St. Clair County

County Seat: Osceola

Population: 9,752

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2019	2023	2019	2023		State Rate	County Rank
Economic Well-Being							
Children under 18 in poverty	501	560	27.5%	27.8%	↓	14.7%	106
Food insecurity for children [a]	380	380	20.9%	19.9%	↑	18.7%	72
Health							
Low birthweight infants [b]	28	24	7.1%	4.4%	↑	8.9%	3
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) [b]	8	11	4.3	5.4	↓	7.1	39
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) [a]	1	1	0.5	0.5	↑	5.5	7
Family & Community							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	6	8	24.2	29.7	↓	15.9	94
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000)	4	8	2.2	3.9	↓	2.9	62
Education							
High school graduation	84	87	91.3%	91.7%	↑	91.3%	89
Achievement proficiency 3rd grade English/language arts (MAP)	31	32	36.0%	31.4%	↓	42.2%	102
8th grade English/language arts (MAP)	48	29	49.0%	25.4%	↓	42.3%	109
4th grade math (MAP)	52	47	49.5%	49.0%	↓	43.7%	28
Algebra I (end-of-course exam)	35	39	34.0%	33.9%	↓	40.1%	74

[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

Total population	2019	9,397
	2022	9,752
Child population under 18	2019	1,857
	2023	2,055
Children under 18 as % of total population	2019	19.8%
	2023	21.1%
Child population under 6	2019	618
	2023	639
Children under 6 as % of total population	2019	6.6%
	2023	6.6%
Minority child population under 18 [a]	2019	112
	2023	127
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population [a]	2019	6.0%
	2023	6.2%
Minority child population under 6 [a]	2019	30
	2023	39
Minority child population under 6 as % of under 6 child population [a]	2019	4.9%
	2023	6.1%
Children in single-parent families	2013-2018	33.2%
	2019-2023	24.5%
Children in married-parent families	2013-2018	66.1%
	2019-2023	67.1%

Economic Well-being

Children under 6 in families in poverty	2019	28.0%
	2023	10.2%
Children ages 5-17 in families in poverty	2019	26.3%
	2023	26.6%
Housing cost-burdened households	2013-2018	23.6%
	2019-2023	23.4%
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2013-2018	39.5%
	2019-2023	50.2%
Children in families receiving SNAP	2019	36.9%
	2023	29.0%
Median income family household with children under 18	2013-2018	$51,932
	2019-2023	$62,196
Adult unemployment	2019	4.6%
	2023	3.8%
Child homelessness	2019	1.0%
	2023	0.0%

Education

Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2019	50.6
	2024	19.5
Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2019	%
	2024	0.0%
School attendance, grades K-12	2019	94.5
	2023	92.7

Family & Community

Teen unintentional deaths/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2013-2018	0.0
	2019-2023	144.9
Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2013-2018	7.3%
	2019-2023	13.5%
Juvenile law violation referrals, ages 10-17 (per 1,000)	2019	26.1
	2023	48.9
Annual high school dropout rate	2019	1.3%
	2023	2.1%
Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2019	6.5
	2023	4.4

Health

Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2013-2018	4.0
	2019-2023	7.4
Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2013-2018	10.9
	2019-2023	10.3
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2013-2018	11.4
	2019-2023	0.0
Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2013-2018	0.0
	2019-2023	54.5
Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 [b]	2013-2018	100.0%
	2019-2023	0.0%
Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) [c]	2012-2017	0
	2018-2022	9.4**
Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2012-2017	56.4
	2018-2022	15.1
Uninsured children	2018	9.1%
	2022	7.1%
School attendance, grades 9-12	2019	93.8%
	2023	91.0%

[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).