

# Linn County

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County  
Composite  
Rank

82 <sup>2020</sup>

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Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2018	2022	2018	2022		State Rate	County Rank
<b>Economic Well-Being</b>							
Children under 18 in poverty	709	522	25.7%	19.2%	↑	16.8%	48
Food insecurity for children <sup>b</sup>	630	420	21.6%	14.8%	↑	12.8%	72
<b>Health</b>							
Low birthweight infants <sup>a, c</sup>	62	39	8.6%	5.8%	↑	8.9%	9
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) <sup>c</sup>	15	14	5.1	5.0	↑	6.3	49
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) <sup>b</sup>	14	10	4.8	3.6	↑	5.1	72
<b>Family &amp; Community</b>							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	5	7	13.0	17.4	↓	16.8	43
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) <sup>a</sup>	15	8	5.3	2.9	↑	2.7	43
<b>Education</b>							
High school graduation	149	169	96.8%	91.8%	↓	91.2%	80
Achievement proficiency <sup>a, d</sup>							
3rd grade English/language arts (MAP)	99	53	63.5	38.1		41.0%	66
8th grade English/language arts (MAP)	106	90	57.3	68.2		41.9%	1
4th grade math (MAP)	69	92	52.7	73.6		43.0%	2
Algebra I (end-of-course exam)	75	83	51.4	44.6		41.2%	26

Trend: ↑ better ↓ worse → no change

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

<sup>b</sup> Data based on 2017 and 2021.

<sup>c</sup> Data based on five-year time spans, 2013-2017 and 2018-2022.

<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 2018 are not shown due to differences in testing standards and assessments used in 2022; accordingly, no trend arrows are shown.

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## Contextual Indicators

Demographics			Education		
Total population	2018	12,186	Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2018	42.3
	2021	11,820		2023	35.9
Child population under 18	2018	2,834	Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2018	33.3%
	2022	2,786		2023	40.0%
Children under 18 as % of total population	2018	23.9%	School attendance, grades K-12	2018	95.9
	2022	23.6%		2022	94.6
Child population under 6	2018	871	Family & Community		
	2022	841	Teen unintentional deaths/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2013-2017	51.0
Children under 6 as % of total population	2018	7.2%		2018-2022	100.5
	2022	7.1%	Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2013-2017	10.9%
Minority child population under 18 <sup>a</sup>	2018	187		2018-2022	13.2%
	2022	245	Juvenile law violation referrals, ages 10-17 (per 1,000)	2018	5.0
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population <sup>a</sup>	2018	6.6%		2022	10.6
	2022	8.8%	Annual high school dropout rate	2018	0.9%
Minority child population under 6 <sup>a</sup>	2018	63		2022	2.4%
	2022	86	Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2018	6.4
Minority child population under 6 as % of under 6 child population <sup>a</sup>	2018	7.2%		2022	8.3
	2022	10.2%	Health		
Children in single-parent families	2013-2017	35.3%	Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2013-2017	5.6
	2018-2022	16.4%		2018-2022	3.0
Children in married-parent families	2013-2017	63.6%	Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2013-2017	27.3
	2018-2022	64.6%		2018-2022	60.3
Economic Well-being			Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2013-2017	25.0
Children under 6 in families in poverty	2018	27.1%		2018-2022	47.5
	2022	22.7%	Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2013-2017	37.8
Children ages 5-17 in families in poverty	2018	23.3%		2018-2022	109.5
	2022	18.9%	Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 <sup>b</sup>	2013-2017	100.0%
Housing cost-burdened households	2013-2017	19.7%		2018-2022	—%
	2018-2022	16.7%	Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) <sup>c</sup>	2012-2016	0.0
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2013-2017	46.8%		2017-2021	6.9**
	2018-2022	44.7%	Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2012-2016	100.1
Children in families receiving SNAP	2018	30.7%		2017-2021	136.8
	2022	25.2%	Uninsured children	2017	6.3%
Median income family household with children under 18	2013-2017	\$\$47,344		2021	7.5%
	Adult unemployment	2018	4.7%	School attendance, grades 9-12	2018
2022		2.9%	2022		93.3%
Child homelessness	2018	1.4%			
	2022	1.2%			

<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 occurred during the period.

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