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## Sikeston, Scott County-Overview Continuity Region: SEMO

### Scott County Demographics

Population: 38,541

Median Age: 39.6

Median Household Income: \$41,628

Poverty Rate: 20.2%

Uninsured Rate: 11.2%

Teen Birth Rate: 66.9%

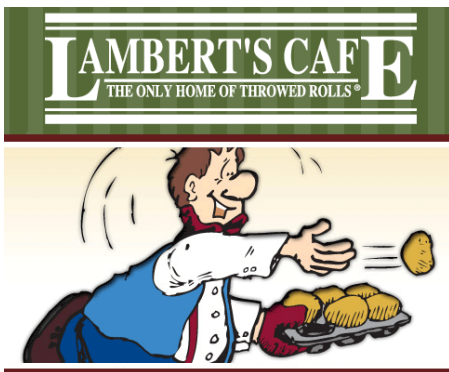
The Scott County teen pregnancy rate is 30.3% higher than the United States average and 27.4% higher than the Missouri average.

There are only 20 primary care physicians in Scott County.

Scott County ranks 99 out of 115 in overall health compared to other Missouri Counties.

### Clerkship Site Demographics

Sikeston Population: 16,108



### Clerkships Offered

Child Health

Family Medicine

OB/GYN

### Summer Sites

\*List available on Rural Scholars website

### Electives Offered

Child Health

Family Medicine

OB/GYN



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## Sikeston-Healthcare Continuity Region: SEMO

### Missouri Delta Medical Center

Missouri Delta Medical Center has been providing comprehensive medical care to the people of Southeast Missouri since 1948.

Total Staffed Beds: 144

### Ferguson Medical Group

Ferguson Medical Group was organized in 1959 by Wilson J. Ferguson, MD along with three associate physicians. Over the more than 50 years since its establishment, the group has grown to include more than 40 providers including physicians, mid-level providers, mental health specialists and a speech pathologist that provides services at multiple locations throughout Southeast Missouri.



**Missouri Delta Medical Center**



**Ferguson Medical Group**



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## Sikeston-Employment & Education Continuity Region: SEMO

### Employment in Scott County

The most common industries in Scott County, MO are Healthcare & Social Assistance, Manufacturing, Retail Trade, Construction, and Accommodation & Food Service.

The highest paying industries are Utilities, Mining, Quarrying Oil, Gas Extraction, Transportation & Warehousing, Education Services, and Agriculture.



### Sikeston's Ice Cream Empire

Sikeston hosts a Unilever ice cream plant that makes 53 million gallons of ice cream per year. The Siketon plant has become one of the largest ice cream factories Unilever operates globally and is in operation 24/7.

Some of the ice cream brands produced in Siketon are Breyers, Talenti, Klondike, Good Humor, Popsicle and Magnum.



### Education in Scott County

High School Graduate or higher: 83.5%  
Bachelor's Degree or higher: 13.6%

*Sikeston Public Schools has a 95% graduation rate.*



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## Sikeston-Arts & Tourism Continuity Region: SEMO



### Kirby's Sandwich Shop

Kirby's has been serving burgers in Sikeston, MO since 1907.



### Sikeston Depot

Built in 1916, the Sikeston Depot Museum operates as the Cultural Center of Sikeston. Sikeston was a supply depot of such importance in the Civil War that the track between Sikeston and Charleston were torn up to stop supplies from arriving in the area. The Cairo Fulton was the only railroad to add track during the Civil War.



### Sikeston Jaycee Bootheel Rodeo

Each year, this Silver Tour Rodeo draws top PRCA cowboys and cowgirls from across the country with over \$100,000 in prize money.

Each night following the rodeo, nationally known country music artists provide visitors with top-notch musical entertainment.



### Cotton Country Mural

This mural celebrates the agricultural heritage of Sikeston and the surrounding area.



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