

COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

	2000	2007
Total county population	39,593	42,299
County child population	11,178	11,268
Children as percentage of population	28.2%	26.6%
Children		
Under age 5	2,734 24.5%	2,804 24.9%
Ages 5-9	2,838 25.4%	2,845 25.2%
Ages 10-14	2,896 25.9%	2,963 26.3%
Ages 15-19	2,710 24.2%	2,656 23.6%
Pre-k children		
Age 3	557	572
Age 4	572	586
Diversity of children		
White	9,129 81.7%	8,924 79.2%
African American	1,513 13.5%	1,509 13.4%
Hispanic	393 3.5%	669 5.9%
American Indian/ Alaskan Native	33 0.3%	20 0.2%
Asian and Pacific Islander	20 0.2%	28 0.2%
Other races	13 0.1%	NA NA
More than one race	77 0.7%	118 1.0%

	Base Year**	Current Year**
Median household income	\$39,452***	\$39,663
Percent all persons living below poverty level	16.3%	16.7%
Percent employed mothers with young children	53.6%	53.5%
Percent women receiving first trimester prenatal care	78.3%	71.6%
Percent families with children below 185% of poverty	35.0%	NA
Percent teens not attending school and not working	11.5%	11.3%

* 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	2	5	4.1	8.2	31	-	641	10.0
Low weight births	49	59	10.0%	9.7%	31	-	6,695	10.4%
Child birth index	248	317	50.6%	51.9%	52	-	36,199	56.4%
Births to unmarried teens	53	50	10.8%	8.2%	12	I	6,641	10.3%

EDUCATION

First grade retention	6	10	1.1%	1.6%	13	-	3,178	5.3%
Graduation rate	275	364	62.3%	62.3%			38,762	64.6%
Special education enrollment	1,014	747	15.5%	9.8%			74,580	10.1%

SAFETY

Child death rate	5	4	71.4	49.7	12	-	197	22.8
Children with indication of abuse or neglect	95	22	10.0	2.1	9		5,730	5.1
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate	2	4	44.1	85.0	43		791	156.8
Juvenile violent crime court referral rate	21	33	463.5	701.4	39		4,382	868.8
Preventable teen death rate	1	7	38.1	263.6	67	W	232	71.1

SECURITY

Vulnerable families	35	29	14.9%	11.2%	11	I	3,246	12.0%
Total children in poverty*	2,344	2,478	24.2%	24.3%	24		261,151	23.6%
• White	1,060	1,322	14.5%	15.7%			85,685	12.0%
• African American	594	565	46.8%	44.4%			142,772	40.5%
• Other races	4	114	100.0%	30.5%			9,424	22.7%
Children in single-parent families	1,227	1,704	15.9%	18.9%	6		285,371	28.7%