

	2000		2023	
Total County Population	70,713		64,728	
County Child Population	18,493	26.2%	16,075	24.8%
By Age:	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Under Age 5	4,520	24.4%	3,971	24.7%
Ages 5-9	4,556	24.6%	4,045	25.2%
Ages 10-14	4,711	25.5%	4,217	26.2%
Ages 15-19	4,706	25.4%	3,842	23.9%

	2000		2023	
Diversity of Children	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
White	16,489	89.2%	12,946	80.5%
African-American	1,469	7.9%	1,126	7.0%
American Indian/ Alaskan Native	48	0.3%	28	0.2%
Asian/Pacific Islander	46	0.2%	68	0.4%
More than One Race	203	1.1%	617	3.8%
Hispanic	226	1.2%	1,290	8.0%



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**Walker**

	2000	2023
Pre-K Children	Number	Number
Age 3	931	794
Age 4	934	803

HEALTH

**NOTE:** The colored cells for "ALL OTHER" represent the heading of "BLACK AND ALL OTHER" for this indicator.

	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	2012	4	5.3	4	5.9	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0				
	Current	2022	4	4.8	4	5.8	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	2020-2022	35	2012-2022	-
Pre-Term Births to All Females	Base	2012	83	10.9%	75	11.1%	6	14.3%	0	0.0%	2	5.7%				
	Current	2022	110	13.3%	90	13.1%	7	14.9%	0	0.0%	13	14.9%				
Low-Weight Births, All Races	Base	2012	58	7.6%	53	7.8%	4	9.5%	1	25.0%	0	0.0%				
	Current	2022	94	11.4%	78	11.4%	6	12.8%	0	0.0%	10	11.5%	2020-2022	39	2012-2022	-
Births to Teens Aged 15-17 (per 1,000)	Base	2012	30	23.3	28	24.1	2	27.4	0	0.0	0	0.0				
	Current	2022	17	14.0	11	10.8	4	36.4	0	0.0	2	52.6	2020-2022	53	2012-2022	I
Births to Females Aged 10-19 (per 1,000)	Base	2012	100	24.8	94	26.8	5	16.8	0	0.0	1	11.4				
	Current	2022	72	18.6	62	19.5	5	16.9	0	0.0	5	20.7	2020-2022	55	2012-2022	I
Births to Unmarried Females Aged 10-19	Base	2012	57	7.5%	52	7.7%	5	11.9%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%				
	Current	2022	59	7.2%	53	7.7%	5	10.6%	0	0.0%	1	1.1%	2020-2022	36	2012-2022	-
Females Receiving Adequate/ Adequate Plus Prenatal Care	Base	2012	650	85.5%	587	86.6%	39	92.9%	4	100.0%	20	55.6%				
	Current	2022	644	79.9%	573	85.3%	38	84.4%	4	80.0%	29	34.5%	2020-2022	6	2012-2022	-
Mothers Who Breastfed	Base															
	Current	2022	584	70.8%	504	73.6%	27	57.4%	4	66.7%	49	56.3%				
Mothers Who Smoked During Pregnancy	Base															
	Current	2022	64	6.2%	61	6.9%			3	2.2%						
Diet-Related Deaths (per 100,000)	Base	2012	278	420.5	263	442.0	15	384.9	0	0.0	0	0.0				
	Current	2022	277	430.5	261	460.3	14	357.3	1	61.3	1	47.9	2022	34		

Children Without Health Insurance	2018-2022	Adult Diabetes: 2020	Adult Obesity: 2021	Poor Mental Health Days: 2021	Ratio of Population to Mental Health Providers: 2023	Rate				
Number	1359	Rate	9.6%	Rate	38.0%	Number	6.2	913:1		
Rate	9.0%	Trend	21	Trend	11	Trend	54	Children With Serious Emotional Disturbance Receiving MH Services: 2023	Number	359

		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	2012	173	22.8%			21.1%	11.9%	71.4%				0.0%		
	Current	2022	172	20.8%			13.4%	8.5%	87.4%				0.0%	2022	62
Aged 0-3 Receiving Early Intervention Services	Base	2013	88												
	Current	2023	143												
First Grade Retention	Base	2016-2017		0.6%											
	Current	2022-2023		7.9%	9.6%	6.6%	8.3%	10.7%	4.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.4%	2022-2023	51
ACAP-Fourth Grade English Language Arts (ELA)	Base														
	Current	2023-2024		65.2%	58.9%	78.1%	43.9%	33.6%	28.1%	0.0%	25.0%	50.0%	28.0%	2023-2024	13
ACAP-Fourth Grade Math	Base														
	Current	2023-2024		45.6%	37.5%	62.4%	32.5%	20.0%	17.7%	0.0%	0.0%	50.0%	20.0%	2023-2024	13
ACAP-Eighth Grade English Language Arts (ELA)	Base														
	Current	2023-2024		53.8%	45.1%	68.8%	35.8%	24.2%	17.5%	16.7%	0.0%	0.0%	25.0%	2023-2024	19
ACAP-Eighth Grade Math	Base														
	Current	2023-2024		20.4%	12.7%	33.7%	12.5%	9.7%	4.9%	16.7%	0.0%	0.0%	10.0%	2023-2024	26
Ninth Grade Retention	Base	2016-2017		0.3%											
	Current	2022-2023		3.0%	3.7%	2.5%	2.8%	3.1%	5.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2022-2023	34
Graduation Rate	Base	2021-2022		86.4%	79.6%	92.6%	87.3%	82.5%	76.3%	83.3%	100.0%	0.0%	90.9%		
	Current	2022-2023		90.8%	87.5%	95.8%	91.2%	88.9%	85.7%	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%	91.7%	2022-2023	33
High School Dropout Rate	Base	2016-2017		6.3%											
	Current	2022-2023		5.6% <sup>B</sup>	7.8%	2.3%	4.8%	7.4%	14.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	8.3%	2022-2023	45
Suspensions	Base														
	Current	2022-2023		2.4%			2.1%	6.3%	1.5%	2.8%	10.0%	0.0%	2.1%		
Expulsions	Base														
	Current	2022-2023		0.1%			0.1%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%		
Chronic Absenteeism (10-17 Days)	Base														
	Current	2022-2023		29.0%	29.9%	27.4%	30.1%	25.9%	22.2%	28.6%	15.8%	33.3%	27.1%		
Chronic Absenteeism (18+ Days)	Base														
	Current	2022-2023		18.3%	22.0%	12.2%	19.2%	15.5%	11.0%	8.6%	15.8%	0.0%	22.5%		
English Language Learners	Base	2016-2017 <sup>***</sup>		2.0%	1.8%	2.2%	0.0%	0.0%	44.9%	5.4%	7.7%	0.0%	0.0%		
	Current	2022-2023 <sup>***</sup>		5.0%	6.5%	2.6%	0.1%	0.0%	58.5%	20.0%	15.8%	0.0%	0.0%		
Homeless Students	Base	2021-2022		1.0%	2.6%	0.1%	1.0%	1.3%	0.6%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	3.4%		
	Current	2022-2023		1.0%	1.6%	0.0%	1.0%	1.4%	0.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.1%		
Teachers Teaching Out of Field	Base	2016-2017		13.3%											
	Current	2022-2023		10.0%											
Direct Certification	Base														
	Current	2022-2023		61.9%			57.0%	83.3%	83.9%						

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Child Care Center Capacity		2024		Number of Early Head Start/ Head Start Slots: 2024		EHS		HS		TOTAL		Career and College Ready Index			
Day Care			897	Children Participating in First Class Pre-K: 2023-2024		88		102		190		Base Year 2022	Current Year 2023		
Night Care			0			Classrooms	Number		Percent			81.2%	86.4%		
All Centers			897			24	361	47.9%							
Child Care Facilities		May 2024		Average 11 <sup>th</sup> Grade: ACT Scores		First Class Pre-K Sites by Type of Delivery									
Total All Licensed			21	2022-2023		2023-2024									
Center Based Licensed			15	English	16	Head Start						0			
Center Based Exempt			4	Math	16	Private School						0			
Family Homes			0	Reading	17	Public School						21			
Group Homes			6	Science	17	Other						3			
Total All Child Care Facilities			25	Composite	16	Total						24			
												Per Pupil Expenditures* (Adjusted for Inflation)		Base Year FY2018	Current Year FY2023
												Dollars	\$11,836	\$13,114	
<p><b>*LEGEND - FULL ETHNIC BREAKDOWN</b>                  White   Black or African American   Hispanic/Latino   Asian   American Indian/Alaska Native   Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander   Two or More Races</p>															

SAFETY

		YEAR	NUMBER	RATE	WHITE		BLACK		ALL OTHER		HISPANIC		RANKING YEAR	RANKING	TRENDING YEAR	TRENDING
					Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate				
Children with Indication of Abuse or Neglect (per 1,000)	Base	2012	154	10.5												
	Current	2023	268	18.1									2021-2023	48		
Child Death Rate (per 100,000)	Base	2012	5	41.3	3	29.1	1	115.5	0	0.0	1	223.7				
	Current	2022	2	16.4	2	20.5	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	2020-2022	19	2012-2022	-
Preventable Teen Death Rate (per 100,000)	Base	2012	2	48.2	2	55.1	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0				
	Current	2022	1	26.4	1	31.8	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	2020-2022	24	2012-2022	-
Teens Not Attending School/ Not Working	Base	2000	455	12.1%												
	Current	2018-2022	210	7.0%												
Juvenile Violent Crime Court Petition Rate (per 1,000)	Base	2013	17	2.5												
	Current	2023	12	1.8									2021-2023	3	2013-2023	-
Children in Foster Care		Children Adopted		ILP Ages 14 and Older: March 2024				Children in Protective Services: March 2024				Youth Incarcerations Before & After Juvenile Justice Act				
Base Year: 2016	Current Year: 2024	Base Year: 2016	Current Year: 2024	Total				Total				Base Year: 1999-2009		Current Year: 2013-2023		
36	131	8	17	38				103				116		46		

ECONOMIC SECURITY

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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				
Persons Living in Poverty	Base	2000	11,478	16.5%	9,812	15.3%	1,435	32.6%	231	19.0%	182	28.0%				
	Current	2018-2022	10,437	16.4%	8,347	14.8%	1,038	28.8%	1,052	30.2%	645	35.1%	2018-2022	25		
Children in Poverty	Base	2000	3,471	21.2%	2,849	19.4%	523	39.9%	99	26.1%	98	42.4%				
	Current	2018-2022	3,077	22.2%	2,036	17.8%	365	44.1%	676	43.3%	407	47.7%	2018-2022	21		
Children Under Age 5 in Poverty	Base	2000		22.3%												
	Current	2018-2022		25.2%												

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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 Aged 5-11 in Poverty	Base	2000		21.3%												
	Current	2018-2022		23.2%												
Children Aged 12-17 in Poverty	Base	2000		20.2%												
	Current	2018-2022		19.1%												
Children in Extreme Poverty	Base	2000	1,577	9.6%												
	Current	2018-2022	1,407	10.2%									2018-2022	25		
Vulnerable Families	Base	2012		10.0%												
	Current	2022		9.7%									2020-2022	39	2012-2022	-
Children Under 18 in Single-Parent Families	Base	2000	3,483	23.9%												
	Current	2018-2022	4,063	28.3%									2022	28		
Employed Mothers with Young Children	Base	2000	1,755	48.3%												
	Current	2018-2022	1,363	55.5%									2018-2022	53		
Children Receiving Child Care Subsidies (All Centers)	Base															
	Current	May 2024	224	\$155,091												
Unemployment Rate	Base	2012	2,501	9.4%												
	Current	2023	679	2.6%									2023	36		
Median Household Income *Adjusted for Inflation	Base	2012*	\$46,653													
	Current	2022	\$51,065													
Medicaid Paid Births	Base	2012	445	58.6%	372	54.8%	38	90.5%	3	75.0%	32	91.4%				
	Current	2022	396	48.1%	280	40.9%	32	68.1%	1	16.7%	83	95.4%	2022	26		
Food Insecurity, All Ages	Base	2010	10,820	16.0%												
	Current	2022	12,700	19.5%									2022	59		
Food Insecurity, Children Under 18	Base	2010	4,370	28.8%												
	Current	2022	3,160	22.0%									2022	27		

WIC Case Load, Average Monthly	
Base Year: 2022	Current Year: 2023
1,902	1,896

SNAP Eligible, All Ages	
Base Year: 2019***	Current Year: 2024***
8,824	9,029

SNAP Eligible, Children Under 20	
Base Year: 2019	Current Year: 2024
4,321	4,385

SNAP Recipients, All Ages	
Base Year: 2019	Current Year: 2024**
9,585	8,741

The way we refer to population sub-groups throughout the 2024 County Data Profile is intentional in order to be as accurate as possible in representing the data given to us.

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