

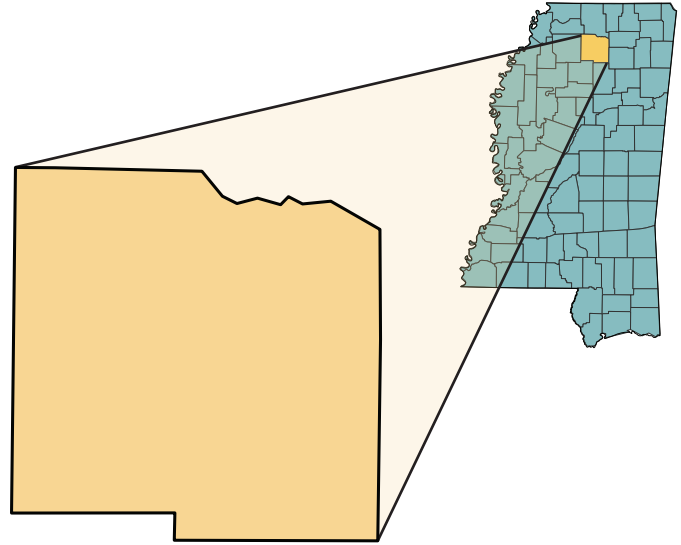
## Mississippi's Risk and Reach Report: County Risk Profile

Full report available at <https://childrensfoundationms.org/>

### RISK INDICATORS

\*Note: Level 1 = low-risk  
Level 2 = low-to-moderate risk  
Level 3 = moderate-to-high risk  
Level 4 = high-risk

\*N/A: National data not presented due to unavailable data or differences in methodology. Education scores (K-Readiness, 3rd grade reading and math) are Mississippi-specific assessments without a corresponding national assessment.



#### ECONOMIC RISK

**UNEMPLOYMENT RATE** 4.5% 1  
MS: 5.4% | US: 3.7%

**PERCENT OF MOTHERS WITH LESS THAN HIGH SCHOOL EDUCATION** 6.5% 1  
MS: 12.6% | US: 13.0%

**PERCENT OF CHILDREN AGE 0-5 LIVING IN POVERTY** 18.1% 1  
MS: 31.1% | US: 21.5%

**PERCENT OF CHILDREN WITH FOOD INSECURITY** 15.6% 1  
MS: 23.0% | US: 11.5%

#### EDUCATION RISK

**KINDERGARTEN READINESS SCORE** 516 2  
MS: 502 | US: N/A

**PERCENT THIRD GRADE PROFICIENCY (LANGUAGE ARTS)** 64.8% 1  
MS: 48.3% | US: N/A

**PERCENT THIRD GRADE PROFICIENCY (MATH)** 80.5% 1  
MS: 51.4% | US: N/A

**HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION RATE** 87.0% 2  
MS: 83.0% | US: 96.0%

#### HEALTH RISK

**PERCENT LOW BIRTH WEIGHT BABIES** 8.4% 1  
MS: 12.1% | US: 8.3%

**INFANT MORTALITY RATE PER 1K** 9.5 3  
MS: 8.6 | US: 8.3

**PERCENT OF UNINSURED CHILDREN UNDER AGE 6** 2.7% 2  
MS: 3.8% | US: 4.3%

**TEEN BIRTH RATE PER 1K FEMALES** 7.4 1  
MS: 27.8 | US: 17.0

#### FAMILY AND COMMUNITY RISK

**JUVENILE JUSTICE REFERRALS RATE PER 1K CHILDREN** 10.5 2  
MS: 28.8 | US: N/A

**PERCENT OF CHILDREN IN SINGLE PARENT FAMILIES** 34.5% 2  
MS: 43.7% | US: 33.1%

**CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE RATE PER 10K CHILDREN** 39.0 2  
MS: 54.0 | US: N/A

**CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT RATE PER 10K PER CHILDREN** 98.9 2  
MS: 113.4 | US: N/A