

# Rhode Island Kids Count 2019 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%		
			<b>2000</b>	<b>2013-2017</b>		
Median family income	Westerly	\$68,010	\$72,143**			
	Rhode Island	\$66,156	\$72,430			
Children living in families below the federal poverty threshold	Westerly	10.0%	18.8%**			
	Rhode Island	16.9%	18.9%			
Economic Well-Being		2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Cost of rent	Westerly	\$1,450	\$1,461	\$1,446	\$1,443	\$1,463
	Rhode Island	\$1,393	\$1,480	\$1,509	\$1,561	\$1,621
Paid Family Leave (total approved TCI claims)	Westerly	46	78	94	102	98
	Rhode Island	3,870	4,941	5,882	6,224	6,760
Children in families receiving cash assistance	Westerly	2%	1%	1%*	1%	1%
	Rhode Island	4%	3%	4%*	3%	3%
Children receiving SNAP benefits	Westerly	934	919	878*	776	687
	Rhode Island	60,982	59,325	60,505	56,580	54,706
WIC participation (% income-eligible children participating)	Westerly	58%	54%	48%	33%	27%
	Rhode Island	65%	59%	54%	50%	46%
School Breakfast Program participation (% income-eligible children participating)	Westerly	29%	33%	32%	25%	24%
	Rhode Island	39%	40%	40%	NA	NA
Health		2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Children under age 19 receiving Medical Assistance	Westerly	1,873	2,026	2,085*	2,165	2,102
	Rhode Island	104,532	110,544	115,899*	120,138	122,915
Evidence-Based Family Home Visiting (# of families enrolled)	Westerly	3	9	41	45	50
	Rhode Island	500	823	1,043	1,090	1,278
		<b>2009-2013</b>	<b>2010-2014</b>	<b>2011-2015</b>	<b>2012-2016</b>	<b>2013-2017</b>
Births to mothers with less than a high school diploma	Westerly	9%	8%	7%	6%	6%
	Rhode Island	14%	13%	12%	12%	11%
Infants born with low birthweight	Westerly	6.4%	5.6%	5.9%	5.3%	6.0%
	Rhode Island	7.6%	7.5%	7.4%	7.5%	7.4%
Women with Delayed Prenatal Care	Westerly	7.2%	6.9%	5.9%	6.0%	7.6%
	Rhode Island	12.8%	12.4%	13.5%	14.5%	14.7%
Preterm Births	Westerly	9.1%	7.5%	6.5%	5.5%	6.2%
	Rhode Island	10.7%	9.1%	8.9%	9.0%	8.7%
Safety - Child Welfare		2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Child abuse and neglect indicated victims rate (per 1,000 children)	Westerly	18.6	14.4	14.2	16.9	17.8
	Rhode Island	14.5	13.8	12.3	14.6	14.6
Children with incarcerated parents rate (per 1,000 children)	Westerly	3.6	3.6	3.3	4.4	6.9
	Rhode Island	11.8	12.8	12.7	12.7	11.8
Domestic violence incidents with children present	Westerly	44%	26%	26%	NA	NA
	Rhode Island	35%	28%	27%	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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<b>Safety - Juvenile Justice</b>		<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>
Youth Violence (# of juvenile arrests for assault and weapons offenses)	Westerly	10	5	11	NA	15
	Rhode Island	586	548	570	NA	641
Youth at the Training School	Westerly	7	7	9	8	4
	Rhode Island	482	450	408	358	272
<b>Education</b>		<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>
Children enrolled in Early Intervention (% enrolled)	Westerly	6%	4%	4%	4%	6%
	Rhode Island	6%	6%	6%	6%	7%
Children enrolled in Early Head Start (% of low-income children <age 3 enrolled)	Westerly	NA	NA	NA	1%	3%
	Rhode Island	NA	NA	NA	5%	5%
Children enrolled in Head Start or State Pre-K (% of low-income children age 4 enrolled)	Westerly	NA	NA	NA	13%	37%
	Rhode Island	NA	NA	NA	41%	44%
Licensed early learning centers	Westerly	7	7	7	8	8
	Rhode Island	311	317	321	316	315
Licensed family child care homes	Westerly	2	1	2	2	2
	Rhode Island	552	497	488	478	457
Licensed early learning centers with high-quality rating (4 or 5 stars)	Westerly	0%	0%	29%	50%	50%
	Rhode Island	17%	17%	18%	20%	21%
Licensed family child care homes with high-quality rating (4 or 5 stars)	Westerly	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Rhode Island	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%
Children receiving child care subsidies (subsidy use by child residence)	Westerly	73	95	104*	101	86
	Rhode Island	9,060	9,831	8,445*	10,429	10,171
Children receiving preschool special education services	Westerly	9%	9%	13%	10%	11%
	Rhode Island	8%	7%	8%	8%	8%
K-12 students receiving special education services (% enrolled)	Westerly	15%	15%	15%	16%	15%
	Rhode Island	15%	15%	14%	15%	15%
Public school enrollment (total enrollment)	Westerly	3,022	2,908	2,865	2,790	2,738
	Rhode Island	141,959	142,014	142,142	142,949	143,247
Public school enrollment (% low-income)	Westerly	40%	35%	33%	37%	36%
	Rhode Island	47%	47%	48%	47%	47%
Students who are English Learners	Westerly	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%
	Rhode Island	7%	7%	7%	8%	9%
Student mobility rate	Westerly	10%	9%	11%	11%	11%
	Rhode Island	13%	14%	14%	14%	13%
Third graders meeting expectations in reading (RICAS)	Westerly	NA	NA	NA	NA	53%
	Rhode Island	NA	NA	NA	NA	40%
Third graders meeting expectations in math (RICAS)	Westerly	NA	NA	NA	NA	49%
	Rhode Island	NA	NA	NA	NA	35%
Eighth graders meeting expectations in reading (RICAS)	Westerly	NA	NA	NA	NA	28%
	Rhode Island	NA	NA	NA	NA	28%
Eighth graders meeting expectations in math (RICAS)	Westerly	NA	NA	NA	NA	26%
	Rhode Island	NA	NA	NA	NA	23%
Schools identified for intervention	Westerly	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Rhode Island	12%	12%	10%	8%	8%
Chronic early absence in grades K-3	Westerly	8%	9%	5%	10%	7%
	Rhode Island	12%	14%	11%	13%	13%
Chronic absence in high school	Westerly	12%	15%	13%	17%	21%
	Rhode Island	24%	26%	26%	28%	27%
Suspension rate (per 100 students)	Westerly	8	9	7	9	10
	Rhode Island	22	19	17	14	15
High school graduation rate	Westerly	85%	91%	89%	87%	83%
	Rhode Island	81%	83%	83%	84%	84%
College enrollment (% of high school graduates immediately enrolling)	Westerly	NA	62%	69%	65%	NA
	Rhode Island	NA	59%	59%	61%	NA