

Trends and Highlights

BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC CONDITIONS

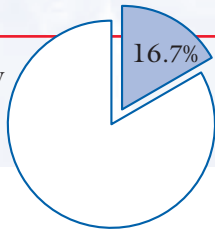
Cost of Living Index:	89%
Unemployment Rate:	4%
Public and Private Investment in Center City Renovation:	over \$130 million
Students Who Receive Free/Reduced Lunches, Springfield R-12	40.7%, 2004-05 (from 33.6%, 1997-98)

COMMUNITY HEALTH

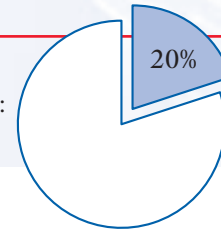
	Greene County 2003	5-Year Mean	Trend	Missouri 2003
Mothers as Medicaid Participants (as percent of total live births)	50.5	46.8	Up	45.4
Mothers Smoking during Pregnancy (as percent of total live births)	21.0	19.4	Up	18.1
Deaths from Motor Vehicle Crashes	20.3	16.4	Up	21.1

EARLY CHILDHOOD

Number of Greene County Children (0-6) in Poverty: 2,858 (16.7%)
(Source: 2000 Census)



Number of Greene County Children (0-6) on Medicaid: 10,513 (20%)
(Source: 2000 Census)



Kindergarten Screening on DIAL III (School Readiness)

Overall Average	62.8%
Children in Parents as Teachers (PAT)	74.6%
Children Not in PAT	56.5%

	Greene County 2003	5-Year Mean	Trend	Missouri 2003
Substantiated Child Abuse/Neglect, <18 (per 1,000 children)	10.9	13.1	Down	6.8

EDUCATION

	Greene County, 2004	Missouri, 2004
Average Per-Pupil Expenditure	\$6,303	\$7,394
Average Teacher Salary	\$35,516	\$38,247
Percent of Students Receiving Free and Reduced Lunch	36.3%	40.7%
Percent of Operating Funds Received from State Funds	29.4%	33.3%

HOUSING

Springfield/Greene County Housing Costs	22.8% below national average
Median Home Cost	\$100,303
Public and Section 8 Housing Units Available, 2004	1,506
Applicants for Housing Assistance Awaiting Help	1,747
Individuals Served by Emergency Shelters, Nightly	600 (including 300 children)

PUBLIC ORDER AND SAFETY

Springfield Totals	2002	2003	2004
Crimes Against Persons	1,061	1,037	857
Crimes Against Property	11,005	12,351	12,255
Number of Domestic Disturbance Calls	4,877	3,612 (Jan-Sep only)	4,432



TRANSPORTATION

Springfield's Intelligent Transportation System highlighted in *USA Today* (April 20, 2005).
 Voters approved 1/8-cent sales tax for transportation improvements (1996, 2000, 2004).

	2001	2004
Total City Utilities Bus Miles Traveled:	1,127,665	1,191,807
	2000	2004
Total Passengers, Springfield/Branson Regional Airport:	713,808	721,958

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Volunteers in Springfield Public Schools, 2004: 1,319 registered volunteers; 54,783 volunteer hours
 Community Foundation of the Ozarks, 2004 grants and distributions: \$4.7 million
 United Way of the Ozarks, 2004: 1,400 Day of Caring volunteers; \$3,372,514 funds raised
 Junior League of Springfield, 2004: 160 volunteers; 11,000 volunteer hours; \$126,000 contributed

ARTS AND CULTURE

	2003-04	2004-05
Number of People Employed Full-Time in the Arts	71	76
Number of Arts & Cultural Organizations	43	49
Number of People Served by Local Arts & Cultural Organizations	228,692	278,277
Number of Volunteers at Art-Related Events	611	2,435

RECREATION, SPORTS AND LEISURE

PARKS	2003	2004	2005
Number of Parks (acreage)	62 (1,700+)	65 (2,000+)	80 (2,600+)
Library Usage	2004	2005	
Circulation	2,990,000	3,156,468	
Attendance	1,583,213	1,626,184	

NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

	2004	5-Year Mean
Percent of Household Hazardous Waste Recycled:	83%	83%
	Pre-1993	2004
Phosphorus Removal at Southwest Wastewater Treatment Plant:	1,600 lbs/day	150 lbs/day

Springfield is the first Missouri city to receive a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) storm water permit.

Prime Time (YMCA's before- and after-school childcare program) provides 27% of licensed day care in Springfield.