

# Stone County

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Composite  
Rank

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County Seat: Galena

Population: 32,136

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2018	2022	2018	2022		State Rate	County Rank
<b>Economic Well-Being</b>							
Children under 18 in poverty	1,089	1,025	21.5%	20.0%	↑	16.8%	60
Food insecurity for children <sup>b</sup>	1,030	770	19.1%	15.0%	↑	12.8%	73
<b>Health</b>							
Low birthweight infants <sup>a, c</sup>	107	119	8.6%	8.9%	↓	8.9%	83
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) <sup>c</sup>	33	31	6.2	5.8	↑	6.3	68
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) <sup>b</sup>	10	11	1.9	2.1	↓	5.1	40
<b>Family &amp; Community</b>							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	20	17	25.7	23.7	↑	16.8	70
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) <sup>a</sup>	40	15	7.7	2.8	↑	2.7	39
<b>Education</b>							
High school graduation	277	284	94.2%	97.9%	↑	91.2%	9
Achievement proficiency <sup>a, d</sup>							
3rd grade English/language arts (MAP)	117	77	44.2	33.2		41.0%	93
8th grade English/language arts (MAP)	119	100	43.6	37.9		41.9%	67
4th grade math (MAP)	113	94	43.5	40.9		43.0%	69
Algebra I (end-of-course exam)	87	142	40.3	53.6		41.2%	6

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	31,527	Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2018	34.6
	2021	32,136		2023	22.2
Child population under 18	2018	5,207	Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2018	0.0%
	2022	5,310		2023	0.0%
Children under 18 as % of total population	2018	16.9%	School attendance, grades K-12	2018	94.2
	2022	16.5%		2022	92.5
Child population under 6	2018	1,471	Family & Community		
	2022	1,569	Teen unintentional deaths/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2013-2017	46.5
Children under 6 as % of total population	2018	4.6%		2018-2022	90.0
	2022	4.9%	Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2013-2017	5.0%
Minority child population under 18 <sup>a</sup>	2018	424		2018-2022	5.3%
	2022	613	Juvenile law violation referrals, ages 10-17 (per 1,000)	2018	31.1
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population <sup>a</sup>	2018	8.1%		2022	51.3
	2022	11.5%	Annual high school dropout rate	2018	0.8%
Minority child population under 6 <sup>a</sup>	2018	131		2022	0.1%
	2022	196	Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2018	12.7
Minority child population under 6 as % of under 6 child population <sup>a</sup>	2018	8.9%		2022	13.0
	2022	12.5%	Health		
Children in single-parent families	2013-2017	21.5%	Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2013-2017	10.4
	2018-2022	16.6%		2018-2022	9.0
Children in married-parent families	2013-2017	78.2%	Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2013-2017	37.0
	2018-2022	76.8%		2018-2022	43.6
Economic Well-being			Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2013-2017	37.6
Children under 6 in families in poverty	2018	33.2%		2018-2022	29.9
	2022	13.3%	Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2013-2017	34.9
Children ages 5-17 in families in poverty	2018	20.7%		2018-2022	96.7
	2022	19.3%	Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 <sup>b</sup>	2013-2017	100.0%
Housing cost-burdened households	2013-2017	27.0%		2018-2022	100.0%
	2018-2022	24.5%	Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) <sup>c</sup>	2012-2016	13.2**
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2013-2017	43.7%		2017-2021	39.5*
	2018-2022	42.9%	Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2012-2016	95.9
Children in families receiving SNAP	2018	35.2%		2017-2021	179.6
	2022	31.7%	Uninsured children	2017	7.5%
Median income family household with children under 18	2013-2017	\$\$47,833		2021	7.4%
	2018-2022	\$\$64,190	School attendance, grades 9-12	2018	93.8%
Adult unemployment	2018	4.7%		2022	92.2%
	2022	3.8%	<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 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).		
Child homelessness	2018	4.6%			
	2022	3.5%			