

INDICATORS

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

HEALTH

Infant mortality rate	5	9	5.6	8.5	12	-	641	10.0
Low weight births	80	91	8.9%	8.6%	11	-	6,695	10.4%
Child birth index	534	592	59.4%	55.8%	16	-	36,199	56.4%
Births to unmarried teens	107	84	11.9%	7.9%	16	1	6,641	10.3%

EDUCATION

First grade retention	75	71	6.9%	6.3%	55	-	3,178	5.3%
Graduation rate	556	668	65.7%	63.3%			38,762	64.6%
Special education enrollment	1,401	1,333	11.9%	10.4%			74,580	10.1%

SAFETY

Child death rate	4	5	35.3	33.7	35	-	197	22.8
Children with indication of abuse or neglect	150	84	9.7	4.4	12		5,730	5.1
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate	9	13	125.3	153.0	44		791	156.8
Juvenile violent crime court referral rate	46	74	640.2	871.2	35		4,382	868.8
Preventable teen death rate	7	2	157.2	37.8	48	-	232	71.1

SECURITY

Vulnerable families	61	46	16.3%	10.5%	9	1	3,246	12.0%
Total children in poverty*	3,067	3,085	19.3%	16.2%	4		261,151	23.6%
• White	810	852	8.6%	6.8%			85,685	12.0%
• African American	1,605	1,511	47.7%	41.6%			142,772	40.5%
• Other races	25	28	20.2%	6.1%			9,424	22.7%
Children in single-parent families	2,257	3,408	19.9%	22.1%	15		285,371	28.7%

COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

	2000		2007	
Total county population	65,874		77,525	
County child population	18,596		21,195	
Children as percentage of population	28.2%		27.3%	
Children				
Under age 5	4,370	23.5%	5,332	25.2%
Ages 5-9	4,801	25.8%	5,389	25.4%
Ages 10-14	4,882	26.3%	5,184	24.5%
Ages 15-19	4,543	24.4%	5,290	25.0%
Pre-k children				
Age 3	873		1,066	
Age 4	861		1,050	
Diversity of children				
White	13,638	73.3%	14,921	70.4%
African American	4,213	22.7%	5,096	24.0%
Hispanic	312	1.7%	612	2.9%
American Indian/Alaskan Native	79	0.4%	60	0.3%
Asian and Pacific Islander	56	0.3%	98	0.5%
Other races	40	0.2%	NA	NA
More than one race	258	1.4%	408	1.9%

	Base Year**	Current Year**
Median household income	\$45,609***	\$49,193
Percent all persons living below poverty level	13.1%	11.3%
Percent employed mothers with young children	60.6%	60.2%
Percent women receiving first trimester prenatal care	86.1%	81.7%
Percent families with children below 185% of poverty	25.8%	NA
Percent teens not attending school and not working	12.0%	13.6%

* 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.