

# MERCER COUNTY



**County seat** \_\_\_\_\_ Celina  
**County type** \_\_\_\_\_ Rural (non-Appalachian)  
**Total population** \_\_\_\_\_ 40,838  
**Child population** \_\_\_\_\_ 10,596 (25.9%)  
**Child population by race** \_\_\_\_\_ White (97.4%), Black (1.2%), Asian (1.1%), Latino (2.6%)

Economic Well-being	Year	Mercer County	Ohio
Children living in poverty (nbr)	2011	1,398	619,354
Children living in poverty (percent)	2011	12.4%	23.9%
Median income	2011	\$47,994	\$45,803
Unemployment rate	2011	5.9%	8.6%
Children receiving SNAP/Food Assistance (percent)	2011	14.6%	28.4%
Children eligible for free and reduced lunch (percent)	2011	25.7%	45.3%
Education			
Children in publicly funded child care (nbr)	2011	336	189,727
4th grade math - proficient or higher (percent)	2010-2011	90.8%	78.1%
4th grade reading - proficient or higher (percent)	2010-2011	92.8%	83.8%
High school graduation rate (percent)	2009-2010	98.2%	84.3%
Health			
Children enrolled in publicly funded healthcare/Medicaid (percent)	2011	32.5%	52.7%
Births to teens age 15-17 (percent of all births)	2010	0.7%	2.7%
Low birth weight babies (percent of all births)	2010	6.2%	8.6%
Safety & Risky Behavior			
Felony adjudications (nbr)	2011	16	5,654
rate per thousand	2011	1.5	2.1
Child maltreatment (nbr)	2011	59	23,356
rate per thousand	2011	5.6	8.7
Children in foster care (nbr)	2011	47	22,304
rate per thousand	2011	4.4	8.3

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