Sullivan County

County Seat: Milan

Population: 5,797

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2019	2023	2019	2023		State Rate	County Rank
Economic Well-Being							
Children under 18 in poverty	293	235	22.0%	18.7%	↑	14.7%	58
Food insecurity for children [a]	200	240	14.2%	17.8%	↓	18.7%	51
Health							
Low birthweight infants [b]	31	31	8.8%	8.5%	↑	8.9%	74
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) [b]	15	10	11.0	7.8	↑	7.1	93
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) [a]	2	2	1.5	1.6	↓	5.5	22
Family & Community							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	9	8	54.9	53.7	↑	15.9	114
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000)	6	3	4.4	2.3	↑	2.9	30
Education							
High school graduation	76	74	98.7%	96.3%	↓	91.3%	33
Achievement proficiency 3rd grade English/language arts (MAP)	33	29	45.8%	42.6%	↓	42.2%	53
8th grade English/language arts (MAP)	16	22	18.8%	31.4%	↑	42.3%	100
4th grade math (MAP)	29	13	46.8%	18.3%	↓	43.7%	114
Algebra I (end-of-course exam)	36	34	48.6%	37.0%	↓	40.1%	61

[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	6,089
	2022	5,797
Child population under 18	2019	1,364
	2023	1,283
Children under 18 as % of total population	2019	22.4%
	2023	22.1%
Child population under 6	2019	470
	2023	425
Children under 6 as % of total population	2019	7.7%
	2023	7.3%
Minority child population under 18 [a]	2019	466
	2023	411
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population [a]	2019	34.2%
	2023	32.0%
Minority child population under 6 [a]	2019	157
	2023	155
Minority child population under 6 as % of under 6 child population [a]	2019	33.4%
	2023	36.5%
Children in single-parent families	2013-2018	31.3%
	2019-2023	19.6%
Children in married-parent families	2013-2018	68.5%
	2019-2023	70.8%

Economic Well-being

Children under 6 in families in poverty	2019	31.7%
	2023	18.8%
Children ages 5-17 in families in poverty	2019	20.1%
	2023	18.2%
Housing cost-burdened households	2013-2018	21.2%
	2019-2023	20.2%
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2013-2018	45.3%
	2019-2023	41.7%
Children in families receiving SNAP	2019	34.2%
	2023	31.3%
Median income family household with children under 18	2013-2018	$49,931
	2019-2023	$63,462
Adult unemployment	2019	3.5%
	2023	3.3%
Child homelessness	2019	5.2%
	2023	4.4%

Education

Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2019	50.1
	2024	54.6
Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2019	33.3%
	2024	28.6%
School attendance, grades K-12	2019	95.6
	2023	94.7

Family & Community

Teen unintentional deaths/ homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2013-2018	111.7
	2019-2023	59.3
Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2013-2018	7.8%
	2019-2023	13.3%
Juvenile law violation referrals, ages 10-17 (per 1,000)	2019	3.4
	2023	9.2
Annual high school dropout rate	2019	0.0%
	2023	0.9%
Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2019	10.3
	2023	0.8

Health

Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2013-2018	2.4
	2019-2023	0.0
Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2013-2018	14.4
	2019-2023	16.4
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2013-2018	0.0
	2019-2023	0.0
Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2013-2018	95.2
	2019-2023	92.2
Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 [b]	2013-2018	0.0%
	2019-2023	100.0%
Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) [c]	2012-2017	11.4**
	2018-2022	0
Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2012-2017	77.6
	2018-2022	8.8
Uninsured children	2018	8.5%
	2022	6.2%
School attendance, grades 9-12	2019	94.4%
	2023	93.8%

[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).