

Stoddard County

County Seat: Bloomfield

Population: 28,397

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2019	2023	2019	2023		State Rate	County Rank
Economic Well-Being							
Children under 18 in poverty	1,521	1,082	24.7%	17.9%	↑	14.7%	51
Food insecurity for children ^a	1,290	1,330	19.5%	21.2%	↓	18.7%	89
Health							
Low birthweight infants ^b	119	151	8.9%	9.0%	↓	8.9%	89
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) ^b	53	45	8.4	7.2	↑	7.1	86
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) ^a	21	13	3.3	2.1	↑	5.5	38
Family & Community							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	33	27	39.8	32.7	↑	15.9	103
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000)	37	28	5.9	4.5	↑	2.9	75
Education							
High school graduation	335	307	97.4%	86.3%	↓	91.3%	105
Achievement proficiency 3rd grade English/language arts (MAP)	202	167	56.9%	46.0%	↓	42.2%	29
8th grade English/language arts (MAP)	180	181	47.1%	53.7%	↑	42.3%	8
4th grade math (MAP)	164	192	46.7%	48.7%	↑	43.7%	32
Algebra I (end-of-course exam)	98	149	25.5%	46.7%	↑	40.1%	18

^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	29,025	Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2019	85.8
	2022	28,397		2024	55.6
Child population under 18	2019	6,320	Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2019	4.9%
	2023	6,207		2024	0.0%
Children under 18 as % of total population	2019	21.8%	School attendance, grades K-12	2019	95.9
	2023	21.9%		2023	94.9
Child population under 6	2019	2,007	Family & Community		
	2023	1,982	Teen unintentional deaths/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2013-2018	31.8
Children under 6 as % of total population	2019	6.9%		2019-2023	34.4
	2023	7.0%	Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2013-2018	6.7%
Minority child population under 18 ^a	2019	415		2019-2023	12.2%
	2023	607	Juvenile law violation referrals, ages 10-17 (per 1,000)	2019	50.7
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population ^a	2019	6.6%		2023	52.5
	2023	9.8%	Annual high school dropout rate	2019	0.4%
Minority child population under 6 ^a	2019	159		2023	0.1%
	2023	211	Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2019	25.6
Minority child population under 6 as % of under 6 child population ^a	2019	7.9%		2023	20.3
	2023	10.7%	Health		
Children in single-parent families	2013-2018	29.2%	Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2013-2018	5.2
	2019-2023	19.0%		2019-2023	6.6
Children in married-parent families	2013-2018	69.4%	Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2013-2018	21.3
	2019-2023	70.0%		2019-2023	30.6
Economic Well-being			Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2013-2018	15.9
Children under 6 in families in poverty	2019	41.7%		2019-2023	21.2
	2023	25.0%	Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2013-2018	32.7
Children ages 5-17 in families in poverty	2019	22.8%		2019-2023	69.1
	2023	17.5%	Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 ^b	2013-2018	0.0%
Housing cost-burdened households	2013-2018	23.7%		2019-2023	100.0%
	2019-2023	19.0%	Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) ^c	2012-2017	25.0*
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2013-2018	42.7%		2018-2022	30.9*
	2019-2023	39.8%	Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2012-2017	115.6
Children in families receiving SNAP	2019	39.3%		2018-2022	13.5
	2023	37.0%	Uninsured children	2018	6.7%
Median income family household with children under 18	2013-2018	\$52,936		2022	8.0%
	2019-2023	\$68,109	School attendance, grades 9-12	2019	95.9%
Adult unemployment	2019	4.7%		2023	95.3%
	2023	3.9%			
Child homelessness	2019	0.6%			
	2023	1.8%			

^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).