	↑	15.5%	58
Food insecurity for children ^b	790	620	19.5%	15.3%	↑	15.1%	39
Health							
Low birthweight infants ^{a,c}	91	93	8.2%	8.8%	↓	8.7%	82
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) ^c	23	24	5.7	6	↓	7.1	57
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) ^b	34	21	8.4	5.3	↑	6.2	98
Family & Community							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	14	13	28.1	28.1	→	18.8	77
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) ^a	37	30	9.1	7.5	↑	3.2	103
Education							
High school graduation	175	181	92.1%	93.3%	↑	91.3%	62
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	18,438
	2020	18,158
Child population under 18	2016	4,065
	2020	3,994
Children under 18 as % of total population	2016	22%
	2020	22.8%
Child population under 6	2016	1,338
	2020	1,259
Children under 6 as % of total population	2016	7.3%
	2020	7.2%
Minority child population under 18	2016	419
	2020	372
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population	2016	10.3%
	2020	9.3%
Minority child population under 6	2016	162
	2020	113
Minority child population under 6 as % of under 6 child population	2016	12.1%
	2020	9%
Children in single-parent families	2011-2015	27.5%
	2016-2020	24.7%
Children in married-parent families	2011-2015	71.9%
	2016-2020	60.1%

Economic Well-being

Children in poverty under 6	2016	29%
	2020	28.1%
Children in poverty, ages 5-17	2011-2015	25.6%
	2016-2020	19.1%
Housing cost-burdened households	2011-2015	25.4%
	2016-2020	20.7%
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2011-2015	44.8%
	2016-2020	42.7%
Children in families receiving SNAP	2016	31.5%
	2020	28.8%
Median income family household with children under 18	2011-2015	\$51,495
	2016-2020	\$51,824
Adult unemployment	2016	4.5%
	2020	5.5%
Child homelessness	2016	0%
	2020	2.6%

Education

Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2016	175.2
	2021	142.7
Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2016	15.6%
	2021	9.8%
School attendance, grades K-12	2016	95%
	2020	94.7%

Family & Community

Teen unintentional deaths/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2011-2015	111.7
	2016-2020	38.6
Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2011-2015	10.32%
	2016-2020	12.05%
Juvenile law violation referrals, ages 10-17 (per 1,000)	2016	21.9
	2020	16.5
Annual high school dropout rate	2016	2.1%
	2020	1.1%
Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2016	9.1
	2020	5

Health

Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2011-2015	2.7
	2016-2020	4.7
Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2011-2015	55.2
	2016-2020	10.5
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2011-2015	36.7
	2016-2020	10.1
Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2011-2015	146.8
	2016-2020	0
Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 ^a	2011-2015	66.7%
	2016-2020	0%
Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) ^b	2010-2014	4.5
	2015-2019	16
Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2010-2014	78.7
	2015-2019	85.9
Uninsured children	2015	6.8%
	2019	8.2%
School attendance, grades 9-12	2016	93.8%
	2020	93.5%

^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).