

Crawford County

County
Composite
Rank

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2019

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2023

County Seat: Steelville

Population: 22,807

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2017	2021	2017	2021		State Rate	County Rank
Economic Well-Being							
Children under 18 in poverty	1,503	1,146	27.8%	22.8%	↑	16.5%	77
Food insecurity for children ^b	1,230	1,130	21.2%	20.3%	↑	15.4%	89
Health							
Low birthweight infants ^{a, c}	122	113	8.4%	9.1%	↓	8.8%	90
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) ^c	26	30	4.6	5.8	↓	5.0	91
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) ^b	22	18	3.9	3.5	↑	3.6	93
Family & Community							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	23	14	32.8	19.6	↑	17.0	54
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) ^a	14	27	2.5	5.2	↓	3.0	75
Education							
High school graduation	193	197	91.5%	96.6%	↑	90.8%	22
Achievement proficiency ^{a, d}							
3rd grade English/language arts (MAP)	—	77	—	41.6		41.4%	53
8th grade English/language arts (MAP)	—	135	—	52.7		44.9%	15
4th grade math (MAP)	—	62	—	33.7		36.8%	80
Algebra I (end-of-course exam)	—	73	—	31.2		26.8%	55

Trend: ↑ better ↓ worse → no change

^a Outcome not included in County Composite Rank.

^b Data based on 2016 and 2020.

^c Data based on five-year time spans, 2012-2016 and 2017-2021.

^d Achievement proficiency measures those that scored proficient or above on the MAP tests and algebra I end-of-course exam. Achievement data from 2017 are not shown due to differences in testing standards and assessments used in 2021; accordingly, no trend arrows are shown.

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Contextual Indicators

Demographics

Total population	2017	24,102
	2020	22,807
Child population under 18	2017	5,559
	2021	5,158
Children under 18 as % of total population	2017	23.1%
	2021	22.6%
Child population under 6	2017	1,696
	2021	1,497
Children under 6 as % of total population	2017	7.0%
	2021	6.6%
Minority child population under 18 ^a	2017	340
	2021	408
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population ^a	2017	6.1%
	2021	7.9%
Minority child population under 6 ^a	2017	128
	2021	141
Minority child population under 6 as % of under 6 child population ^a	2017	7.5%
	2021	9.4%
Children in single-parent families	2012-2016	33.2%
	2017-2021	23.3%
Children in married-parent families	2012-2016	66.1%
	2017-2021	71.6%

Economic Well-being

Children in poverty under 6	2017	21.6%
	2021	22.6%
Children in poverty, ages 5-17	2012-2016	25.6%
	2017-2021	20.5%
Housing cost-burdened households	2012-2016	27.2%
	2017-2021	31.3%
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2012-2016	49.1%
	2017-2021	41.5%
Children in families receiving SNAP	2017	42.4%
	2021	36.4%
Median income family household with children under 18	2012-2016	\$44,883
	2017-2021	\$59,375
Adult unemployment	2017	4.7%
	2021	4.5%
Child homelessness	2017	1.7%
	2021	1.5%

Education

Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2017	67.8
	2022	56.4
Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2017	31.7%
	2022	34.0%
School attendance, grades K-12	2017	94.7
	2021	94.3

Family & Community

Teen unintentional deaths/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2012-2016	25.9
	2017-2021	54.9
Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2012-2016	14.6%
	2017-2021	10.5%
Juvenile law violation referrals, ages 10-17 (per 1,000)	2017	23.0
	2021	16.0
Annual high school dropout rate	2017	0.9%
	2021	1.0%
Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2017	7.2
	2021	11.1

Health

Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2012-2016	7.6
	2017-2021	4.8
Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2012-2016	13.8
	2017-2021	36.5
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2012-2016	8.4
	2017-2021	25.5
Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2012-2016	39.1
	2017-2021	79.3
Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 ^b	2012-2016	—%
	2017-2021	66.7%
Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) ^c	2011-2015	28*
	2016-2020	52.1*
Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2011-2015	99.2
	2016-2020	143.2
Uninsured children	2016	6.3%
	2020	9.3%
School attendance, grades 9-12	2017	94.5%
	2021	93.1%

^a Due to changes in race categories, 2001 and later minority estimates are not comparable to pre-2001 counts and percentages.

^b If no % listed, no vehicle fatalities happened in the county during that period.

^c *Indicates unstable rate due to low count (<20 cases); ** indicates very unstable rate due to very low count (<5 cases).