

Child Well-being Trends

	Trend Period	Base		Recent		Worse	Better
		#	Rate	#	Rate		
Child Health							
First trimester prenatal care	Totals	5,229	78	5,869	86		10
Birthweight under 5.5 pounds	1989-91	460	7	579	8	-14	
Infant mortality (deaths under 1 per 1,000 births)	vs 1996-98	55	8	56	8		0
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)		33	34	33	34		0
Child Poverty							
Ages 0-17	1989	9,287	22	9,646	23	-5	
Ages 0-4	vs 1995	2,828	26	3,483	30	-15	
Ages 5-17		6,459	21	6,163	20		5
Child Abuse and Neglect (substantiated victims per 1,000 children)							
Physical abuse	1996	313	7	264	6		14
Sexual abuse	vs 1998	95	2	87	2		0
Neglect/dependency		692	16	834	19	-19	
Public Education							
Students who were retained		538	3	599	3		0
Students grades 7-12 who dropped out	1993	322	2	333	2		0
H.S. grads with successful transition	vs 1998	1,735	96	1,795	97		1
Average daily attendance K-12		27,815	96	28,120	95		-1

Percent change in rate

Rates are not provided when events numbered fewer than 6. * indicates change in the rate over 100%. - indicates getting worse not necessarily a decrease.

Assistance Programs

	1996	1997	1998
K-TAP recipients	6,027	5,753	5,046
Children	4,160	4,023	3,496
Food Stamp recipients	19,130	16,050	15,642
Children	8,781	7,401	7,275
SSI recipients	6,239	6,093	6,138
Children	1,045	905	966
Medicaid recipients	Not Available	28,247	28,173
Children		13,926	13,966

Population Trends

	1990	1998	% change
Total Persons	181,346	190,694	5
0-4	10,958	11,147	2
5-17	31,441	31,828	1
18-19	6,051	6,008	-1
20-64	101,772	110,666	9
65 and older	31,124	31,045	0
Whites	169,503	177,942	5
Blacks	11,160	11,838	6
Hispanics	801	1,198	50