

# Harrison County

County  
Composite  
Rank

74 <sup>2019</sup>

51 <sup>2023</sup>

County Seat: Bethany

Population: 8,164

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2017	2021	2017	2021		State Rate	County Rank
<b>Economic Well-Being</b>							
Children under 18 in poverty	527	472	25.8%	23.8%	↑	16.5%	82
Food insecurity for children <sup>b</sup>	440	370	20.4%	17.7%	↑	15.4%	65
<b>Health</b>							
Low birthweight infants <sup>a, c</sup>	46	26	8.2%	5.7%	↑	8.8%	9
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) <sup>c</sup>	24	7	11.4	3.5	↑	5.0	28
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) <sup>b</sup>	11	2	5.2	1.0	↑	3.6	21
<b>Family &amp; Community</b>							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	6	5	24.4	19.8	↑	17.0	56
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) <sup>a</sup>	26	5	12.5	2.5	↑	3.0	23
<b>Education</b>							
High school graduation	82	101	95.3%	93.5%	↓	90.8%	56
Achievement proficiency <sup>a, d</sup>							
3rd grade English/language arts (MAP)	—	40	—	46.0		41.4%	39
8th grade English/language arts (MAP)	—	25	—	23.8		44.9%	114
4th grade math (MAP)	—	34	—	39.1		36.8%	55
Algebra I (end-of-course exam)	—	47	—	44.8		26.8%	11

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			Education		
Total population	2017	8,524	Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2017	59.6
	2020	8,164		2022	9.9
Child population under 18	2017	2,079	Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2017	0.0%
	2021	2,017		2022	%
Children under 18 as % of total population	2017	24.4%	School attendance, grades K-12	2017	94.8
	2021	24.7%		2021	93.9
Child population under 6	2017	665	Family & Community		
	2021	574	Teen unintentional deaths/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2012-2016	78.9
Children under 6 as % of total population	2017	7.8%		2017-2021	36.4
	2021	7.0%	Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2012-2016	12.2%
Minority child population under 18 <sup>a</sup>	2017	116		2017-2021	13.3%
	2021	194	Juvenile law violation referrals, ages 10-17 (per 1,000)	2017	29.7
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population <sup>a</sup>	2017	5.6%		2021	36.3
	2021	9.6%	Annual high school dropout rate	2017	0.8%
Minority child population under 6 <sup>a</sup>	2017	47		2021	1.6%
	2021	47	Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2017	16.4
Minority child population under 6 as % of under 6 child population <sup>a</sup>	2017	7.1%		2021	3.5
	2021	8.2%	Health		
Children in single-parent families	2012-2016	34.5%	Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2012-2016	7.1
	2017-2021	24.0%		2017-2021	0.0
Children in married-parent families	2012-2016	64.8%	Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2012-2016	28.0
	2017-2021	67.7%		2017-2021	31.1
Economic Well-being			Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2012-2016	22.2
Children in poverty under 6	2017	25.3%		2017-2021	25.7
	2021	22.1%	Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2012-2016	59.0
Children in poverty, ages 5-17	2012-2016	23.4%		2017-2021	53.3
	2017-2021	21.2%	Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 <sup>b</sup>	2012-2016	0.0%
Housing cost-burdened households	2012-2016	21.1%		2017-2021	—%
	2017-2021	22.1%	Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) <sup>c</sup>	2011-2015	0**
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2012-2016	49.0%		2016-2020	9.5**
	2017-2021	45.9%	Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2011-2015	119.0
Children in families receiving SNAP	2017	36.7%		2016-2020	137.8
	2021	28.8%	Uninsured children	2016	7.7%
Median income family household with children under 18	2012-2016	\$48,179		2020	7.7%
	2017-2021	\$55,685	School attendance, grades 9-12	2017	94.1%
Adult unemployment	2017	3.5%		2021	91.9%
	2021	3.5%			
Child homelessness	2017	0.0%			
	2021	0.3%			

<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).