

Child Well-being Trends

	Trend Period	Base		Recent		Worse	Better
		#	Rate	#	Rate		
Child Health							
First trimester prenatal care	Totals	124,073	77	135,235	85		10
Birthweight under 5.5 pounds	1989-91	11,312	7	12,719	8	-14	
Infant mortality (deaths under 1 per 1,000 births)	vs 1996-98	1,414	9	1,176	7		22
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)		728	33	612	27		18
Child Poverty							
Ages 0-17	1989	234,012	25	255,550	26	-4	
Ages 0-4	vs 1995	73,465	29	88,424	32	-10	
Ages 5-17		160,547	23	167,126	24	-4	
Child Abuse and Neglect (substantiated victims per 1,000 children)							
Physical abuse	1996	7,132	7	6,076	6		14
Sexual abuse	vs 1998	2,042	2	1,635	2		0
Neglect/dependency		18,122	19	19,835	20	-5	
Public Education							
Students who were retained		12,024	3	16,076	4	-33	
Students grades 7-12 who dropped out	1993	9,942	4	10,856	4		0
H.S. grads with successful transition	vs 1998	33,667	93	35,359	95		2
Average daily attendance K-12		583,815	95	589,812	94	-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	176,487	162,825	135,482
Children	120,805	112,764	93,262
Food Stamp recipients	527,976	438,877	413,453
Children	244,373	204,164	191,083
SSI recipients	169,993	167,803	172,015
Children	24,295	21,569	22,821
Medicaid recipients	Not Available	684,212	669,282
Children		338,008	330,353

Population Trends

	1990	1998	% change
Total Persons	3,686,891	3,936,499	7
0-4	254,640	263,567	4
5-17	702,848	724,726	3
18-19	123,840	121,562	-2
20-64	2,140,495	2,333,789	9
65 and older	465,068	492,855	6
Whites	3,398,776	3,618,693	6
Blacks	264,178	284,861	8
Hispanics	22,025	32,508	48