

INDICATORS

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

HEALTH

Infant mortality rate	3	0	7.8	0.0	10	-	641	10.0
Low weight births	36	38	9.3%	11.9%	47	-	6,695	10.4%
Child birth index	195	197	50.4%	61.9%	17	-	36,199	56.4%
Births to unmarried teens	60	59	15.5%	18.6%	64	-	6,641	10.3%

EDUCATION

First grade retention	46	18	11.0%	5.2%	36	-	3,178	5.3%
Graduation rate	287	232	68.5%	66.7%			38,762	64.6%
Special education enrollment	411	328	8.7%	7.9%			74,580	10.1%

SAFETY

Child death rate	2	0	37.7	0.0	28	-	197	22.8
Children with indication of abuse or neglect	62	22	9.0	3.9	5		5,730	5.1
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate	3	5	91.6	182.9	40		791	156.8
Juvenile violent crime court referral rate	9	5	274.9	182.9	9		4,382	868.8
Preventable teen death rate	0	3	0.0	174.8	65	-	232	71.1

SECURITY

Vulnerable families	33	28	21.7%	21.5%	58	-	3,246	12.0%
Total children in poverty*	2,153	1,852	30.5%	32.0%	53		261,151	23.6%
• White	370	282	10.0%	8.4%			85,685	12.0%
• African American	1,759	1,518	50.5%	46.7%			142,772	40.5%
• Other races	22	46	19.5%	20.2%			9,424	22.7%
Children in single-parent families	1,729	1,893	27.1%	31.4%	44		285,371	28.7%

COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

	2000		2007	
Total county population	24,324		22,764	
County child population	7,595		6,464	
Children as percentage of population	31.2%		28.4%	
Children				
Under age 5	1,827	24.1%	1,442	22.3%
Ages 5-9	1,921	25.3%	1,616	25.0%
Ages 10-14	1,905	25.1%	1,690	26.1%
Ages 15-19	1,942	25.6%	1,716	26.5%
Pre-k children				
Age 3	373		294	
Age 4	346		273	
Diversity of children				
White	3,770	49.6%	3,230	50.0%
African American	3,566	47.0%	3,008	46.5%
Hispanic	67	0.9%	50	0.8%
American Indian/Alaskan Native	76	1.0%	63	1.0%
Asian and Pacific Islander	24	0.3%	17	0.3%
Other races	9	0.1%	NA	NA
More than one race	83	1.1%	96	1.5%

	Base Year**	Current Year**
Median household income	\$36,251***	\$32,367
Percent all persons living below poverty level	21.6%	23.6%
Percent employed mothers with young children	48.9%	57.1%
Percent women receiving first trimester prenatal care	75.2%	84.6%
Percent families with children below 185% of poverty	46.4%	NA
Percent teens not attending school and not working	11.0%	13.4%

* 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.