

Rhode Island Kids Count 2015 Factbook

Indicators of Child Well-Being

Snapshot of Rhode Island



Census-Based Indicators		1990	2000	2010		
Child population	Rhode Island	225,690	247,822	223,956		
Children in single-parent families	Rhode Island	NA	28%	31%		
				2009-2013		
Median family income	Rhode Island		\$66,156	\$67,904		
Children living in families below the federal poverty threshold	Rhode Island		16.9%	19.5%		
Economic Well-Being		2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Cost of rent	Rhode Island	\$1,165	\$1,150	\$1,176	\$1,154	\$1,172
Children in families receiving cash assistance	Rhode Island	4%	5%	5%	4%	4%
Children receiving SNAP benefits	Rhode Island	59,652	63,783	64,866	63,971	60,982
WIC participation (% income-eligible children participating)	Rhode Island	72%	68%	69%	66%	65%
School Breakfast Program participation (% income-eligible children participating)	Rhode Island	28%	36%	35%	39%	39%
Health		2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Children under age 19 receiving Medical Assistance	Rhode Island	92,701	93,691	95,248	96,215	104,532
Infants born at highest risk	Rhode Island	4%	4%	3%	3%	2%
		2005-2009	2006-2010	2007-2011	2008-2012	2009-2013
Births to mothers with less than a high school diploma	Rhode Island	16%	16%	16%	15%	14%
Women with delayed prenatal care	Rhode Island	14.9%	15.6%	15.0%	13.7%	12.8%
Preterm births	Rhode Island	11.8%	11.6%	11.1%	10.9%	10.7%
Infants born with low birthweight	Rhode Island	8.0%	8.0%	7.9%	7.8%	7.6%
Newborn infants exclusively breastfed	Rhode Island	58%	59%	61%	62%	64%
Asthma hospitalization rate (per 1,000 children under age 18)	Rhode Island	1.9	2.2	2.2	2.1	1.9
Teen birth rate (per 1,000 girls ages 15 to 19)	Rhode Island	30.1	27.0	25.5	23.3	21.0
Safety - Child Welfare		2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Child abuse and neglect indicated victims rate (per 1,000 children)	Rhode Island	13.3	14.0	13.9	14.0	14.5
Children with incarcerated parents rate (per 1,000 children)	Rhode Island	10.4	10.9	11.0	11.2	11.8
Domestic violence incidents with children present	Rhode Island	28%	29%	31%	40%	NA

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Safety - Juvenile Justice		2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Youth Violence (# of juvenile arrests for assault and weapons offenses)	Rhode Island	885	797	739	660	NA
Youth at the Training School	Rhode Island	790	641	578	482	482
Education		2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Children enrolled in Early Head Start	Rhode Island	508	519	522	503	527
Children enrolled in Head Start	Rhode Island	2,471	2,432	2,432	2,040	2,295
Licensed early learning centers	Rhode Island	330	309	314	309	311
Licensed family child care homes	Rhode Island	688	639	585	581	552
Licensed early learning centers participating in BrightStars	Rhode Island	7%	12%	15%	78%	78%
Licensed family child care homes participating in BrightStars	Rhode Island	8%	12%	21%	82%	77%
Children receiving child care subsidies (subsidy use by child residence)	Rhode Island	7,622	7,749	7,868	7,696	9,060
Children enrolled in State Pre-K	Rhode Island	NA	NA	144	234	306
Children receiving preschool special education services	Rhode Island	NA	NA	2,927	2,565	2,786
Public school enrollment (total enrollment)	Rhode Island	143,928	142,854	142,481	142,008	141,959
Public school enrollment (% low-income)	Rhode Island	43%	44%	46%	47%	47%
Children enrolled in full-day kindergarten	Rhode Island	60%	64%	68%	70%	81%
Students who are English Language Learners	Rhode Island	5%	6%	6%	7%	7%
Student mobility rate	Rhode Island	14%	14%	14%	13%	13%
4 th graders at or above reading proficiency level	Rhode Island	69%	71%	69%	71%	NA
4 th graders at or above math proficiency level	Rhode Island	63%	65%	64%	63%	NA
8 th graders at or above reading proficiency level	Rhode Island	74%	77%	77%	74%	NA
8 th graders at or above math proficiency level	Rhode Island	54%	58%	58%	57%	NA
11 th graders at or above math proficiency level	Rhode Island	33%	30%	34%	36%	NA
Schools identified for intervention	Rhode Island	NA	NA	10%	10%	12%
Chronic early absence in grades K-3	Rhode Island	13%	12%	11%	12%	12%
Chronic absence in high school	Rhode Island	25%	25%	25%	24%	24%
Suspension rate (per 100 students)	Rhode Island	30	31	30	23	22
High school graduation rate	Rhode Island	76%	77%	77%	80%	81%