



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

Census-Based Indicators		1990	2000			
Child population	Pawtucket	16,719	18,151			
	Rhode Island	225,690	247,822			
Children in single-parent families (%)	Pawtucket	26%	42%			
	Rhode Island	22%	30%			
Median household income	Pawtucket	\$34,627	\$31,775			
	Rhode Island	\$41,985	\$42,090			
Children living in families below the federal poverty threshold (%)	Pawtucket	15.5%	25.3%			
	Rhode Island	13.5%	16.9%			
Teens not in school and not working (%)	Pawtucket	10.6%	13.4%			
	Rhode Island	8.1%	7.3%			
Households with grandparents financially responsible for grandchildren (%)	Pawtucket	NA	3%			
	Rhode Island	NA	4%			
Economic Well-Being						
		2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Cost of rent	Pawtucket	\$968	\$980	\$1,003	\$1,069	\$1,068
	Rhode Island	\$1,121	\$1,147	\$1,172	\$1,142	\$1,232
Births to mothers with less than a high school diploma (%)	Pawtucket	21%	21%	NA	NA	NA
	Rhode Island	15%	15%	NA	NA	NA
Infants born at highest risk (%)	Pawtucket	6%	NA	6%	7%	7%
	Rhode Island	5%	NA	5%	5%	5%
Children in families receiving cash assistance (%)	Pawtucket	16%	14%	12%	11%	8%
	Rhode Island	10%	9%	8%	7%	6%
Food Stamp Program/SNAP participation (% income-eligible children enrolled)	Pawtucket	75%	64%	70%	76%	77%
	Rhode Island	71%	65%	69%	74%	77%
School Breakfast Program participation (% income-eligible children participating)	Pawtucket	28%	27%	24%	25%	26%
	Rhode Island	31%	31%	30%	29%	29%
Health						
		2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Number of children under age 19 receiving Medical Assistance	Pawtucket	9,954	9,954	9,825	9,570	8,881
	Rhode Island	91,638	91,144	90,731	88,641	84,717
Children with elevated blood lead levels (% screened positive)	Pawtucket	9.9%	8.5%	8.2%	4.7%	5.4%
	Rhode Island	8.4%	7.4%	6.4%	4.6%	4.5%
WIC participation rate (%)	Pawtucket	NA	NA	78%	83%	92%
	Rhode Island	NA	NA	67%	71%	78%
		1999-2003	2000-2004	2001-2005	2002-2006	2003-2007
Women with delayed prenatal care (%)	Pawtucket	12.9%	12.5%	12.5%	13.5%	14.7%
	Rhode Island	8.9%	9.1%	9.4%	10.7%	12.1%
Infants born low birthweight (%)	Pawtucket	8.3%	8.8%	8.8%	8.7%	8.8%
	Rhode Island	7.7%	7.8%	8.0%	8.1%	8.1%
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 births)	Pawtucket	8.0	7.7	7.5	6.6	7.3
	Rhode Island	6.5	6.4	6.4	6.2	6.3
Asthma hospitalization rate (per 1,000 children)	Pawtucket	4.2	4.2	4.5	5.0	5.3
	Rhode Island	3.6	3.6	3.9	4.0	4.0
Teen birth rate (per 1,000 teens ages 15 to 17)	Pawtucket	31.8	30.4	31.4	32.3	32.6
	Rhode Island	20.6	20.0	19.5	19.1	19.1
Newborn infants exclusively breastfed (%)	Pawtucket	52%	53%	52%	51%	51%
	Rhode Island	57%	57%	57%	57%	57%

Safety		2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Child abuse and neglect indicated victims (rate per 1,000 children)	Pawtucket	NA	NA	NA	NA	16.7
	Rhode Island	NA	NA	NA	NA	10.7
Domestic violence incidents with children present (%)	Pawtucket	30%	NA	17%	20%	22%
	Rhode Island	31%	NA	20%	25%	29%
Rate of children with incarcerated parents (per 1,000 children)	Pawtucket	NA	NA	11.2	14.6	11.3
	Rhode Island	NA	NA	11.3	12.4	11.1
Education		2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Early Intervention participation rate (%)	Pawtucket	9%	8%	9%	9%	11%
	Rhode Island	8%	8%	9%	9%	10%
Early Head Start participation rate (%)	Pawtucket	NA	NA	NA	NA	<1%
	Rhode Island	NA	NA	NA	NA	4%
Head Start participation rate (%)	Pawtucket	NA	NA	NA	NA	26%
	Rhode Island	NA	NA	NA	NA	40%
Students enrolled in special education (%)	Pawtucket	NA	NA	NA	16%	16%
	Rhode Island	NA	NA	NA	19%	18%
Infant and preschool child care slots (per 100 children under age 6)	Pawtucket	84	82	83	72	66
	Rhode Island	102	98	101	94	91
Number of licensed school-age child care slots	Pawtucket	1,171	868	996	965	1,047
	Rhode Island	14,006	13,258	12,179	12,405	11,329
Number of children receiving child care subsidies	Pawtucket	1,350	1,173	1,232	926	720
	Rhode Island	13,192	12,666	12,267	9,008	7,700
Children in full-day kindergarten (%)	Pawtucket	31%	27%	27%	26%	84%
	Rhode Island	45%	47%	50%	52%	58%
Children who are English language learners (%)	Pawtucket	9%	10%	10%	11%	10%
	Rhode Island	6%	5%	5%	5%	5%
Student mobility rate (%)	Pawtucket	NA	23%	29%	32%	24%
	Rhode Island	NA	16%	17%	18%	16%
4 th graders at or above the reading proficiency level (%)	Pawtucket	NA	48%	48%	55%	58%
	Rhode Island	NA	60%	63%	64%	68%
8 th graders at or above the reading proficiency level (%)	Pawtucket	NA	44%	40%	47%	52%
	Rhode Island	NA	56%	58%	62%	65%
4 th graders at or above the math proficiency level (%)	Pawtucket	NA	42%	40%	46%	50%
	Rhode Island	NA	52%	54%	54%	63%
8 th graders at or above the math proficiency level (%)	Pawtucket	NA	37%	32%	36%	35%
	Rhode Island	NA	47%	47%	48%	53%
Schools making insufficient progress (%)	Pawtucket	NA	NA	NA	NA	33%
	Rhode Island	NA	NA	NA	NA	19%
High school attendance rate (%)	Pawtucket	88%	88%	88%	88%	88%
	Rhode Island	90%	90%	90%	90%	91%
Suspension rate (per 100 students)	Pawtucket	27	26	22	34	39
	Rhode Island	30	32	30	32	30
High school graduation rate (%)	Pawtucket	NA	NA	NA	48%	57%
	Rhode Island	NA	NA	NA	70%	74%

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