



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

Census-Based Indicators			1990	2000		
Child population	Woonsocket		10,617	11,155		
	Rhode Island		225,690	247,822		
Children in single-parent families (%)	Woonsocket		31%	46%		
	Rhode Island		22%	30%		
Median household income	Woonsocket		\$33,090	\$30,819		
	Rhode Island		\$41,985	\$42,090		
Children living in families below the federal poverty threshold (%)	Woonsocket		21.4%	31.8%		
	Rhode Island		13.5%	16.9%		
Teens not in school and not working (%)	Woonsocket		16.4%	11.7%		
	Rhode Island		8.1%	7.3%		
Households with grandparents financially responsible for grandchildren (%)	Woonsocket		NA	5%		
	Rhode Island		NA	4%		
Economic Well-Being						
		2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Cost of rent	Woonsocket	\$960	\$1,116	\$1,040	\$956	\$976
	Rhode Island	\$1,121	\$1,147	\$1,172	\$1,142	\$1,232
Births to mothers with less than a high school diploma (%)	Woonsocket	24%	25%	NA	NA	NA
	Rhode Island	15%	15%	NA	NA	NA
Infants born at highest risk (%)	Woonsocket	10%	8%	8%	7%	8%
	Rhode Island	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%
Children in families receiving cash assistance (%)	Woonsocket	15%	17%	16%	16%	13%
	Rhode Island	10%	9%	8%	7%	6%
Food Stamp Program/SNAP participation (% income-eligible children enrolled)	Woonsocket	70%	69%	78%	81%	84%
	Rhode Island	71%	65%	69%	74%	77%
School Breakfast Program participation (% income-eligible children participating)	Woonsocket	30%	37%	36%	41%	42%
	Rhode Island	31%	31%	30%	29%	29%
Health						
		2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Number of children under age 19 receiving Medical Assistance	Woonsocket	5,959	6,034	6,064	6,029	6,021
	Rhode Island	91,638	91,144	90,731	88,641	84,717
Children with elevated blood lead levels (% screened positive)	Woonsocket	9.8%	8.2%	8.9%	6.1%	4.3%
	Rhode Island	8.4%	7.4%	6.4%	4.6%	4.5%
WIC participation rate (%)	Woonsocket	NA	NA	72%	73%	83%
	Rhode Island	NA	NA	67%	71%	78%
		1999-2003	2000-2004	2001-2005	2002-2006	2003-2007
Women with delayed prenatal care (%)	Woonsocket	17.1%	15.7%	15.3%	14.9%	15.4%
	Rhode Island	8.9%	9.1%	9.4%	10.7%	12.1%
Infants born low birthweight (%)	Woonsocket	8.3%	8.6%	8.8%	9.5%	9.9%
	Rhode Island	7.7%	7.8%	8.0%	8.1%	8.1%
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 births)	Woonsocket	7.8%	8.0	8.8	8.4	6.4
	Rhode Island	6.5%	6.4	6.4	6.2	6.3
Asthma hospitalization rate (per 1,000 children)	Woonsocket	4.3	4.3	4.6	4.7	4.8
	Rhode Island	3.6	3.6	3.9	4.0	4.0
Teen birth rate (per 1,000 girls ages 15-17)	Woonsocket	46.0	44.8	41.3	39.9	35.4
	Rhode Island	20.6	20.0	19.5	19.1	19.1
Newborn infants exclusively breastfed (%)	Woonsocket	43%	42%	42%	41%	40%
	Rhode Island	57%	57%	57%	57%	57%

Safety						
		2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Child abuse and neglect indicated victims (rate per 1,000 children)	Woonsocket	NA	NA	NA	NA	28.2
	Rhode Island	NA	NA	NA	NA	10.7
Domestic violence incidents with children present (%)	Woonsocket	29%	13%	13%	26%	31%
	Rhode Island	31%	20%	20%	25%	29%
Rate of children with incarcerated parents (per 1,000 children)	Woonsocket	NA	NA	19.0	23.2	20.3
	Rhode Island	NA	NA	11.3	12.4	11.1
Education						
		2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Early Intervention participation rate (%)	Woonsocket	7%	9%	10%	12%	13%
	Rhode Island	8%	8%	9%	9%	10%
Early Head Start participation rate (%)	Woonsocket	NA	NA	NA	NA	0%
	Rhode Island	NA	NA	NA	NA	4%
Head Start participation rate (%)	Woonsocket	NA	NA	NA	NA	38%
	Rhode Island	NA	NA	NA	NA	40%
Students enrolled in special education (%)	Woonsocket	NA	NA	NA	24%	24%
	Rhode Island	NA	NA	NA	19%	18%
Infant and preschool child care slots (per 100 children under age 6)	Woonsocket	91	92	92	88	86
	Rhode Island	102	98	101	94	91
Number of licensed school-age child care slots	Woonsocket	532	656	496	578	531
	Rhode Island	14,006	13,258	12,179	12,405	11,329
Number of children receiving child care subsidies	Woonsocket	509	594	582	527	432
	Rhode Island	13,192	12,666	12,267	9,008	7,700
Children in full-day kindergarten (%)	Woonsocket	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	Rhode Island	45%	47%	50%	52%	58%
Children who are English language learners (%)	Woonsocket	4%	5%	4%	5%	4%
	Rhode Island	6%	5%	5%	5%	5%
Student mobility rate (%)	Woonsocket	NA	22%	23%	22%	24%
	Rhode Island	NA	16%	17%	18%	16%
4 th graders at or above the reading proficiency level (%)	Woonsocket	NA	46%	50%	50%	53%
	Rhode Island	NA	60%	63%	64%	68%
8 th graders at or above the reading proficiency level (%)	Woonsocket	NA	28%	31%	30%	43%
	Rhode Island	NA	56%	58%	62%	65%
4 th graders at or above the math proficiency level (%)	Woonsocket	NA	41%	38%	44%	48%
	Rhode Island	NA	52%	54%	54%	63%
8 th graders at or above the math proficiency level (%)	Woonsocket	NA	29%	19%	17%	29%
	Rhode Island	NA	47%	47%	48%	53%
Schools making insufficient progress (%)	Woonsocket	NA	NA	NA	NA	30%
	Rhode Island	NA	NA	NA	NA	19%
High school attendance rate (%)	Woonsocket	85%	86%	87%	87%	85%
	Rhode Island	90%	90%	90%	90%	91%
Suspension rate (per 100 students)	Woonsocket	90	75	81	74	77
	Rhode Island	30	32	30	32	30
High school graduation rate (%)	Woonsocket	NA	NA	NA	54%	60%
	Rhode Island	NA	NA	NA	70%	74%

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