

COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

	2000	2007
Total county population	49,129	48,150
County child population	14,513	14,181
Children as percentage of population	29.5%	29.5%
Children		
Under age 5	3,686 25.4%	3,662 25.8%
Ages 5-9	3,694 25.5%	3,592 25.3%
Ages 10-14	3,513 24.2%	3,604 25.4%
Ages 15-19	3,620 24.9%	3,323 23.4%
Pre-k children		
Age 3	759	754
Age 4	699	696
Diversity of children		
White	9,305 64.1%	9,086 64.1%
African American	3,821 26.3%	3,510 24.8%
Hispanic	707 4.9%	867 6.1%
American Indian/ Alaskan Native	81 0.6%	66 0.5%
Asian and Pacific Islander	138 1.0%	141 1.0%
Other races	41 0.3%	NA NA
More than one race	420 2.9%	511 3.6%

Base Year** Current Year**

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Median household income	\$39,370***	\$41,214
Percent all persons living below poverty level	17.3%	16.7%
Percent employed mothers with young children	51.3%	46.2%
Percent women receiving first trimester prenatal care	84.9%	86.7%
Percent families with children below 185% of poverty	41.6%	NA
Percent teens not attending school and not working	11.9%	9.4%

* 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	7	7	9.3	8.9	8	-	641	10.0
Low weight births	65	73	8.7%	9.3%	13	-	6,695	10.4%
Child birth index	461	488	61.5%	62.2%	5	-	36,199	56.4%
Births to unmarried teens	84	51	11.2%	6.5%	8	I	6,641	10.3%

EDUCATION

First grade retention	29	20	4.8%	3.6%	28	-	3,178	5.3%
Graduation rate	457	394	64.9%	65.3%			38,762	64.6%
Special education enrollment	1,013	610	13.3%	9.3%			74,580	10.1%

SAFETY

Child death rate	2	2	19.0	19.8	22	-	197	22.8
Children with indication of abuse or neglect	170	54	13.2	4.2	34		5,730	5.1
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate	9	10	172.3	175.4	54		791	156.8
Juvenile violent crime court referral rate	42	68	804.1	1,192.6	59		4,382	868.8
Preventable teen death rate	3	6	86.2	180.6	54	-	232	71.1

SECURITY

Vulnerable families	49	26	15.7%	7.9%	4	I	3,246	12.0%
Total children in poverty*	3,446	3,069	26.2%	24.1%	22		261,151	23.6%
• White	1,347	1,070	13.4%	12.7%			85,685	12.0%
• African American	1,304	1,287	39.7%	36.2%			142,772	40.5%
• Other races	108	174	26.0%	19.6%			9,424	22.7%
Children in single-parent families	2,729	3,350	21.2%	28.1%	34		285,371	28.7%