

# Franklin County

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Rank

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County Seat: Union

Population: 105,231

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2017	2021	2017	2021		State Rate	County Rank
<b>Economic Well-Being</b>							
Children under 18 in poverty	3,429	2,824	14.6%	12.1%	↑	16.5%	9
Food insecurity for children <sup>b</sup>	4,150	3,460	17.3%	14.5%	↑	15.4%	24
<b>Health</b>							
Low birthweight infants <sup>a, c</sup>	480	463	7.8%	7.9%	↓	8.8%	59
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) <sup>c</sup>	128	108	5.4	4.5	↑	5.0	59
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) <sup>b</sup>	109	48	4.6	2.0	↑	3.6	45
<b>Family &amp; Community</b>							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	73	48	24.2	15.6	↑	17.0	37
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) <sup>a</sup>	64	61	2.7	2.6	↑	3.0	25
<b>Education</b>							
High school graduation	1,015	1,090	87.3%	91.1%	↑	90.8%	77
Achievement proficiency <sup>a, d</sup>							
3rd grade English/language arts (MAP)	—	527	—	47.5		41.4%	33
8th grade English/language arts (MAP)	—	582	—	49.2		44.9%	26
4th grade math (MAP)	—	472	—	42.7		36.8%	38
Algebra I (end-of-course exam)	—	369	—	36.7		26.8%	31

Trend: ↑ better ↓ worse → no change

<sup>a</sup> Outcome not included in County Composite Rank.

<sup>b</sup> Data based on 2016 and 2020.

<sup>c</sup> Data based on five-year time spans, 2012-2016 and 2017-2021.

<sup>d</sup> 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	103,330
	2020	105,231
Child population under 18	2017	24,011
	2021	23,794
Children under 18 as % of total population	2017	23.2%
	2021	22.6%
Child population under 6	2017	7,604
	2021	7,323
Children under 6 as % of total population	2017	7.4%
	2021	7.0%
Minority child population under 18 <sup>a</sup>	2017	1,467
	2021	1,998
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population <sup>a</sup>	2017	6.1%
	2021	8.4%
Minority child population under 6 <sup>a</sup>	2017	533
	2021	667
Minority child population under 6 as % of under 6 child population <sup>a</sup>	2017	7.0%
	2021	9.1%
Children in single-parent families	2012-2016	28.3%
	2017-2021	17.8%
Children in married-parent families	2012-2016	71.1%
	2017-2021	70.7%

### Economic Well-being

Children in poverty under 6	2017	20.5%
	2021	8.5%
Children in poverty, ages 5-17	2012-2016	13.1%
	2017-2021	11.5%
Housing cost-burdened households	2012-2016	25.1%
	2017-2021	21.9%
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2012-2016	29.7%
	2017-2021	23.7%
Children in families receiving SNAP	2017	27.4%
	2021	22.1%
Median income family household with children under 18	2012-2016	\$66,699
	2017-2021	\$84,892
Adult unemployment	2017	3.6%
	2021	4.0%
Child homelessness	2017	4.1%
	2021	1.4%

### Education

Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2017	60.1
	2022	62.0
Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2017	19.8%
	2022	19.4%
School attendance, grades K-12	2017	94.8
	2021	94.5

### Family & Community

Teen unintentional deaths/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2012-2016	79.8
	2017-2021	22.0
Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2012-2016	11.6%
	2017-2021	11.0%
Juvenile law violation referrals, ages 10-17 (per 1,000)	2017	28.9
	2021	18.7
Annual high school dropout rate	2017	2.6%
	2021	2.1%
Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2017	4.1
	2021	6.4

### Health

Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2012-2016	6.8
	2017-2021	4.3
Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2012-2016	31.6
	2017-2021	27.4
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2012-2016	24.2
	2017-2021	26.0
Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2012-2016	67.0
	2017-2021	33.1
Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 <sup>b</sup>	2012-2016	57.1%
	2017-2021	0.0%
Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) <sup>c</sup>	2011-2015	40.6
	2016-2020	29.9
Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2011-2015	111.2
	2016-2020	137.6
Uninsured children	2016	4.6%
	2020	6.0%
School attendance, grades 9-12	2017	94.3%
	2021	94.2%

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

<sup>b</sup> If no % listed, no vehicle fatalities happened in the county during that period.

<sup>c</sup> \*Indicates unstable rate due to low count (<20 cases); \*\* indicates very unstable rate due to very low count (<5 cases).