



## Nearly Half of Missouri Workers Don't Earn Sick Time, Putting Themselves, Their Families and Customers At Risk

Less than 60% of full-time Missouri workers have earned sick leave, forcing them to choose between a paycheck and potentially spreading illnesses like the cold and flu. As the holiday season is upon us, how many parents are stuck risking their own and others' health while still trying to provide for their families?

[Here's the full story >>](#)

*Dean Plocher, 2022 Foundation for Government Accountability/YouTube*

## Headlines from across Missouri

- [KOMU 8 News](#): The investigation into Missouri House Speaker Dean Plocher continues as the Missouri House Ethics Committee meets for a third time. As reported, hundreds of Missourians and Progress MO are [calling for Plocher's resignation or removal](#).
- [St. Louis Post-Dispatch](#): Wash U alleges AG Andrew Bailey illegally seeks private patient medical records. The AG has not had time to [start on 2023 public record requests](#) until *this month*.
- [KCUR](#): Missouri's dysfunctional Medicaid system is preventing residents from getting food aid. Those systemic flaws have escalated into a crisis for our most vulnerable citizens.
- [Kansas City Star](#): Missouri is an outlier as it is 1 of only 5 states to continue using the death penalty. A new report shows a racial divide in executions.
- [St. Louis Post-Dispatch](#): Calls like Missouri Rep. Chris Dinkins' to ban refugees from our state are consistent with a troubling trend in her party that seeks to slam America's doors to those who most need them opened. It's difficult to imagine a more cruel, short-sighed, fundamentally un-American stance.

It's hard to find fault with [Kyle Garner's tweet](#) about school vouchers following news about how poorly paid rural Missouri teachers are. [See the reporting from STLPR. >>](#)

Did you know the famous Budweiser Clydesdales can be visited at [Warm Springs Ranch](#) in Boonville? Take a self-guided stroll through the lights and see them up close during the annual Holidays with the Clydesdales event! [Photo by @katethegreat\\_573 on Instagram >>](#)

[The Fountain on Locust](#) in St. Louis is serving up spirits sure to put you in the holiday spirit! They're serving

drinks like the Fred Nog, Holly Jolly or Gingerbread martini and have vintage decor to enjoy while sipping or eating their famous ice cream. Just steps from the Fabulous Fox Theatre, The Fountain might be a required trip this season!

From border to border, lights shine across Missouri with some of the best displays in the country. We asked, if you had to pick just one, is Branson, St. Charles or the Plaza in Kansas City the move? With all precincts reporting, you're loving all of the lights in KC!

- **50% Kansas City Plaza**
- 44% St. Charles
- 6% Branson

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