

# Macon County

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Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2020	2024	2020	2024		State Rate	County Rank
<b>Economic Well-Being</b>							
Children under 18 in poverty	619	564	18.3%	16.6%	↑	15.3%	49
Food insecurity for children <sup>a</sup>	580	580	16.1%	16.4%	↓	18.1%	30
<b>Health<sup>b</sup></b>							
Low birthweight infants <sup>c</sup>	83	74	9.5%	8.6%	↑	8.9%	81
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) <sup>a</sup>	11	9	3.2	2.6	↑	5.4	51
<b>Family &amp; Community</b>							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	6	8	13.2	15.7	↓	15.9	40
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000)	22	42	6.3	12.1	↓	2.9	113
<b>Education</b>							
High school graduation	140	172	92.7%	94.5%	↑	92.1%	59
Achievement proficiency 3rd grade English/language arts (MAP)	114	46	64.8%	31.9%	↓	41.6%	99
8th grade English/language arts (MAP)	84	55	54.2%	36.9%	↓	42.1%	64
4th grade math (MAP)	92	97	52.3%	64.7%	↑	44.5%	4
Algebra I (end-of-course exam)	135	71	76.7%	40.1%	↓	41.5%	44

Trend: ↑ better ↓ worse → no change

## Notes:

<sup>a</sup>Data based on 2019 and 2023.

<sup>b</sup>"Preventable Hospitalizations for All Causes for Children Under 18" was discontinued as a MOPHIMS indicator in 2023.

<sup>c</sup>Data based on five-year time spans, 2015-2019 and 2020-2024.

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## Contextual Indicators

Demographics			Education		
Total population	2020	15,154	Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2020	59.1
	2023	15,177		2025	69.8
Child population under 18	2020	3,466	Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2020	68.3%
	2024	3,479		2025	64.2%
Children under 18 as % of total population	2020	23.0%	School attendance, grades K-12	2020	95.3
	2024	22.9%		2024	94.1
Child population under 6	2020	1,059	Family & Community		
	2024	1,038	Teen unintentional deaths/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2013-2019	20.8
Children under 6 as % of total population	2020	7.0%		2020-2024	76.6
	2024	6.8%	Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2013-2019	7.8%
Minority child population under 18	2020	300		2020-2024	9.8%
	2024	324	Juvenile law violation referrals, ages 10-17 (per 1,000)	2020	13.3
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population	2020	8.7%		2024	11.4
	2024	9.3%	Annual high school dropout rate	2020	—%
Minority child population under 6	2020	94		2024	1.1%
	2024	95	Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2020	8.1
Minority child population under 6 as % of under 6 child population	2020	8.9%		2024	7.5
	2024	9.2%	Health		
Children in single-parent families	2013-2019	18.7%	Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2013-2019	8.0
	2020-2024	11.9%		2020-2024	2.3
Children in married-parent families	2013-2019	75.0%	Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2013-2019	24.3
	2020-2024	75.0%		2020-2024	12.1
Economic Well-being			Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2013-2019	17.5
Children under 6 in families in poverty	2020	20.8%		2020-2024	0.0
	2024	9.7%	Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2013-2019	33.4
Children ages 5-17 in families in poverty	2020	16.8%		2020-2024	58.9
	2024	15.9%	Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 <sup>b</sup>	2013-2019	0.0%
Housing cost-burdened households	2013-2019	22.7%		2020-2024	100.0%
	2020-2024	21.0%	Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) <sup>c</sup>	2012-2018	4.6
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2013-2019	40.0%		2019-2023	0**
	2020-2024	32.1%	Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2012-2018	65.6
Children in families receiving SNAP	2020	23.4%		2019-2023	111.3
	2024	19.9%	Uninsured children	2019	9.9%
Median income family household with children under 18	2013-2019	\$60,470		2023	8.5%
	2020-2024	\$74,269	School attendance, grades 9-12	2020	94.5%
Adult unemployment <sup>a</sup>	2020	4.8%		2024	93.3%
	2023	3.3%	<sup>a</sup> There will be a delay in the release of 2024 annual unemployment statistics until after April 10, 2026.		
Child homelessness	2020	3.0%	<sup>b</sup> If no % listed, no vehicle fatalities occurred during the period.		
	2024	0.8%	<sup>c</sup> *Indicates unstable rate due to low count (<20 cases); ** indicates very unstable rate due to very low count (<5 cases).		