

	2000		2024	
Total County Population	49,129		50,067	
County Child Population	14,513	29.5%	12,671	25.3%
By Age:	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Under Age 5	3,686	25.4%	3,411	26.9%
Ages 5-9	3,694	25.5%	3,276	25.9%
Ages 10-14	3,513	24.2%	3,116	24.6%
Ages 15-19	3,620	24.9%	2,868	22.6%

	2000		2024	
Diversity of Children	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
White	9,305	64.1%	7,200	56.8%
African-American	3,821	26.3%	2,998	23.7%
American Indian/ Alaskan Native	81	0.6%	63	0.5%
Asian/Pacific Islander	138	1.0%	189	1.5%
More than One Race	420	2.9%	862	6.8%
Hispanic	707	4.9%	1,343	10.6%



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	2000	2024
Pre-K Children	Number	Number
Age 3	759	707
Age 4	699	674

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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	2013	2	3.0	2	4.3	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0				
	Current	2023	5	7.9	0	0.0	3	19.4	2	200.0	0	0.0	2021-2023	13	2013-2023	-
Pre-Term Births to All Females	Base	2013	57	8.5%	33	7.1%	23	16.2%	0	0.0%	1	2.4%				
	Current	2023	92	14.6%	52	12.9%	31	20.0%	1	10.0%	8	12.3%				
Low-Weight Births, All Races	Base	2013	46	6.9%	28	6.0%	17	12.0%	0	0.0%	1	2.4%				
	Current	2023	70	11.1%	32	8.0%	27	17.4%	3	30.0%	8	12.3%	2021-2023	29	2013-2023	-
Births to Teens Aged 15-17 (per 1,000)	Base	2013	17	15.3	12	17.3	5	18.9	0	0.0	0	0.0				
	Current	2023	11	12.1	5	8.9	3	12.4	0	0.0	3	56.6	2021-2023	37	2013-2023	-
Births to Females Aged 10-19 (per 1,000)	Base	2013	57	18.5	38	19.8	17	21.7	0	0.0	2	10.1				
	Current	2023	47	15.7	27	16.1	14	19.3	0	0.0	6	20.9	2021-2023	55	2013-2023	-
Births to Unmarried Females Aged 10-19	Base	2013	42	6.3%	24	5.2%	17	12.0%	0	0.0%	1	2.4%				
	Current	2023	46	7.3%	26	6.5%	14	9.0%	0	0.0%	6	9.2%	2021-2023	39	2013-2023	-
Females Receiving Adequate/Adequate Plus Prenatal Care	Base	2013	521	78.3%	365	79.0%	110	78.0%	18	90.0%	28	66.7%				
	Current	2023	474	76.9%	309	78.6%	115	76.2%	9	90.0%	41	66.1%	2021-2023	27	2013-2023	-
Mothers Who Breastfed	Base															
	Current	2023	445	70.6%	301	75.1%	91	58.7%	8	80.0%	45	70.3%				
Mothers Who Smoked During Pregnancy	Base															
	Current	2023	33	4.3%	25	4.5%			8	3.6%						
Diet-Related Deaths (per 100,000)	Base	2013	188	377.7	157	444.8	28	294.6	1	46.4	2	71.0				
	Current	2023	207	415.1	163	490.8	43	407.0	0	0.0	1	27.7	2023	30		

Children Without Health Insurance	2019-2023	Adult Diabetes: 2021	Adult Obesity: 2022	Poor Mental Health Days: 2022	Ratio of Population to Mental Health Providers: 2024	Rate		
Number	282	Rate	11.6%	Rate	44.3%	Number	5.9	712:1
Rate	2.4%	Trend	60	Trend	49	Trend	9	Number
					Children With Serious Emotional Disturbance Receiving MH Services: 2024	164		

		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	2013	78	11.7%			10.1%	16.9%	14.3%				5.3%		
	Current	2023	60	9.6%			6.8%	7.8%	29.2%				20.0%	2023	12
Aged 0-3 Receiving Early Intervention Services	Base	2014	35												
	Current	2024	37												
First Grade Retention	Base	2016-2017		0.9%											
	Current	2024-2025		4.8%	7.9%	1.7%	4.0%	5.1%	3.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	13.5%	2024-2025	21
ACAP-Fourth Grade English Language Arts (ELA)	Base														
	Current	2024-2025		63.9%	57.9%	77.9%	46.9%	26.5%	46.8%	66.7%	100.0%	33.3%	41.3%	2024-2025	22
ACAP-Fourth Grade Math	Base														
	Current	2024-2025		46.9%	39.0%	65.7%	42.0%	13.0%	34.7%	83.3%	50.0%	100.0%	29.3%	2024-2025	18
ACAP-Eighth Grade English Language Arts (ELA)	Base														
	Current	2024-2025		54.0%	43.0%	72.9%	46.5%	18.2%	29.6%	66.7%	100.0%	100.0%	28.0%	2024-2025	31
ACAP-Eighth Grade Math	Base														
	Current	2024-2025		34.4%	22.1%	55.4%	24.9%	6.9%	12.5%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	14.0%	2024-2025	8
Ninth Grade Retention	Base	2016-2017		1.5%											
	Current	2024-2025		4.7%	7.5%	2.3%	3.0%	7.6%	3.6%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2024-2025	53
Graduation Rate****	Base	2023-2024		96.9%	95.8%	98.7%	97.2%	95.2%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%		
	Current	2024-2025		95.7%	93.8%	98.4%	96.8%	93.2%	97.9%	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%	92.9%	2024-2025	17
High School Dropout Rate	Base	2016-2017		4.9%											
	Current	2024-2025		1.2%	2.1%	0.0%	1.4%	1.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2024-2025	17
Suspensions	Base														
	Current	2024-2025		14.1%			9.4%	22.6%	11.9%	7.4%	12.0%	8.3%	14.8%		
Expulsions	Base														
	Current	2024-2025		0.0%			0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	4.0%	0.0%	0.0%		
Chronic Absenteeism (10-17 Days)	Base														
	Current	2024-2025		24.7%	27.4%	19.8%	24.6%	26.0%	23.0%	10.5%	21.7%	22.7%	25.3%		
Chronic Absenteeism (18+ Days)	Base														
	Current	2024-2025		9.1%	11.5%	4.7%	8.4%	9.8%	10.0%	3.5%	0.0%	0.0%	13.0%		
English Language Learners	Base	2016-2017***		1.5%	2.0%	1.0%	0.1%	0.0%	26.0%	23.4%	4.8%	0.0%	0.0%		
	Current	2024-2025***		4.5%	5.5%	2.6%	0.1%	0.6%	37.1%	33.3%	4.3%	0.0%	0.3%		
Homeless Students	Base	2022-2023		0.8%	1.2%	0.0%	0.6%	1.2%	1.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.4%		
	Current	2024-2025		0.4%	0.7%	0.0%	0.2%	0.7%	1.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.3%		
Teachers Teaching Out of Field	Base	2016-2017		5.6%											
	Current	2024-2025		15.2%											
Direct Certification	Base														
	Current	2024-2025		64.7%			49.8%	84.1%	77.5%						

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					Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate				
Children Aged 5-11 in Poverty	Base	2000		20.5%												
	Current	2019-2023		33.9%												
Children Aged 12-17 in Poverty	Base	2000		14.4%												
	Current	2019-2023		22.9%												
Children in Extreme Poverty	Base	2000	1,142	8.9%												
	Current	2019-2023	2,147	18.9%									2019-2023	59		
Vulnerable Families	Base	2013		6.1%												
	Current	2023		6.1%									2021-2023	11	2013-2023	-
Children Under 18 in Single-Parent Families	Base	2000	3,547	29.7%												
	Current	2019-2023	3,643	31.7%									2023	35		
Employed Mothers with Young Children	Base	2000	1,452	46.2%												
	Current	2019-2023	1,109	52.1%									2019-2023	59		
Children Receiving Child Care Subsidies (All Centers)	Base															
	Current	May 2025	337	\$192,177												
Unemployment Rate	Base	2013	1,566	7.5%												
	Current	2024	660	3.5%									2024	42		
Median Household Income *Adjusted for Inflation	Base	2013*	\$54,680													
	Current	2023	\$54,697													
Medicaid Paid Births	Base	2013	272	40.8%	155	33.4%	97	68.3%	10	52.6%	10	24.4%				
	Current	2023	313	49.5%	159	39.6%	116	74.8%	2	20.0%	36	55.4%	2023	28		
Food Insecurity, All Ages	Base	2010	7,470	15.0%												
	Current	2023	9,740	19.7%									2023	49		
Food Insecurity, Children Under 18	Base	2010	2,740	22.3%												
	Current	2023	3,200	27.8%									2023	49		

WIC Case Load, Average Monthly	
Base Year: 2023	Current Year: 2024
1,161	1,140

SNAP Eligible, All Ages	
Base Year: 2020***	Current Year: 2025***
8,440	7,481

SNAP Eligible, Children Under 20	
Base Year: 2020	Current Year: 2025
4,406	3,673

SNAP Recipients, All Ages	
Base Year: 2020	Current Year: 2025**
8,366	7,471

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