

Gasconade County

County Seat: Hermann

Population: 14,655

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2020	2024	2020	2024		State Rate	County Rank
Economic Well-Being							
Children under 18 in poverty	413	440	14.1%	15.1%	↓	15.3%	32
Food insecurity for children ^a	400	550	13.3%	18.2%	↓	18.1%	51
Health^b							
Low birthweight infants ^c	62	57	8.1%	7.8%	↑	8.9%	55
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) ^a	10	14	3.3	4.7	↓	5.4	97
Family & Community							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	6	8	15.3	18.7	↓	15.9	54
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000)	13	10	4.4	3.4	↑	2.9	58
Education							
High school graduation	193	215	94.1%	94.7%	↑	92.1%	54
Achievement proficiency 3rd grade English/language arts (MAP)	138	61	60.8%	34.3%	↓	41.6%	89
8th grade English/language arts (MAP)	120	59	61.2%	32.8%	↓	42.1%	85
4th grade math (MAP)	118	69	52.2%	39.9%	↓	44.5%	78
Algebra I (end-of-course exam)	128	56	55.7%	27.1%	↓	41.5%	100

Trend: ↑ better ↓ worse → no change

Notes:

^aData based on 2019 and 2023.

^b"Preventable Hospitalizations for All Causes for Children Under 18" was discontinued as a MOPHIMS indicator in 2023.

^cData based on five-year time spans, 2015-2019 and 2020-2024.

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Contextual Indicators

Demographics			Education		
Total population	2020	14,673	Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2020	59.6
	2023	14,655		2025	78.3
Child population under 18	2020	2,988	Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2020	—%
	2024	2,976		2025	—%
Children under 18 as % of total population	2020	20.5%	School attendance, grades K-12	2020	94.6
	2024	20.3%		2024	93.8
Child population under 6	2020	940	Family & Community		
	2024	899	Teen unintentional deaths/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2013-2019	97.1
Children under 6 as % of total population	2020	6.5%		2020-2024	93.5
	2024	6.1%	Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2013-2019	6.4%
Minority child population under 18	2020	180		2020-2024	13.4%
	2024	191	Juvenile law violation referrals, ages 10-17 (per 1,000)	2020	25.8
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population	2020	6.0%		2024	18.2
	2024	6.4%	Annual high school dropout rate	2020	1.3%
Minority child population under 6	2020	65		2024	—%
	2024	71	Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2020	4.4
Minority child population under 6 as % of under 6 child population	2020	6.9%		2024	2.0
	2024	7.9%	Health		
Children in single-parent families	2013-2019	23.7%	Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2013-2019	1.3
	2020-2024	21.0%		2020-2024	12.3
Children in married-parent families	2013-2019	73.1%	Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2013-2019	56.3
	2020-2024	73.1%		2020-2024	77.4
Economic Well-being			Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2013-2019	47.8
Children under 6 in families in poverty	2020	12.4%		2020-2024	70.7
	2024	13.8%	Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2013-2019	36.8
Children ages 5-17 in families in poverty	2020	13.5%		2020-2024	103.3
	2024	14.8%	Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 ^b	2013-2019	0.0%
Housing cost-burdened households	2013-2019	16.9%		2020-2024	0.0%
	2020-2024	20.1%	Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) ^c	2012-2018	26.6
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2013-2019	23.5%		2019-2023	0**
	2020-2024	33.0%	Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2012-2018	128.9
Children in families receiving SNAP	2020	24.2%		2019-2023	189.2
	2024	23.5%	Uninsured children	2019	8.1%
Median income family household with children under 18	2013-2019	\$70,233		2023	7.2%
	2020-2024	\$77,639	School attendance, grades 9-12	2020	94.4%
Adult unemployment ^a	2020	5.8%		2024	93.7%
	2023	2.7%	^a There will be a delay in the release of 2024 annual unemployment statistics until after April 10, 2026.		
Child homelessness	2020	3.4%	^b If no % listed, no vehicle fatalities occurred during the period.		
	2024	4.2%	^c *Indicates unstable rate due to low count (<20 cases); ** indicates very unstable rate due to very low count (<5 cases).		