

COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

	2000		2007	
Total county population	25,764		25,707	
County child population	6,806		6,258	
Children as percentage of population	26.4%		24.3%	
Children				
Under age 5	1,437	21.1%	1,512	24.2%
Ages 5-9	1,668	24.5%	1,552	24.8%
Ages 10-14	1,928	28.3%	1,513	24.2%
Ages 15-19	1,773	26.1%	1,681	26.9%
Pre-k children				
Age 3	275		289	
Age 4	275		289	
Diversity of children				
White	5,545	81.5%	5,043	80.6%
African American	954	14.0%	843	13.5%
Hispanic	176	2.6%	240	3.8%
American Indian/ Alaskan Native	59	0.9%	42	0.7%
Asian and Pacific Islander	10	0.1%	15	0.2%
Other races	6	0.1%	NA	NA
More than one race	56	0.8%	75	1.2%

	Base Year**	Current Year**
Median household income	\$33,600***	\$33,734
Percent all persons living below poverty level	18.7%	19.5%
Percent employed mothers with young children	58.6%	63.6%
Percent women receiving first trimester prenatal care	78.9%	83.3%
Percent families with children below 185% of poverty	46.3%	NA
Percent teens not attending school and not working	10.3%	9.5%

* 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	1	6	3.6	17.9	51	-	641	10.0
Low weight births	19	32	6.8%	9.5%	8	-	6,695	10.4%
Child birth index	148	168	52.9%	50.0%	46	-	36,199	56.4%
Births to unmarried teens	33	38	11.8%	11.3%	34	-	6,641	10.3%

EDUCATION

First grade retention	38	18	11.0%	5.0%	24	1	3,178	5.3%
Graduation rate	188	204	57.0%	64.1%			38,762	64.6%
Special education enrollment	477	454	11.1%	11.5%			74,580	10.1%

SAFETY

Child death rate	2	1	44.8	23.4	64	-	197	22.8
Children with indication of abuse or neglect	97	58	16.4	10.3	64		5,730	5.1
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate	3	4	106.7	159.6	33		791	156.8

Juvenile violent crime court referral rate	15	31	533.6	1,237.0	52		4,382	868.8
Preventable teen death rate	1	3	55.3	178.5	63	-	232	71.1

SECURITY

Vulnerable families	19	22	16.5%	16.2%	42	-	3,246	12.0%
Total children in poverty*	1,737	1,668	28.5%	29.9%	46		261,151	23.6%
• White	872	1,021	18.0%	20.2%			85,685	12.0%
• African American	391	589	39.0%	63.5%			142,772	40.5%
• Other races	31	82	57.4%	57.3%			9,424	22.7%
Children in single-parent families	992	1,405	18.6%	24.8%	27		285,371	28.7%