



**Rhode Island KIDS COUNT**  
**INDICATORS OF CHILD WELL-BEING, 2009**  
**Profile of Bristol, Rhode Island**  
*(Updated April 3, 2009)*

<b>Census-Based Indicators</b>			<b>1990</b>	<b>2000</b>		
Child population	<b>Bristol</b>		4,380	4,399		
	<b>Rhode Island</b>		225,690	247,822		
Children in single-parent families (%)	<b>Bristol</b>		11%	21%		
	<b>Rhode Island</b>		22%	30%		
Median household income	<b>Bristol</b>		\$44,573	\$43,689		
	<b>Rhode Island</b>		\$41,985	\$42,090		
Children living in families below the federal poverty threshold (%)	<b>Bristol</b>		5.9%	10.0%		
	<b>Rhode Island</b>		13.5%	16.9%		
Teens not in school and not working (%)	<b>Bristol</b>		4.5%	1.4%		
	<b>Rhode Island</b>		8.1%	7.3%		
Households with grandparents financially responsible for grandchildren (%)	<b>Bristol</b>		NA	4%		
	<b>Rhode Island</b>		NA	4%		
<b>Economic Well-Being</b>						
		<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>
Cost of rent	<b>Bristol</b>	\$845*	\$1,112	\$1,231	\$1,156	\$1,390
	<b>Rhode Island</b>	\$1,121	\$1,147	\$1,172	\$1,142	\$1,232
Births to mothers with less than a high school diploma (%)	<b>Bristol</b>	6%	5%	NA	NA	NA
	<b>Rhode Island</b>	15%	15%	NA	NA	NA
Infants born at highest risk (%)	<b>Bristol</b>	2%	NA	2%	1%	1%
	<b>Rhode Island</b>	5%	NA	5%	5%	5%
Children in families receiving cash assistance (%)	<b>Bristol</b>	2%	2%	2%	1%	1%
	<b>Rhode Island</b>	10%	9%	8%	7%	6%
Food Stamp Program/SNAP participation (% income-eligible children enrolled)	<b>Bristol</b>	29%	26%	28%	30%	41%
	<b>Rhode Island</b>	71%	65%	69%	74%	77%
School Breakfast Program participation (% income-eligible children participating)	<b>Bristol-Warren</b>	21%	13%	14%	18%	17%
	<b>Rhode Island</b>	31%	31%	30%	29%	29%
<b>Health</b>						
		<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>
Number of children under age 19 receiving Medical Assistance	<b>Bristol</b>	785	757	729	707	720
	<b>Rhode Island</b>	91,638	91,444	90,731	88,641	84,717
Children with elevated blood lead levels (% screened positive)	<b>Bristol</b>	8.9%	7.8%	5.0%	4.4%	3.8%
	<b>Rhode Island</b>	8.4%	7.4%	6.4%	4.6%	4.5%
WIC participation rate (%)	<b>Bristol</b>	NA	NA	65%	60%	79%
	<b>Rhode Island</b>	NA	NA	67%	71%	78%
		<b>1999-2003</b>	<b>2000-2004</b>	<b>2001-2005</b>	<b>2002-2006</b>	<b>2003-2007</b>
Women with delayed prenatal care (%)	<b>Bristol</b>	7.4%	7.1%	7.6%	8.2%	8.5%
	<b>Rhode Island</b>	8.9%	9.1%	9.4%	10.7%	12.1%
Infants born low birthweight (%)	<b>Bristol</b>	7.0%	6.0%	5.4%	5.3%	6.2%
	<b>Rhode Island</b>	7.7%	7.8%	8.0%	8.1%	8.1%
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 births)	<b>Bristol</b>	6.8	7.7	5.8	5.0	5.2
	<b>Rhode Island</b>	6.5	6.4	6.4	6.2	6.3
Asthma hospitalization rate (per 1,000 children)	<b>Bristol</b>	2.1	2.6	2.9	2.7	3.2
	<b>Rhode Island</b>	3.6	3.6	3.9	4.0	4.0
Teen birth rate (per 1,000 teens ages 15 to 17)	<b>Bristol</b>	8.1	6.5	5.9	5.4	4.3
	<b>Rhode Island</b>	20.6	20.0	19.5	19.1	19.1
Newborn infants exclusively breastfed (%)	<b>Bristol</b>	60%	61%	60%	63%	65%
	<b>Rhode Island</b>	57%	57%	57%	57%	57%

<b>Safety</b>		<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>
Child abuse and neglect indicated victims (rate per 1,000 children)	<b>Bristol</b>	NA	NA	NA	NA	4.3
	<b>Rhode Island</b>	NA	NA	NA	NA	10.7
Domestic violence incidents with children present (%)	<b>Bristol</b>	29%	NA	14%	23%	23%
	<b>Rhode Island</b>	31%	NA	20%	25%	29%
Rate of children with incarcerated parents (per 1,000 children)	<b>Bristol</b>	NA	NA	8.2	7.0	5.7
	<b>Rhode Island</b>	NA	NA	11.3	12.4	11.1
<b>Education</b>		<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>
Early Intervention participation rate (%)	<b>Bristol</b>	7%	7%	8%	10%	11%
	<b>Rhode Island</b>	8%	8%	9%	9%	10%
Early Head Start participation rate (%)	<b>Bristol</b>	NA	NA	NA	NA	5%
	<b>Rhode Island</b>	NA	NA	NA	NA	4%
Head Start participation rate (%)	<b>Bristol</b>	NA	NA	NA	NA	26%
	<b>Rhode Island</b>	NA	NA	NA	NA	40%
Students enrolled in special education (%)	<b>Bristol-Warren</b>	NA	NA	NA	12%	12%
	<b>Rhode Island</b>	NA	NA	NA	19%	18%
Infant and preschool child care slots (per 100 children under age 6)	<b>Bristol</b>	47	42	37	31	44
	<b>Rhode Island</b>	102	98	101	94	91
Number of licensed school-age child care slots	<b>Bristol</b>	176	176	176	176	126
	<b>Rhode Island</b>	14,006	13,258	12,179	12,405	11,329
Number of children receiving child care subsidies	<b>Bristol</b>	41	32	25	26	41
	<b>Rhode Island</b>	13,192	12,666	12,267	9,008	7,700
Children in full-day kindergarten (%)	<b>Bristol-Warren</b>	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	<b>Rhode Island</b>	45%	47%	50%	52%	58%
Children who are English language learners (%)	<b>Bristol-Warren</b>	3%	3%	3%	3%	4%
	<b>Rhode Island</b>	6%	5%	5%	5%	5%
Student mobility rate (%)	<b>Bristol-Warren</b>	NA	9%	10%	10%	9%
	<b>Rhode Island</b>	NA	16%	17%	18%	16%
4 <sup>th</sup> graders at or above the reading proficiency level (%)	<b>Bristol-Warren</b>	NA	69%	73%	79%	78%
	<b>Rhode Island</b>	NA	60%	63%	64%	68%
8 <sup>th</sup> graders at or above the reading proficiency level (%)	<b>Bristol-Warren</b>	NA	63%	66%	77%	76%
	<b>Rhode Island</b>	NA	56%	58%	62%	65%
4 <sup>th</sup> graders at or above the math proficiency level (%)	<b>Bristol-Warren</b>	NA	62%	68%	72%	75%
	<b>Rhode Island</b>	NA	52%	54%	54%	63%
8 <sup>th</sup> graders at or above the math proficiency level (%)	<b>Bristol-Warren</b>	NA	57%	52%	60%	64%
	<b>Rhode Island</b>	NA	47%	47%	48%	53%
Schools making insufficient progress (%)	<b>Bristol-Warren</b>	NA	NA	NA	NA	0%
	<b>Rhode Island</b>	NA	NA	NA	NA	19%
High school attendance rate (%)	<b>Bristol-Warren</b>	90%	91%	90%	90%	91%
	<b>Rhode Island</b>	90%	90%	90%	90%	91%
Suspension rate (per 100 students)	<b>Bristol-Warren</b>	40	49	50	50	57
	<b>Rhode Island</b>	30	32	30	32	30
High school graduation rate (%)	<b>Bristol-Warren</b>	NA	NA	NA	75%	80%
	<b>Rhode Island</b>	NA	NA	NA	70%	74%

\*Average rent was the HUD Fair Market Rent. Rhode Island Housing Rent Survey data were not available for these years.

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