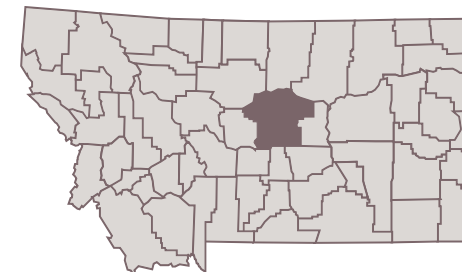


Fergus County

Population: 11,442
County Seat: Lewistown



INDICATOR	- COUNTY - Base Year 2000	- COUNTY - Current Year	- STATE - Current Year
DEMOGRAPHICS			
Total population (all ages), 2014	11,893	11,442	1,023,579
Percent population change, 2010-2014		-4%	13%
Total child population (ages 0-17), 2014	2,919	2,329	225,024
Children under age 5	617	588	61,194
Children ages 5-13	1,475	1,184	113,704
Children ages 14-17	827	557	50,126
Percent change in child population, 2010-2014		-20%	-2%
Total population under age 20 by race/ethnicity, 2014	3,198	2,542	251,199
White alone	3,085	2,399	208,678
American Indian/Alaska Native alone	38	24	25,573
Hispanic/Latino	44	110	14,269
Median age in years, 2014	42	47	40
ECONOMIC STATUS			
Median household income, 2014	\$28,446	\$42,915	\$46,608
Unemployment rate, 2015	4.2%	4.4%	4.7%
Children (ages 0-17) in poverty (below 100% FPL) ¹ , 2014	581	18%	19%
Families receiving TANF support (annual monthly avg.), FY 2015	N/A	13	3,206
Average monthly expenditure per family	N/A	\$355	\$394
SNAP participants of all ages (annual monthly average), FY2015	449	901	118,704
Average monthly expenditure per recipient	\$67	\$103	\$115
Children in pre-kindergarten through 12th grade who were enrolled to receive free/reduced-price lunch, academic year 2014-15	673	620	62,951
Children receiving Best Beginnings child care scholarships (annual monthly average), FY2015	197	34	6,401

¹ The Federal Poverty Guidelines can be found on p. 10. 100% of FPL for a family of four was \$23,850 in 2014.

[^] Value withheld due to low event count.

INDICATOR	- COUNTY - Base Year 2000	- COUNTY - Current Year	- STATE - Current Year
HEALTH & HEALTH INSURANCE			
Birth rate (live births per 1,000 total population), 2012-2014	9.2	10.4	12.1
Pre-term births (gestation <37 completed weeks; as percent of live births), 2012-2014	9%	9%	9%
Low birth-weight births (birth-weight <2,500 g or 5lbs 8oz; as percent of live births), 2012-2014	7%	^	7%
Births to teens (ages 15-19; as percent of live births), 2012-2014	9%	6%	7%
Births to mothers starting prenatal care during 1st trimester (during first three months of pregnancy; as percent of live births) ² , 2012-2014	N/A	73%	71%
Births to mothers who smoked during pregnancy (as percent of live births) ² , 2012-2014	N/A	15%	16%
Children enrolled in Healthy Montana Kids, FY2015	549	1,261	110,007
EDUCATION			
Public, private, and home school enrollment (K-12), academic year 2014-15	2,250	1,672	156,376
Public pre-kindergarten enrollment ³ , academic year 2014-15	10	18	1,229
Special education enrollment, academic year 2014-15	259	232	17,032
High school event drop-out rate, academic year 2013-14	3%	1.3%	3.7%
SAFETY			
Juvenile offenses, all crimes (ages 10-17), 2015	244	38	6,976
Juvenile offense rate (per 1,000 juveniles), 2015	N/A	35.5	69.9
Motor vehicle crashes w/driver under age 18, 2014	130	21	1,842

SOURCES: U.S. Census Bureau; Montana Dept. of Public Health & Human Services; Bureau of Economic Analysis, Montana Dept. of Labor & Industry; Montana Office of Public Instruction; Montana Dept. of Transportation; Montana Board of Crime Control.

For contact information see the Sources section on p. 136.

² Measure based on birth certificate information. The Montana birth certificate changed in 2008, making some data from prior years incomparable to current data.

³ Public pre-kindergarten consists of special education preschool services under IDEA Part B.