

INDICATORS

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

HEALTH

Infant mortality rate	1	2	2.9	6.9	15	-	641	10.0
Low weight births	28	26	8.2%	9.0%	44	-	6,695	10.4%
Child birth index	180	166	52.5%	57.2%	31	-	36,199	56.4%
Births to unmarried teens	58	37	16.9%	12.8%	44	1	6,641	10.3%

EDUCATION

First grade retention	67	35	15.0%	10.2%	54	1	3,178	5.3%
Graduation rate	261	246	66.6%	65.4%			38,762	64.6%
Special education enrollment	499	362	10.3%	8.0%			74,580	10.1%

SAFETY

Child death rate	2	0	39.5	0.0	47	-	197	22.8
Children with indication of abuse or neglect	48	9	7.2	1.7	11		5,730	5.1
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate	1	11	31.7	429.7	62		791	156.8
Juvenile violent crime court referral rate	18	24	571.4	937.5	56		4,382	868.8
Preventable teen death rate	1	0	51.2	0.0	14	-	232	71.1

SECURITY

Vulnerable families	29	18	20.3%	16.7%	62	-	3,246	12.0%
Total children in poverty*	2,217	1,526	32.6%	28.1%	40		261,151	23.6%
• White	251	188	8.9%	7.9%			85,685	12.0%
• African American	2,495	1,932	60.6%	49.5%			142,772	40.5%
• Other races	8	42	100.0%	37.8%			9,424	22.7%
Children in single-parent families	1,749	2,068	30.2%	37.3%	54		285,371	28.7%

COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

	2000		2007	
Total county population	22,539		21,276	
County child population	7,034		6,080	
Children as percentage of population	31.2%		28.6%	
Children				
Under age 5	1,524	21.7%	1,426	23.5%
Ages 5-9	1,852	26.3%	1,405	23.1%
Ages 10-14	1,902	27.0%	1,575	25.9%
Ages 15-19	1,756	25.0%	1,674	27.5%
Pre-k children				
Age 3	304		284	
Age 4	335		314	
Diversity of children				
White	2,621	37.3%	2,310	38.0%
African American	4,268	60.7%	3,602	59.2%
Hispanic	83	1.2%	104	1.7%
American Indian/Alaskan Native	6	0.1%	3	0.0%
Asian and Pacific Islander	16	0.2%	18	0.3%
Other races	7	0.1%	NA	NA
More than one race	33	0.5%	43	0.7%

	Base Year**	Current Year**
Median household income	\$32,947***	\$32,747
Percent all persons living below poverty level	23.9%	20.0%
Percent employed mothers with young children	59.0%	51.1%
Percent women receiving first trimester prenatal care	76.3%	77.8%
Percent families with children below 185% of poverty	50.5%	NA
Percent teens not attending school and not working	7.4%	15.2%

* 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.