

# MISSOURI WHOLE CHILD RESOLUTION

## Statistics

Nearly 20,500 students did not graduate from Missouri's high schools in 2009<sup>1</sup>.

The lost lifetime earnings in Missouri for that class of dropouts alone total more than \$5.3 billion<sup>2</sup>.

Missouri would save more than \$245.1 million in health care costs over the course of the lifetimes of each class of dropouts had they earned their diplomas<sup>3</sup> (not included in resolution but of interest).

Missouri spends over \$53 million each year to provide community college remediation education for recent high school graduates who did not acquire the basic skills necessary to succeed in college or at work<sup>4</sup>.

The percent of Missouri children living in poverty has increased from approximately 15% in 2005 to nearly 20% in 2009<sup>5</sup>.

Missouri's obesity rates have increased 13.4% over 10 years<sup>6</sup>.

Twenty-three percent of public schools reported that bullying occurred among students on a daily or weekly basis during the 2009-2010 school year, according to the 2011 Indicators of School Crime and Safety report<sup>7</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup> [http://www.all4ed.org/files/Missouri\\_econ.pdf](http://www.all4ed.org/files/Missouri_econ.pdf)

<sup>2</sup> Ibid.

<sup>3</sup> Ibid.

<sup>4</sup> [http://www.all4ed.org/about\\_the\\_crisis/schools/state\\_information/Missouri](http://www.all4ed.org/about_the_crisis/schools/state_information/Missouri)

<sup>5</sup> [http://oseda.missouri.edu/kidscount/databook/executive\\_summary.pdf](http://oseda.missouri.edu/kidscount/databook/executive_summary.pdf)

<sup>6</sup> <http://tfah.org/assets/files/TFAH2011FasInFat10.pdf>

<sup>7</sup> <http://nces.ed.gov/pubs2012/2012002.pdf>