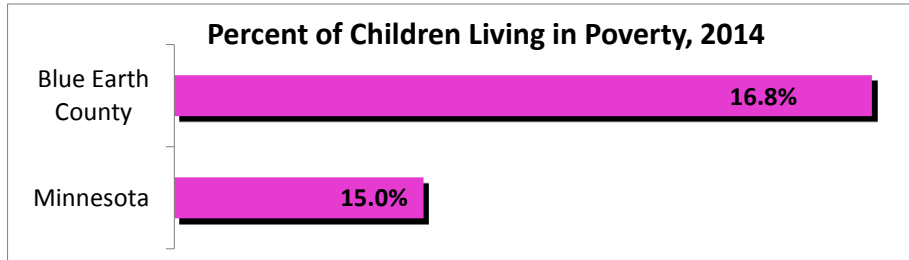
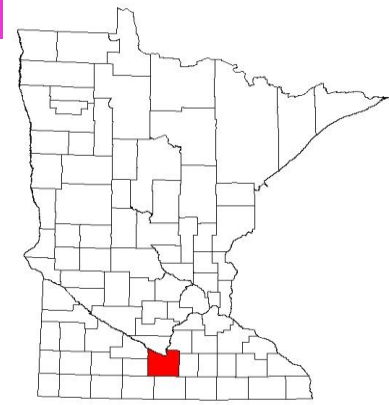


# Blue Earth County



<b>Demographics, 2014</b>	Statewide	Blue Earth County	
Total Child Population	1,282,412	12,646	
Child Population as % of Total Population	23%	19.5%	
Child Population Under Age 5	349,490	3,746	
Child Population Under Age 5 as % of Total Population	6.4%	5.8%	
<b>Economic Well-Being</b>	Current Year	Statewide	Blue Earth County
% of children in poverty, age 0-17	2014	15.0%	16.8%
% of students receiving free/reduced-price lunches	2015	38.0%	35.6%
% of children receiving Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)	2015	13.0%	23.6%
# of mothers and children receiving WIC	2014	196,954	2,063
Median household income	2014	\$61,473	\$49,513
<b>Family Structure</b>	Current Year	Statewide	Blue Earth County
Birth rate per 1,000	2014	12.8	10.7
% of babies born to unmarried mothers	2014	32.3%	34.3%
Teen birth rate per 1,000 (3-year estimate)	2014	7.5	5.9
% babies born with no father on the birth certificate	2014	11.9%	11.3%
<b>Health</b>	Current Year	Statewide	Blue Earth County
% of low-birthweight babies	2014	4.9%	6.8%
% of children without health insurance (ages 0-19)	2014	3.7%	3.1%
Average monthly enrollment in Medical Assistance	2015	455,527	4,554
<b>Early Childhood Education</b>	Current Year	Statewide	Blue Earth County
Average annual cost for licensed center-based infant care	2016	\$15,340	\$9,360
Average annual cost for licensed family-based infant care	2016	\$8,320	\$6,812
Average annual cost for licensed center-based toddler care	2016	\$13,312	\$8,944
Average annual cost for licensed family-based toddler care	2016	\$7,904	\$6,604
Average annual cost for licensed center-based preschool care	2016	\$11,804	\$8,424
Average annual cost for licensed family-based preschool care	2016	\$7,540	\$6,396
<b>Education, Grades K-12</b>	Current Year	Statewide	Blue Earth County
# public school enrollment K-12	2015	848,742	10,595
% of limited english proficient (LEP) students	2015	8.1%	3.7%
% of special education students	2015	13.6%	13.2%
% of public high school graduates	2014	81.9%	84.1%
% of public school student dropouts	2014	5.2%	7.0%
<b>Safety</b>	Current Year	Statewide	Blue Earth County
Child abuse and neglect rate per 1,000	2014	3.3	3.0
Child out-of-home placement rate per 1,000	2014	9.5	7.7
Children arrested for a serious crime rate per 1,000	2014	11.1	23.3
Children in Family Assessment Response rate per 1,000	2014	14.8	10.6

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