

Stoddard County

County
Composite
Rank

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County Seat: Bloomfield

Population: 28,479

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2017	2021	2017	2021		State Rate	County Rank
Economic Well-Being							
Children under 18 in poverty	1,480	1,336	23.5%	21.7%	↑	16.5%	70
Food insecurity for children ^b	1,330	1,360	20.1%	20.7%	↓	15.4%	90
Health							
Low birthweight infants ^{a, c}	149	161	8.4%	9.5%	↓	8.8%	96
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) ^c	74	36	11.2	5.7	↑	5.0	89
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) ^b	27	13	4.1	2.1	↑	3.6	47
Family & Community							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	21	29	26.3	35.2	↓	17.0	97
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) ^a	46	34	7.1	5.4	↑	3.0	77
Education							
High school graduation	314	322	94.9%	97.6%	↑	90.8%	12
Achievement proficiency ^{a, d}							
3rd grade English/language arts (MAP)	—	178	—	51.9		41.4%	20
8th grade English/language arts (MAP)	—	174	—	46.2		44.9%	43
4th grade math (MAP)	—	154	—	45.0		36.8%	24
Algebra I (end-of-course exam)	—	139	—	36.9		26.8%	30

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	29,369
	2020	28,479
Child population under 18	2017	6,445
	2021	6,295
Children under 18 as % of total population	2017	21.9%
	2021	22.1%
Child population under 6	2017	2,059
	2021	1,945
Children under 6 as % of total population	2017	7.0%
	2021	6.8%
Minority child population under 18 ^a	2017	412
	2021	558
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population ^a	2017	6.4%
	2021	8.9%
Minority child population under 6 ^a	2017	165
	2021	194
Minority child population under 6 as % of under 6 child population ^a	2017	8.0%
	2021	10.0%
Children in single-parent families	2012-2016	27.2%
	2017-2021	20.0%
Children in married-parent families	2012-2016	71.3%
	2017-2021	65.2%

Economic Well-being

Children in poverty under 6	2017	42.1%
	2021	29.6%
Children in poverty, ages 5-17	2012-2016	22.5%
	2017-2021	20.8%
Housing cost-burdened households	2012-2016	24.8%
	2017-2021	21.6%
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2012-2016	45.0%
	2017-2021	41.7%
Children in families receiving SNAP	2017	41.7%
	2021	36.3%
Median income family household with children under 18	2012-2016	\$49,684
	2017-2021	\$57,857
Adult unemployment	2017	5.1%
	2021	4.5%
Child homelessness	2017	0.0%
	2021	1.1%

Education

Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2017	88.0
	2022	68.2
Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2017	9.2%
	2022	4.7%
School attendance, grades K-12	2017	95.7
	2021	95.6

Family & Community

Teen unintentional deaths/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2012-2016	44.3
	2017-2021	22.4
Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2012-2016	10.5%
	2017-2021	13.4%
Juvenile law violation referrals, ages 10-17 (per 1,000)	2017	55.0
	2021	41.8
Annual high school dropout rate	2017	0.6%
	2021	0.3%
Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2017	24.5
	2021	27.6

Health

Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2012-2016	5.6
	2017-2021	3.5
Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2012-2016	27.3
	2017-2021	23.5
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2012-2016	22.2
	2017-2021	20.9
Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2012-2016	50.5
	2017-2021	34.0
Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 ^b	2012-2016	0.0%
	2017-2021	100.0%
Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) ^c	2011-2015	27.3*
	2016-2020	39.5*
Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2011-2015	98.3
	2016-2020	139.6
Uninsured children	2016	4.9%
	2020	10.4%
School attendance, grades 9-12	2017	95.5%
	2021	95.1%

^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).