



Rhode Island KIDS COUNT
INDICATORS OF CHILD WELL-BEING, 2011

Profile of Charlestown, Rhode Island

(Updated April 4, 2011)

Census-Based Indicators		1990	2000			
Child population	Charlestown Rhode Island	1,575 225,690	1,712 247,822			
Children in single-parent families (%)	Charlestown Rhode Island	17% 22%	18% 30%			
Households with grandparents financially responsible for grandchildren (%)	Charlestown Rhode Island	NA NA	5% 4%			
Median household income	Charlestown Rhode Island	\$47,020 \$41,985	\$51,491 \$42,090			
Children living in families below the federal poverty threshold (%)	Charlestown Rhode Island	9.4% 13.5%	4.7% 16.9%			
Teens not in school and not working (%)	Charlestown Rhode Island	0.0% 8.1%	0.0% 7.3%			
Economic Well-Being						
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Infants born at highest risk (%)	Charlestown Rhode Island	1% 5%	4% 5%	0% 5%	2% 5%	0% 4%
Cost of rent	Charlestown Rhode Island	\$1,435 \$1,172	\$1,123 \$1,142	\$1,020* \$1,232	\$956* \$1,170	\$1,025* \$1,165
Children in families receiving cash assistance (%)	Charlestown Rhode Island	3% 8%	3% 7%	2% 6%	1% 4%	1% 4%
Number of children receiving SNAP/food stamp benefits	Charlestown Rhode Island	108 36,852	95 39,516	102 41,421	152 53,466	206 59,652
WIC participation (% income-eligible participating)	Charlestown Rhode Island	51% 67%	43% 71%	54% 78%	52% 77%	50% 72%
School Breakfast Program participation (% income-eligible children participating)	Charlestown Rhode Island	11% 30%	10% 29%	14% 29%	14% 27%	15% 28%
		2001-2005	2002-2006	2003-2007	2004-2008	2005-2009
Births to mothers with less than a high school diploma (%)	Charlestown Rhode Island	7% 15%	7% 15%	7% 15%	6% 16%	5% 16%
Health						
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Number of children under age 19 receiving Medical Assistance	Charlestown Rhode Island	371 90,731	351 88,641	339 84,717	384 89,746	430 92,701
Children with elevated blood lead levels (% confirmed positive)	Charlestown Rhode Island	1.3% 4.6%	0.0% 3.6%	4.6% 3.1%	1.2% 2.4%	0.0% 2.2%
		2001-2005	2002-2006	2003-2007	2004-2008	2005-2009
Women with delayed prenatal care (%)	Charlestown Rhode Island	NA 9.4%	NA 10.7%	NA 12.1%	NA 14.0%	NA 14.9%
Infants born low birthweight (%)	Charlestown Rhode Island	NA 8.0%	NA 8.1%	NA 8.1%	NA 8.0%	NA 8.0%
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	Charlestown Rhode Island	NA 6.4	NA 6.2	NA 6.3	NA 6.2	NA 6.3
Asthma hospitalization rate (per 1,000 children under age 18)	Charlestown Rhode Island	3.7 3.9	3.2 4.0	1.9 4.0	1.9 4.0	1.9 4.2
Teen birth rate (per 1,000 girls ages 15 to 19)	Charlestown Rhode Island	18.1 31.0	22.1 30.4	22.1 30.4	18.1 30.7	18.1 30.1
Newborn infants exclusively breastfed (%)	Charlestown Rhode Island	71% 57%	74% 57%	74% 57%	74% 57%	76% 58%

Safety		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Child abuse and neglect indicated victims (rate per 1,000 children)	Charlestown Rhode Island	NA NA	NA NA	6.4 10.7	11.7 11.7	12.9 13.3
Rate of children with incarcerated parents (per 1,000 children)	Charlestown Rhode Island	1.8 11.3	9.3 12.4	5.8 11.1	3.5 10.2	7.6 10.4
Domestic violence incidents with children present (%)	Charlestown Rhode Island	13% 20%	8% 25%	19% 29%	14% 31%	5% 29%
Education		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Early Intervention participation (% of all children under age 3)	Charlestown Rhode Island	13% 9%	9% 9%	8% 10%	10% 10%	7% 10%
Early Head Start participation (% income-eligible children)	Charlestown Rhode Island	NA NA	NA NA	0% 4%	0% 4%	0% 5%
Head Start participation (% income-eligible children)	Charlestown Rhode Island	NA NA	NA NA	32% 40%	32% 40%	48% 40%
Infant and preschool child care slots (per 100 children under age 6)	Charlestown Rhode Island	45 101	44 94	40 91	41 86	41 88
Number of licensed school-age child care slots	Charlestown Rhode Island	26 12,179	26 12,405	26 11,329	26 10,821	26 11,298
Number of children receiving child care subsidies	Charlestown Rhode Island	22 12,267	15 9,008	13 7,700	7 7,471	7 7,592
Children in full-day kindergarten (%)	Charlino Rhode Island	0% 50%	18% 52%	0% 58%	0% 60%	0% 60%
Children who are English language learners (%)	Charlino Rhode Island	0% 5%	0% 5%	0% 5%	1% 5%	1% 5%
Students enrolled in special education (%)	Charlino Rhode Island	NA NA	11% 19%	10% 18%	10% 17%	10% 17%
Student mobility rate (%)	Charlino Rhode Island	10% 17%	10% 18%	12% 16%	9% 16%	9% 14%
4 th graders at or above the reading proficiency level (%)	Charlino Rhode Island	80% 63%	80% 64%	73% 68%	85% 67%	86% 69%
8 th graders at or above the reading proficiency level (%)	Charlino Rhode Island	66% 58%	78% 62%	85% 65%	84% 70%	90% 74%
4 th graders at or above the math proficiency level (%)	Charlino Rhode Island	70% 54%	68% 54%	70% 63%	87% 62%	89% 63%
8 th graders at or above the math proficiency level (%)	Charlino Rhode Island	58% 47%	59% 48%	73% 53%	72% 54%	77% 54%
Schools making insufficient progress (%)	Charlino Rhode Island	NA NA	NA NA	14% 19%	0% 15%	0% 15%
Chronic early absence (%)	Charlino Rhode Island	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	7% 10%	10% 13%
High school attendance rate (%)	Charlino Rhode Island	95% 90%	94% 90%	91% 91%	93% 91%	92% 91%
Suspension rate (per 100 students)	Charlino Rhode Island	11 30	14 32	12 30	9 30	12 30
High school graduation rate (%)	Charlino Rhode Island	NA NA	79% 70%	84% 74%	85% 75%	82% 76%

*Average rent is the HUD Fair Market Rent. Rhode Island Housing Rent Survey data are not available for these years.

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