

**INDICATORS**

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

**HEALTH**

Infant mortality rate	5	12	6.6	10.8	24	-	641	10.0
Low weight births	59	94	7.7%	8.4%	10	-	6,695	10.4%
Child birth index	420	646	55.0%	57.9%	10	-	36,199	56.4%
Births to unmarried teens	63	88	8.3%	7.9%	10	-	6,641	10.3%

**EDUCATION**

First grade retention	68	65	7.2%	6.2%	42	-	3,178	5.3%
Graduation rate	470	713	57.6%	67.2%			38,762	64.6%
Special education enrollment	1,282	1,308	12.0%	10.5%			74,580	10.1%

**SAFETY**

Child death rate	1	3	8.5	20.7	21	-	197	22.8
Children with indication of abuse or neglect	226	107	14.3	5.6	42		5,730	5.1
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate	2	1	27.8	11.7	16		791	156.8
Juvenile violent crime court referral rate	29	52	402.4	609.0	36		4,382	868.8
Preventable teen death rate	4	4	92.7	80.5	31	-	232	71.1

**SECURITY**

Vulnerable families	32	49	9.8%	9.7%	5	-	3,246	12.0%
Total children in poverty*	3,245	3,173	20.2%	17.1%	6		261,151	23.6%
• White	1,770	1,867	15.0%	12.8%			85,685	12.0%
• African American	506	556	39.6%	41.7%			142,772	40.5%
• Other races	21	110	29.6%	29.8%			9,424	22.7%
Children in single-parent families	1,760	2,940	14.7%	19.6%	9		285,371	28.7%

**COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS**

	2000		2007	
Total county population	64,742		78,054	
County child population	17,930		20,471	
Children as percentage of population	27.7%		26.2%	
Children				
Under age 5	4,252	23.7%	5,016	24.5%
Ages 5-9	4,558	25.4%	5,287	25.8%
Ages 10-14	4,855	27.1%	5,198	25.4%
Ages 15-19	4,265	23.8%	4,970	24.3%
Pre-k children				
Age 3	851		1,003	
Age 4	857		1,013	
Diversity of children				
White	15,909	88.7%	17,675	86.3%
African American	1,492	8.3%	1,981	9.7%
Hispanic	234	1.3%	437	2.1%
American Indian/Alaskan Native	71	0.4%	44	0.2%
Asian and Pacific Islander	37	0.2%	75	0.4%
Other races	13	0.1%	NA	NA
More than one race	174	1.0%	259	1.3%

	Base Year**	Current Year**
Median household income	\$43,680***	\$50,046
Percent all persons living below poverty level	13.9%	11.6%
Percent employed mothers with young children	54.8%	54.6%
Percent women receiving first trimester prenatal care	88.3%	84.3%
Percent families with children below 185% of poverty	30.6%	NA
Percent teens not attending school and not working	13.8%	10.3%

\* 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.