



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

**Profile of West Warwick, Rhode Island**

*(Updated April 4, 2011)*

<b>Census-Based Indicators</b>		<b>1990</b>	<b>2000</b>			
Child population	<b>West Warwick Rhode Island</b>	6,560 225,690	6,632 247,822			
Children in single-parent families (%)	<b>West Warwick Rhode Island</b>	23% 22%	33% 30%			
Households with grandparents financially responsible for grandchildren (%)	<b>West Warwick Rhode Island</b>	NA NA	2% 4%			
Median household income	<b>West Warwick Rhode Island</b>	\$41,260 \$41,985	\$39,505 \$42,090			
Children living in families below the federal poverty threshold (%)	<b>West Warwick Rhode Island</b>	11.8% 13.5%	18.1% 16.9%			
Teens not in school and not working (%)	<b>West Warwick Rhode Island</b>	9.1% 8.1%	8.9% 7.3%			
<b>Economic Well-Being</b>						
		<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>2010</b>
Infants born at highest risk (%)	<b>West Warwick Rhode Island</b>	4% 5%	2% 5%	5% 5%	4% 5%	5% 4%
Cost of rent	<b>West Warwick Rhode Island</b>	\$1,143 \$1,172	\$1,114 \$1,142	\$1,175 \$1,232	\$1,022 \$1,170	\$1,069 \$1,165
Children in families receiving cash assistance (%)	<b>West Warwick Rhode Island</b>	6% 8%	6% 7%	6% 6%	4% 4%	3% 4%
Number of children receiving SNAP/food stamp benefits	<b>West Warwick Rhode Island</b>	947 36,852	1,101 39,516	1,157 41,421	1,472 53,466	1,699 59,652
WIC participation (% income-eligible participating)	<b>West Warwick Rhode Island</b>	53% 67%	53% 71%	66% 78%	70% 77%	65% 72%
School Breakfast Program participation (% income-eligible children participating)	<b>West Warwick Rhode Island</b>	23% 30%	28% 29%	27% 29%	24% 27%	28% 28%
		<b>2001- 2005</b>	<b>2002- 2006</b>	<b>2003- 2007</b>	<b>2004- 2008</b>	<b>2005- 2009</b>
Births to mothers with less than a high school diploma (%)	<b>West Warwick Rhode Island</b>	14% 15%	14% 15%	15% 15%	14% 16%	14% 16%
<b>Health</b>						
		<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>2010</b>
Number of children under age 19 receiving Medical Assistance	<b>West Warwick Rhode Island</b>	2,366 90,731	2,343 88,641	2,281 84,717	2,420 89,746	2,603 92,701
Children with elevated blood lead levels (% confirmed positive)	<b>West Warwick Rhode Island</b>	2.1% 4.6%	2.3% 3.6%	0.3% 3.1%	0.5% 2.4%	1.4% 2.2%
		<b>2001- 2005</b>	<b>2002- 2006</b>	<b>2003- 2007</b>	<b>2004- 2008</b>	<b>2005- 2009</b>
Women with delayed prenatal care (%)	<b>West Warwick Rhode Island</b>	8.3% 9.4%	10.4% 10.7%	12.5% 12.1%	14.5% 14.0%	15.6% 14.9%
Infants born low birthweight (%)	<b>West Warwick Rhode Island</b>	7.5% 8.0%	7.2% 8.1%	7.5% 8.1%	7.0% 8.0%	7.2% 8.0%
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	<b>West Warwick Rhode Island</b>	6.5 6.4	7.5 6.2	5.4 6.3	4.0 6.2	3.5 6.3
Asthma hospitalization rate (per 1,000 children under age 18)	<b>West Warwick Rhode Island</b>	4.9 3.9	5.1 4.0	4.6 4.0	3.7 4.0	4.0 4.2
Teen birth rate (per 1,000 girls ages 15 to 19)	<b>West Warwick Rhode Island</b>	37.1 31.0	36.9 30.4	38.1 30.4	39.1 30.7	38.6 30.1
Newborn infants exclusively breastfed (%)	<b>West Warwick Rhode Island</b>	53% 57%	53% 57%	53% 57%	53% 57%	54% 58%

Compiled using data reported in the annual Rhode Island Kids Count Factbook.  
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<b>Safety</b>		<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>2010</b>
Child abuse and neglect indicated victims (rate per 1,000 children)	<b>West Warwick</b> <b>Rhode Island</b>	NA NA	NA NA	15.4 10.7	21.7 11.7	25.9 13.3
Rate of children with incarcerated parents (per 1,000 children)	<b>West Warwick</b> <b>Rhode Island</b>	16.0 11.3	15.2 12.4	12.4 11.1	13.3 10.2	13.0 10.4
Domestic violence incidents with children present (%)	<b>West Warwick</b> <b>Rhode Island</b>	19% 20%	21% 25%	26% 29%	27% 31%	27% 29%
<b>Education</b>		<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>2010</b>
Early Intervention participation (% of all children under age 3)	<b>West Warwick</b> <b>Rhode Island</b>	9% 9%	10% 9%	12% 10%	13% 10%	14% 10%
Early Head Start participation (% income-eligible children)	<b>West Warwick</b> <b>Rhode Island</b>	NA NA	NA NA	12% 4%	15% 4%	16% 5%
Head Start participation (% income-eligible children)	<b>West Warwick</b> <b>Rhode Island</b>	NA NA	NA NA	39% 40%	42% 40%	56% 40%
Infant and preschool child care slots (per 100 children under age 6)	<b>West Warwick</b> <b>Rhode Island</b>	85 101	80 94	80 91	70 86	71 88
Number of licensed school-age child care slots	<b>West Warwick</b> <b>Rhode Island</b>	378 12,179	578 12,405	285 11,329	323 10,821	232 11,298
Number of children receiving child care subsidies	<b>West Warwick</b> <b>Rhode Island</b>	344 12,267	164 9,008	149 7,700	197 7,471	200 7,592
Children in full-day kindergarten (%)	<b>West Warwick</b> <b>Rhode Island</b>	34% 50%	54% 52%	75% 58%	100% 60%	100% 60%
Children who are English language learners (%)	<b>West Warwick</b> <b>Rhode Island</b>	2% 5%	2% 5%	2% 5%	1% 5%	1% 5%
Students enrolled in special education (%)	<b>West Warwick</b> <b>Rhode Island</b>	NA NA	21% 19%	20% 18%	19% 17%	20% 17%
Student mobility rate (%)	<b>West Warwick</b> <b>Rhode Island</b>	19% 17%	19% 18%	18% 16%	24% 16%	20% 14%
4 <sup>th</sup> graders at or above the reading proficiency level (%)	<b>West Warwick</b> <b>Rhode Island</b>	59% 63%	58% 64%	69% 68%	60% 67%	67% 69%
8 <sup>th</sup> graders at or above the reading proficiency level (%)	<b>West Warwick</b> <b>Rhode Island</b>	59% 58%	62% 62%	59% 65%	71% 70%	79% 74%
4 <sup>th</sup> graders at or above the math proficiency level (%)	<b>West Warwick</b> <b>Rhode Island</b>	42% 54%	50% 54%	56% 63%	56% 62%	54% 63%
8 <sup>th</sup> graders at or above the math proficiency level (%)	<b>West Warwick</b> <b>Rhode Island</b>	51% 47%	49% 48%	55% 53%	62% 54%	55% 54%
Schools making insufficient progress (%)	<b>West Warwick</b> <b>Rhode Island</b>	NA NA	NA NA	17% 19%	17% 15%	17% 15%
Chronic early absence (%)	<b>West Warwick</b> <b>Rhode Island</b>	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	8% 10%	13% 13%
High school attendance rate (%)	<b>West Warwick</b> <b>Rhode Island</b>	89% 90%	89% 90%	90% 91%	90% 91%	89% 91%
Suspension rate (per 100 students)	<b>West Warwick</b> <b>Rhode Island</b>	61 30	67 32	64 30	34 30	33 30
High school graduation rate (%)	<b>West Warwick</b> <b>Rhode Island</b>	NA NA	67% 70%	68% 74%	69% 75%	65% 76%

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