Findings from the *2019 Rhode Island Kids Count Factbook*

Warwick Data in Your Backyard

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2019 Rhode Island Kids Count Factbook

- 25th annual publication
- 71 indicators across 5 areas
- City and town-level information
Warwick’s Child Population, 2010

- Child population fell 16% between 2000 and 2010 from 18,780 to 15,825.
Warwick’s Child Population, 2000 to 2010

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<th>2000</th>
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<td>White</td>
<td>17,220</td>
<td>13,365</td>
<td>-22%</td>
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<td>Hispanic /Latino</td>
<td>516</td>
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<td>275</td>
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<td>Asian</td>
<td>322</td>
<td>457</td>
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<td>Two or More Races</td>
<td>419</td>
<td>601</td>
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<td>Other</td>
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<td>79</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>18,780</strong></td>
<td><strong>15,825</strong></td>
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- Warwick is becoming more diverse with 84% of children being White, non-Hispanic in 2010, compared to 92% in 2000.
Economic Well-Being
Child Poverty Defined, 2018

• Poverty level
  ▪ $20,231 for a family of 3
  ▪ $25,465 for a family of 4

• Extreme poverty level
  ▪ $10,116 for a family of 3
  ▪ $12,733 for a family of 4

• 2018 Rhode Island Standard of Need
  ▪ Single-parent family with 2 children would need $55,115 a year to meet its basic needs, which would require a pre-tax income of $62,844 to meet this budget without governmental subsidies.
# Children in Poverty

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<th>City</th>
<th>Child Poverty 2013-2017</th>
<th>FRPL** October 2018</th>
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<tr>
<td>Coventry</td>
<td>10.7%</td>
<td>31%</td>
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<td>Cranston</td>
<td>14.4%</td>
<td>43%</td>
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<td>Warwick</td>
<td>6.4%</td>
<td>29%</td>
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<td>West Warwick</td>
<td>19.8%*</td>
<td>50%</td>
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<td>Four Core Cities</td>
<td>35.6%</td>
<td>82%</td>
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<td>Rhode Island</td>
<td>18.9%</td>
<td>47%</td>
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* This estimate has a high margin of error.

**Note: Percentage of children eligible for and enrolled in the Free and Reduced Price Lunch (FRPL) Program (<185% FPL).
Cost of Housing
Average Cost of a Two-Bedroom Apartment, 2014-2018

Source: Rhode Island Housing, Rhode Island Rent Surveys, 2014-2018. Rents include adjustments for the cost of heat, cooking fuel, electricity, and hot water. Adjustments for utilities for each year vary according to HUD annual utility allowances.
Homeless Children

- In 2018, 403 families with 653 children stayed in a homeless shelter or a domestic violence shelter in RI.

- During the 2017-2018 school year, Rhode Island public school personnel identified 1,539 children as homeless.

- Warwick Public Schools personnel identified 84 children as homeless.
Homeless Children

- In 2017, 998 children in 539 families stayed in a homeless shelter or a domestic violence shelter in RI.

- During the 2016-2017 school year, Rhode Island public school personnel identified 1,245 children as homeless.
  
  - Warwick Public Schools personnel identified 109 children as homeless.
Women and Children Receiving WIC

- From 2014 to 2018, Warwick’s WIC participation rate went down from 55% to 33%.
In 2018, 7% of all children and 14% of low-income children in Warwick participated in the School Breakfast Program.
Children Participating in School Breakfast

Children Participating in the School Breakfast Program,
Rhode Island, October 2018

- Rhode Island: 19%
- RI Schools Without CEP, Universal School Breakfast, or Alternative Breakfast Service: 8%
- RI Schools With Only Alternative Breakfast Service: 11%
- RI Schools With Only Universal School Breakfast: 20%
- RI Schools With Only CEP: 33%
- RI Schools With Universal School Breakfast and Alternative Breakfast Service: 58%
- RI Schools with CEP and Alternative Breakfast Service: 70%

Source: Rhode Island Department of Education, Child Nutrition Programs, Office of Statewide Efficiencies, October 2018.
Data released just a couple of weeks ago show that in 2018 in Rhode Island

- 2.2% of children under age 19 were uninsured
- Rhode Island ranks 3rd best in the country
In 2018, 712 babies were born in Warwick.
- 12 babies were born to teen mothers.
- 24 babies were born to mothers without a high school diploma.
- 233 babies were born to low-income mothers.
- 265 babies were born to single mothers.

Infants Born at Highest Risk

**Mother:**
- Under Age 20
- Unmarried
- Without High School Degree

**Child:**
- 9 times more likely to grow up in poverty
- More likely to suffer from abuse or neglect
- Less likely to be ready for school at kindergarten entry
- Less likely to perform well in school
- Less likely to complete high school
Evidence-Based Home Visiting

- 62 families in Warwick were enrolled in Healthy Families America and Parents as Teachers home visiting programs in 2018, up from 14 in 2014.
Prevalence of Overweight and Obesity in Rhode Island Children Ages 2 to 17, 2016

Legend
PERCENT OVERWEIGHT AND OBESE COMBINED
- 20%-25%
- 26%-30%
- 31%-35%
- 36%-40%
- 40%+
- Core City

Note: The overweight, obesity, and combined percentages for New Shoreham are statistically unreliable and cannot be reported, therefore, New Shoreham is not shown on the map.
Alcohol, Drug, and Tobacco Use

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<th>Subgroup</th>
<th>Alcohol Use*</th>
<th>E-Cigarette Use*</th>
<th>Cigarette Use*</th>
<th>Marijuana Use*</th>
<th>Prescription Drug Misuse**</th>
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<td>Female</td>
<td>26%</td>
<td>17%</td>
<td>5%</td>
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<td>Male</td>
<td>20%</td>
<td>22%</td>
<td>7%</td>
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<td>Black, Non-Hispanic</td>
<td>19%</td>
<td>12%</td>
<td>1%</td>
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<td>White, Non-Hispanic</td>
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<td>All other races, Non-Hispanic</td>
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<td>1%</td>
<td>19%</td>
<td>2%</td>
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<td>Multiple races, Non-Hispanic</td>
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<td>20%</td>
<td>6%</td>
<td>38%</td>
<td>1%</td>
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<td>Hispanic</td>
<td>20%</td>
<td>16%</td>
<td>6%</td>
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<td>9th Grade</td>
<td>16%</td>
<td>17%</td>
<td>6%</td>
<td>15%</td>
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<td>10th Grade</td>
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<td>21%</td>
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<td>All Students</td>
<td>23%</td>
<td>20%</td>
<td>6%</td>
<td>23%</td>
<td>4%</td>
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Source: 2017 Rhode Island Youth Risk Behavior Survey. Rhode Island Department of Health, Center for Health Data and Analysis. *Current use is defined as students who answered yes to using respective substances in the 30 days prior to the survey. **Prescription drug misuse is defined as those without a doctor’s prescription. NA is not available due to small sample size.
BOTH MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS REPORT USING E-CIGARETTES AT MUCH HIGHER RATES THAN TRADITIONAL CIGARETTES

YOUTH CIGARETTE AND ELECTRONIC VAPOR PRODUCT USE*, MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS, RHODE ISLAND, 2009-2017

Notes: *Use is defined as currently smoking cigarettes or an electronic vapor product at least one day during the 30 days before the survey. **Electronic Vapor Use was not asked on the YRBS survey before 2015.
Safety
Youth Violence

In Warwick

- 24% of students worry about violence in school, compared to 16% in state as a whole.
- 34% report physical fights in school, compared to 22% in state as a whole.
Juveniles Referred to Family Court

- 41% decline in juvenile offenses from 2010 to 2018.
Of the 4,403 wayward and delinquent offenses for which youth were referred to Family Court in 2018, 5% were for violent crimes.
Youth at the Training School

- 68% decline in youth in the care and custody of the Training School from 2009 to 2018 after a cap was placed on the population in July 2008.
- 8 youth in the care and custody of the Training School in 2018 were from Warwick.
In Warwick in 2018, there were 123 victims of child abuse and neglect.
Warwick’s child abuse and neglect victim rate is lower than the state rate, but it has increased over the past few years from 6.7 victims per 1,000 children in 2015 to 10.6 victims per 1,000 children in 2018.
Education
High-Quality Early Learning Programs

In Warwick:

- 92% of the city’s 26 child care centers and preschools participate in BrightStars.
  - 8% (2) have a high-quality rating of 4 or 5 stars

- 1 of the city’s 7 licensed family child care homes in Warwick participates in BrightStars.
  - This family child care home does not yet have a high-quality rating of 4 or 5 stars

- 1 of the 2 public schools with a preschool program in Warwick participates in BrightStars.
  - This preschool program does not yet have a high-quality rating of 4 or 5 stars
Head Start and State Pre-K

- 19% of all children and 47% of low-income children in Warwick were enrolled in either Head Start or State Pre-K during the year before kindergarten, similar to the state rates.

Source: Rhode Island KIDS COUNT calculations using October 2018 enrollment in Head Start and State Pre-K as numerator and October 2018 enrollment in public kindergarten as denominator with low-income population estimated using the % of children receiving free or reduced-price lunch.
Third-Grade Reading Skills

Third-Graders Meeting Expectations in English Language Arts, 2018

Eighth Grade Math Skills

Eighth-Graders Meeting Expectations in Math, 2018

In Warwick, 11% of K-3 students missed 18+ days of school during the 2017-2018 school year, better than the state rate of 13% but higher than the previous year (9%).
In Warwick, 15% of middle school students and 29% of high school students were chronically absent during the 2017-2018 school year.
Of the 669 Warwick students who entered 9th grade in the 2014-2015 school year and were expected to graduate in 2018, 83% graduated in 4 years, 9% dropped out, 3% obtained a GED, and 6% were still in school.
# High School Graduation Rate, 2018

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<th>All Warwick Students</th>
<th>83%</th>
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<tr>
<td>CTE Concentrators</td>
<td>92%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Non-CTE Concentrators</td>
<td>62%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Students With Disabilities</td>
<td>65%</td>
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<td>Students Without Disabilities</td>
<td>88%</td>
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<td>Low-Income Students</td>
<td>73%</td>
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<td>Higher-Income Students</td>
<td>91%</td>
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<tr>
<td>White Students</td>
<td>84%</td>
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<td>Black Students</td>
<td>83%</td>
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<td>Hispanic Students</td>
<td>76%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Asian Students</td>
<td>100%</td>
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<td>Multi-Racial Students</td>
<td>74%</td>
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64% of Warwick students who graduated from high school in the Class of 2017 immediately enrolled in college, compared to 61% in Rhode Island as a whole.
KIDS COUNT Data Center: A Helpful Resource

https://datacenter.kidscount.org/