

Child Well-being Trends

Trend Period	Base		Recent		Worse	Better
	#	Rate	#	Rate		
Child Health						
First trimester prenatal care	Totals	2,223	79	3,213	91	15
Birthweight under 5.5 pounds	1989-91	175	6	198	6	0
Infant mortality (deaths under 1 per 1,000 births)	vs 1996-98	10	4	18	5	-25
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)		11	27	10	20	26
Child Poverty						
Ages 0-17	1989	1,609	10	2,048	10	0
Ages 0-4	vs 1995	642	14	867	14	0
Ages 5-17		967	8	1,181	8	0
Child Abuse and Neglect (substantiated victims per 1,000 children)						
Physical abuse	1996	60	3	29	1	67
Sexual abuse	vs 1998	24	1	7	0	100
Neglect/dependency		181	9	110	5	44
Public Education						
Students who were retained		253	3	323	4	-33
Students grades 7-12 who dropped out	1993	118	2	101	2	0
H.S. grads with successful transition	vs 1998	608	98	794	99	1
Average daily attendance K-12		10,758	95	12,200	95	0

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	965	853	651
Children	647	588	453
Food Stamp recipients	3,381	2,525	2,288
Children	1,712	1,276	1,196
SSI recipients	850	880	884
Children	208	185	193
Medicaid recipients	Not Available	5,207	5,030
Children		2,896	2,712

Population Trends

	1990	1998	% change
Total Persons	57,589	79,671	38
0-4	4,764	6,430	35
5-17	12,192	16,165	33
18-19	1,632	2,098	29
20-64	34,265	48,288	41
65 and older	4,736	6,690	41
Whites	56,782	78,317	38
Blacks	361	533	48
Hispanics	318	631	98