

	2000		2018	
Total County Population	88,787		104,722	
County Child Population	25,151	28.3%	26,371	25.2%
By Age:	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Under Age 5	6,037	24.0%	6,350	24.1%
Ages 5-9	6,313	25.1%	6,528	24.8%
Ages 10-14	6,661	26.5%	6,887	26.1%
Ages 15-19	6,140	24.4%	6,606	25.1%

	2000		2018	
Diversity of Children	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
White	16,294	64.8%	15,036	57.0%
African-American	7,863	31.3%	8,549	32.4%
American Indian/ Alaskan Native	75	0.3%	72	0.3%
Asian/Pacific Islander	166	0.7%	253	1.0%
More than One Race	278	1.1%	1015	3.8%
Hispanic	438	1.7%	1,446	5.5%



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	2000	2018
Pre-K Children	Number	Number
Age 3	1,227	1,298
Age 4	1,199	1,317

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	YEAR	NUMBER	RATE	WHITE		BLACK		ALL OTHER		HISPANIC		RANKING YEAR	RANKING	TRENDING YEAR	TRENDING	
				Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate					
Infant Mortality Rate (per 1,000)	Base	2007	13	9.6	8	9.0	5	12.2	0	0.0	0	0.0	2015-2017	55	2007-2017	-
	Current	2017	18	13.9	4	5.4	12	25.5	0	0.0	2	36.4				
Children without Health Insurance	Base												2013-2017	787	3.1%	
	Current															
Females Receiving Adequate/ Adequate Plus Prenatal Care	Base	2007	1,023	75.8%	715	81.0%	276	67.8%	8	66.7%	24	50.0%	2015-2017	18	2007-2017	I
	Current	2017	995	78.0%	604	81.6%	337	73.1%	16	72.7%	38	73.1%				
Pre-Term Births to All Females	Base	2007	152	11.2%	82	9.3%	66	16.2%	2	16.7%	2	4.2%	2015-2017	25	2007-2017	I
	Current	2017	152	11.7%	77	10.3%	69	14.6%	4	18.2%	2	3.6%				
Low-Weight Births, All Races	Base	2007	109	8.1%	50	5.6%	57	13.9%	1	8.3%	1	2.1%	2015-2017	39	2007-2017	W
	Current	2017	125	9.7%	52	7.0%	69	14.6%	1	4.5%	3	5.5%				
Births to Teens Aged 15-17 (per 1,000)	Base	2007	50	26.8									2015-2017	47	2007-2017	I
	Current	2017	31	14.5	12	8.9	17	25.8	0	0.0	2	27.4				
Births to Females Aged 10-19 (per 1,000)	Base	2007	179	28.4	89	22.3	82	40.2	1	8.2	7	47.6	2015-2017	30	2007-2017	I
	Current	2017	104	16.1	47	12.4	53	25.9	0	0.0	4	13.0				
Births to Unmarried Teens	Base	2007	135	10.0%	57	6.4%	73	17.8%	0	0.0%	5	10.4%	2015-2017	25	2007-2017	I
	Current	2017	97	7.5%	40	5.4%	53	11.3%	0	0.0%	4	7.3%				
Mothers who Breastfed	Base												2017	808	62.4%	
	Current				551	73.8%	199	42.3%	20	90.9%	38	70.4%				
Poor Mental Health Days	Base												2016	4.4		10
	Current															
Ratio of Population to Mental Health Providers	Base												2018	756:1		
	Current															
Adult Diabetes	Base												2016	11.8%		13
	Current															
Adult Obesity	Base												2015	36.0%		24
	Current															
Diet-Related Deaths (per 100,000)	Base	2007	340	356.8	270	399.2	68	280.5	2	109.2	0	0.0	2017	443	424.5	
	Current	2017	443	424.5	325	466.8	110	394.6	4	119.6	4	114.1				

**NOTE:** The colored cells for "TWO OR MORE RACES" represent the heading of "ALL OTHER" for this indicator.

	YEAR	NUMBER	RATE	POVERTY	ABOVE POVERTY	WHITE*	BLACK*	HISPANIC*	ASIAN*	AMERICAN INDIAN*	NATIVE HAWAIIAN*	TWO/MORE RACES*	RANKING YEAR	RANKING
Births to Females with Less Than 12 Years of Education	Base	2007	248	18.4%		13.6%	25.2%	50.0%				8.3%		
	Current	2017	175	13.5%		9.1%	17.8%	38.9%				9.1%	2017	23
Aged 0-3 Receiving Early Intervention Services	Base	2008	91											
	Current	2018	76											
First Grade Retention	Base	2008-2009		7.0%										
	Current	2017-2018		15.7%	10.5%	20.4%	20.9%	10.3%	7.9%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	15.0%	2017-2018
English Language Learners	Base	2014-2015**		0.7%	0.7%	0.6%	0.3%	0.0%	13.8%	5.8%	0.0%	0.4%		
	Current	2017-2018***		1.7%	1.5%	1.8%	0.1%	0.1%	24.1%	24.0%	0.0%	4.8%	0.0%	
Scantron-Fourth Grade Reading	Base													
	Current	2017-2018		46.5%	35.6%	70.8%	61.6%	27.5%	33.3%	73.7%	0.0%	0.0%	50.0%	2017-2018
Scantron-Fourth Grade Math	Base													
	Current	2017-2018		51.2%	40.1%	75.9%	68.1%	29.5%	40.6%	81.0%	0.0%	0.0%	50.0%	2017-2018
Scantron-Eighth Grade Reading	Base													
	Current	2017-2018		41.9%	32.2%	59.5%	53.1%	26.4%	36.2%	70.6%	66.7%	100.0%	38.5%	2017-2018
Scantron-Eighth Grade Math	Base													
	Current	2017-2018		45.7%	34.2%	66.6%	61.1%	24.7%	44.7%	82.4%	66.7%	100.0%	30.8%	2017-2018
Ninth Grade Retention	Base	2008-2009		5.4%										
	Current	2017-2018		0.3%	0.2%	0.3%	0.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2017-2018
High School Dropout Rate	Base	2007-2008		1.8%										
	Current	2017-2018		5.5% <sup>B</sup>	7.5%	2.7%	4.5%	7.7%	2.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2017-2018
Graduation Rate	Base	2016-2017 <sup>A</sup>		91%	87%	95%	93%	89%	91%	80%	100%	0%	67%	
	Current	2017-2018 <sup>A</sup>		90%	87%	95%	93%	85%	96%	100%	75%	0%	100%	2017-2018
Homeless Students	Base	2016-2017		1.4%	2.0%	0.3%	0.6%	2.3%	2.6%	0.6%	0.0%	5.6%	0.0%	
	Current	2017-2018		1.1%	2.3%	0.0%	0.4%	2.0%	0.9%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.4%	
Suspensions	Base													
	Current	2017-2018		5.2%			1.1%	11.2%	1.3%	0.6%	0.0%	4.8%	4.0%	

Child Care Facilities	April 2019			Average 11 <sup>th</sup> Grade: ACT Scores				2017-2018		Number of Early Head Start/ Head Start Classrooms		2019	
Total All Child Care Facilities	58			English				17		17		No Data Available	
Total All Licensed	35			Math				17		17		10-17 Days 18+ Days	
Center Based Licensed	31			Reading				18		18		21.9% 11.8%	
Center Based Exempt	23			Science				18		18			
Children Participating in First Class Pre-K: 2019-2020	Classrooms	Number	Percent	Composite				18		Career and College Ready Index			
	22	396	30.5%	Per Pupil Expenditures* (Adjusted for Inflation)				Base Year FY2013	Current Year FY2018	Base Year 2017		Current Year 2018	
Direct Certification	2017-2018			Dollars				\$8,372	\$8,578	66.6%		74.6%	

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**\*LEGEND - FULL ETHNIC BREAKDOWN**  
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					Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate				
Child Death Rate	Base	2007	7	35.3	2	16.1	5	78.4	0	0.0	0	0.0				
	Current	2017	4	20.2	2	17.8	2	31.5	0	0.0	0	0.0	2015-2017	44	2007-2017	_
Children with Indication of Abuse or Neglect	Base	2007	203	9.0												
	Current	2018	544	22.6									2016-2018	39		
Preventable Teen Death Rate	Base	2007	4	62.0	4	95.7	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0				
	Current	2017	5	76.0	3	77.1	1	46.7	0	0.0	1	357.1	2015-2017	56	2007-2017	_
Youth Incarcerations Before & After Juvenile Justice Act	Base	2004-2009	80													
	Current	2010-2018	174													
Juvenile Violent Crime Court Petition Rate	Base	2008	138	12.7												
	Current	2018	79	7.0									2016-2018	56	2008-2018	_
Teens Not Attending School/ Not Working	Base	2000	432	8.9%												
	Current	2013-2017	503	9.9%												
Children in Foster Care	Base	2011	127													
	Current	2019	211													
Children Adopted	Base	2011	5													
	Current	2019	16													
ILP Ages 14 and Older	Base															
	Current	March 2019	65													
Children in Protective Services	Base															
	Current	March 2019	431													

## ECONOMIC SECURITY

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					Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate				
Persons Living in Poverty	Base	2000	13,146	15.0%	6,260	9.7%	6,480	30.5%	406	20.3%	315	32.5%				
	Current	2013-2017	19,030	18.5%	8,613	12.0%	9,357	34.0%	1,060	27.2%	1,062	31.9%	2013-2017	26		
Children in Poverty	Base	2000	4,853	21.3%	1,932	12.8%	2,771	39.4%	150	26.0%	143	39.1%				
	Current	2013-2017	7,125	29.5%	2,488	16.8%	4,129	52.5%	508	34.0%	471	38.0%	2013-2017	37		
Children Under Age 5 in Poverty	Base	2000		25.8%												
	Current	2013-2017		36.4%												
Children Aged 5-11 in Poverty	Base	2000		21.0%												
	Current	2013-2017		29.0%												
Children Aged 12-17 in Poverty	Base	2000		18.4%												
	Current	2013-2017		25.0%												

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		YEAR	NUMBER	RATE	WHITE		BLACK		ALL OTHER		HISPANIC		RANKING YEAR	RANKING	TRENDING YEAR	TRENDING
					Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate				
Children in Extreme Poverty	Base	2000	2,436	10.7%												
	Current	2013-2017	3,540	14.7%									2013-2017	45		
Vulnerable Families	Base	2007		11.1%												
	Current	2017		8.0%									2015-2017	36	2007-2017	I
Children Under 18 in Single-Parent Families	Base	2000	6,386	30.9%												
	Current	2013-2017	10,703	44.1%									2017	46		
Employed Mothers with Young Children	Base	2000	3,195	62.7%												
	Current	2013-2017	2,868	62.0%									2013-2017	28		
Children Receiving Child Care Subsidies (All Centers)	Base															
	Current	March 2018	1,361	\$364,300												
Unemployment Rate	Base	2007	1,572	3.3%												
	Current	2018	1,825	4.0%									2018	25		
Median Household Income *Adjusted for Inflation	Base	2007*	\$47,833													
	Current	2017	\$44,753													
Medicaid Paid Births	Base	2007	723	53.5%	357	40.4%	329	80.4%	4	33.3%	33	68.8%				
	Current	2017	791	61.1%	345	46.2%	398	84.5%	6	27.3%	42	76.4%	2017	43		
WIC Case Load, Average Monthly	Base	2017	3,564													
	Current	2018	3,517													
SNAP Eligible, All Ages	Base	2014***	19,481													
	Current	2019***	17,294													
SNAP Eligible, Children Under 20	Base	2014	10,268													
	Current	2019	9,422													
SNAP Recipients, All Ages	Base	2014**	18,960													
	Current	2019	17,040													
Food Insecurity, All Ages	Base	2010	16,100	16.3%												
	Current	2017	17,160	16.5%									2017	39		
Food Insecurity, Children Under 18	Base	2010	5,630	23.2%												
	Current	2017	5,560	22.7%									2017	33		





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