

# Miller County

County Seat: Tuscumbia

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Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2017	2021	2017	2021		State Rate	County Rank
<b>Economic Well-Being</b>							
Children under 18 in poverty	1,353	1,157	23.4%	19.9%	↑	16.5%	47
Food insecurity for children <sup>b</sup>	1,240	1,120	21.1%	18.6%	↑	15.4%	77
<b>Health</b>							
Low birthweight infants <sup>a, c</sup>	117	128	7.7%	8.4%	↓	8.8%	73
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) <sup>c</sup>	38	31	6.4	5.2	↑	5.0	80
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) <sup>b</sup>	35	11	5.9	1.8	↑	3.6	41
<b>Family &amp; Community</b>							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	25	18	32.9	24.6	↑	17.0	70
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) <sup>a</sup>	53	36	8.9	6.0	↑	3.0	86
<b>Education</b>							
High school graduation	330	345	88.2%	95.8%	↑	90.8%	32
Achievement proficiency <sup>a, d</sup>							
3rd grade English/language arts (MAP)	—	148	—	44.2		41.4%	45
8th grade English/language arts (MAP)	—	201	—	49.9		44.9%	23
4th grade math (MAP)	—	136	—	40.7		36.8%	44
Algebra I (end-of-course exam)	—	137	—	36.5		26.8%	33

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	25,228
	2020	24,909
Child population under 18	2017	5,926
	2021	5,956
Children under 18 as % of total population	2017	23.5%
	2021	23.9%
Child population under 6	2017	1,876
	2021	1,887
Children under 6 as % of total population	2017	7.4%
	2021	7.6%
Minority child population under 18 <sup>a</sup>	2017	340
	2021	460
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population <sup>a</sup>	2017	5.7%
	2021	7.7%
Minority child population under 6 <sup>a</sup>	2017	118
	2021	141
Minority child population under 6 as % of under 6 child population <sup>a</sup>	2017	6.3%
	2021	7.5%
Children in single-parent families	2012-2016	35.5%
	2017-2021	19.9%
Children in married-parent families	2012-2016	63.8%
	2017-2021	66.3%

### Economic Well-being

Children in poverty under 6	2017	12.9%
	2021	23.7%
Children in poverty, ages 5-17	2012-2016	22.0%
	2017-2021	18.9%
Housing cost-burdened households	2012-2016	26.8%
	2017-2021	23.6%
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2012-2016	37.2%
	2017-2021	38.5%
Children in families receiving SNAP	2017	35.3%
	2021	28.1%
Median income family household with children under 18	2012-2016	\$58,750
	2017-2021	\$60,338
Adult unemployment	2017	4.5%
	2021	4.1%
Child homelessness	2017	0.5%
	2021	0.5%

### Education

Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2017	69.4
	2022	82.6
Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2017	0.0%
	2022	%
School attendance, grades K-12	2017	94.8
	2021	94.0

### Family & Community

Teen unintentional deaths/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2012-2016	49.2
	2017-2021	0.0
Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2012-2016	13.8%
	2017-2021	11.6%
Juvenile law violation referrals, ages 10-17 (per 1,000)	2017	15.6
	2021	34.3
Annual high school dropout rate	2017	1.0%
	2021	0.5%
Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2017	6.2
	2021	4.2

### Health

Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2012-2016	5.2
	2017-2021	3.9
Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2012-2016	20.3
	2017-2021	7.1
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2012-2016	16.7
	2017-2021	8.6
Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2012-2016	36.5
	2017-2021	0.0
Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 <sup>b</sup>	2012-2016	25.0%
	2017-2021	75.0%
Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) <sup>c</sup>	2011-2015	18.4*
	2016-2020	26*
Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2011-2015	93.5
	2016-2020	119.8
Uninsured children	2016	5.6%
	2020	8.7%
School attendance, grades 9-12	2017	94.2%
	2021	92.8%

<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).