

St. Francois County

County Seat: Farmington

County
Composite
Rank

85

2018

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2022

Population: 66,653

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2016	2020	2016	2020		State Rate	County Rank
Economic Well-Being							
Children under 18 in poverty	2,816	2,564	20.4%	18.8%	↑	15.5%	52
Food insecurity for children ^b	3,100	2,460	22.2%	17.6%	↑	15.1%	67
Health							
Low birthweight infants ^{a,c}	276	335	7.5%	9.6%	↓	8.7%	100
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) ^c	92	110	6.4	7.9	↓	7.1	93
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) ^b	139	81	9.7	5.8	↑	6.2	104
Family & Community							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	60	62	33.2	32.6	↑	18.8	93
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) ^a	90	72	6.3	5.1	↑	3.2	73
Education							
High school graduation	709	745	92.9%	92.8%	↓	91.3%	69
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	66,627
	2020	66,653
Child population under 18	2016	14,225
	2020	13,990
Children under 18 as % of total population	2016	21.4%
	2020	21%
Child population under 6	2016	4,446
	2020	4,344
Children under 6 as % of total population	2016	6.7%
	2020	6.5%
Minority child population under 18	2016	832
	2020	834
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population	2016	5.8%
	2020	6%
Minority child population under 6	2016	340
	2020	277
Minority child population under 6 as % of under 6 child population	2016	7.6%
	2020	6.4%
Children in single-parent families	2011-2015	29.7%
	2016-2020	24.8%
Children in married-parent families	2011-2015	69.7%
	2016-2020	66%

Economic Well-being

Children in poverty under 6	2016	4.9%
	2020	20.1%
Children in poverty, ages 5-17	2011-2015	25.4%
	2016-2020	17.5%
Housing cost-burdened households	2011-2015	28.3%
	2016-2020	26%
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2011-2015	45.3%
	2016-2020	39.4%
Children in families receiving SNAP	2016	44.4%
	2020	39.4%
Median income family household with children under 18	2011-2015	\$46,202
	2016-2020	\$56,920
Adult unemployment	2016	5.5%
	2020	7%
Child homelessness	2016	5.3%
	2020	2.5%

Education

Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2016	106.5
	2021	94.5
Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2016	8.8%
	2021	10%
School attendance, grades K-12	2016	95%
	2020	93.8%

Family & Community

Teen unintentional deaths/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2011-2015	58.7
	2016-2020	46.8
Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2011-2015	9.41%
	2016-2020	8.66%
Juvenile law violation referrals, ages 10-17 (per 1,000)	2016	68.6
	2020	23.2
Annual high school dropout rate	2016	1.4%
	2020	0.9%
Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2016	5.6
	2020	7.9

Health

Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2011-2015	6.8
	2016-2020	6.3
Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2011-2015	31.1
	2016-2020	27
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2011-2015	23.5
	2016-2020	16.4
Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2011-2015	69
	2016-2020	56.2
Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 ^a	2011-2015	50%
	2016-2020	0%
Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) ^b	2010-2014	24.1
	2015-2019	35.9
Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2010-2014	113.2
	2015-2019	104.8
Uninsured children	2015	5.4%
	2019	5.8%
School attendance, grades 9-12	2016	94.3%
	2020	93.2%

^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).