

Monroe County

County Seat: Paris

Population: 8,890

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend	Rank	
	2020	2024	2020	2024		State Rate	County Rank
Economic Well-Being							
Children under 18 in poverty	370	325	19.9%	17.1%	↑	15.3%	52
Food insecurity for children ^a	320	350	17.1%	18.3%	↓	18.1%	52
Health^b							
Low birthweight infants ^c	41	43	8.5%	9.6%	↓	8.9%	96
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) ^a	6	11	3.2	5.7	↓	5.4	109
Family & Community							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	8	4	32.1	17.3	↑	15.9	51
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000)	6	17	3.2	8.8	↓	2.9	109
Education							
High school graduation	114	103	100.0%	99.0%	↓	92.1%	8
Achievement proficiency							
3rd grade English/language arts (MAP)	59	33	56.7%	35.5%	↓	41.6%	82
8th grade English/language arts (MAP)	68	36	59.6%	32.7%	↓	42.1%	86
4th grade math (MAP)	31	52	34.4%	50.5%	↑	44.5%	29
Algebra I (end-of-course exam)	87	78	69.6%	45.9%	↓	41.5%	20

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	8,630	Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2020	60.2
	2023	8,890		2025	77.8
Child population under 18	2020	1,895	Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2020	—%
	2024	1,942		2025	5.3%
Children under 18 as % of total population	2020	21.9%	School attendance, grades K-12	2020	95.5
	2024	21.8%		2024	94.0
Child population under 6	2020	587	Family & Community		
	2024	615	Teen unintentional deaths/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2013-2019	0.0
Children under 6 as % of total population	2020	6.8%		2020-2024	39.3
	2024	6.9%	Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2013-2019	7.6%
Minority child population under 18	2020	168		2020-2024	7.6%
	2024	237	Juvenile law violation referrals, ages 10-17 (per 1,000)	2020	1.1
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population	2020	8.9%		2024	4.5
	2024	12.2%	Annual high school dropout rate	2020	—%
Minority child population under 6	2020	48		2024	—%
	2024	80	Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2020	3.7
Minority child population under 6 as % of under 6 child population	2020	8.2%		2024	5.1
	2024	13.0%	Health		
Children in single-parent families	2013-2019	21.8%	Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2013-2019	6.2
	2020-2024	22.1%		2020-2024	6.7
Children in married-parent families	2013-2019	63.9%	Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2013-2019	0.0
	2020-2024	63.9%		2020-2024	0.0
Economic Well-being			Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2013-2019	0.0
Children under 6 in families in poverty	2020	28.2%		2020-2024	0.0
	2024	9.8%	Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2013-2019	0.0
Children ages 5-17 in families in poverty	2020	19.4%		2020-2024	0.0
	2024	17.3%	Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 ^b	2013-2019	0.0%
Housing cost-burdened households	2013-2019	22.0%		2020-2024	0.0%
	2020-2024	21.1%	Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) ^c	2012-2018	0.0
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2013-2019	39.8%		2019-2023	0**
	2020-2024	35.5%	Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2012-2018	58.6
Children in families receiving SNAP	2020	24.1%		2019-2023	87.3
	2024	23.2%	Uninsured children	2019	9.8%
Median income family household with children under 18	2013-2019	\$63,889		2023	7.0%
	2020-2024	\$94,093	School attendance, grades 9-12	2020	95.0%
Adult unemployment ^a	2020	5.9%		2024	93.1%
	2023	3.2%	^a There will be a delay in the release of 2024 annual unemployment statistics until after April 10, 2026.		
Child homelessness	2020	7.3%	^b If no % listed, no vehicle fatalities occurred during the period.		
	2024	1.0%	^c *Indicates unstable rate due to low count (<20 cases); ** indicates very unstable rate due to very low count (<5 cases).		