

Child Well-being Trends

Trend Period	Base		Recent		Worse	Better
	#	Rate	#	Rate		
Child Health						
First trimester prenatal care	Totals	454	80	530	83	4
Birthweight under 5.5 pounds	1989-91	36	6	48	8	-33
Infant mortality (deaths under 1 per 1,000 births)	vs 1996-98	4		5		
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)		7	82	8	91	-11
Child Poverty						
Ages 0-17	1989	1,156	32	1,248	32	0
Ages 0-4	vs 1995	352	39	440	45	-15
Ages 5-17		804	29	808	27	7
Child Abuse and Neglect (substantiated victims per 1,000 children)						
Physical abuse	1996	17	4	18	5	-25
Sexual abuse	vs 1998	4		10	3	
Neglect/dependency		29	7	135	34	*
Public Education						
Students who were retained		52	3	69	4	-33
Students grades 7-12 who dropped out	1993	39	3	31	3	0
H.S. grads with successful transition	vs 1998	143	94	135	89	-5
Average daily attendance K-12		2,456	95	2,397	94	-1

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	654	705	553
Children	480	510	402
Food Stamp recipients	2,401	2,187	1,945
Children	1,034	953	841
SSI recipients	1,213	1,192	1,209
Children	105	97	115
Medicaid recipients	Not Available	3,706	3,774
Children		1,624	1,674

Population Trends

	1990	1998	% change
Total Persons	15,360	16,447	7
0-4	912	955	5
5-17	2,877	2,978	4
18-19	566	566	0
20-64	8,598	9,537	11
65 and older	2,407	2,411	0
Whites	14,862	15,879	7
Blacks	459	518	13
Hispanics	89	138	55