

Rhode Island Kids Count 2023 Factbook

Indicators of Child Well-Being

Snapshot of Pawtucket, Rhode Island



Census-Based Indicators		1990	2000	2010	2020	
Child population	Pawtucket	16,719	18,151	16,575	16,455	
	Rhode Island	225,690	247,822	223,956	209,785	
					2017-2021	
Median family income	Pawtucket				\$53,688	
	Rhode Island				\$87,553	
Children living in families below the federal poverty threshold	Pawtucket				22.8%	
	Rhode Island				15.2%	
Economic Well-Being		2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Cost of rent	Pawtucket	\$1,571	\$1,570	\$1,573	\$1,584	\$1,677
	Rhode Island	\$1,854	\$1,859	\$1,845	\$1,894	\$1,996
Paid Family Leave (total approved TCI claims)	Pawtucket	469	463	578	423	521
	Rhode Island	6,760	7,175	8,083	6,057	7,208
Children in families receiving cash assistance	Pawtucket	5%	5%	3%	3%	4%
	Rhode Island	3%	3%	2%	2%	3%
Children receiving SNAP benefits	Pawtucket	6,235	5,905	5,163	5,038	5,344
	Rhode Island	54,706	50,825	43,660	43,511	46,097
WIC participation (% income-eligible children participating)	Pawtucket	47%	46%	48%	45%	38%
	Rhode Island	46%	47%	48%	45%	40%
School Breakfast Program participation (% income-eligible children participating)	Pawtucket	NA	NA	NA	NA	33%
	Rhode Island	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Health		2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Children under age 19 receiving Medical Assistance	Pawtucket	13,163	13,065	13,124	13,010	13,246
	Rhode Island	122,915	117,987	118,858	119,426	122,739
Evidence-Based Family Home Visiting (# of families enrolled)	Pawtucket	154	169	164	176	120
	Rhode Island	1,278	1,294	1,244	1,317	1,038
First Connections Family Home Visiting (# receiving a visit)	Pawtucket	273	246	259	230	164
	Rhode Island	2,657	2,235	2,891	3,391	3,101
Child overweight and obesity	Pawtucket	42%	39%	43%	NA	47%
	Rhode Island	30%	31%	35%	NA	NA
Babies	Pawtucket	852	820	830	759	805
	Rhode Island	9,952	9,614	9,590	9,892	9,691
		0	0	0	0	0
		30%	31%	35%	NA	39%
Births to mothers with less than a high school diploma	Pawtucket	16%	15%	15%	15%	14%
	Rhode Island	11%	11%	11%	12%	11%
Infants born with low birthweight	Pawtucket	8.8%	8.4%	8.8%	9.1%	8.9%
	Rhode Island	7.4%	7.5%	7.7%	7.7%	7.5%
Women with delayed prenatal care	Pawtucket	18.8%	19.0%	19.4%	19.2%	18.5%
	Rhode Island	14.7%	15.9%	16.1%	15.8%	15.9%
Preterm births	Pawtucket	9.8%	9.4%	9.7%	9.8%	9.9%
	Rhode Island	8.7%	8.7%	8.9%	9.0%	9.0%
Safety - Child Welfare		2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Child neglect and abuse indicated victims rate (per 1,000 children)	North Smithfield	24.7	24.0	18.1	17.3	14.8
	Rhode Island	14.6	13.9	12.0	11.3	11.4
Children with incarcerated parents rate (per 1,000 children)	Pawtucket	16.2	15.4	11.5	9.6	11.7
	Rhode Island	11.8	10.5	8.1	7.6	8.7
Domestic violence arrests with children present	Pawtucket	25%	NA	21%	24%	NA
	Rhode Island	25%	NA	26%	24%	NA

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Safety - Juvenile Justice		2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Youth Violence (# of juvenile violent crime/weapons offenses arrests)	Pawtucket	80	86	55	71	NA
	Rhode Island	618	522	328	439	NA
Youth in the Juvenile Justice System (# of youth at the RI Training School during the year)	Pawtucket	39	36	31	13	17
	Rhode Island	272	246	191	137	164
Education		2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Children enrolled in Early Intervention (% enrolled)	Pawtucket	6%	7%	7%	6%	5%
	Rhode Island	7%	7%	7%	6%	6%
Children enrolled in Early Head Start (% of low-income children <age 3 enrolled)	Pawtucket	NA	NA	2%	1%	1%
	Rhode Island	NA	NA	3%	3%	3%
Children enrolled in Head Start or RI Pre-K (% of low-income children ages 3 and 4 enrolled)	Pawtucket	NA	NA	NA	NA	17%
	Rhode Island	NA	NA	NA	NA	25%
Licensed early learning centers	Pawtucket	18	16	13	12	15
	Rhode Island	315	329	317	313	320
Licensed family child care homes	Pawtucket	33	29	30	27	24
	Rhode Island	457	460	403	397	392
Licensed early learning centers with high-quality rating (4 or 5 stars)	Pawtucket	17%	31%	38%	25%	27%
	Rhode Island	21%	25%	25%	25%	26%
Licensed family child care homes with high-quality rating (4 or 5 stars)	Pawtucket	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Rhode Island	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Children receiving child care subsidies (subsidy use by child residence)	Pawtucket	1,162	1,113	836	639	632
	Rhode Island	10,171	10,580	7,016	6,063	5,981
Children receiving preschool special education services	Pawtucket	9%	10%	9%	6%	7%
	Rhode Island	8%	9%	8%	7%	8%
K-12 students receiving special education services (% enrolled)	Pawtucket	15%	16%	17%	18%	19%
	Rhode Island	15%	15%	15%	16%	16%
Public school enrollment (total enrollment)	Pawtucket	8,772	8,784	8,450	8,172	8,056
	Rhode Island	143,247	143,557	139,184	138,566	137,452
Public school enrollment (% low-income)	Pawtucket	76%	72%	71%	70%	61%
	Rhode Island	47%	48%	46%	41%	45%
Students who are Multilingual Learners/ English Learners	Pawtucket	14%	14%	16%	16%	18%
	Rhode Island	9%	10%	11%	11%	12%
Student mobility rate	Pawtucket	17%	18%	15%	13%	20%
	Rhode Island	13%	13%	10%	14%	13%
Third graders meeting expectations in reading (RICAS)	Pawtucket	30%	37%	NA	25%	26%
	Rhode Island	40%	48%	NA	40%	37%
Third graders meeting expectations in math (RICAS)	Pawtucket	29%	29%	NA	13%	29%
	Rhode Island	35%	36%	NA	25%	35%
Eighth graders meeting expectations in reading (RICAS)	Pawtucket	10%	19%	NA	13%	17%
	Rhode Island	28%	36%	NA	29%	29%
Eighth graders meeting expectations in math (RICAS)	Pawtucket	7%	9%	NA	<5%	7%
	Rhode Island	23%	24%	NA	16%	21%
Schools identified for intervention	Pawtucket	19%	19%	NA	NA	6%
	Rhode Island	8%	7%	NA	NA	7%
Chronic early absence in grades K-3	Pawtucket	17%	16%	17%	28%	33%
	Rhode Island	13%	14%	16%	22%	30%
Chronic absence in high school	Pawtucket	35%	34%	36%	46%	46%
	Rhode Island	27%	26%	26%	34%	38%
Suspension rate (per 100 students)	Pawtucket	9	11	7	<1	10
	Rhode Island	15	15	10	1	13
High school graduation rate	Pawtucket	79%	81%	77%	72%	69%
	Rhode Island	84%	84%	84%	84%	83%
College enrollment (% of high school graduates immediately enrolling)	Pawtucket	52%	53%	48%	42%	51%
	Rhode Island	67%	67%	61%	59%	63%