

New Madrid County

County
Composite
Rank

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County Seat: New Madrid

Population: 15,695

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2018	2022	2018	2022		State Rate	County Rank
Economic Well-Being							
Children under 18 in poverty	1,048	905	26.6%	24.8%	↑	16.8%	89
Food insecurity for children ^b	1,040	790	24.6%	20.1%	↑	12.8%	107
Health							
Low birthweight infants ^{a,c}	134	108	11.2%	10.6%	↑	8.9%	109
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) ^c	40	19	9.9	5.1	↑	6.3	51
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) ^b	22	4	5.4	1.1	↑	5.1	13
Family & Community							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	17	15	34.0	31.3	↑	16.8	95
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) ^a	30	14	7.5	3.7	↑	2.7	60
Education							
High school graduation	143	165	94.1%	94.3%	↑	91.2%	51
Achievement proficiency ^{a,d}							
3rd grade English/language arts (MAP)	77	62	41.2	34.1		41.0%	86
8th grade English/language arts (MAP)	80	68	44.0	36.2		41.9%	79
4th grade math (MAP)	85	62	40.5	35.2		43.0%	99
Algebra I (end-of-course exam)	53	45	27.5	25.4		41.2%	101

Trend: ↑ better ↓ worse → no change

^a Outcome not included in County Composite Rank.

^b Data based on 2017 and 2021.

^c Data based on five-year time spans, 2013-2017 and 2018-2022.

^d 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

Total population	2018	17,811
	2021	15,695
Child population under 18	2018	4,008
	2022	3,739
Children under 18 as % of total population	2018	23.4%
	2022	23.8%
Child population under 6	2018	1,287
	2022	1,155
Children under 6 as % of total population	2018	7.4%
	2022	7.4%
Minority child population under 18 ^a	2018	1,051
	2022	1,074
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population ^a	2018	26.2%
	2022	28.7%
Minority child population under 6 ^a	2018	360
	2022	334
Minority child population under 6 as % of under 6 child population ^a	2018	28.0%
	2022	28.9%
Children in single-parent families	2013-2017	47.7%
	2018-2022	37.7%
Children in married-parent families	2013-2017	51.4%
	2018-2022	54.4%

Economic Well-being

Children under 6 in families in poverty	2018	38.4%
	2022	28.2%
Children ages 5-17 in families in poverty	2018	23.7%
	2022	24.1%
Housing cost-burdened households	2013-2017	24.6%
	2018-2022	25.1%
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2013-2017	59.8%
	2018-2022	52.8%
Children in families receiving SNAP	2018	52.0%
	2022	45.3%
Median income family household with children under 18	2013-2017	\$\$32,217
	2018-2022	\$\$50,996
Adult unemployment	2018	4.8%
	2022	3.0%
Child homelessness	2018	1.6%
	2022	0.4%

Education

Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2018	72.9
	2023	82.9
Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2018	0.0%
	2023	0.0%
School attendance, grades K-12	2018	94.9
	2022	91.6

Family & Community

Teen unintentional deaths/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2013-2017	57.9
	2018-2022	80.6
Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2013-2017	12.8%
	2018-2022	19.3%
Juvenile law violation referrals, ages 10-17 (per 1,000)	2018	37.7
	2022	38.6
Annual high school dropout rate	2018	0.8%
	2022	0.9%
Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2018	15.7
	2022	10.7

Health

Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2013-2017	10.0
	2018-2022	10.8
Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2013-2017	9.5
	2018-2022	22.6
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2013-2017	11.4
	2018-2022	21.1
Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2013-2017	0.0
	2018-2022	29.0
Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 ^b	2013-2017	0.0%
	2018-2022	100.0%
Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) ^c	2012-2016	29.7*
	2017-2021	15.6**
Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2012-2016	113.5
	2017-2021	159.4
Uninsured children	2017	5.8%
	2021	6.4%
School attendance, grades 9-12	2018	94.3%
	2022	90.1%

^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 occurred during the period.

^c *Indicates unstable rate due to low count (<20 cases); ** indicates very unstable rate due to very low count (<5 cases).