

Grundy County

County
Composite
Rank

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County Seat: Trenton

Population: 9,720

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2017	2021	2017	2021		State Rate	County Rank
Economic Well-Being							
Children under 18 in poverty	624	571	26.8%	24.4%	↑	16.5%	85
Food insecurity for children ^b	490	360	20.4%	15.7%	↑	15.4%	39
Health							
Low birthweight infants ^{a, c}	61	56	7.9%	8.2%	↓	8.8%	70
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) ^c	10	10	4.1	4.2	↓	5.0	47
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) ^b	6	6	2.5	2.5	↓	3.6	69
Family & Community							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	10	9	29.8	26.1	↑	17.0	75
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) ^a	26	11	10.9	4.6	↑	3.0	68
Education							
High school graduation	100	102	93.5%	94.4%	↑	90.8%	47
Achievement proficiency ^{a, d}							
3rd grade English/language arts (MAP)	—	45	—	44.6		41.4%	43
8th grade English/language arts (MAP)	—	42	—	45.2		44.9%	46
4th grade math (MAP)	—	35	—	34.7		36.8%	68
Algebra I (end-of-course exam)	—	19	—	24.1		26.8%	85

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			Education		
Total population	2017	9,949	Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2017	66.1
	2020	9,720		2022	20.1
Child population under 18	2017	2,392	Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2017	0.0%
	2021	2,392		2022	%
Children under 18 as % of total population	2017	24.0%	School attendance, grades K-12	2017	95.4
	2021	24.6%		2021	94.8
Child population under 6	2017	871	Family & Community		
	2021	783	Teen unintentional deaths/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2012-2016	30.3
Children under 6 as % of total population	2017	8.8%		2017-2021	31.3
	2021	8.1%	Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2012-2016	10.9%
Minority child population under 18 ^a	2017	162		2017-2021	9.8%
	2021	208	Juvenile law violation referrals, ages 10-17 (per 1,000)	2017	13.9
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population ^a	2017	6.8%		2021	48.6
	2021	8.7%	Annual high school dropout rate	2017	1.5%
Minority child population under 6 ^a	2017	58		2021	0.7%
	2021	74	Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2017	13.4
Minority child population under 6 as % of under 6 child population ^a	2017	6.7%		2021	7.1
	2021	9.5%	Health		
Children in single-parent families	2012-2016	31.1%	Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2012-2016	10.3
	2017-2021	16.1%		2017-2021	13.3
Children in married-parent families	2012-2016	67.1%	Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2012-2016	41.4
	2017-2021	78.4%		2017-2021	17.5
Economic Well-being			Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2012-2016	39.1
Children in poverty under 6	2017	25.3%		2017-2021	10.5
	2021	22.1%	Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2012-2016	53.8
Children in poverty, ages 5-17	2012-2016	25.1%		2017-2021	53.2
	2017-2021	22.5%	Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 ^b	2012-2016	—%
Housing cost-burdened households	2012-2016	21.6%		2017-2021	100.0%
	2017-2021	21.8%	Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) ^c	2011-2015	0**
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2012-2016	42.0%		2016-2020	23.5**
	2017-2021	28.9%	Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2011-2015	62.5
Children in families receiving SNAP	2017	32.9%		2016-2020	84.0
	2021	27.4%	Uninsured children	2016	6.5%
Median income family household with children under 18	2012-2016	\$55,139		2020	10.1%
	2017-2021	\$75,208	School attendance, grades 9-12	2017	94.8%
Adult unemployment	2017	3.6%		2021	92.8%
	2021	3.6%			
Child homelessness	2017	1.0%			
	2021	0.5%			

^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).