

COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

	2000	2007
Total county population	51,024	56,614
County child population	14,205	14,920
Children as percentage of population	27.8%	26.4%
Children		
Under age 5	3,528 24.8%	3,583 24.0%
Ages 5-9	3,633 25.6%	3,826 25.6%
Ages 10-14	3,662 25.8%	3,927 26.3%
Ages 15-19	3,382 23.8%	3,584 24.0%
Pre-k children		
Age 3	745	756
Age 4	711	724
Diversity of children		
White	12,666 89.2%	12,636 84.7%
African American	188 1.3%	390 2.6%
Hispanic	1,125 7.9%	1,679 11.3%
American Indian/ Alaskan Native	75 0.5%	65 0.4%
Asian and Pacific Islander	22 0.2%	43 0.3%
Other races	9 0.1%	NA NA
More than one race	120 0.8%	107 0.7%

	Base Year**	Current Year**
Median household income	\$42,213***	\$43,266
Percent all persons living below poverty level	13.3%	13.1%
Percent employed mothers with young children	45.2%	54.9%
Percent women receiving first trimester prenatal care	87.3%	83.4%
Percent families with children below 185% of poverty	33.4%	NA
Percent teens not attending school and not working	10.8%	14.0%

* Child poverty data disaggregated by race will not add to the total because different years are represented.

** Years for base and current data are noted in *How To Use This Data Book* on page 6.

*** Adjusted for inflation.

INDICATORS

	NUMBER		RATE		RANK	TREND	STATE	
	Base Year	Current Year	Base Year	Current Year			Number	Rate

HEALTH

Infant mortality rate	3	7	5.1	9.7	13	-	641	10.0
Low weight births	45	63	7.6%	8.8%	3	-	6,695	10.4%
Child birth index	373	422	62.9%	58.6%	7	-	36,199	56.4%
Births to unmarried teens	33	56	5.6%	7.8%	3	-	6,641	10.3%

EDUCATION

First grade retention	21	53	2.9%	6.7%	44	-	3,178	5.3%
Graduation rate	357	498	62.0%	69.6%			38,762	64.6%
Special education enrollment	884	1,003	10.9%	10.2%			74,580	10.1%

SAFETY

Child death rate	0	0	0.0	0.0	6	-	197	22.8
Children with indication of abuse or neglect	126	54	11.1	3.9	19		5,730	5.1
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate	0	0	0.0	0.0	1		791	156.8
Juvenile violent crime court referral rate	21	23	393.2	364.4	8		4,382	868.8
Preventable teen death rate	2	7	62.0	195.3	57	W	232	71.1

SECURITY

Vulnerable families	18	32	7.1%	11.9%	10	-	3,246	12.0%
Total children in poverty*	2,323	2,490	20.1%	18.5%	8		261,151	23.6%
• White	1,670	1,496	17.5%	12.6%			85,685	12.0%
• African American	68	56	33.5%	30.1%			142,772	40.5%
• Other races	69	196	39.7%	21.9%			9,424	22.7%
Children in single-parent families	1,117	1,948	12.1%	16.3%	2		285,371	28.7%