



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

<b>Census-Based Indicators</b>		<b>1990</b>	<b>2000</b>			
Child population	<b>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	2,869 225,690	2,833 247,822			
Children in single-parent families (%)	<b>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	15% 22%	24% 30%			
Median household income	<b>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	\$46,374 \$41,985	\$50,363 \$42,090			
Children living in families below the federal poverty threshold (%)	<b>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	4.5% 13.5%	8.6% 16.9%			
Teens not in school and not working (%)	<b>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	4.7% 8.1%	2.8% 7.3%			
Households with grandparents financially responsible for grandchildren (%)	<b>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	NA NA	5% 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>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	\$845* \$1,121	\$965* \$1,147	\$1,325 \$1,172	\$1,269 \$1,142	\$1,508 \$1,232
Births to mothers with less than a high school diploma (%)	<b>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	4% 15%	4% 15%	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA
Infants born at highest risk (%)	<b>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	2% 5%	NA NA	4% 5%	3% 5%	0% 5%
Children in families receiving cash assistance (%)	<b>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	2% 10%	2% 9%	2% 8%	1% 7%	2% 6%
Food Stamp Program/SNAP participation (% income-eligible children enrolled)	<b>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	37% 71%	28% 65%	39% 69%	39% 74%	42% 77%
School Breakfast Program participation (% income-eligible children participating)	<b>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	13% 31%	16% 31%	12% 30%	20% 29%	13% 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>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	475 91,638	454 91,144	464 90,731	441 88,641	469 84,717
Children with elevated blood lead levels (% screened positive)	<b>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	4.8% 8.4%	4.5% 7.4%	1.9% 6.4%	1.0% 4.6%	2.9% 4.5%
WIC participation rate (%)	<b>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	NA NA	NA NA	55% 67%	62% 71%	60% 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>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	5.1% 8.9%	6.1% 9.1%	7.1% 9.4%	8.4% 10.7%	8.0% 12.1%
Infants born low birthweight (%)	<b>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	7.4% 7.7%	6.1% 7.8%	6.6% 8.0%	7.7% 8.1%	8.6% 8.1%
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 births)	<b>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	7.9 6.5	8.4 6.4	6.9 6.4	7.2 6.2	7.3 6.3
Asthma hospitalization rate (per 1,000 children)	<b>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	2.0 3.6	1.3 3.6	1.3 3.9	1.3 4.0	1.6 4.0
Teen birth rate (per 1,000 teens ages 15 to 17)	<b>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	3.2 20.6	3.2 20.0	2.4 19.5	4.0 19.1	4.0 19.1
Newborn infants exclusively breastfed (%)	<b>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	72% 57%	72% 57%	72% 57%	73% 57%	73% 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>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	6.4 10.7
Domestic violence incidents with children present (%)	<b>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	20% 31%	NA NA	27% 20%	15% 25%	12% 29%
Rate of children with incarcerated parents (per 1,000 children)	<b>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	NA NA	NA NA	8.5 11.3	14.5 12.4	7.1 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>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	6% 8%	7% 8%	6% 9%	5% 9%	8% 10%
Early Head Start participation rate (%)	<b>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	0% 4%
Head Start participation rate (%)	<b>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	58% 40%
Students enrolled in special education (%)	<b>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	15% 19%	16% 18%
Infant and preschool child care slots (per 100 children under age 6)	<b>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	57 102	57 98	57 101	28 94	28 91
Number of licensed school-age child care slots	<b>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	60 14,006	60 13,258	60 12,179	89 12,405	60 11,329
Number of children receiving child care subsidies	<b>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	49 13,192	46 12,666	44 12,267	16 9,008	24 7,700
Children in full-day kindergarten (%)	<b>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	100% 45%	99% 47%	100% 50%	100% 52%	100% 58%
Children who are English language learners (%)	<b>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	1% 6%	1% 5%	1% 5%	0% 5%	0% 5%
Student mobility rate (%)	<b>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	NA NA	7% 16%	8% 17%	7% 18%	8% 16%
4 <sup>th</sup> graders at or above the reading proficiency level (%)	<b>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	NA NA	81% 60%	84% 63%	71% 64%	86% 68%
8 <sup>th</sup> graders at or above the reading proficiency level (%)	<b>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	NA NA	81% 56%	88% 58%	70% 62%	87% 65%
4 <sup>th</sup> graders at or above the math proficiency level (%)	<b>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	NA NA	66% 52%	70% 54%	63% 54%	83% 63%
8 <sup>th</sup> graders at or above the math proficiency level (%)	<b>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	NA NA	75% 47%	68% 47%	65% 48%	67% 53%
Schools making insufficient progress (%)	<b>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	0% 19%
High school attendance rate (%)	<b>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	95% 90%	95% 90%	94% 90%	94% 90%	95% 91%
Suspension rate (per 100 students)	<b>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	19 30	20 32	17 30	11 32	17 30
High school graduation rate (%)	<b>Narragansett Rhode Island</b>	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	90% 70%	94% 74%

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

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