

Background Information

Demographic Data

Number of Children: 2000 and 2005

	2000	2005	NUMBER CHANGE	PERCENT CHANGE
All children under age 18	247,513	245,354	-2,159	-1%

Race and Hispanic Origin of Children: 2000 and 2005

White*	182,846	171,991	-10,855	-6%
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Black/African American*	15,208	16,466	1,258	8%
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American Indian/Alaskan Native*	1,591	1,571	-20	-1%
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Asian and Pacific Islander*	7,288	7,334	46	1%
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More than one race*	5,429	6,331	902	17%
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Hispanic/Latino	35,151	41,661	6,510	19%
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Immigrant Families: 2000 and 2005

Children in immigrant families	52,000	61,000	9,000	17%
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*Non-Hispanic/Latino

Child Health

	STATE	NATIONAL
Percent of children without health insurance: 2004	7%	11%

Number of children without health insurance: 2004	17,000	8,317,000
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2-year-olds who were immunized: 2005	86%	83%
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Economics and Education

	STATE	NATIONAL
Median income of families with children: 2005	\$61,000	\$53,000

Children in extreme poverty (income below 50% of poverty level): 2005	10%	8%
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Children in low-income families (income below 200% of poverty level): 2005	33%	40%
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Children in low-income families that spend more than 30% of their income on housing: 2005	77%	65%
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4th grade students who scored below basic science level: 2005	37%	34%
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8th grade students who scored below basic science level: 2005	42%	43%
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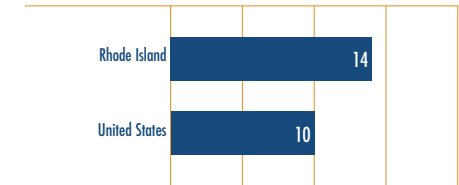
Living Arrangements of Children

	STATE	NATIONAL
Children in the care of grandparents: 2005	2%	5%

Children living with neither parent: 2005	4%	6%
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Children in Foster Care

Number of children in foster care (per 1,000 children under age 18): 2004



	STATE	NATIONAL
Children under age 18 in foster care at any time in the year: 2004	3,332	726,062

Children above age 11 in foster care at any time in the year: 2004	2,325	352,814
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Children who aged out of foster care without having a permanent family: 2004	82	22,718
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Definitions and Data Sources can be found on page 182, or visit www.aecf.org/kidscount for detailed information.

Rhode Island

Key Indicators	Percent Change Over Time										Trend Data		National Rank <i>National Rank is based on most recent available data</i>
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Percent low-birthweight babies 2000–2004						11					2000: 7.2 2004: 8.0	7.6 8.1	[22]
Infant mortality rate (deaths per 1,000 live births) 2000–2004										16	2000: 6.3 2004: 5.3	6.9 6.8	[8]
Child death rate (deaths per 100,000 children ages 1–14) 2000–2004										35	2000: 17 2004: 11	22 20	[1]
Teen death rate (deaths per 100,000 teens ages 15–19) 2000–2004						4					2000: 52 2004: 54	67 66	[12]
Teen birth rate (births per 1,000 females ages 15–19) 2000–2004										3	2000: 34 2004: 33	48 41	[15]
Percent of teens who are high school dropouts (ages 16–19) 2000–2005										20	2000: 10 2005: 8	11 7	[27]
Percent of teens not attending school and not working (ages 16–19) 2000–2005						14					2000: 7 2005: 8	9 8	[19]
Percent of children living in families where no parent has full-time, year-round employment 2000–2005						6					2000: 34 2005: 36	32 34	[36]
Percent of children in poverty (income below \$19,806 for a family of two adults and two children in 2005) 2000–2005										19	2000: 16 2005: 19	17 19	[30]
Percent of children in single-parent families 2000–2005										3	2000: 32 2005: 33	31 32	[37]

▨ Patterned bars indicate national change. ■ Solid bars indicate state change.