

**INDICATORS**

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

**HEALTH**

|                           |     |     |       |       |    |   |        |       |
|---------------------------|-----|-----|-------|-------|----|---|--------|-------|
| Infant mortality rate     | 7   | 3   | 8.3   | 4.1   | 5  | - | 641    | 10.0  |
| Low weight births         | 87  | 109 | 10.3% | 14.9% | 61 | W | 6,695  | 10.4% |
| Child birth index         | 479 | 374 | 57.0% | 51.0% | 53 | W | 36,199 | 56.4% |
| Births to unmarried teens | 172 | 159 | 20.5% | 21.7% | 66 | - | 6,641  | 10.3% |

**EDUCATION**

|                              |       |     |       |       |    |   |        |       |
|------------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|----|---|--------|-------|
| First grade retention        | 48    | 59  | 5.7%  | 8.8%  | 62 | - | 3,178  | 5.3%  |
| Graduation rate              | 421   | 356 | 55.2% | 50.0% |    |   | 38,762 | 64.6% |
| Special education enrollment | 1,202 | 826 | 12.8% | 10.4% |    |   | 74,580 | 10.1% |

**SAFETY**

|  |     |     |         |         |    |   |       |       |
|--|-----|-----|---------|---------|----|---|-------|-------|
| Child death rate                             | 1   | 0   | 9.4     | 0.0     | 37 | - | 197   | 22.8  |
| Children with indication of abuse or neglect | 141 | 17  | 10.3    | 1.5     | 8  |   | 5,730 | 5.1   |
| Juvenile violent crime arrest rate           | 13  | 8   | 206.1   | 161.1   | 50 |   | 791   | 156.8 |
| Juvenile violent crime court referral rate   | 67  | 108 | 1,062.1 | 2,174.4 | 67 |   | 4,382 | 868.8 |
| Preventable teen death rate                  | 2   | 5   | 48.4    | 151.4   | 55 | - | 232   | 71.1  |

**SECURITY**

|                                    |       |       |       |       |    |   |         |       |
|------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|----|---|---------|-------|
| Vulnerable families                | 83    | 71    | 24.6% | 23.6% | 67 | - | 3,246   | 12.0% |
| Total children in poverty*         | 5,467 | 4,818 | 39.2% | 42.0% | 62 |   | 261,151 | 23.6% |
| • White                            | 561   | 342   | 12.1% | 10.3% |    |   | 85,685  | 12.0% |
| • African American                 | 6,758 | 4,939 | 66.2% | 51.5% |    |   | 142,772 | 40.5% |
| • Other races                      | 6     | 80    | 15.0% | 42.1% |    |   | 9,424   | 22.7% |
| Children in single-parent families | 5,452 | 5,011 | 44.2% | 47.1% | 60 |   | 285,371 | 28.7% |

**COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS**

|                                      | 2000   |       | 2007   |       |
|--------------------------------------|--------|-------|--------|-------|
| Total county population              | 46,365 |       | 43,079 |       |
| County child population              | 14,794 |       | 12,907 |       |
| Children as percentage of population | 31.9%  |       | 30.0%  |       |
| Children                             |        |       |        |       |
| Under age 5                          | 3,415  | 23.1% | 3,425  | 26.5% |
| Ages 5-9                             | 3,579  | 24.2% | 3,169  | 24.6% |
| Ages 10-14                           | 3,836  | 25.9% | 3,011  | 23.3% |
| Ages 15-19                           | 3,964  | 26.8% | 3,302  | 25.6% |
| Pre-k children                       |        |       |        |       |
| Age 3                                | 683    |       | 685    |       |
| Age 4                                | 664    |       | 664    |       |
| Diversity of children                |        |       |        |       |
| White                                | 3,771  | 25.5% | 2,745  | 21.3% |
| African American                     | 10,751 | 72.7% | 9,874  | 76.5% |
| Hispanic                             | 112    | 0.8%  | 101    | 0.8%  |
| American Indian/Alaskan Native       | 9      | 0.1%  | 6      | 0.0%  |
| Asian and Pacific Islander           | 48     | 0.3%  | 52     | 0.4%  |
| Other races                          | 20     | 0.1%  | NA     | NA    |
| More than one race                   | 83     | 0.6%  | 129    | 1.0%  |

|   | Base Year** | Current Year** |
|---|-------------|----------------|
| Median household income                               | \$30,202*** | \$27,647       |
| Percent all persons living below poverty level        | 29.7%       | 30.2%          |
| Percent employed mothers with young children          | 46.8%       | 49.3%          |
| Percent women receiving first trimester prenatal care | 72.9%       | 59.4%          |
| Percent families with children below 185% of poverty  | 58.2%       | NA             |
| Percent teens not attending school and not working    | 10.7%       | 14.2%          |

\* 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.