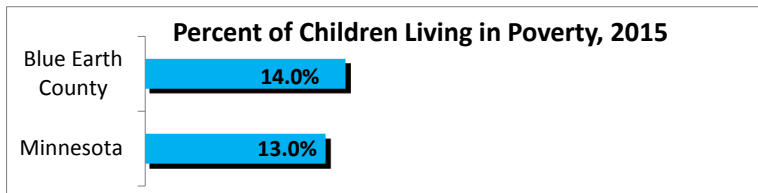


# Blue Earth County



<b>Demographics, 2015</b>	Statewide	Blue Earth County	
Total Child Population	1,282,412	12,802	
Child Population as % of Total Population	23%	20.6%	
<b>Shifting Demographics</b>	Blue Earth County, 2015	Blue Earth County, 2035	
Median Age	30	NA	
Retirement to Working Age Ratio	22%	36%	
Percent of Total Population that is Non-White or Latino	10.9%	16.5%	
<b>Economic Well-Being</b>	Current Year	Statewide	Blue Earth County
% of children in poverty, age 0-17	2015	13.0%	14.0%
% of students receiving free/reduced-price lunches	2016	37.6%	34.3%
% of children receiving Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program	2016	16.8%	26.0%
# of mothers and children receiving WIC	2015	167,796	1,414
Median household income	2015	\$63,459	\$49,664
<b>Family Structure</b>	Current Year	Statewide	Blue Earth County
Birth rate per 1,000	2015	12.7	11.3
% of babies born to unmarried mothers	2015	32.2%	32.7%
Teen birth rate per 1,000 (3-year estimate)	2013-15	6.6	5.6
<b>Health</b>	Current Year	Statewide	Blue Earth County
% of low-birthweight babies	2015	4.8%	8.1%
% of children without health insurance (ages 0-19)	2015	3.0%	2.6%
Average monthly enrollment in Medical Assistance	2016	475,405	5,623
<b>Early Childhood Education</b>	Current Year	Statewide	Blue Earth County
Average annual cost for licensed center-based infant care	2016	\$15,435	\$9,666
Average annual cost for licensed family-based infant care	2016	\$8,332	\$6,832
Average annual cost for licensed center-based toddler care	2016	\$13,355	\$9,198
Average annual cost for licensed family-based toddler care	2016	\$7,932	\$6,604
Average annual cost for licensed center-based preschool care	2016	\$11,860	\$8,684
Average annual cost for licensed family-based preschool care	2016	\$7,569	\$6,452
<b>Education, Grades K-12</b>	Current Year	Statewide	Blue Earth County
# public school enrollment K-12	2016	855,867	10,900
% of limited english proficient (LEP) students	2016	7.9%	4.2%
% of special education students	2016	13.5%	13.6%
% of public high school graduates	2015	82.2%	86.5%
% of public school student dropouts	2015	5.5%	6.8%
<b>Safety</b>	Current Year	Statewide	Blue Earth County
Child abuse and neglect rate per 1,000	2015	4.6	4.8
Child out-of-home placement rate per 1,000	2015	10.6	11.9
Children arrested for a serious crime rate per 1,000	2015	11.1	23.3
Children in Family Assessment Response Program rate per 1,000	2014	16.7	13.1

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