

Snapshot of **Rhode Island**

Census-Based Indicators	Child Population		1990	2000	2010	2020	% change 1990 to 2020	
		Rhode Island	225,690	247,822	223,956	209,785	-7%	
	Median Family Income		2019-2023		Children living in families below the federal poverty threshold		2019-2023	
Rhode Island	\$103,334	Rhode Island	13.3%					
			2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
Economic Well-Being	Cost of Rent		Rhode Island	\$1,973	\$2,026	\$2,115	\$2,178	\$2,316
	Paid Family Leave		Rhode Island	8,083	6,057	7,208	7,854	9,391
	Children in families receiving cash assistance		Rhode Island	2%	2%	3%	3%	3%
	Children receiving SNAP benefits		Rhode Island	43,660	43,511	46,097	46,286	44,961
	WIC participation (% income-eligible children participating)		Rhode Island	48%	45%	40%	46%	47%
			2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
Health	Children under age 19 receiving Medical Assistance		Rhode Island	118,858	119,426	122,739	125,096	127,251
	Evidence-Based Family Home Visiting (# of families enrolled)		Rhode Island	1,244	1,317	1,038	1,000	827
	First Connections Family Home Visiting (# receiving a visit)		Rhode Island	2,891	3,391	3,101	2,913	1,970
	Child overweight and obesity		Rhode Island	35%	35%	37%	37%	NA
	Babies Born		Rhode Island	9,590	9,892	9,691	9,271	9,469
				2015-2019	2016-2020	2017-2021	2018-2022	2019-2023
	Infants born with low birthweight		Rhode Island	7.7%	7.7%	7.5%	7.7%	7.7%
	Women with delayed prenatal care		Rhode Island	16.1%	15.8%	15.9%	15.8%	16%
	Preterm births		Rhode Island	8.9%	9.0%	9.0%	9.2%	9.3%
			2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	
Safety	Child neglect and abuse indicated victims rate (per 1,000 children)		Rhode Island	12.0	11.3	11.4	11.0	10.9
	Children with incarcerated parents rate (per 1,000 children)		Rhode Island	8.1	7.6	8.7	9.0	8.6
	Domestic violence arrests with children present		Rhode Island	26%	24%	26%	24%	NA
	Youth Violence (# of juvenile violent crime/weapons offenses arrests)		Rhode Island	328	439	599	736	NA
	Youth in the Juvenile Justice System (# of youth at the RI Training School during the year)		Rhode Island	191	137	164	194	167

^Rhode Island Rent Survey data are not available. Average rent reported is the HUD Fair Market Rent.

^^ The Margin of Error around the estimate is greater than or equal to 25 percent of the estimate.

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			2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Early Childhood Education	Children enrolled in Early Intervention (% enrolled)	Rhode Island	7%	6%	6%	6%	7%
	Children enrolled in Early Head Start (% of low-income children <age 3 enrolled)	Rhode Island	3%	3%	3%	4%	3%
	Children enrolled in Head Start or RI Pre-K (% of low-income children ages 3 and 4 enrolled)	Rhode Island	NA	NA	14%	30%	27%
	Licensed early learning centers	Rhode Island	317	313	320	325	322
	Licensed family child care homes	Rhode Island	403	397	392	399	414
	Licensed early learning centers with high-quality rating (4 or 5 stars)	Rhode Island	25%	25%	26%	26%	26%
	Licensed family child care homes with high-quality rating (4 or 5 stars)	Rhode Island	1%	1%	1%	2%	3%
	Children receiving child care subsidies (subsidy use by child residence)	Rhode Island	7,016	6,063	5,981	6,306	6,515
	Children receiving preschool special education services	Rhode Island	8%	7%	8%	9%	10%
K-12 Education	K-12 students receiving special education services (% enrolled)	Rhode Island	15%	16%	16%	16%	18%
	Public school enrollment (total enrollment)	Rhode Island	139,184	138,566	137,452	136,154	135,978
	Public school enrollment (% low-income)	Rhode Island	46%	41%	45%	44%	54%
	School Breakfast Program participation (% children participating)	Rhode Island	NA	NA	20%	16%	23%
	School Lunch Program participation (% children participating)	Rhode Island	NA	NA	NA	49%	49%
	Students who are Multilingual Learners	Rhode Island	11%	11%	12%	13%	14%
	Student mobility rate	Rhode Island	10%	14%	13%	12%	13%
	Third graders meeting expectations in reading (RICAS)	Rhode Island	NA	40%	37%	37%	38%
	Third graders meeting expectations in math (RICAS)	Rhode Island	NA	25%	35%	34%	39%
	Eighth graders meeting expectations in reading (RICAS)	Rhode Island	NA	29%	29%	32%	32%
	Eighth graders meeting expectations in math (RICAS)	Rhode Island	NA	16%	21%	23%	25%
	Schools identified for intervention	Rhode Island	NA	NA	7%	7%	7%
	Chronic early absence in grades K-3	Rhode Island	14%	23%	33%	26%	21%
	Chronic absence in high school	Rhode Island	26%	35%	39%	35%	31%
	Suspension Rate (per 100 students)	Rhode Island	10	1	13	15	14
	High school graduation rate	Rhode Island	84%	84%	83%	84%	84%
	College Enrollment (% of high school graduates immediately enrolling)	Rhode Island	NA	59%	63%	65%	62%

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