

Table 27.

Indicated Investigations of Child Abuse and Neglect, Rhode Island, 2008

CITY/TOWN	# OF CHILDREN UNDER AGE 18	# OF INDICATED INVESTIGATIONS OF CHILD ABUSE/NEGLECT	INDICATED INVESTIGATIONS PER 1,000 CHILDREN	# OF VICTIMS OF CHILD ABUSE/NEGLECT	VICTIMS PER 1,000 CHILDREN
Barrington	4,745	5	1.1	8	1.7
Bristol	4,399	15	3.4	19	4.3
Burrillville	4,043	25	6.2	32	7.9
Central Falls	5,531	83	15.0	103	18.6
Charlestown	1,712	9	5.3	11	6.4
Coventry	8,389	43	5.1	42	5.0
Cranston	17,098	131	7.7	172	10.1
Cumberland	7,690	24	3.1	24	3.1
East Greenwich	3,564	14	3.9	13	3.6
East Providence	10,546	59	5.6	75	7.1
Exeter	1,589	10	6.3	12	7.6
Foster	1,105	4	3.6	6	5.4
Glocester	2,664	6	2.3	7	2.6
Hopkinton	2,011	17	8.5	13	6.5
Jamestown	1,238	4	3.2	6	4.8
Johnston	5,906	54	9.1	77	13.0
Lincoln	5,157	23	4.5	34	6.6
Little Compton	780	4	5.1	3	3.8
Middletown	4,328	24	5.5	38	8.8
Narragansett	2,833	16	5.6	18	6.4
New Shoreham	185	2	10.8	1	5.4
Newport	5,199	58	11.2	91	17.5
North Kingstown	6,848	31	4.5	51	7.4
North Providence	5,936	36	6.1	60	10.1
North Smithfield	2,379	10	4.2	19	8.0
Pawtucket	18,151	234	12.9	303	16.7
Portsmouth	4,329	4	0.9	7	1.6
Providence	45,277	452	10.0	650	14.4
Richmond	2,014	9	4.5	17	8.4
Scituate	2,635	6	2.3	6	2.3
Smithfield	4,019	20	5.0	14	3.5
South Kingstown	6,284	35	5.6	56	8.9
Tiverton	3,367	14	4.2	28	8.3
Warren	2,454	33	13.4	45	18.3
Warwick	18,780	92	4.9	116	6.2
West Greenwich	1,444	6	4.2	8	5.5
West Warwick	6,632	66	10.0	102	15.4
Westerly	5,406	38	7.0	48	8.9
Woonsocket	11,155	197	17.7	315	28.2
Unknown	NA	0	NA	4	NA
Core Cities	91,945	1,090	11.9	1,564	17.0
Remainder of State	155,877	823	5.3	1,086	7.0
Rhode Island	247,822	1,913	7.7	2,650	10.7

Note to Table

Data can not be compared to previous Factbooks. The denominator is the number of children under age 18 according to the US Bureau of the Census, Census 2000 and the numerator is an unduplicated count of child victims. Previous Factbooks used children under 21 as the denominator and the indicated investigations as the numerator to calculate the rate of indicated investigations per 1,000 children. In 2008, Rhode Island lowered the eligibility age for entry into DCYF services to under age 18, although some children remain eligible for services after their 18th birthday.

Source of Data for Table/Methodology

Data are from the Rhode Island Department of Children, Youth and Families, Rhode Island Children's Information System (RICHIST), calendar year 2008.

Victims of child abuse/neglect are unduplicated counts of victims with substantiated allegations of child abuse and/or neglect.

An indicated investigation is an investigated report of child abuse and/or neglect for which a preponderance of evidence exists that child abuse and/or neglect occurred. An indicated investigation can involve more than one child and multiple allegations. City/town reports of indicated investigations omit certain investigations, particularly those where there are data entry errors affecting location. For this reason, the city/town table includes fewer indicated investigations than the chart with reports/investigations and indicated cases.

Core cities are Central Falls, Newport, Pawtucket, Providence, West Warwick and Woonsocket.

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