

**INDICATORS**

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

**HEALTH**

Infant mortality rate	5	0	31.3	0.0	6	↓	641	10.0
Low weight births	19	24	11.9%	13.7%	55	-	6,695	10.4%
Child birth index	88	90	55.0%	51.4%	58	-	36,199	56.4%
Births to unmarried teens	23	20	14.4%	11.4%	50	-	6,641	10.3%

**EDUCATION**

First grade retention	35	14	15.6%	9.2%	52	↓	3,178	5.3%
Graduation rate	83	68	50.4%	48.8%			38,762	64.6%
Special education enrollment	356	202	16.5%	12.2%			74,580	10.1%

**SAFETY**

Child death rate	1	1	35.3	43.7	43	-	197	22.8
Children with indication of abuse or neglect	73	15	19.9	5.1	36		5,730	5.1
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate	4	3	227.9	211.3	42		791	156.8
Juvenile violent crime court referral rate	6	0	341.9	0.0	2		4,382	868.8
Preventable teen death rate	0	0	0.0	0.0	1	-	232	71.1

**SECURITY**

Vulnerable families	13	8	18.3%	12.3%	40	-	3,246	12.0%
Total children in poverty*	1,479	1,101	39.2%	36.6%	59		261,151	23.6%
• White	249	357	14.0%	22.2%			85,685	12.0%
• African American	1,157	931	56.5%	46.9%			142,772	40.5%
• Other races	0	20	0.0%	100.0%			9,424	22.7%
Children in single-parent families	1,003	1,193	29.5%	37.8%	55		285,371	28.7%

**COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS**

	2000		2007	
Total county population	14,089		13,160	
County child population	4,014		3,365	
Children as percentage of population	28.5%		25.6%	
Children				
Under age 5	875	21.8%	810	24.1%
Ages 5-9	1,073	26.7%	759	22.6%
Ages 10-14	1,044	26.0%	879	26.1%
Ages 15-19	1,022	25.5%	917	27.3%
Pre-k children				
Age 3	183		169	
Age 4	191		177	
Diversity of children				
White	1,778	44.3%	1,518	45.1%
African American	2,153	53.6%	1,768	52.5%
Hispanic	28	0.7%	37	1.1%
American Indian/Alaskan Native	6	0.1%	6	0.2%
Asian and Pacific Islander	8	0.2%	9	0.3%
Other races	5	0.1%	NA	NA
More than one race	36	0.9%	27	0.8%

	Base Year**	Current Year**
Median household income	\$29,251***	\$27,555
Percent all persons living below poverty level	27.4%	24.7%
Percent employed mothers with young children	50.8%	47.8%
Percent women receiving first trimester prenatal care	66.3%	80.0%
Percent families with children below 185% of poverty	45.9%	NA
Percent teens not attending school and not working	13.6%	12.9%

\* 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.