

Rhode Island Kids Count 2018 Factbook

Indicators of Child Well-Being

Snapshot of Westerly, Rhode Island



Census-Based Indicators		1990	2000	2010		
Child population	Westerly	4,988	5,406	4,787		
	Rhode Island	225,690	247,822	223,956		
Children in single-parent families	Westerly	NA	NA	28%		
	Rhode Island	NA	28%	31%		
			2000	2012-2016		
Median family income	Westerly	\$68,010	\$64,577			
	Rhode Island	\$66,156	\$69,335			
Children living in families below the federal poverty threshold	Westerly	10.0%	19.6%**			
	Rhode Island	16.9%	19.4%			
Economic Well-Being		2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Cost of rent	Westerly	\$1,100	\$1,167	\$1,227	\$1,315	\$1,377
	Rhode Island	\$1,154	\$1,172	\$1,238	\$1,288	\$1,385
Paid Family Leave (total approved TCI claims)	Westerly	NA	46	78	94	102
	Rhode Island	NA	3,870	4,941	5,882	6,224
Children in families receiving cash assistance	Westerly	2%	2%	1%	1%*	1%
	Rhode Island	4%	4%	3%	4%*	3%
Children receiving SNAP benefits	Westerly	1,019	934	919	878*	776
	Rhode Island	63,971	60,982	59,325	60,505	56,580
WIC participation (% income-eligible children participating)	Westerly	57%	58%	54%	48%	33%
	Rhode Island	66%	65%	59%	54%	50%
School Breakfast Program participation (% income-eligible children participating)	Westerly	31%	29%	33%	32%	25%
	Rhode Island	39%	39%	40%	40%	NA
Health		2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Children under age 19 receiving Medical Assistance	Westerly	1,634	1,873	2,026	2,085*	2,165
	Rhode Island	96,215	104,532	110,544	115,899*	120,138
Evidence-Based Family Home Visiting (# of families enrolled)	Westerly	0	3	9	41	45
	Rhode Island	288	500	823	1,043	1,090
		2008-2012	2009-2013	2010-2014	2011-2015	2012-2016
Births to mothers with less than a high school diploma	Westerly	8%	9%	8%	7%	6%
	Rhode Island	15%	14%	13%	12%	12%
Infants born with low birthweight	Westerly	7.1%	6.4%	5.6%	5.9%	5.3%
	Rhode Island	7.8%	7.6%	7.5%	7.4%	7.5%
Women with Delayed Prenatal Care	Westerly	6.8%	7.2%	6.9%	5.9%	6.0%
	Rhode Island	13.7%	12.8%	12.4%	13.5%	14.5%
Preterm Births	Westerly	9.5%	9.1%	7.5%	6.5%	5.5%
	Rhode Island	10.9%	10.7%	9.1%	8.9%	9.0%
Safety - Child Welfare		2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Child abuse and neglect indicated victims rate (per 1,000 children)	Westerly	15.5	18.6	14.4	14.2	16.9
	Rhode Island	14.0	14.5	13.8	12.3	14.6
Children with incarcerated parents rate (per 1,000 children)	Westerly	5.2	3.6	3.6	3.3	4.4
	Rhode Island	11.2	11.8	12.8	12.7	12.7
Domestic violence incidents with children present	Westerly	38%	44%	26%	NA	NA
	Rhode Island	40%	35%	28%	NA	NA

*Data for this time period has comparison limitations that are described in the full indicator; please consult the 2017 Rhode Island Kids Count Factbook.

**Estimate has a high margin of error due to small sample size.

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Safety - Juvenile Justice		2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Youth Violence (# of juvenile arrests for assault and weapons offenses)	Westerly	7	10	5	11	NA
	Rhode Island	660	586	548	570	NA
Youth at the Training School	Westerly	2	7	7	9	8
	Rhode Island	482	482	450	408	358
Education		2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Children enrolled in Early Intervention (% enrolled)	Westerly	NA	6%	4%	4%	4%
	Rhode Island	NA	6%	6%	6%	6%
Children enrolled in Early Head Start (% of low-income children <age 3 enrolled)	Westerly	NA	NA	NA	NA	1%
	Rhode Island	NA	NA	NA	NA	5%
Children enrolled in Head Start or State Pre-K (% of low-income children age 4 enrolled)	Westerly	NA	NA	NA	NA	13%
	Rhode Island	NA	NA	NA	NA	41%
Licensed early learning centers	Westerly	7	7	7	7	8
	Rhode Island	309	311	317	321	316
Licensed family child care homes	Westerly	2	2	1	2	2
	Rhode Island	581	552	497	488	478
Licensed early learning centers participating in BrightStars	Westerly	71%	71%	86%	71%	75%
	Rhode Island	78%	78%	82%	80%	75%
Licensed family child care homes participating in BrightStars	Westerly	100%	100%	100%	100%	50%
	Rhode Island	82%	77%	87%	84%	76%
Children receiving child care subsidies (subsidy use by child residence)	Westerly	59	73	95	104*	101
	Rhode Island	7,696	9,060	9,831	8,445*	10,429
Children receiving preschool special education services	Westerly	7%	9%	9%	13%	10%
	Rhode Island	7%	8%	7%	8%	8%
K-12 students receiving special education services (% enrolled)	Westerly	NA	15%	15%	15%	16%
	Rhode Island	NA	15%	15%	14%	15%
Public school enrollment (total enrollment)	Westerly	3,016	3,022	2,908	2,865	2,790
	Rhode Island	142,008	141,959	142,014	142,142	142,949
Public school enrollment (% low-income)	Westerly	36%	40%	35%	33%	37%
	Rhode Island	47%	47%	47%	48%	47%
Students who are English Learners	Westerly	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%
	Rhode Island	7%	7%	7%	7%	8%
Student mobility rate	Westerly	10%	10%	9%	11%	11%
	Rhode Island	13%	13%	14%	14%	14%
Third graders meeting expectations in reading (PARCC)	Westerly	NA	NA	40%	37%	52%
	Rhode Island	NA	NA	37%	40%	40%
Third graders meeting expectations in math (PARCC)	Westerly	NA	NA	41%	55%	60%
	Rhode Island	NA	NA	36%	44%	44%
Seventh graders meeting expectations in reading (PARCC)	Westerly	NA	NA	32%	49%	43%
	Rhode Island	NA	NA	38%	38%	40%
Seventh graders meeting expectations in math (PARCC)	Westerly	NA	NA	24%	32%	24%
	Rhode Island	NA	NA	25%	28%	27%
Schools identified for intervention	Westerly	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Rhode Island	10%	12%	12%	10%	8%
Chronic early absence in grades K-3	Westerly	8%	8%	9%	5%	10%
	Rhode Island	12%	12%	14%	11%	13%
Chronic absence in high school	Westerly	11%	12%	15%	13%	17%
	Rhode Island	24%	24%	26%	26%	28%
Suspension rate (per 100 students)	Westerly	8	8	9	7	9
	Rhode Island	23	22	19	17	14
High school graduation rate	Westerly	88%	85%	91%	90%	87%
	Rhode Island	80%	81%	83%	85%	84%
College enrollment (% of high school graduates immediately enrolling)	Westerly	NA	NA	62%	69%	NA
	Rhode Island	NA	NA	59%	59%	NA