

Saline County

County Seat: Marshall

Population: 23,049

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2019	2023	2019	2023		State Rate	County Rank
Economic Well-Being							
Children under 18 in poverty	1,036	1,032	21.3%	21.6%	↓	14.7%	86
Food insecurity for children ^a	840	810	15.9%	15.7%	↑	18.7%	25
Health							
Low birthweight infants ^b	91	124	9.2%	9.7%	↓	8.9%	99
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) ^b	30	38	5.9	7.6	↓	7.1	91
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) ^a	36	39	7.1	7.8	↓	5.5	111
Family & Community							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	10	15	12.9	16.1	↓	15.9	44
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000)	21	20	4.1	4.0	↑	2.9	64
Education							
High school graduation	227	240	88.0%	89.9%	↑	91.3%	97
Achievement proficiency 3rd grade English/language arts (MAP)	115	69	45.1%	25.3%	↓	42.2%	112
8th grade English/language arts (MAP)	95	93	33.6%	32.4%	↓	42.3%	94
4th grade math (MAP)	83	79	29.9%	31.7%	↑	43.7%	100
Algebra I (end-of-course exam)	68	60	26.5%	24.7%	↓	40.1%	107

^a Data based on 2018 and 2022.

^b Data based on five-year time spans, 2013-2018 and 2019-2023.

Trend: ↑ better ↓ worse → no change

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Contextual Indicators

Demographics			Education		
Total population	2019	22,761	Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2019	51.0
	2022	23,049		2024	10.1
Child population under 18	2019	5,068	Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2019	%
	2023	4,972		2024	0.0%
Children under 18 as % of total population	2019	22.3%	School attendance, grades K-12	2019	94.9
	2023	21.6%		2023	93.3
Child population under 6	2019	1,562	Family & Community		
	2023	1,504	Teen unintentional deaths/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2013-2018	22.2
Children under 6 as % of total population	2019	6.9%		2019-2023	9.5
	2023	6.5%	Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2013-2018	9.3%
Minority child population under 18 ^a	2019	1,340		2019-2023	11.9%
	2023	1,636	Juvenile law violation referrals, ages 10-17 (per 1,000)	2019	40.2
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population ^a	2019	26.4%		2023	58.7
	2023	32.9%	Annual high school dropout rate	2019	3.0%
Minority child population under 6 ^a	2019	402		2023	1.7%
	2023	542	Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2019	5.5
Minority child population under 6 as % of under 6 child population ^a	2019	25.7%		2023	2.4
	2023	36.0%	Health		
Children in single-parent families	2013-2018	32.1%	Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2013-2018	7.0
	2019-2023	21.4%		2019-2023	9.4
Children in married-parent families	2013-2018	64.8%	Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2013-2018	15.1
	2019-2023	67.5%		2019-2023	0.0
Economic Well-being			Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2013-2018	7.8
Children under 6 in families in poverty	2019	16.5%		2019-2023	0.0
	2023	14.7%	Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2013-2018	46.8
Children ages 5-17 in families in poverty	2019	21.4%		2019-2023	0.0
	2023	21.6%	Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 ^b	2013-2018	100.0%
Housing cost-burdened households	2013-2018	27.1%		2019-2023	0.0%
	2019-2023	25.4%	Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) ^c	2012-2017	23.3*
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2013-2018	43.7%		2018-2022	23.5*
	2019-2023	34.4%	Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2012-2017	106.8
Children in families receiving SNAP	2019	33.1%		2018-2022	11.4
	2023	32.7%	Uninsured children	2018	6.3%
Median income family household with children under 18	2013-2018	\$51,817		2022	5.8%
	2019-2023	\$83,594	School attendance, grades 9-12	2019	93.9%
Adult unemployment	2019	3.2%		2023	91.9%
	2023	3.0%	^a Due to changes in race categories, 2001 and later minority estimates are not comparable to pre-2001 counts and percentages.		
Child homelessness	2019	8.5%	^b If no % listed, no vehicle fatalities occurred during the period.		
	2023	1.6%	^c *Indicates unstable rate due to low count (<20 cases); ** indicates very unstable rate due to very low count (<5 cases).		