

# Data in Your Backyard

*2004 Rhode Island KIDS COUNT Factbook  
and Census 2000*

NEWPORT



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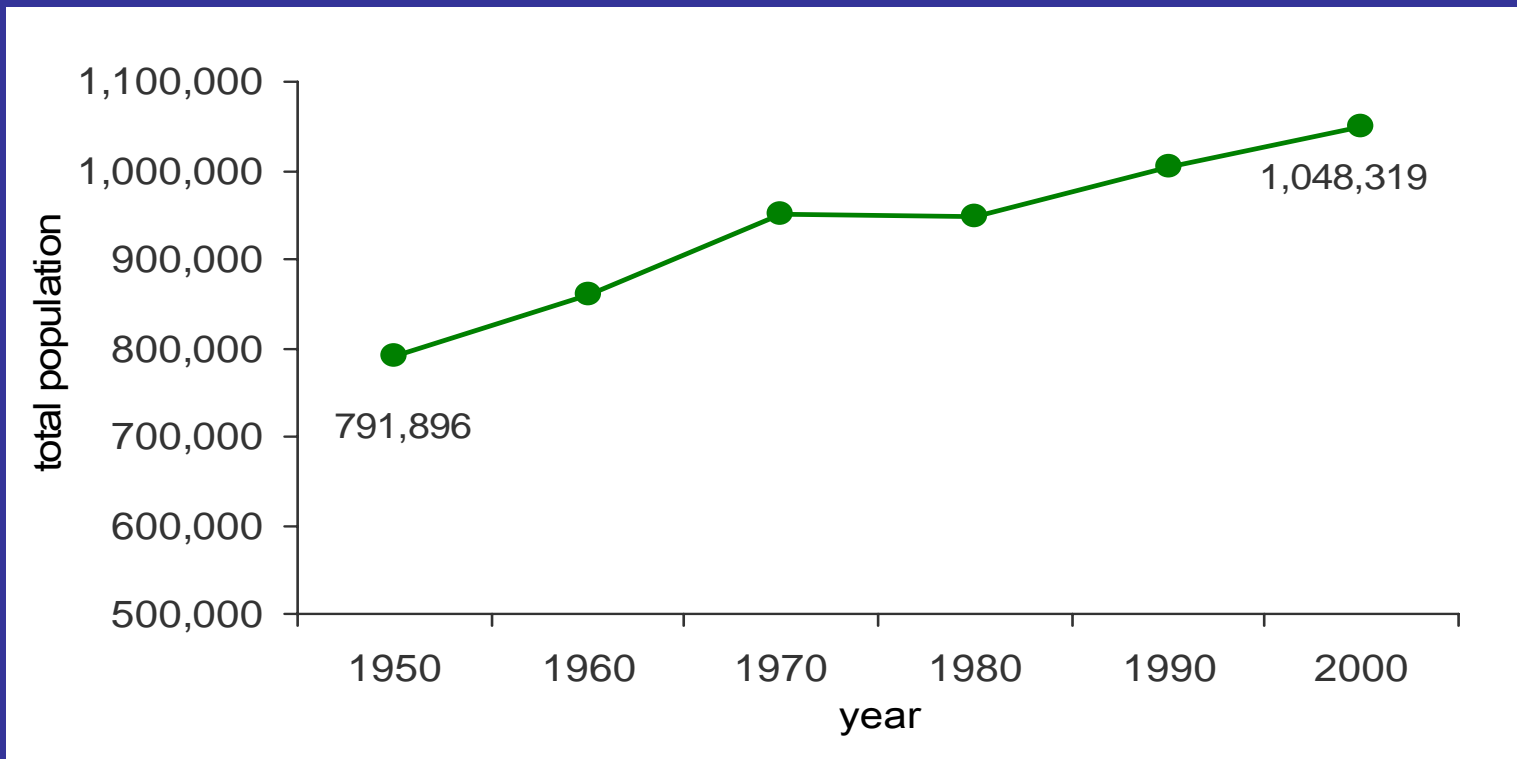
# 2004 Rhode Island KIDS COUNT Factbook

- The *2004 Factbook* is the 10<sup>th</sup> annual publication.
- The annual *Factbook* monitors child well-being in 5 areas:
  - Family and Community
  - Economic Security
  - Health
  - Safety
  - Education
- The *2004 Factbook* contains 54 indicators of child well-being. Most include city and town level information.

Family and Community

# Rhode Island State Population

*Rhode Island State Population 1950 - 2000*



Rhode Island's population has increased by 32% since 1950, and by 4.5% since 1990.

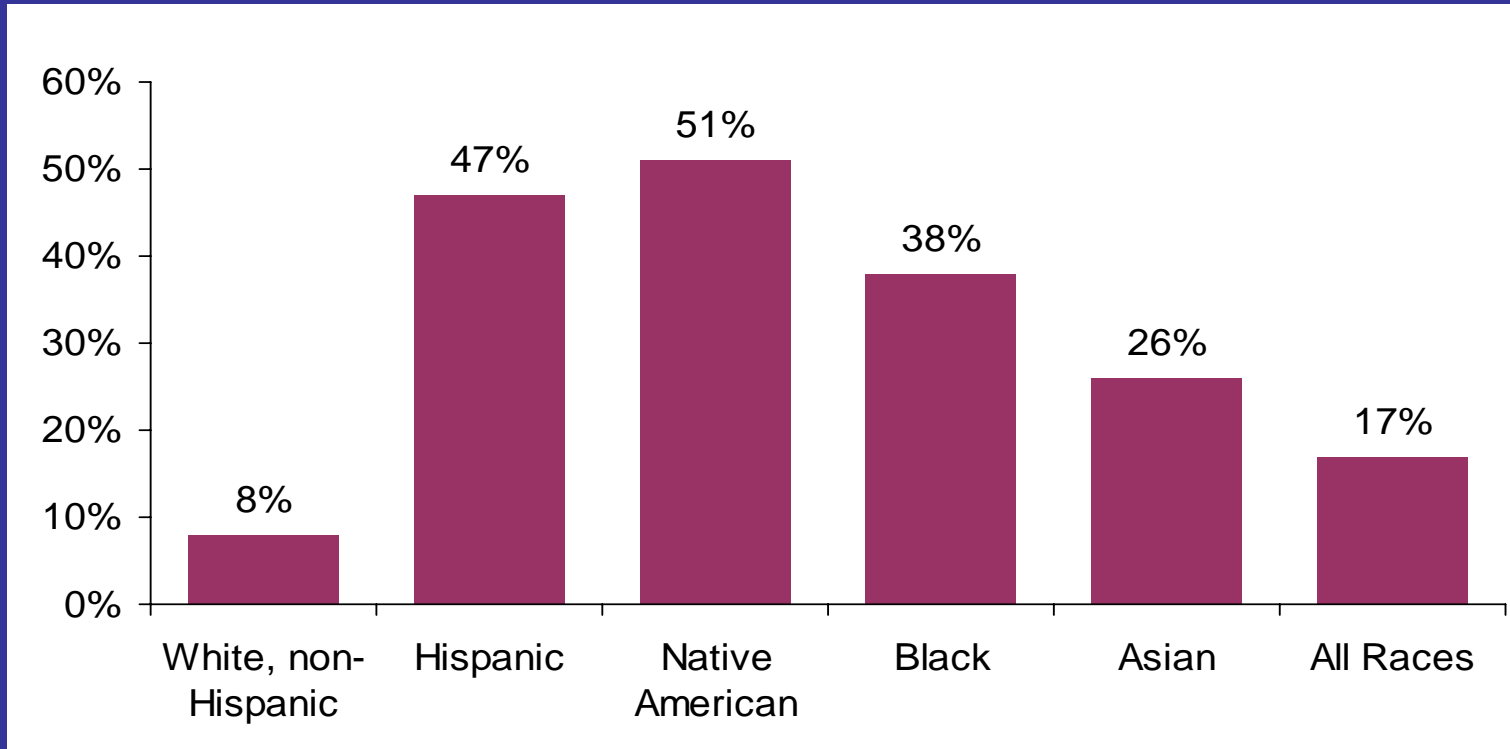
Source: RI Department of Statewide Planning

# Rhode Island Child Population

- Between 1990 and 2000, Rhode Island experienced its second largest increase in child population since the baby boom decade.
- Children of color (all racial and ethnic groups except White, non-Hispanic) account for all of the growth in Rhode Island's child population.
- Rhode Island's child population increased by 10% in the last decade, from 225,690 in 1990 to 247,822 in 2000.
- The number of Latino children has more than doubled, from 16,000 in 1990 to 35,000 in 2000, a 117% increase. Fourteen percent of Rhode Island's children are Latino.

# Child Poverty by Race and Ethnicity

*Rhode Island Child Poverty Rates by Race and Ethnicity, 2000*

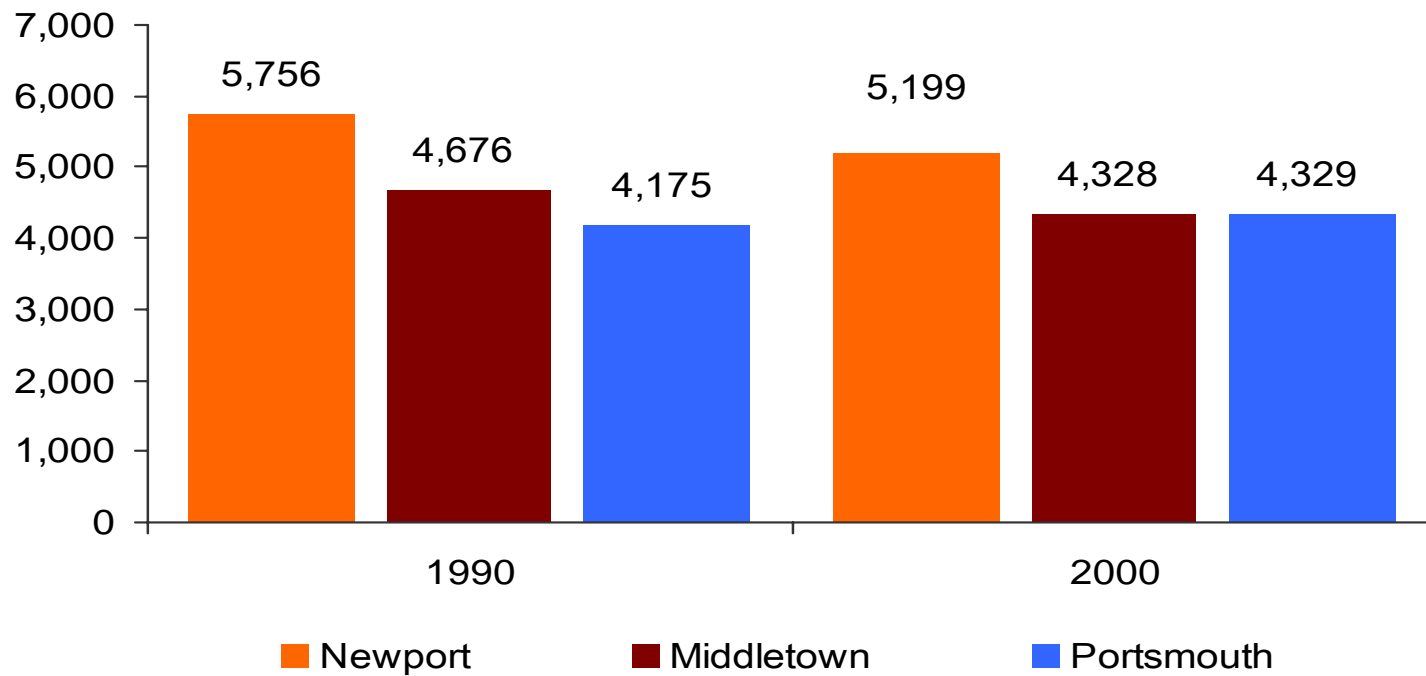


Data refer to only those individuals who selected one race. Black, Asian, and Native American categories include both those individuals who identified their ethnicity as Hispanic and those who identified their ethnicity as non-Hispanic.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000

# Aquidneck Island's Child Population

*Population of Children Under Age 18, 1990 & 2000*



Overall the child population in Aquidneck Island dropped 2.8% going from 18,523 children in 1990 to 18,003 in 2000.

# Child Population by Race and Ethnicity

## *Child Population by Race and Ethnicity, Newport, 2000*

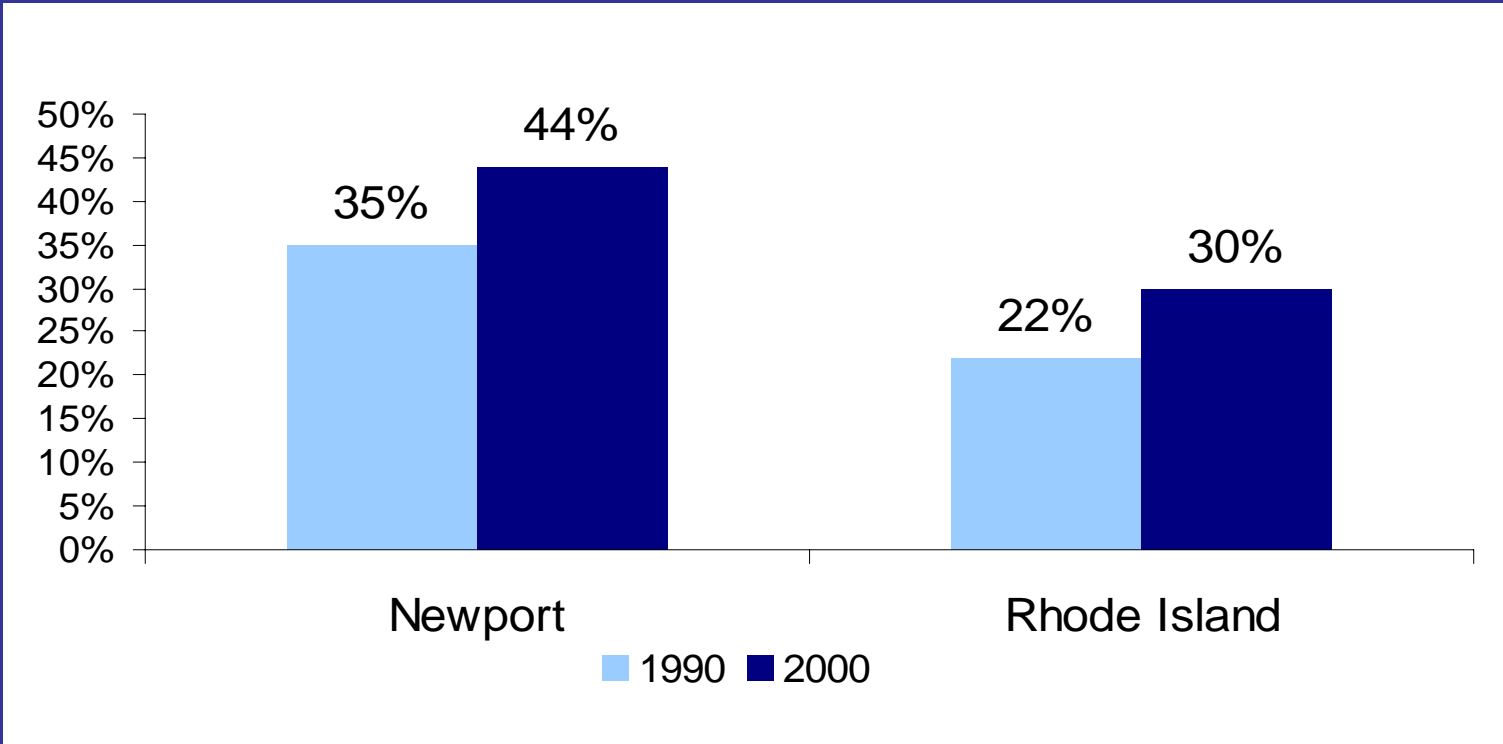
<u>Population Under Age 18</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Hispanic or Latino	602	11.6%
White	3,485	67.0%
Black or African American	555	10.7%
American Indian or Alaska Native	86	1.7%
Asian	55	1.7%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	7	<1%
Some Other Race	51	1.0%
Two or More Races	<u>358</u>	<u>6.9%</u>
Total	5,199	100%

Note: All categories are mutually exclusive. If Hispanic/Latino was selected as an ethnicity, individuals are not included in other racial categories. Likewise, if more than one race was selected individuals are included in two or more races not in the individual race categories that they selected. May not add due to rounding.

Source: 2004 Rhode Island KIDS COUNT Factbook

# Children in Single Parent Families

*Percent of Children Under Age 18 Living in Single-Parent Families*



In 2000 in Newport, 44% of children lived in single-parent families, compared to 30% statewide.

Rhode Island currently has one of the highest rates of children living in single-parent families in the country. In 1999, 44% of Rhode Island's single parent families were living below the poverty level, compared to 4% of two-parent families with children.

# Aquidneck Island's Families

## *Children in Single Parent Families\**

	<b>1990</b>	<b>2000</b>	
Middletown:	15%	19%	(787)
Newport:	35%	44%	(2,112)
Portsmouth:	8%	16%	(660)

The percentage of children living in single parent families went up in nearly every community in the state between 1990 and 2000.

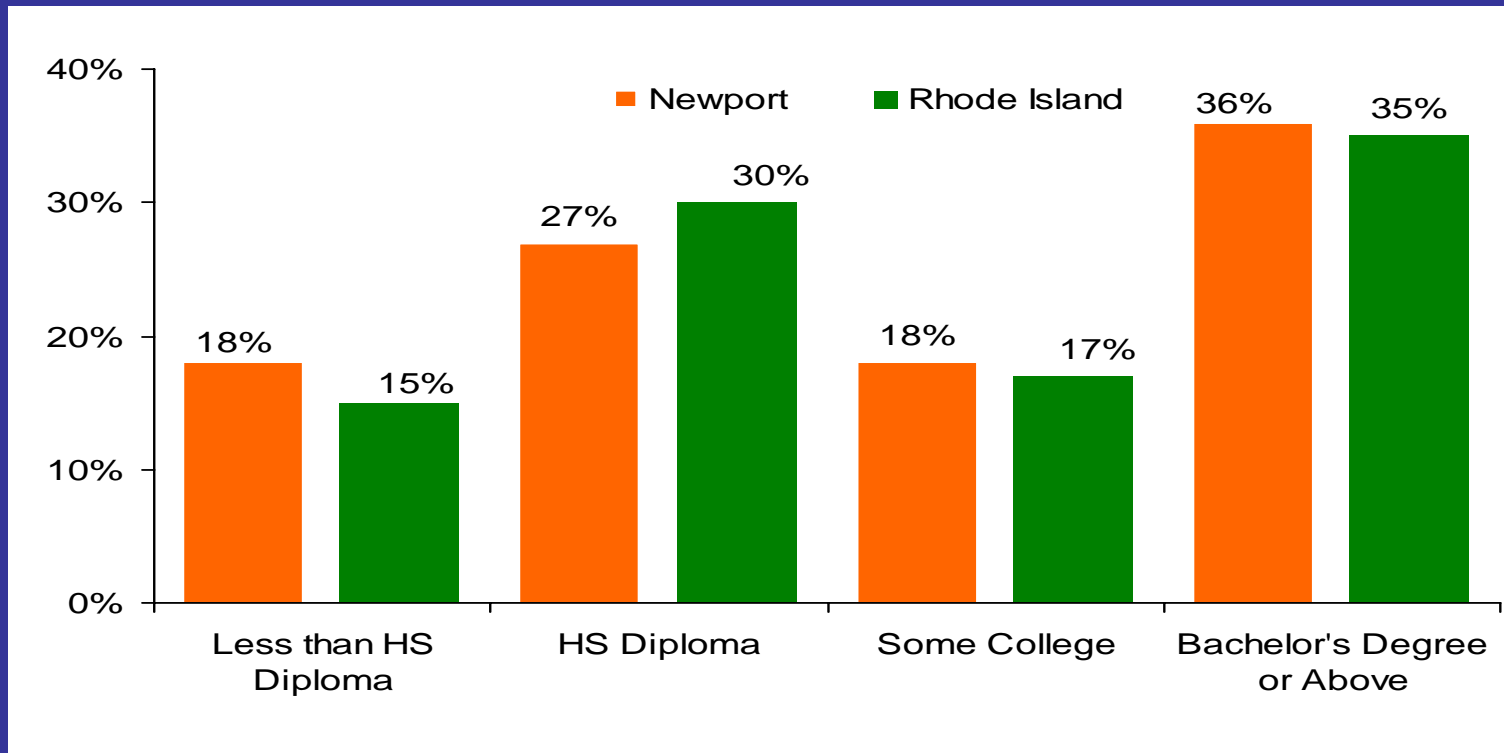
– Only Jamestown and West Greenwich had slight declines in the rate of children living in single parent families.

\* with no husband/wife present

Note: Own Child is a son or daughter by birth, marriage or adoption.

# Mother's Education Level

*Births by education level of mother, 1998-2002*



Data reported by mother's place of residence.

Source: 2004 Rhode Island KIDS COUNT Factbook

Economic Well-Being

# Median Household Income

## *Lowest Income and Highest Income Communities, 1989 and 1999*

	<u>Adjusted Median HH Income 1989</u>	<u>Median HH Income 1999</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Central Falls	\$24,289	\$22,628	-6.8%
Providence	\$28,894	\$26,867	-7.0%
Woonsocket	\$33,090	\$30,819	-6.9%
<b>Newport</b>	<b>\$39,836</b>	<b>\$40,669</b>	<b>2.1%</b>
Barrington	\$69,222	\$74,591	7.8%
East Greenwich	\$66,401	\$70,062	5.5%
West Greenwich	\$53,817	\$65,725	22.1%
<i>Rhode Island</i>	<i>\$41,985</i>	<i>\$42,090</i>	<i>0.3%</i>

➤ In 1999, the median household income in Newport was the 6<sup>th</sup> lowest in the state. Newport was the only one of the 6 core cities, however, to experience an increase since 1989.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 1990 and 2000 Census.

# Median Household Income

## INCOME GAP WIDENS –

In Newport the number of households making between \$15,000 and \$24,999 decreased by 28.3% between 1990 and 2000 while the number of households at the \$100,000 - \$140,999 income bracket increased by 143.5%

# Rhode Island Standard of Need

## ***Single Parent Family***

According to the Poverty Institute's 2003 Rhode Island Standard of Need, a single-parent family with two young children in which the parent is working needs an income of \$44,208 (or \$21 per hour for 40 hours per week) to pay for basic living expenses, including housing, food, clothing, health insurance, child care and transportation.

## ***Two Parent Family***

A two-parent family with two young children in which both parents are working needs an income of \$48,096 (or \$23 per hour for 40 hours per week) to pay for basic living expenses, including housing, food, clothing, health insurance, child care and transportation.

## ***Individual***

An individual needs an income of \$14,868 (or \$7 per hour for 40 hours per week) to pay for basic living expenses, including housing, food, clothing, health insurance and transportation.

# Children in Poverty

*Children Under Age 18 Living Below the Poverty Threshold*

	<u>1990</u>	<u>2000</u>
Middletown	275 (6.0%)	264 (6.2%)
Newport	1,143 (20.3%)	1,223 (23.8%)
Portsmouth	182 (4.4%)	118 (2.8%)
Rhode Island	30,022 (13.5%)	40,117 (16.5%)

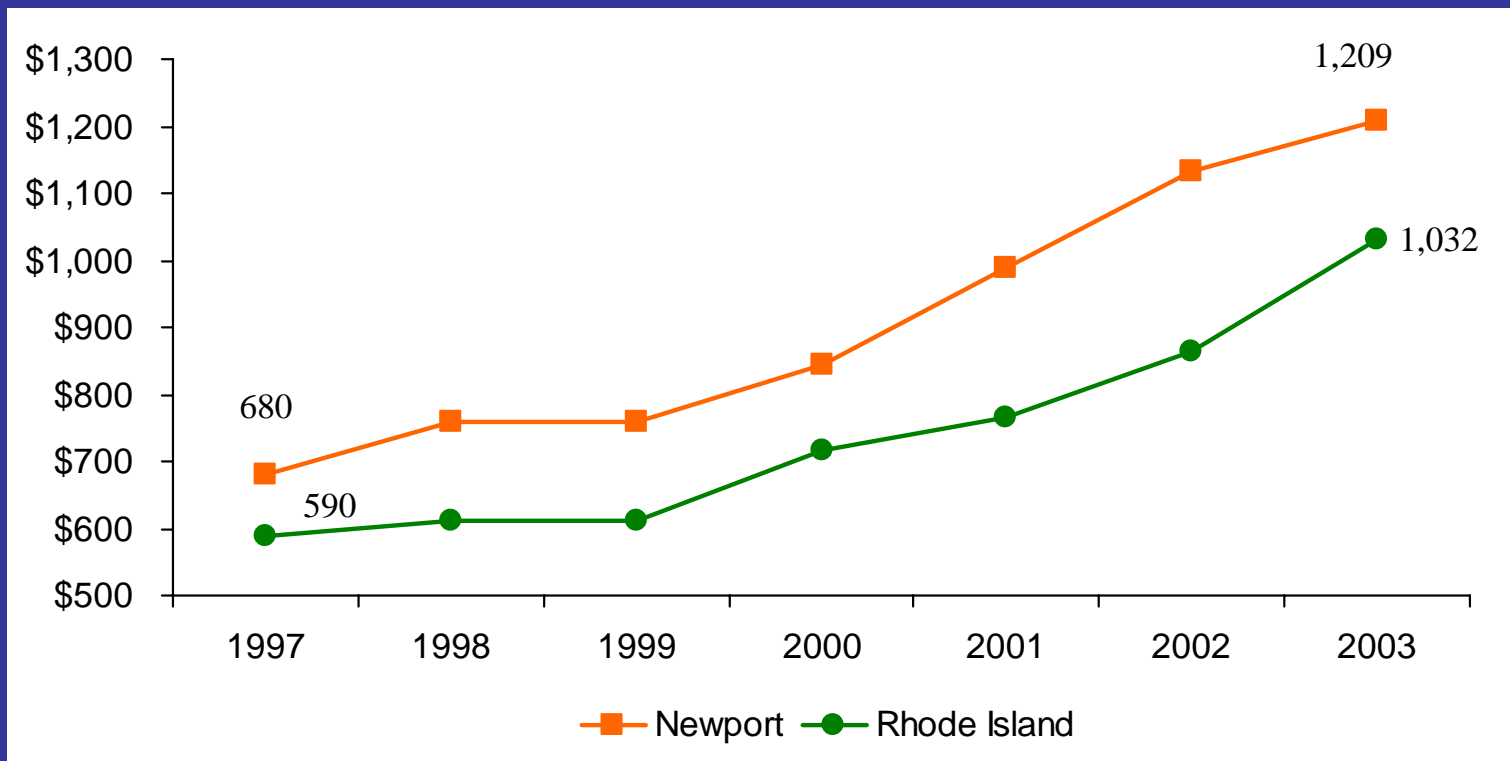
# Young Children in Poverty

*Children Under Age 6 Living Below the Poverty Threshold*

	<u>1990</u>	<u>2000</u>
Middletown	158 (9.1%)	70 (5.0%)
Newport	575 (27.0%)	628 (34.3%)
Portsmouth	70 (5.2%)	63 (5.0%)
Rhode Island	12,912 (16.3%)	14,548 (20.2%)

# Cost of Rent

*Average Cost of a Two Bedroom Apartment , 1997-2003*

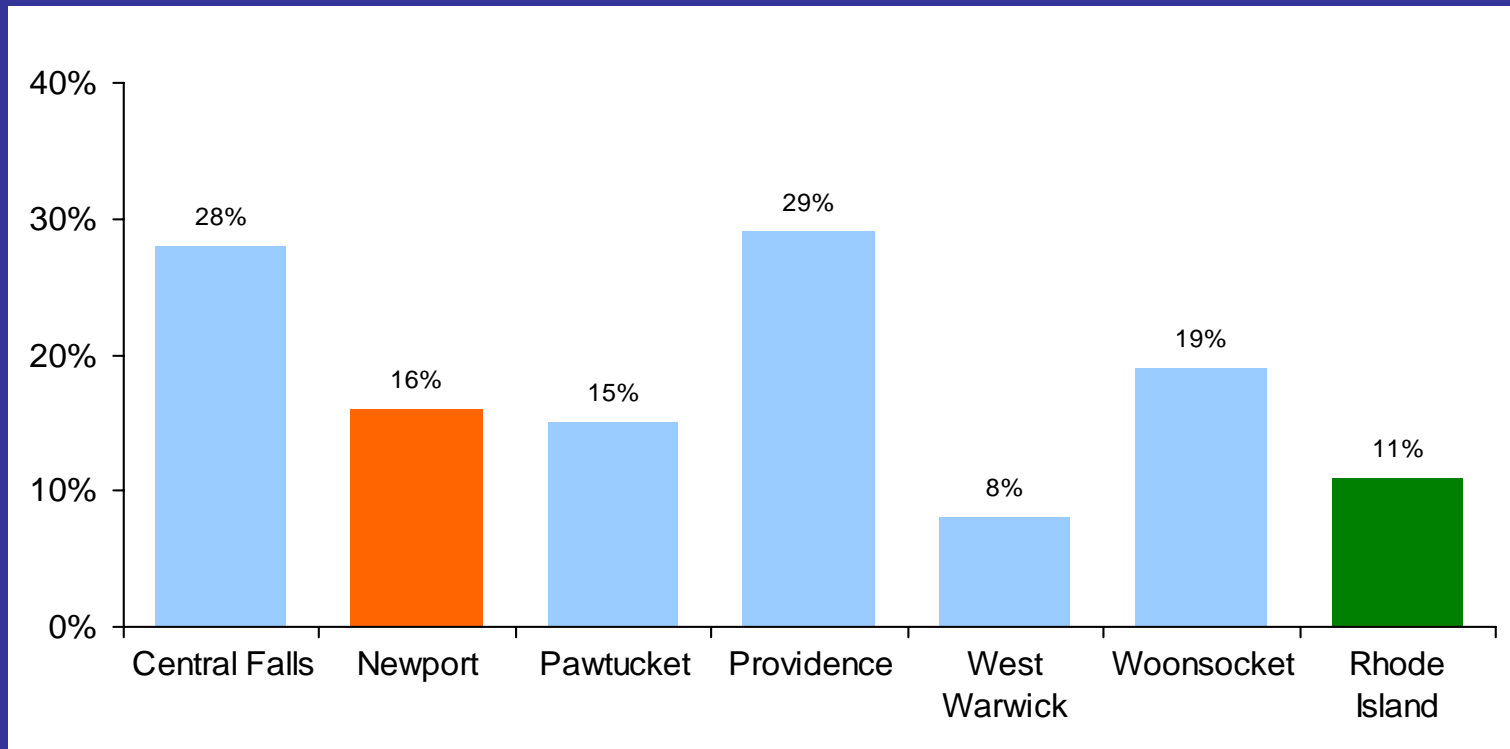


Newport has one of the highest average rents in Rhode Island. In 2003, the average rent represented 95% of income for a family of three living at the poverty line.

Source: Rhode Island KIDS COUNT Factbooks, 1998 – 2004.

# Family Independence Program

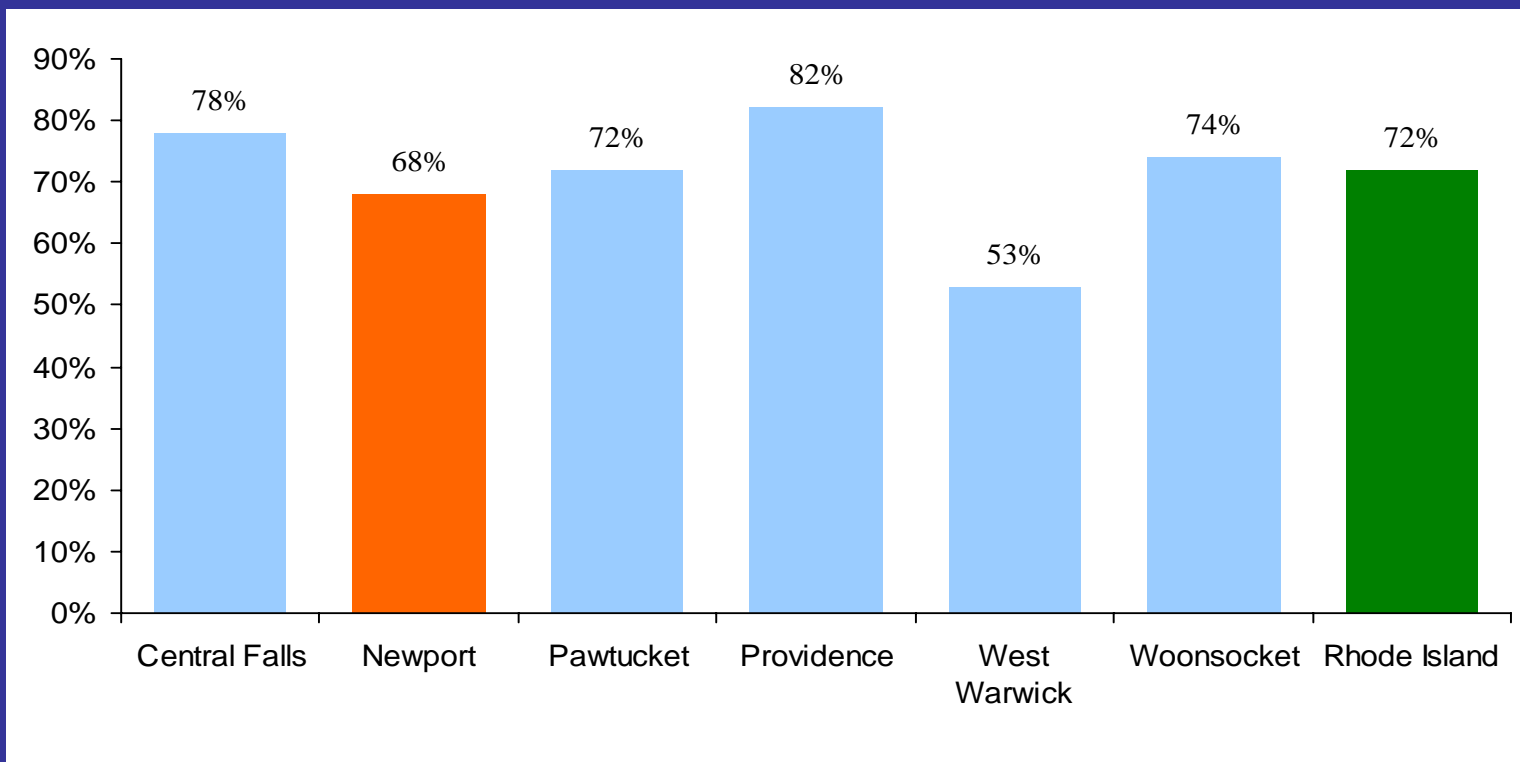
*Percentage of Children Enrolled in the Family Independence Program, 2003*



Source: Rhode Island KIDS COUNT Factbook, 2004.

# Children Receiving Food Stamps

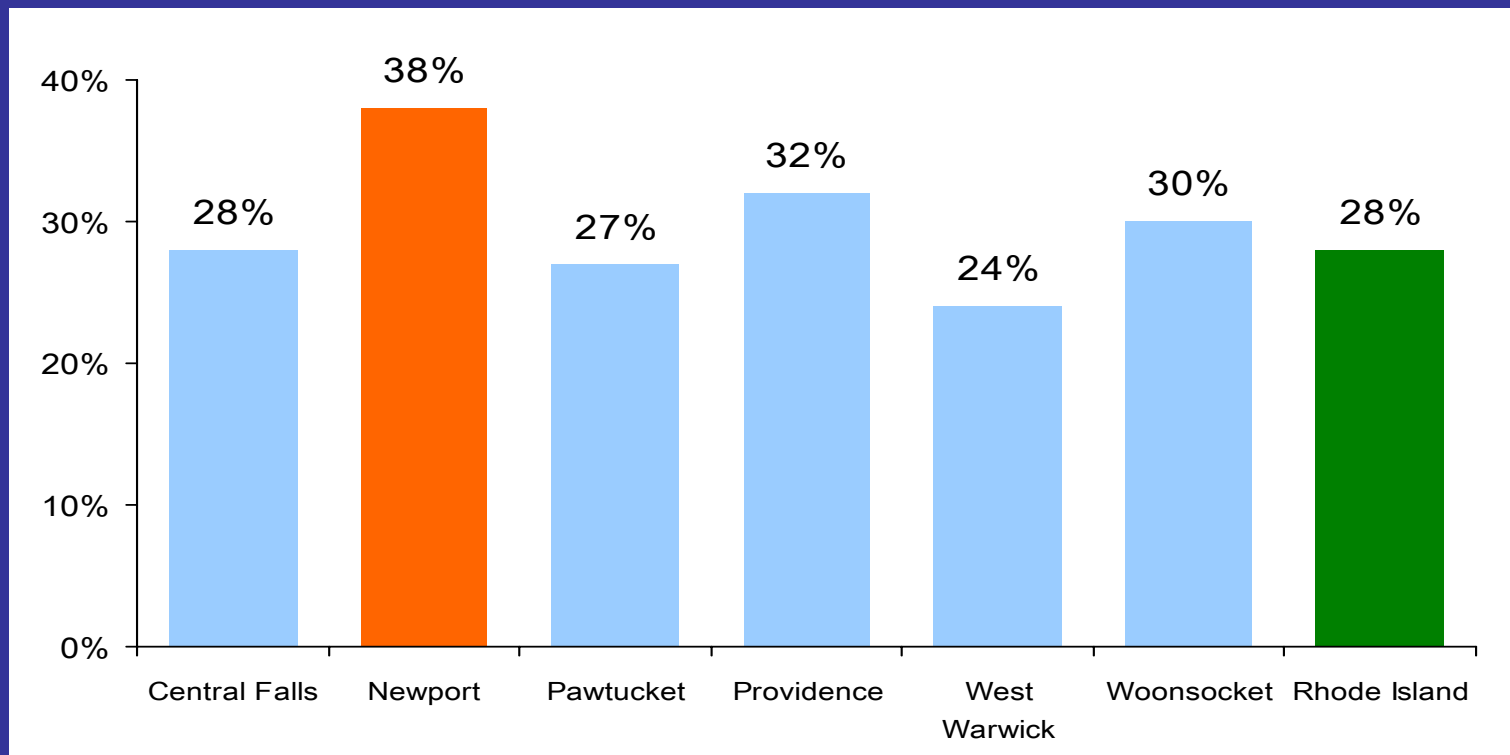
*Food Stamp Program Participation Rates, 2003*



In Newport in 2003, 68% of children eligible for Food Stamps participated in the program compared to 72% statewide.

# School Breakfast Program Participation Rate

*Percent of Low Income Children Participating in School Breakfast, 2002*

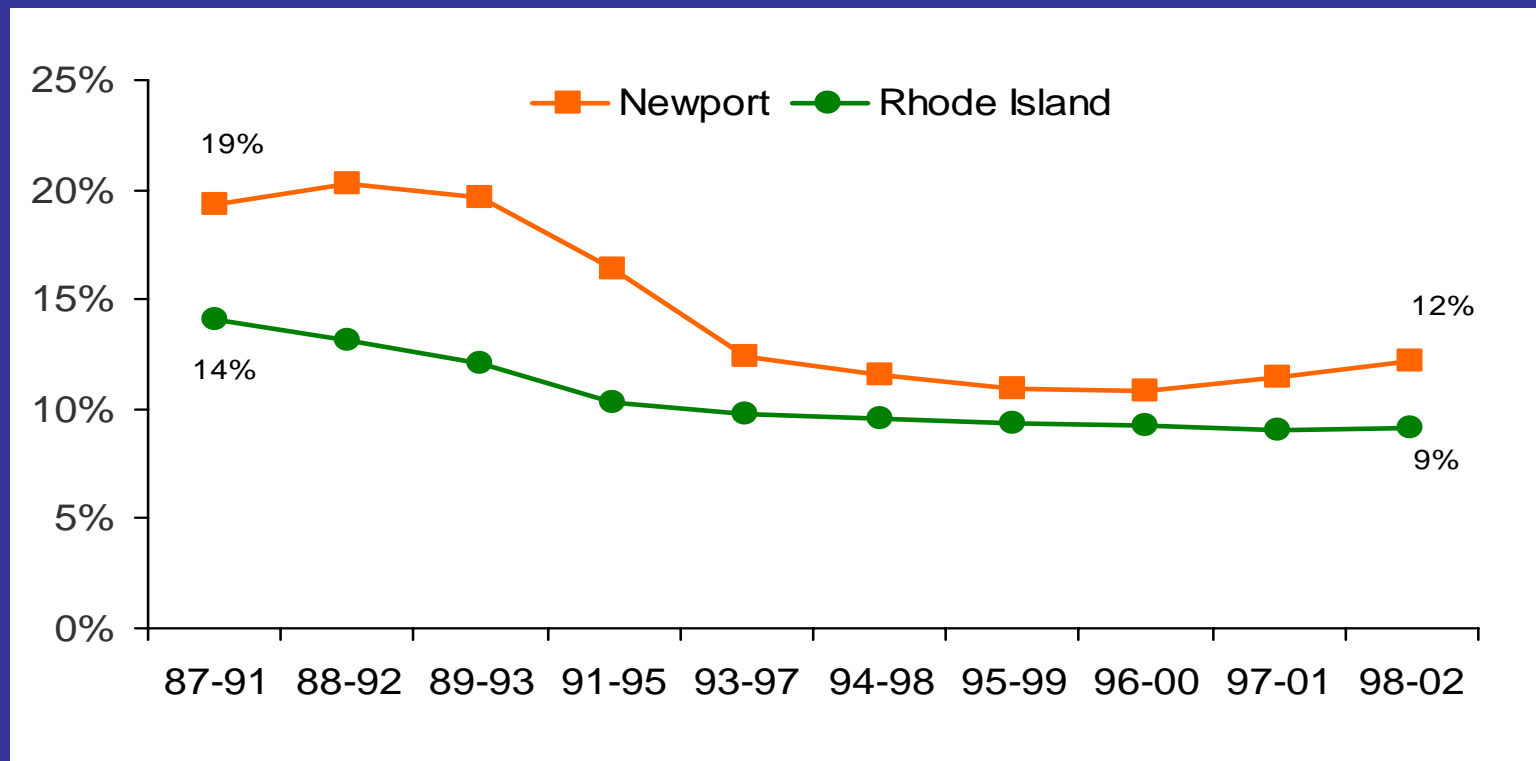


Source: Rhode Island KIDS COUNT Factbook, 2004.

Health

# Women with Delayed Prenatal Care

*Percentage of Women with Late or No Prenatal Care, 1987- 1991 to 1998-2002*

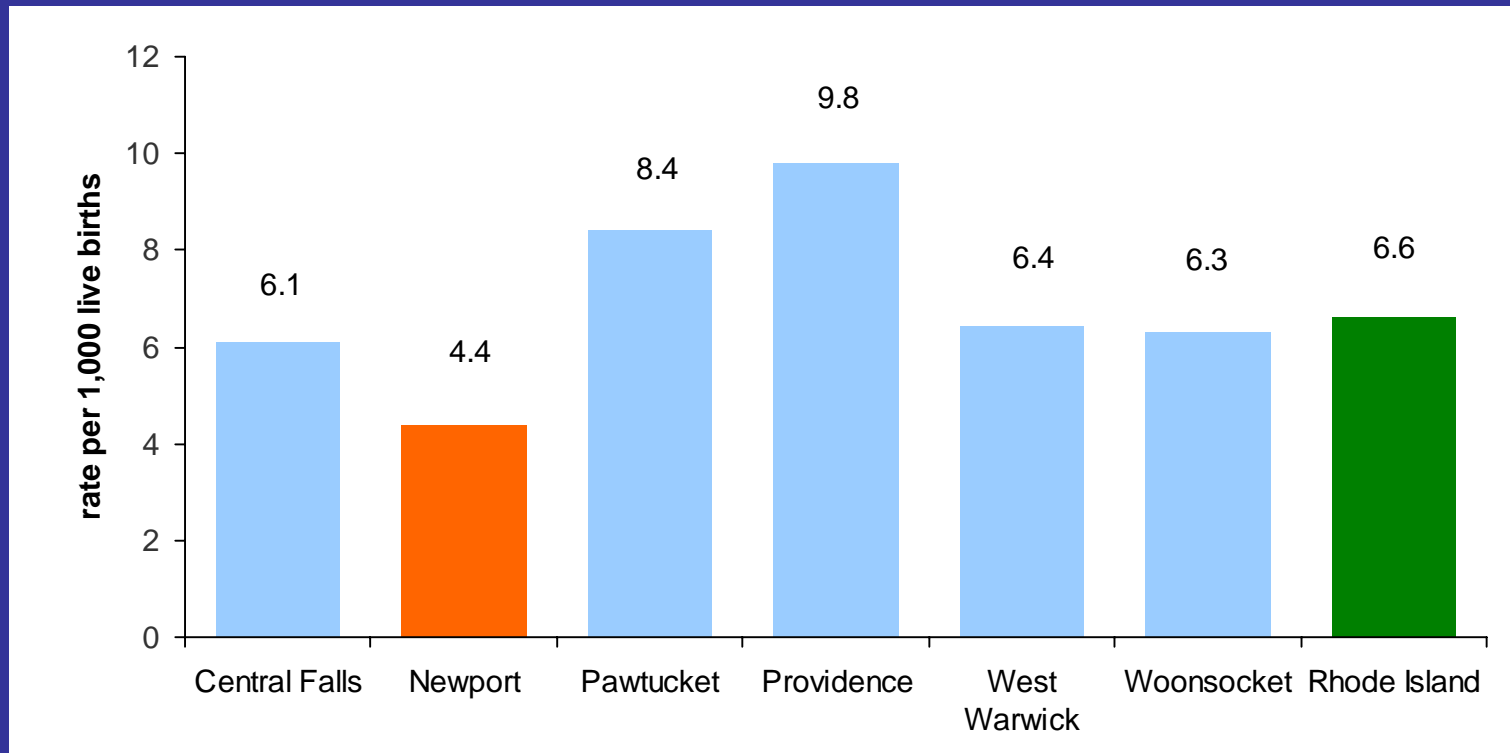


Newport's incidence of delayed prenatal care remains the highest in Newport County and higher than the Rhode Island average.

Source: Rhode Island KIDS COUNT Factbooks 1995-2004

# Infant Mortality Rate

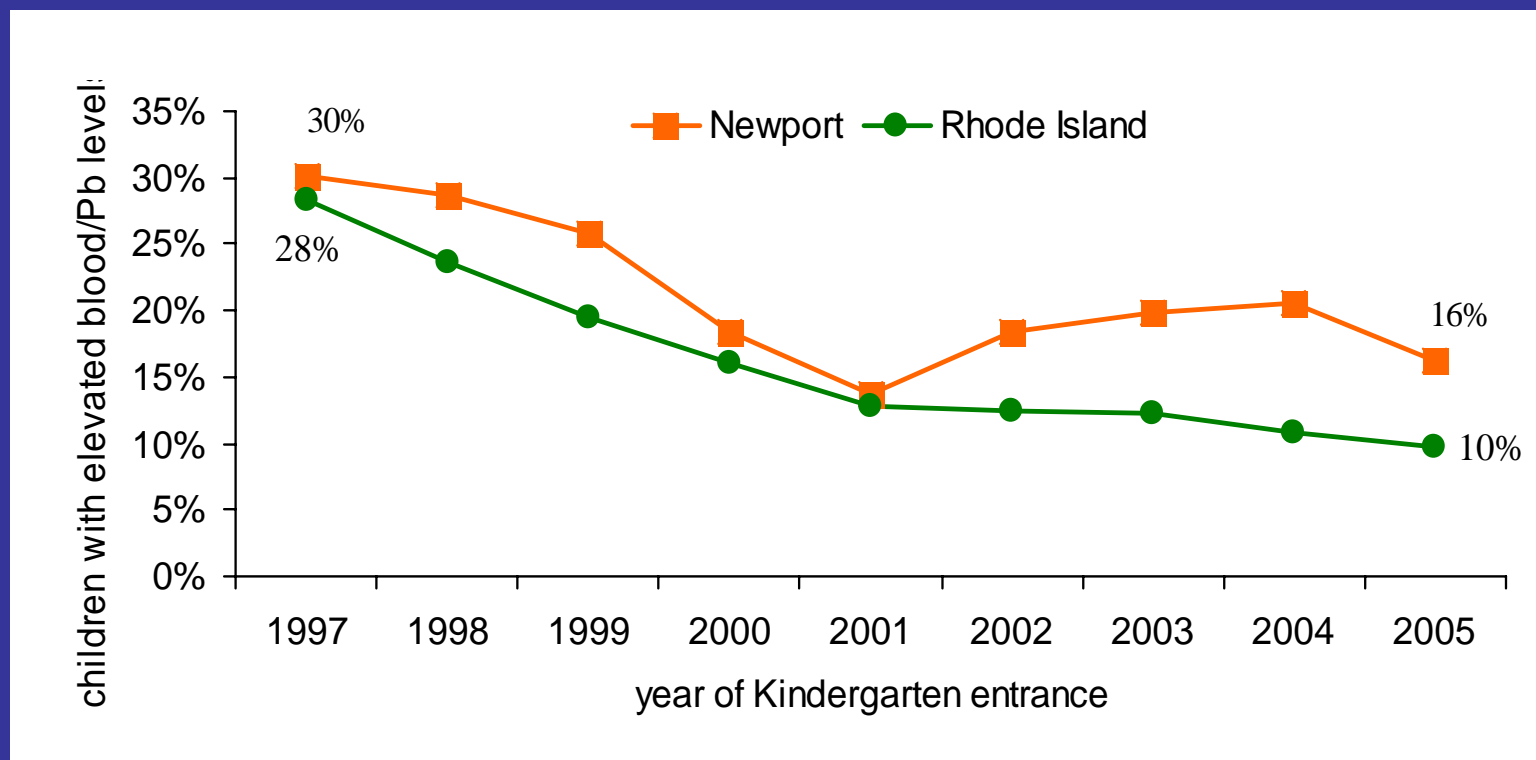
*Rate of Infant Mortality, 1998-2002*



Source: Rhode Island KIDS COUNT Factbook, 2004.

# Children with Elevated Lead Levels

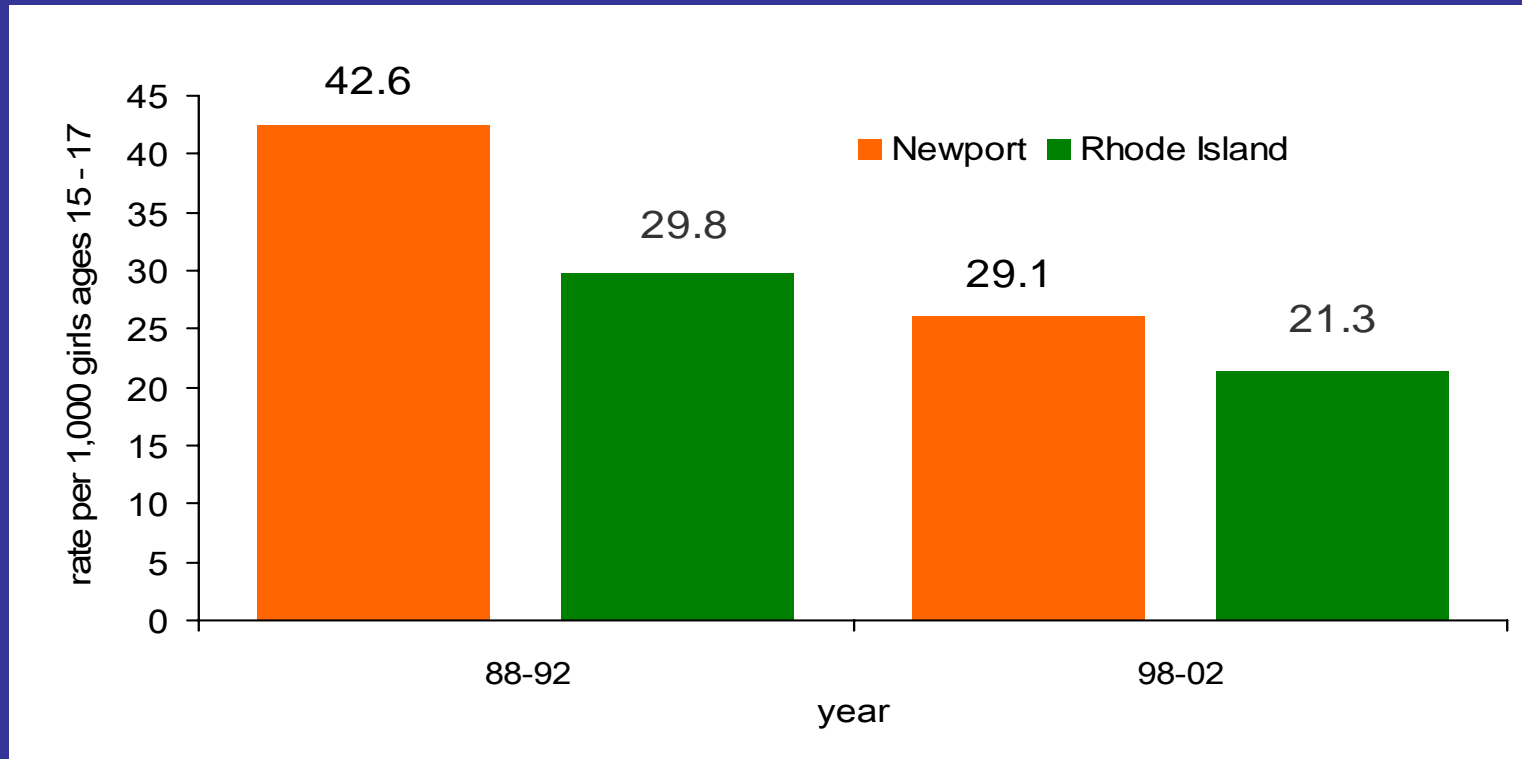
*Percentage of Children with blood lead levels of > 10 ug/dL, 1997-2005*



Throughout the 1990s, both Newport and the state saw dramatic overall decreases in the number of children entering kindergarten with elevated lead levels. Over the past three years, the percentage of kindergarteners entering school with blood lead levels  $\geq 10$  ug/dL has risen in Newport.

# Births to Teens

*Rate of Births to Teens, 1988-1992 and 1998-2002*



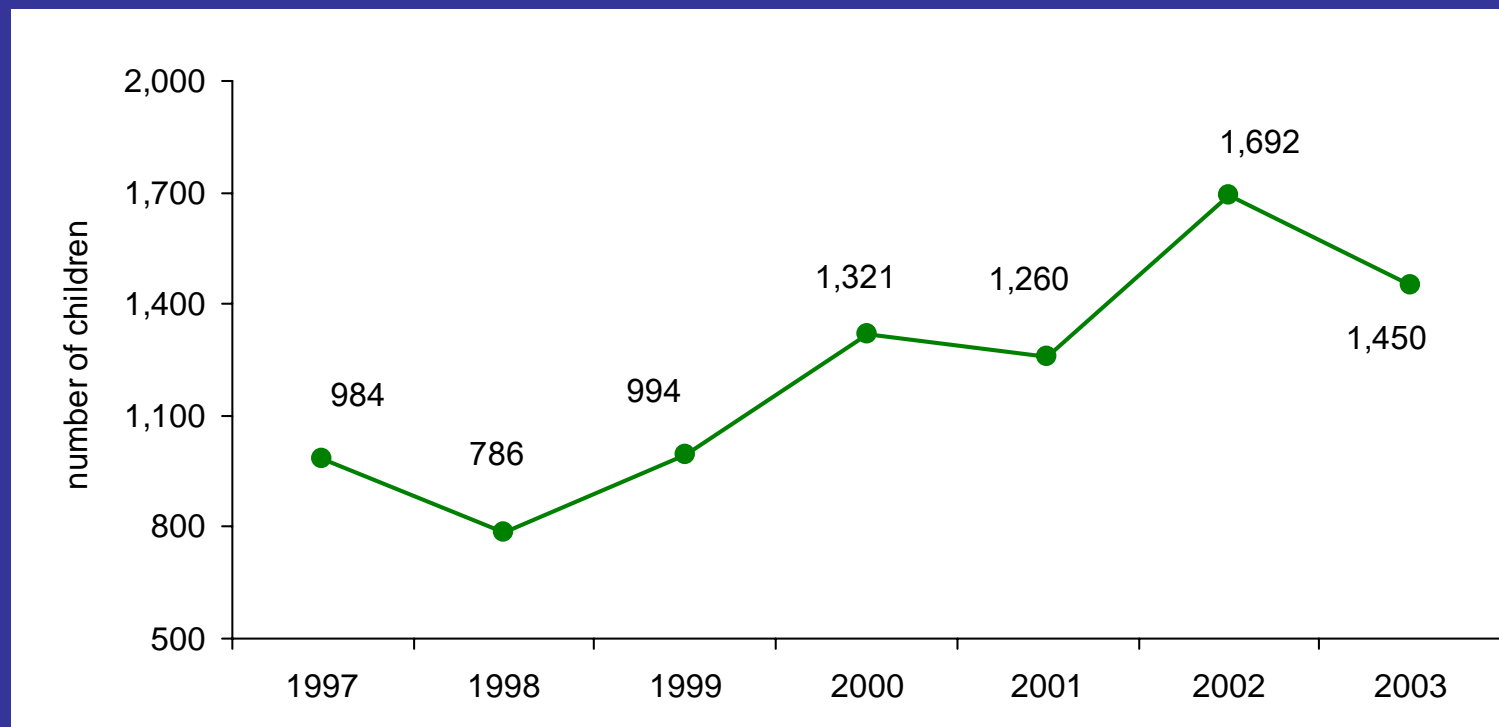
The birth rate for teens girls ages 15-17 dropped in Newport from 42.6 per 1,000 to 29.1 per 1,000 teens over the decade.

Source: Rhode Island KIDS COUNT Factbooks 1994 – 2004.

Safety

# Homeless Children and Homeless Youth

*Children and Youth Living in Shelters in Rhode Island, 1997-2003*



Of the 5,440 people who received shelter services in RI in 2002, 201 people claimed Newport as their city of last residence.

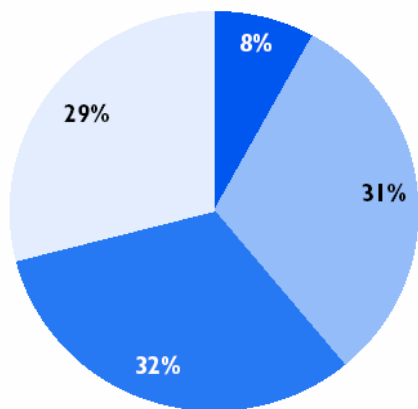
Source: Rhode Island Emergency Shelter Information Project. Represents FY July 1 – June 30.



## Child Abuse and Neglect, Rhode Island, 2003

### By Age of Victim

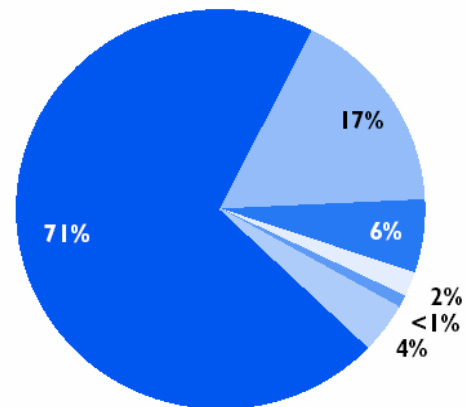
- 8% Under Age 1
- 31% Ages 1 to 5
- 32% Ages 6 to 11
- 29% Ages 12 and Older



(n=2,913)\*

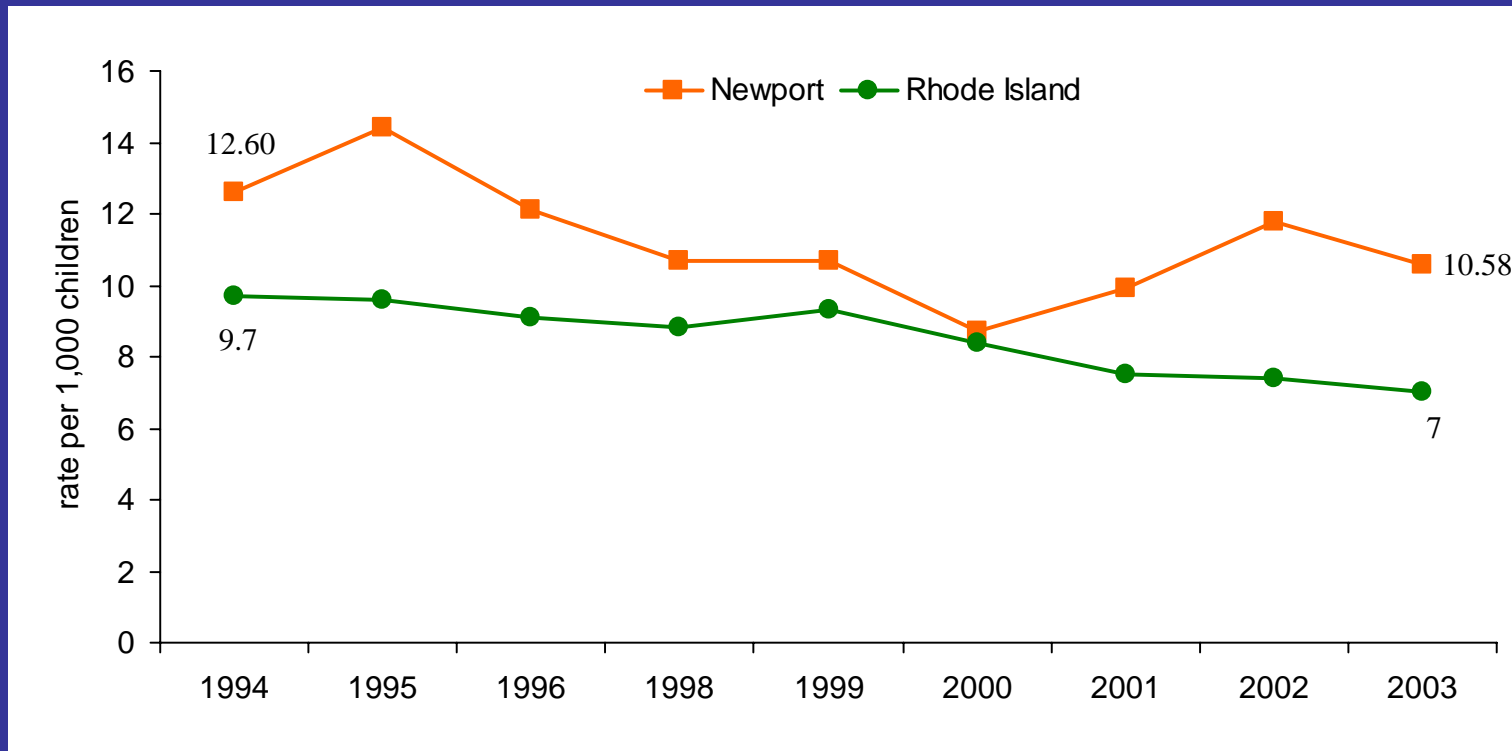
### By Type of Abuse

- 71% Neglect
- 17% Physical Abuse
- 6% Sexual Abuse
- 2% Medical Neglect
- <1% Emotional Abuse
- 4% Other



# Child Abuse and Neglect

*Rate of Child Abuse and Neglect, 1994-2003*



Source: Rhode Island KIDS COUNT Factbooks, 1995 – 2004.

## Juveniles in Family Court and Training School

- In 2003, in Rhode Island, there were 5,338 juveniles referred to Family Court for 9,054 wayward and delinquent offenses.

*In 2003, juveniles from Newport committed 308 offenses, accounting for 3.4% of offenses in Rhode Island.*

- In 2003, 1,060 juveniles spent time at the Rhode Island Training School. This is 1% of all 10 – 17 year olds in the state.

*Of those with a reported address, 4% were from Newport.*

Source: Rhode Island Family Court, and Rhode Island Department of Children Youth and Families.

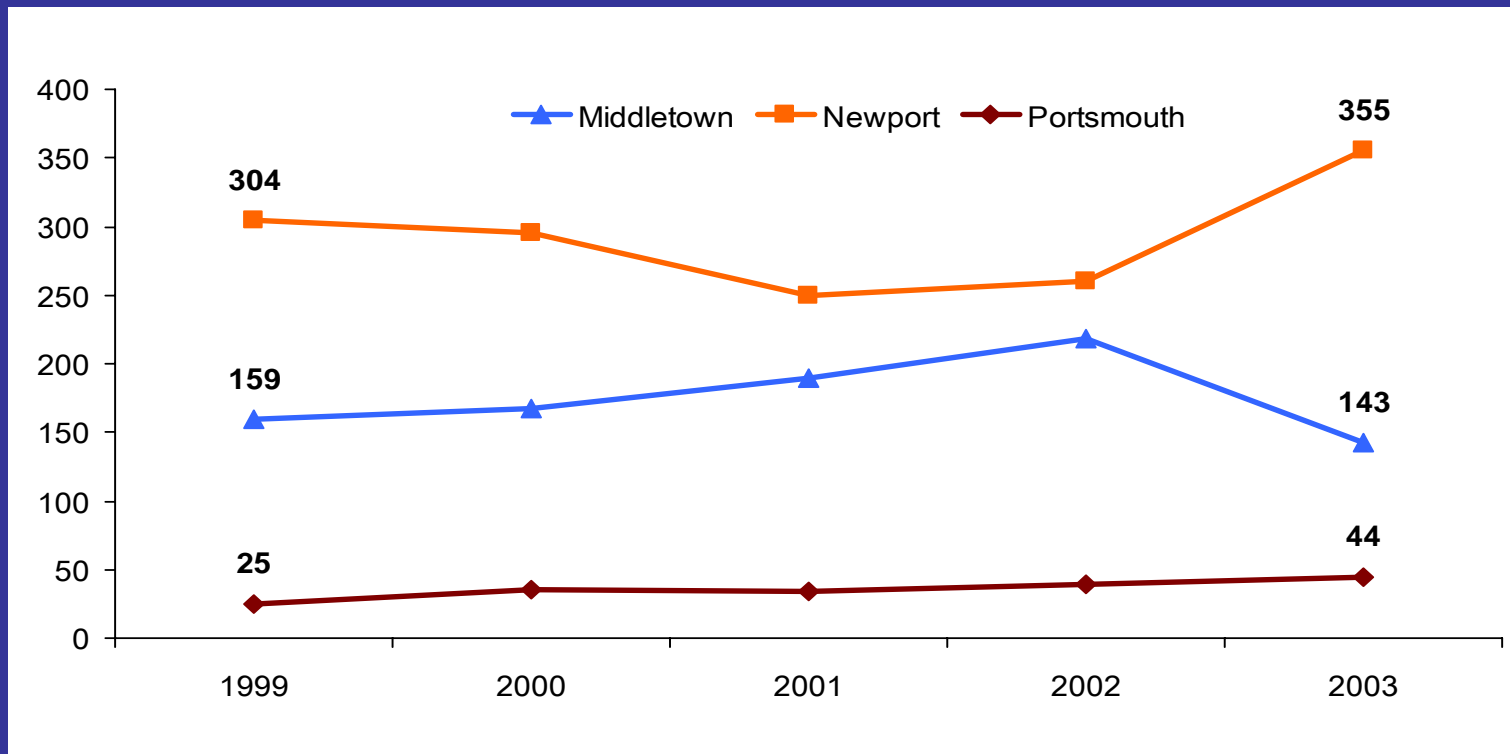
# Children of Incarcerated Parents

- The number of U.S. children with parents in prison has grown from 936,500 in 1991 to 1.5 million in 1999.
- In Rhode Island in 2003, 1,889 adults at the Adult Correctional Institutions reported having 4,106 children.
- 56 of these parents (with 120 children) reported their last residence as Newport.
- 23 per 1,000 children in Newport have parents who are incarcerated compared to 16.6 per 1,000 statewide. Only Providence (32.8), Woonsocket (24.2), and Central Falls (23.9) have a higher rate of children with incarcerated parents.
- In the past year, Newport's rate of children with incarcerated parents improved significantly, decreasing from 29.0 to 23.1. The overall rate for Rhode Island increased from 15.7 to 16.6.

Education

# Child Care Subsidies

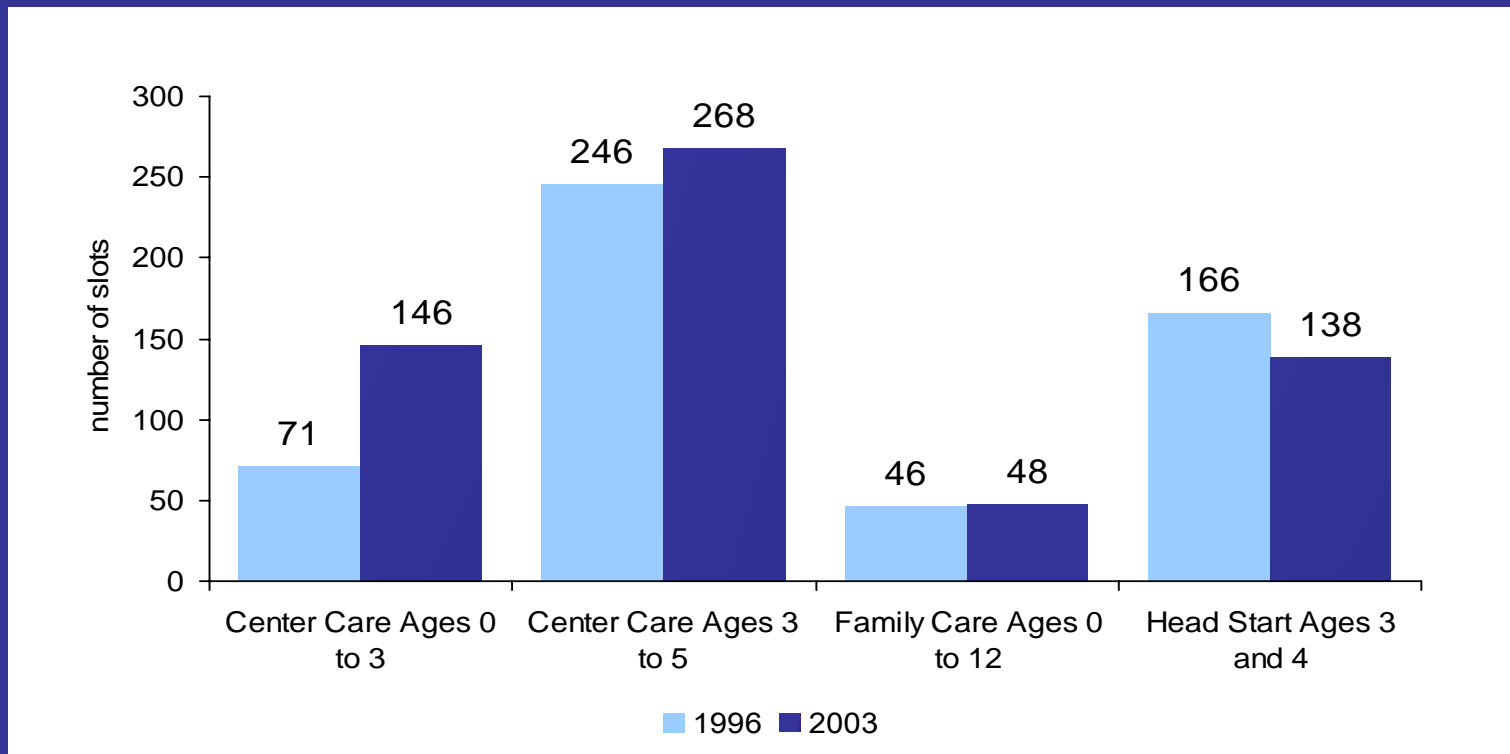
*Child Care Subsidies, 1999-2003*



Source: Rhode Island KIDS COUNT Factbooks, 2000 – 2004.

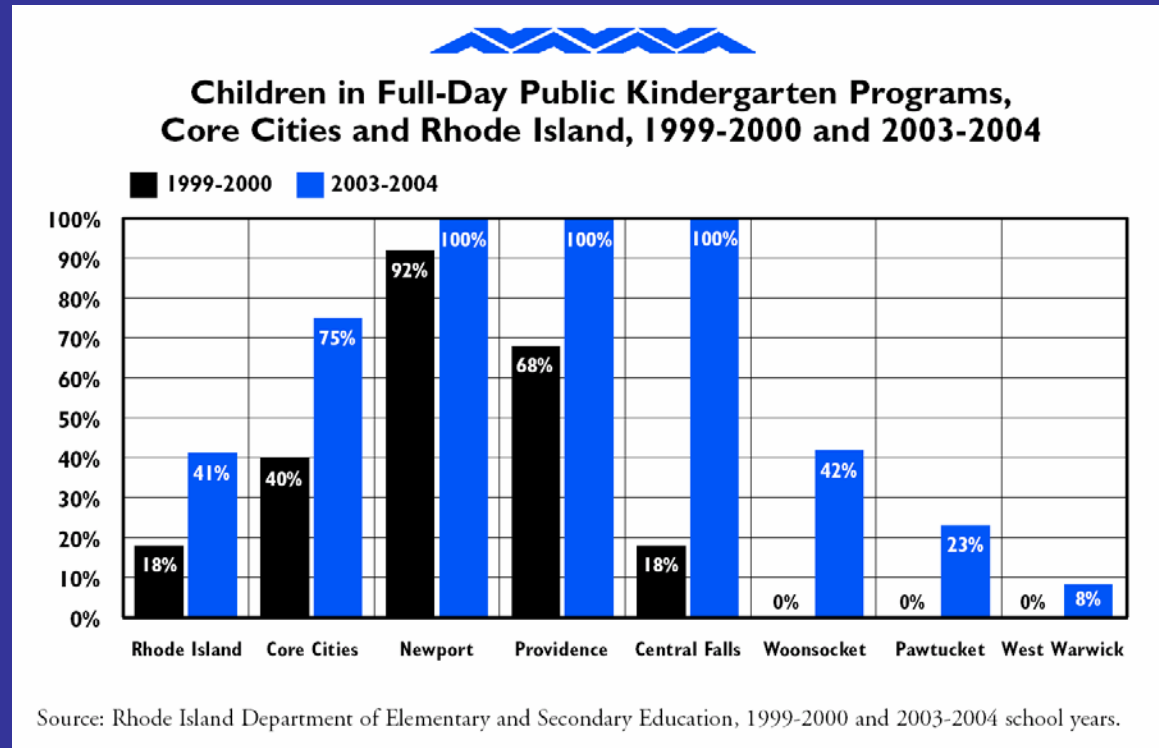
# Licensed Child Care Capacity

*Licensed Child Care Capacity, Newport, 1996 and 2003*



Source: Options for Working Parents, 1996 and 2003

# Full Day Kindergarten



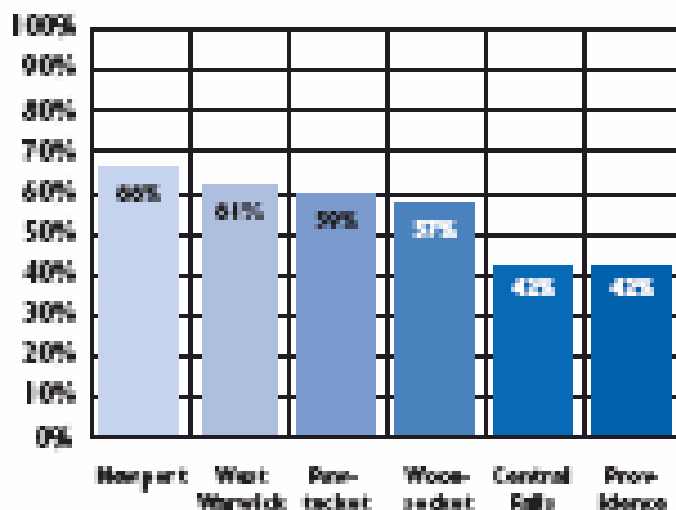
Newport and Middletown are 2 of 6 Rhode Island towns with 100% of children in full day kindergarten.

# Fourth Grade Reading Skills

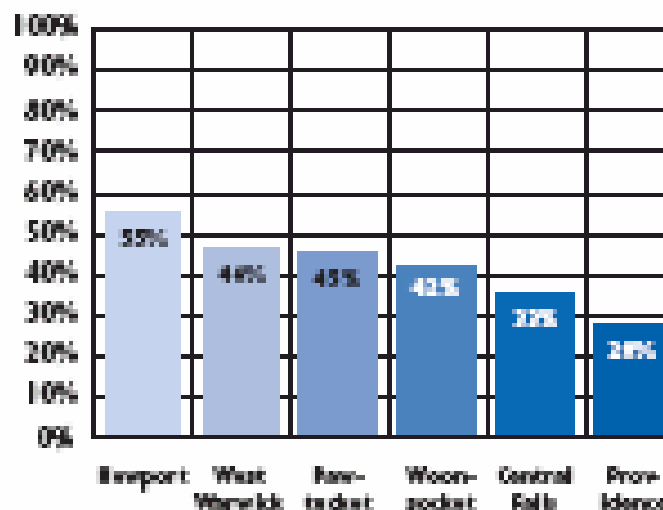


## Rhode Island Public School 4th Grade Reading Proficiency, Core Cities, 2002-2003

Proficiency in Basic Understanding



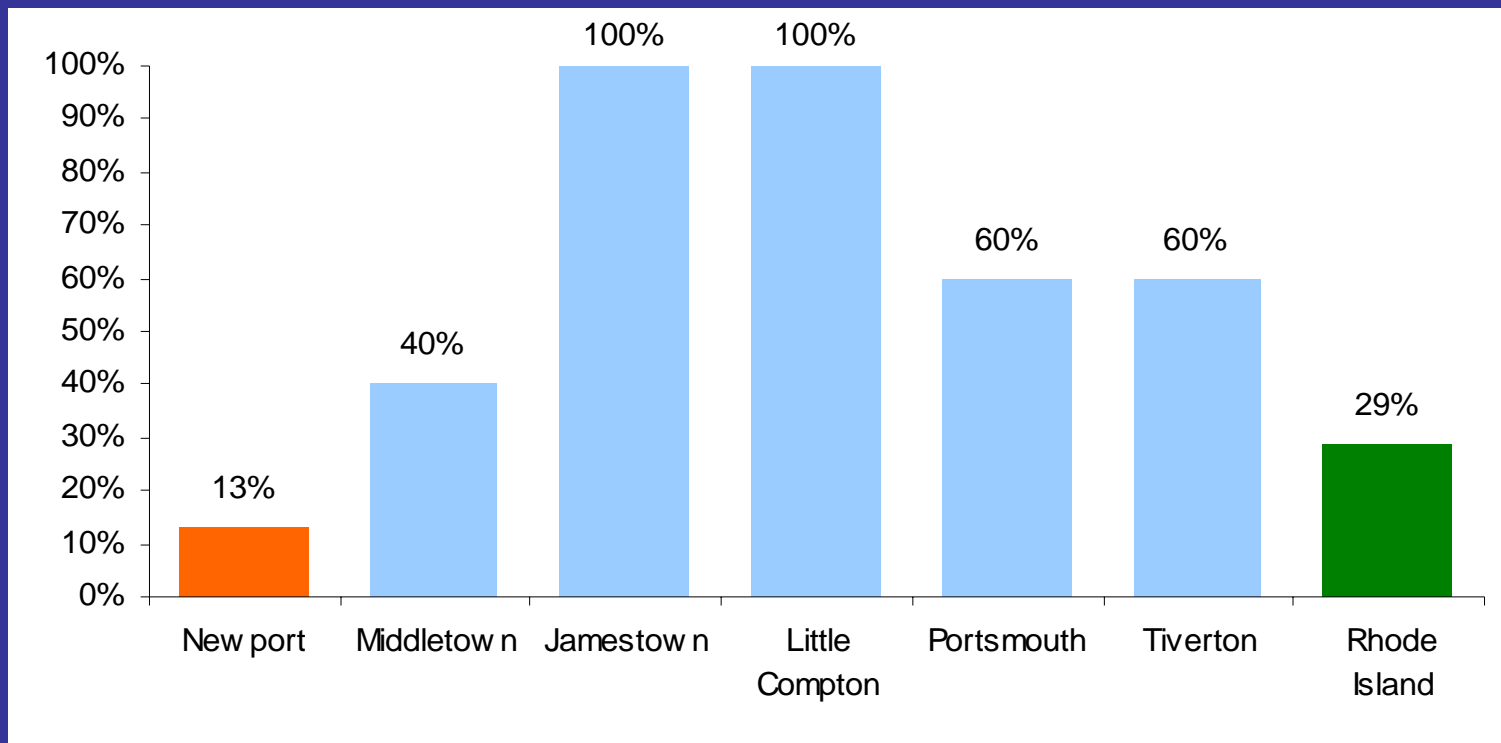
Proficiency in Analysis and Interpretation



Source: RI Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, New Standards English Language Arts Reference Exam at Grade 4, 2002-2003 school year.

# High Performing Schools

*High Performing Schools, Newport County, 2003*

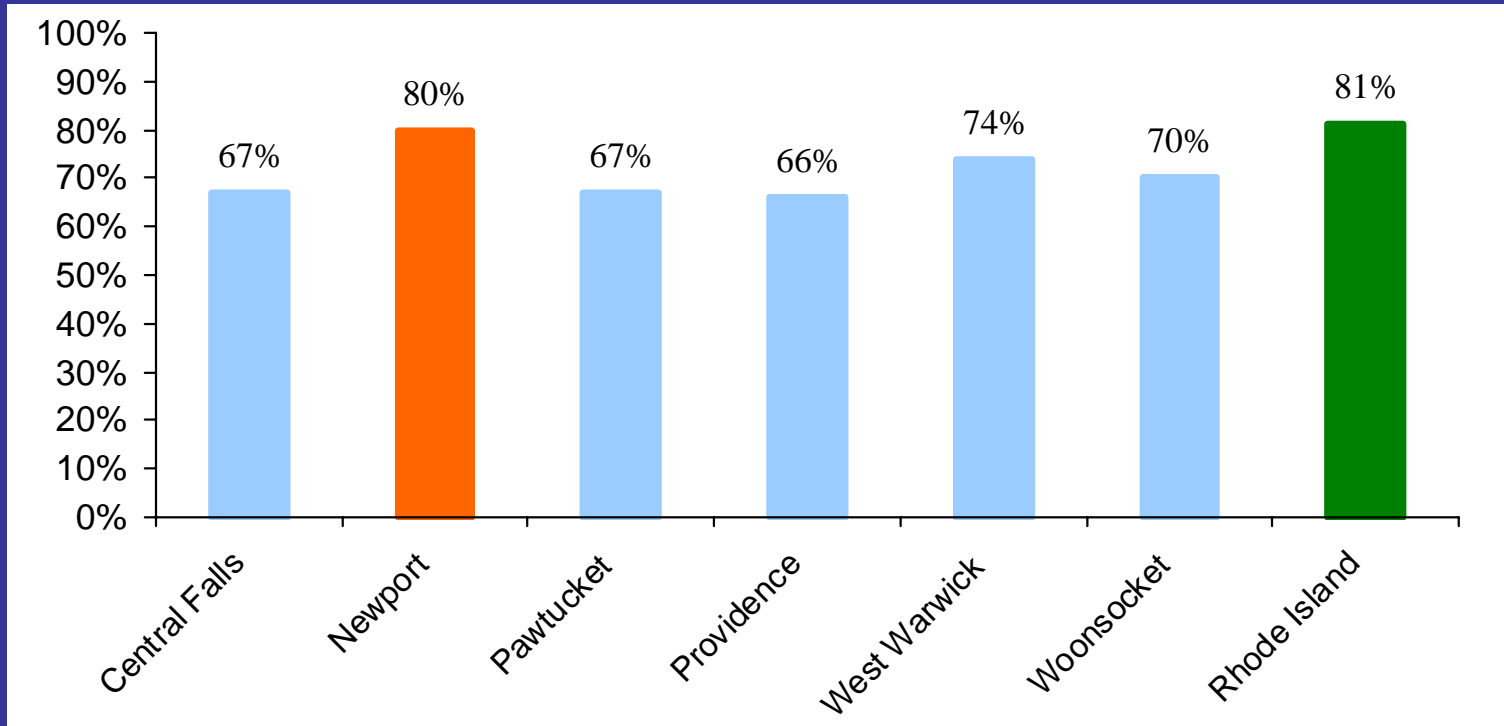


Schools in Rhode Island are classified as high performing based on new guidelines in the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001.

Source: 2004 Rhode Island KIDS COUNT Factbook.

# High School Graduation Rate

*High School Graduation Rate, 2003*

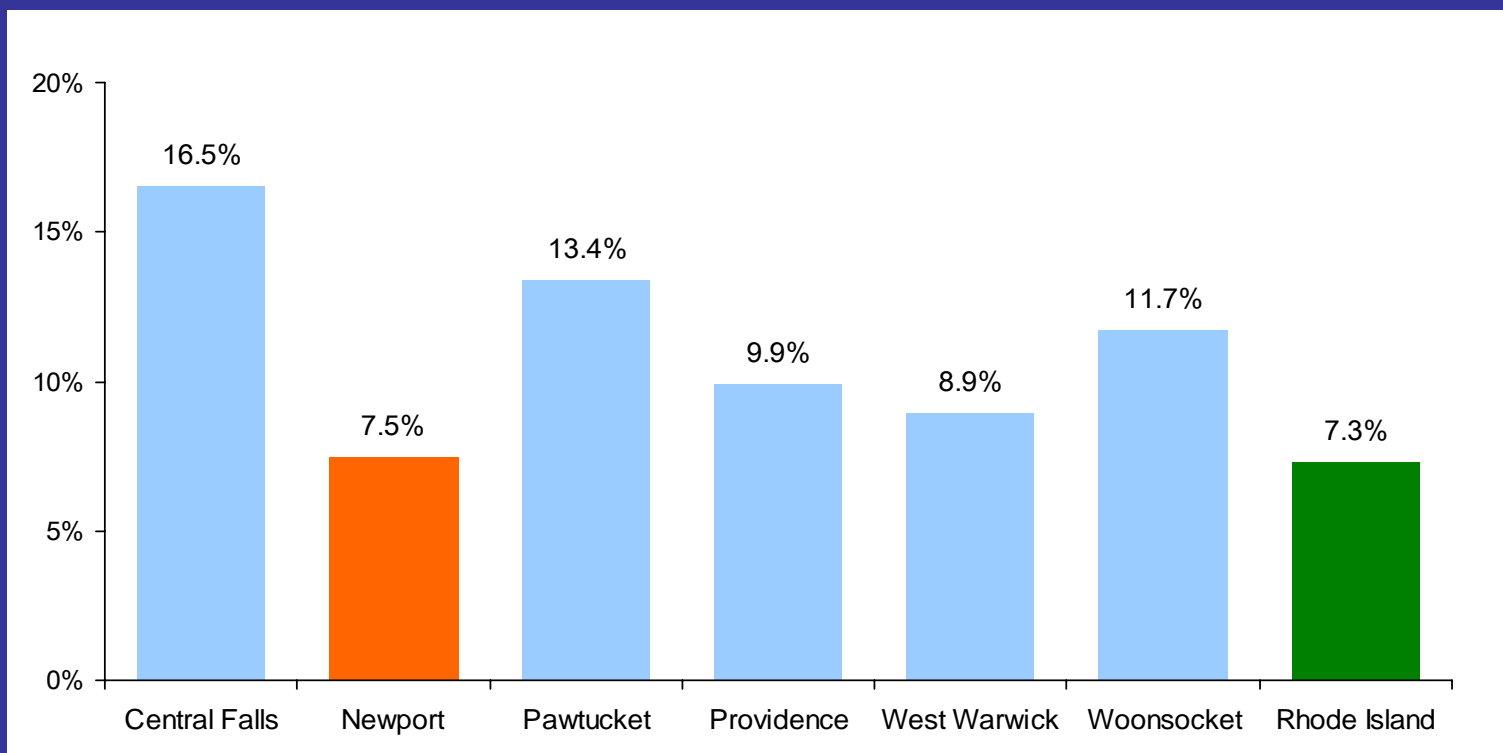


Until 2001, Newport's high school graduation rate was consistently above the state average. Compared to the other core cities, Newport has significantly higher graduation rates.

Source: Rhode Island KIDS COUNT Factbooks 2004.

# Teens Not in School and Not Working

*Percentage of Teens Not in School and Not Working, 2000*



Source: Rhode Island KIDS COUNT Factbook, 2004.

## Other Rhode Island KIDS COUNT Publications

- 2000 U.S. Census Briefs
- Issue Briefs
- *Covering Kids & Families* Newsletters
- For City/Town Sheets, visit [www.rikidscount.org](http://www.rikidscount.org)
- For County-City-Community Level Information on Kids (CLIKS), visit [www.aecf.org/kidscount](http://www.aecf.org/kidscount)

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