

St. Francois County

County Seat: Farmington

Population: 67,058

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2019	2023	2019	2023		State Rate	County Rank
Economic Well-Being							
Children under 18 in poverty	2,702	2,149	19.8%	15.9%	↑	14.7%	38
Food insecurity for children ^a	2,590	3,040	18.4%	21.5%	↓	18.7%	91
Health							
Low birthweight infants ^b	255	324	9.0%	9.6%	↓	8.9%	98
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) ^b	104	146	7.4	10.5	↓	7.1	110
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) ^a	67	55	4.7	4.0	↑	5.5	79
Family & Community							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	58	42	30.7	20.4	↑	15.9	64
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000)	78	66	5.5	4.8	↑	2.9	79
Education							
High school graduation	680	653	93.7%	76.1%	↓	91.3%	114
Achievement proficiency 3rd grade English/language arts (MAP)	77	301	59.7%	43.1%	↓	42.2%	48
8th grade English/language arts (MAP)	57	338	48.3%	42.3%	↓	42.3%	41
4th grade math (MAP)	90	325	62.1%	49.3%	↓	43.7%	26
Algebra I (end-of-course exam)	71	406	47.7%	43.9%	↓	40.1%	25

^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	67,215	Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2019	113.2
	2022	67,058		2024	106.7
Child population under 18	2019	14,127	Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2019	9.5%
	2023	13,864		2024	8.9%
Children under 18 as % of total population	2019	21.0%	School attendance, grades K-12	2019	94.5
	2023	20.7%		2023	92.7
Child population under 6	2019	4,403	Family & Community		
	2023	4,075	Teen unintentional deaths/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2013-2018	52.1
Children under 6 as % of total population	2019	6.6%		2019-2023	47.2
	2023	6.1%	Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2013-2018	8.9%
Minority child population under 18 ^a	2019	916		2019-2023	15.1%
	2023	1,122	Juvenile law violation referrals, ages 10-17 (per 1,000)	2019	48.1
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population ^a	2019	6.5%		2023	44.2
	2023	8.1%	Annual high school dropout rate	2019	1.2%
Minority child population under 6 ^a	2019	343		2023	1.3%
	2023	342	Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2019	11.3
Minority child population under 6 as % of under 6 child population ^a	2019	7.8%		2023	5.3
	2023	8.4%	Health		
Children in single-parent families	2013-2018	31.7%	Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2013-2018	6.4
	2019-2023	23.8%		2019-2023	8.0
Children in married-parent families	2013-2018	66.9%	Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2013-2018	24.2
	2019-2023	65.3%		2019-2023	33.3
Economic Well-being			Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2013-2018	12.0
Children under 6 in families in poverty	2019	9.1%		2019-2023	26.6
	2023	21.5%	Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2013-2018	72.3
Children ages 5-17 in families in poverty	2019	18.0%		2019-2023	59.2
	2023	14.9%	Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 ^b	2013-2018	50.0%
Housing cost-burdened households	2013-2018	26.6%		2019-2023	50.0%
	2019-2023	24.3%	Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) ^c	2012-2017	26.7
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2013-2018	40.1%		2018-2022	25.7*
	2019-2023	38.6%	Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2012-2017	110.9
Children in families receiving SNAP	2019	39.5%		2018-2022	13.0
	2023	37.5%	Uninsured children	2018	5.5%
Median income family household with children under 18	2013-2018	\$56,635		2022	6.6%
	2019-2023	\$64,994	School attendance, grades 9-12	2019	95.7%
Adult unemployment	2019	3.7%		2023	92.3%
	2023	3.9%	^a Due to changes in race categories, 2001 and later minority estimates are not comparable to pre-2001 counts and percentages.		
Child homelessness	2019	5.0%	^b If no % listed, no vehicle fatalities occurred during the period.		
	2023	0.0%	^c *Indicates unstable rate due to low count (<20 cases); ** indicates very unstable rate due to very low count (<5 cases).		