

Child Well-being Trends

Trend Period	Base		Recent		Worse	Better
	#	Rate	#	Rate		
Child Health						
First trimester prenatal care	Totals	412	67	442	82	22
Birthweight under 5.5 pounds	1989-91	53	9	41	8	11
Infant mortality (deaths under 1 per 1,000 births)	vs 1996-98	7	11	1		
Child deaths ages 1-14 (per 100,000)		7	78	2		
Child Poverty						
Ages 0-17	1989	1,418	37	1,510	37	0
Ages 0-4	vs 1995	357	38	484	47	-24
Ages 5-17		1,061	36	1,026	34	6
Child Abuse and Neglect (substantiated victims per 1,000 children)						
Physical abuse	1996	38	10	28	7	30
Sexual abuse	vs 1998	5		7	2	
Neglect/dependency		50	13	56	14	-8
Public Education						
Students who were retained		71	4	111	6	-50
Students grades 7-12 who dropped out	1993	62	5	67	5	0
H.S. grads with successful transition	vs 1998	130	89	109	87	-2
Average daily attendance K-12		2,539	95	2,493	93	-2

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	1,073	988	810
Children	729	669	547
Food Stamp recipients	3,777	3,192	2,992
Children	1,549	1,321	1,233
SSI recipients	1,268	1,259	1,273
Children	129	124	122
Medicaid recipients	Not Available	4,207	4,123
Children		1,897	1,837

Population Trends

	1990	1998	% change
Total Persons	14,614	15,588	7
0-4	930	966	4
5-17	2,987	3,050	2
18-19	493	489	-1
20-64	8,214	8,994	9
65 and older	1,990	2,089	5
Whites	14,596	15,563	7
Blacks	8	14	75
Hispanics	46	75	63