

# Shelby 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	279	249	20.5%	18.4%	↑	15.3%	60
Food insecurity for children <sup>a</sup>	250	300	17.2%	20.9%	↓	18.1%	78
<b>Health<sup>b</sup></b>							
Low birthweight infants <sup>c</sup>	30	26	8.2%	7.4%	↑	8.9%	39
Child asthma ER rates (per 1,000) <sup>a</sup>	5	4	3.5	2.8	↑	5.4	57
<b>Family &amp; Community</b>							
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	3	7	18.6	35.2	↓	15.9	105
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000)	18	10	12.6	7.0	↑	2.9	100
<b>Education</b>							
High school graduation	72	65	96.0%	95.6%	↓	92.1%	41
Achievement proficiency 3rd grade English/language arts (MAP)	54	17	64.3%	27.0%	↓	41.6%	110
8th grade English/language arts (MAP)	42	39	52.5%	56.5%	↑	42.1%	5
4th grade math (MAP)	38	22	43.2%	37.9%	↓	44.5%	84
Algebra I (end-of-course exam)	44	41	62.9%	52.6%	↓	41.5%	10

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	5,975	Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2020	—
	2023	5,926		2025	48.7
Child population under 18	2020	1,427	Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2020	—%
	2024	1,436		2025	—%
Children under 18 as % of total population	2020	24.1%	School attendance, grades K-12	2020	94.9
	2024	24.2%		2024	94.3
Child population under 6	2020	456	Family & Community		
	2024	419	Teen unintentional deaths/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2013-2019	157.5
Children under 6 as % of total population	2020	7.7%		2020-2024	46.3
	2024	7.1%	Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2013-2019	9.7%
Minority child population under 18	2020	139		2020-2024	14.3%
	2024	162	Juvenile law violation referrals, ages 10-17 (per 1,000)	2020	3.0
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population	2020	9.7%		2024	36.4
	2024	11.3%	Annual high school dropout rate	2020	—%
Minority child population under 6	2020	43		2024	—%
	2024	36	Children entering/re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2020	9.8
Minority child population under 6 as % of under 6 child population	2020	9.4%		2024	3.5
	2024	8.6%	Health		
Children in single-parent families	2013-2019	16.6%	Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2013-2019	8.2
	2020-2024	23.3%		2020-2024	5.7
Children in married-parent families	2013-2019	66.6%	Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2013-2019	59.0
	2020-2024	66.6%		2020-2024	14.6
Economic Well-being			Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2013-2019	29.5
Children under 6 in families in poverty	2020	20.6%		2020-2024	18.6
	2024	9.6%	Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2013-2019	153.3
Children ages 5-17 in families in poverty	2020	20.3%		2020-2024	0.0
	2024	15.7%	Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18 <sup>b</sup>	2013-2019	100.0%
Housing cost-burdened households	2013-2019	17.0%		2020-2024	0.0%
	2020-2024	20.3%	Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000) <sup>c</sup>	2012-2018	0.0
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2013-2019	47.1%		2019-2023	0**
	2020-2024	47.7%	Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2012-2018	49.5
Children in families receiving SNAP	2020	27.5%		2019-2023	53.0
	2024	22.2%	Uninsured children	2019	9.6%
Median income family household with children under 18	2013-2019	\$49,725		2023	8.2%
	2020-2024	\$56,111	School attendance, grades 9-12	2020	93.9%
Adult unemployment <sup>a</sup>	2020	4.5%		2024	93.0%
	2023	2.7%			
Child homelessness	2020	5.0%			
	2024	0.6%			

<sup>a</sup> There will be a delay in the release of 2024 annual unemployment statistics until after April 10, 2026.

<sup>b</sup> If no % listed, no vehicle fatalities occurred during the period.

<sup>c</sup> \*Indicates unstable rate due to low count (<20 cases); \*\* indicates very unstable rate due to very low count (<5 cases).