

Missouri State Profile

Outcome Measures	Number		Rate		Trend
	2013	2017	2013	2017	
Economic Well-Being					
Children under 18 in poverty	303,923	249,829	22.2%	18.5%	↑
Food insecurity for children ^b	308,110	241,830	22.0%	17.4%	↑
Health					
Low birthweight infants ^{a,c}	31,123	31,335	8.0%	8.4%	↓
Preventable hospitalizations for all causes for children under 18 (per 1,000) ^b	11,835	9,823	8.4	7.1	↑
Child asthma ER visits (per 1,000) ^b	14,776	11,118	10.5	8.0	↑
Family & Community					
Births to teens, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	5,812	4,300	30.0	22.5	↑
Substantiated child abuse/neglect cases (per 1,000) ^a	6,181	5,272	4.4	3.8	↑
Education					
Graduation rate	58,726	59,046	88.4%	91.0%	↑
Achievement proficiency ^{a,d}					
3rd grade English/Language Arts (MAP)		43,562		62.2%	
8th grade English/Language Arts (MAP)		40,159		60.4%	
4th grade Math (MAP)		37,974		53.9%	

Trend: ↑ better ↓ worse → no change

^a Outcome not included in County Composite Rank.

^b Data based on 2012 and 2016.

^c Data based on 5-year time spans, 2008-2012 and 2013-2017.

^d Achievement proficiency measures those that scored proficient or above on the MAP tests. Achievement data from 2013 is not shown due to differences in testing standards and assessments used in 2017; accordingly, no trend arrows or county ranks are shown.

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Population: 6,113,532

Contextual Indicators

Demographics			Education		
Total population	2013	6,044,171	Licensed child care capacity (per 1,000)	2013	106.5
	2017	6,113,532		2018	104.2
Child population under 18	2013	1,397,733	Accredited child care capacity as % of licensed capacity	2013	--
	2017	1,382,971		2018	17.7%
Children under 18 as % of total population	2013	23.1%	School attendance, grades K-12	2013	94.6%
	2017	22.6%		2017	94.8%
Child population under 6	2013	454,896	Family & Community		
	2017	449,401	Teen unintentional injuries/homicides/suicides (per 100,000)	2008-2012	53.8
Children under 6 as % of total population	2013	7.5%		2013-2017	49.6
	2017	7.4%	Single parent head-of-household with children under 18	2008-2012	9.6%
Minority child population under 18	2013	340,840		2013-2017	9.0%
	2017	349,168	Juvenile law violation referrals (per 1,000)	2013	32.2
Minority child population under 18 as % of child population	2013	24.4%		2017	27.1
	2017	25.2%	Annual high school dropout rate	2013	2.5%
Minority child population under 6	2013	118,571		2017	2.0%
	2017	118,509	Children entering / re-entering state custody (per 1,000)	2013	4.8
Minority child population under 6 as % of child population	2013	26.1%		2017	5.0
	2017	26.4%	Health		
Children in single-parent families	2008-2012	33.1%	Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2008-2012	6.8
	2013-2017	32.9%		2013-2017	6.4
Children in married-parent families	2008-2012	66.0%	Child deaths ages 1-17 (per 100,000)	2008-2012	23.9
	2013-2017	66.2%		2013-2017	23.7
Economic Well-being			Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2008-2012	17.9
Children in poverty under 6	2013	25.5%		2013-2017	18.2
	2017	20.0%	Child deaths ages 15-17 (per 100,000)	2008-2012	51.7
Children in poverty, ages 5-17	2013	20.5%		2013-2017	50.0
	2017	17.2%	Suicides, ages 0-19 (per 100,000)	2013	2.8
Housing cost-burdened households	2008-2012	29.8%		2017	4.9
	2013-2017	26.8%	Unrestrained automobile fatalities for children under 18	2008-2012	68.1%
Family households with children under 18 at 185% of poverty level	2008-2012	36.1%		2013-2017	58.6%
	2013-2017	35.0%	Substance abuse hospitalizations ages 1-19 (per 100,000)	2007-2011	19.7
Children in families receiving SNAP	2013	36.9%		2012-2016	22.2
	2017	32.6%	Mental/behavioral hospitalizations (not substance abuse) ages 1-19 (per 10,000)	2007-2011	92.0
Median income family household with children under 18	2008-2012	\$57,155		2012-2016	103.0
	2013-2017	\$62,613	Uninsured children	2012	7.4%
Adult unemployment	2013	6.50%		2016	4.8%
	2017	3.76%	School attendance, grades 9-12	2013	93.5%
Child homelessness	2013	2.9%		2017	93.8%
	2017	3.7%			