

## COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

	2000	2007
Total county population	18,495	17,648
County child population	4,924	4,305
Children as percentage of population	26.6%	24.4%
Children		
Under age 5	1,113 22.6%	899 20.9%
Ages 5-9	1,201 24.4%	1,047 24.3%
Ages 10-14	1,260 25.6%	1,156 26.9%
Ages 15-19	1,350 27.4%	1,203 27.9%
Pre-k children		
Age 3	240	194
Age 4	234	189
Diversity of children		
White	4,106 83.4%	3,553 82.5%
African American	715 14.5%	634 14.7%
Hispanic	51 1.0%	52 1.2%
American Indian/ Alaskan Native	6 0.1%	3 0.1%
Asian and Pacific Islander	10 0.2%	28 0.7%
Other races	1 0.0%	NA NA
More than one race	35 0.7%	35 0.8%

Base Year\*\*      Current Year\*\*

	Base Year**	Current Year**
Median household income	\$37,098***	\$35,957
Percent all persons living below poverty level	15.6%	17.2%
Percent employed mothers with young children	56.0%	52.2%
Percent women receiving first trimester prenatal care	86.6%	92.0%
Percent families with children below 185% of poverty	37.9%	NA
Percent teens not attending school and not working	14.5%	14.1%

\* 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.

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## INDICATORS

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

### HEALTH

Infant mortality rate	2	3	9.5	16.0	38	-	641	10.0
Low weight births	16	24	7.6%	12.8%	21	-	6,695	10.4%
Child birth index	122	97	57.8%	51.6%	35	-	36,199	56.4%
Births to unmarried teens	19	18	9.0%	9.6%	13	-	6,641	10.3%

### EDUCATION

First grade retention	26	13	11.6%	7.0%	27	-	3,178	5.3%
Graduation rate	141	137	65.6%	65.2%			38,762	64.6%
Special education enrollment	332	215	11.7%	8.6%			74,580	10.1%

### SAFETY

Child death rate	3	0	89.8	0.0	5	-	197	22.8
Children with indication of abuse or neglect	85	11	19.3	2.9	46		5,730	5.1
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate	3	1	140.3	53.8	52		791	156.8
Juvenile violent crime court referral rate	6	12	280.5	645.5	48		4,382	868.8
Preventable teen death rate	1	0	70.9	0.0	26	-	232	71.1

### SECURITY

Vulnerable families	9	7	9.5%	8.1%	14	-	3,246	12.0%
Total children in poverty*	1,006	862	22.3%	22.9%	17		261,151	23.6%
• White	830	731	21.7%	19.9%			85,685	12.0%
• African American	199	178	30.2%	28.8%			142,772	40.5%
• Other races	2	24	4.9%	27.6%			9,424	22.7%
Children in single-parent families	718	758	17.2%	18.9%	5		285,371	28.7%