

Vernon County

County Seat: Nevada

Population: 19,710

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2019	2023	2019	2023		State Rate	County Rank
Economic Well-Being							
Children under 18 in poverty	1,228	969	26.6%	21.3%	↑	14.7%	83
Food insecurity for children ^a	780	990	15.8%	21.1%	↓	18.7%	86
Health							
Low birthweight infants ^b	72	73	7.1%	6.0%	↑	8.9%	14
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) ^b	27	22	5.6	4.7	↑	7.1	23
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) ^a	33	18	6.8	3.8	↑	5.5	77
Family & Community							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	20	20	24.7	26.8	↓	15.9	84
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000)	16	10	3.3	2.1	↑	2.9	27
Education							
High school graduation	220	213	94.0%	95.3%	↑	91.3%	51
Achievement proficiency 3rd grade English/language arts (MAP)	87	52	41.0%	24.0%	↓	42.2%	114
8th grade English/language arts (MAP)	93	64	38.4%	30.2%	↓	42.3%	103
4th grade math (MAP)	61	57	30.5%	28.4%	↓	43.7%	108
Algebra I (end-of-course exam)	39	67	18.1%	28.9%	↑	40.1%	94

^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	20,563	Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2019	65.5
	2022	19,710		2024	25.6
Child population under 18	2019	4,849	Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2019	%
	2023	4,691		2024	0.0%
Children under 18 as % of total population	2019	23.6%	School attendance, grades K-12	2019	95.3
	2023	23.8%		2023	93.6
Child population under 6	2019	1,539	Family & Community		
	2023	1,477	Teen unintentional deaths/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2013-2018	25.6
Children under 6 as % of total population	2019	7.5%		2019-2023	68.9
	2023	7.5%	Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2013-2018	8.0%
Minority child population under 18 ^a	2019	382		2019-2023	9.4%
	2023	497	Juvenile law violation referrals, ages 10-17 (per 1,000)	2019	65.6
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population ^a	2019	7.9%		2023	74.2
	2023	10.6%	Annual high school dropout rate	2019	0.0%
Minority child population under 6 ^a	2019	125		2023	1.5%
	2023	157	Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2019	3.1
Minority child population under 6 as % of under 6 child population ^a	2019	8.1%		2023	3.6
	2023	10.6%	Health		
Children in single-parent families	2013-2018	28.3%	Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2013-2018	7.1
	2019-2023	13.4%		2019-2023	7.4
Children in married-parent families	2013-2018	68.2%	Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2013-2018	61.0
	2019-2023	77.1%		2019-2023	22.4
Economic Well-being			Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2013-2018	64.1
Children under 6 in families in poverty	2019	28.0%		2019-2023	16.8
	2023	27.0%	Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2013-2018	0.0
Children ages 5-17 in families in poverty	2019	24.9%		2019-2023	44.6
	2023	19.9%	Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 ^b	2013-2018	0.0%
Housing cost-burdened households	2013-2018	23.1%		2019-2023	50.0%
	2019-2023	22.7%	Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) ^c	2012-2017	3.2**
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2013-2018	42.0%		2018-2022	39.9*
	2019-2023	43.7%	Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2012-2017	54.7
Children in families receiving SNAP	2019	33.2%		2018-2022	11.8
	2023	32.0%	Uninsured children	2018	7.1%
Median income family household with children under 18	2013-2018	\$54,316		2022	6.7%
	2019-2023	\$66,090	School attendance, grades 9-12	2019	94.8%
Adult unemployment	2019	3.5%		2023	93.2%
	2023	3.5%	^a Due to changes in race categories, 2001 and later minority estimates are not comparable to pre-2001 counts and percentages.		
Child homelessness	2019	4.6%	^b If no % listed, no vehicle fatalities occurred during the period.		
	2023	1.1%	^c *Indicates unstable rate due to low count (<20 cases); ** indicates very unstable rate due to very low count (<5 cases).		