Wayne County

County Seat: Greenville

Population: 10,811

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2019	2023	2019	2023		State Rate	County Rank
Economic Well-Being							
Children under 18 in poverty	846	690	33.3%	32.2%	⬆	14.7%	113
Food insecurity for children [a]	700	610	25.0%	28.0%	⬇	18.7%	112
Health							
Low birthweight infants [b]	45	61	8.1%	10.2%	⬇	8.9%	106
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) [b]	28	21	10.7	9.6	⬆	7.1	106
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) [a]	6	8	2.3	3.7	⬇	5.5	74
Family & Community							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	15	12	44.0	43.2	⬆	15.9	111
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000)	18	15	6.9	6.9	⬆	2.9	91
Education							
High school graduation	131	96	92.9%	91.5%	⬇	91.3%	90
Achievement proficiency 3rd grade English/language arts (MAP)	52	51	41.3%	45.1%	⬆	42.2%	33
8th grade English/language arts (MAP)	63	26	48.8%	21.0%	⬇	42.3%	115
4th grade math (MAP)	32	36	24.6%	31.3%	⬆	43.7%	101
Algebra I (end-of-course exam)	38	46	37.3%	41.4%	⬆	40.1%	41

[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	12,873
	2022	10,811
Child population under 18	2019	2,612
	2023	2,183
Children under 18 as % of total population	2019	20.3%
	2023	20.2%
Child population under 6	2019	798
	2023	637
Children under 6 as % of total population	2019	6.2%
	2023	5.9%
Minority child population under 18 [a]	2019	200
	2023	199
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population [a]	2019	7.7%
	2023	9.1%
Minority child population under 6 [a]	2019	67
	2023	69
Minority child population under 6 as % of under 6 child population [a]	2019	8.4%
	2023	10.8%
Children in single-parent families	2013-2018	31.5%
	2019-2023	9.1%
Children in married-parent families	2013-2018	64.4%
	2019-2023	81.5%

Economic Well-being

Children under 6 in families in poverty	2019	35.4%
	2023	30.3%
Children ages 5-17 in families in poverty	2019	30.9%
	2023	30.7%
Housing cost-burdened households	2013-2018	21.6%
	2019-2023	25.1%
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2013-2018	52.3%
	2019-2023	48.1%
Children in families receiving SNAP	2019	44.9%
	2023	49.3%
Median income family household with children under 18	2013-2018	$41,753
	2019-2023	$59,625
Adult unemployment	2019	4.8%
	2023	4.5%
Child homelessness	2019	0.0%
	2023	0.0%

Education

Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2019	62.6
	2024	87.0
Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2019	%
	2024	0.0%
School attendance, grades K-12	2019	93.5
	2023	92.2

Family & Community

Teen unintentional deaths/ homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2013-2018	51.2
	2019-2023	130.3
Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2013-2018	6.0%
	2019-2023	6.6%
Juvenile law violation referrals, ages 10-17 (per 1,000)	2019	1.7
	2023	3.7
Annual high school dropout rate	2019	1.6%
	2023	1.0%
Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2019	16.1
	2023	14.2

Health

Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2013-2018	5.9
	2019-2023	5.0
Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2013-2018	28.6
	2019-2023	19.4
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2013-2018	15.3
	2019-2023	0.0
Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2013-2018	76.6
	2019-2023	97.8
Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 [b]	2013-2018	%
	2019-2023	0.0%
Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) [c]	2012-2017	11.5**
	2018-2022	52.8*
Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2012-2017	89.0
	2018-2022	9.3
Uninsured children	2018	6.9%
	2022	7.3%
School attendance, grades 9-12	2019	92.9%
	2023	91.2%

[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).