

Rhode Island Kids Count 2022 Factbook

Indicators of Child Well-Being

Snapshot of Four Core Cities (Central Falls, Pawtucket, Providence and Woonsocket) and Rhode Island



| Census-Based Indicators | | 1990 | 2000 | 2010 | 2020 | |
|--|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Child population | Four Core Cities | 70,118 | 80,114 | 73,741 | 73,354 | |
| | Rhode Island | 225,690 | 247,822 | 223,956 | 209,785 | |
| | | | | | 2016-2020 | |
| Median family income | Four Core Cities | | | | NA | |
| | Rhode Island | | | | \$83,161 | |
| Children living in families below the federal poverty threshold | Four Core Cities | | | | 30.2% | |
| | Rhode Island | | | | 15.6% | |
| Economic Well-Being | | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 |
| Cost of rent | Four Core Cities | \$1,520 | \$1,527 | \$1,524 | \$1,509 | \$1,707 |
| | Rhode Island | \$1,717 | \$1,731 | \$1,732 | \$1,725 | \$1,771 |
| Paid Family Leave (total approved TCI claims) | Four Core Cities | 1,548 | 1,784 | 1,875 | 2,235 | 1,620 |
| | Rhode Island | 6,224 | 6,760 | 7,175 | 8,083 | 6,057 |
| Children in families receiving cash assistance | Four Core Cities | 7% | 7% | 7% | 4% | 5% |
| | Rhode Island | 3% | 3% | 3% | 2% | 2% |
| Children receiving SNAP benefits | Four Core Cities | 35,722 | 34,638 | 32,220 | 27,788 | 27,415 |
| | Rhode Island | 56,580 | 54,706 | 50,825 | 43,660 | 43,511 |
| WIC participation (% income-eligible children participating) | Four Core Cities | 58% | 54% | 55% | 55% | 52% |
| | Rhode Island | 50% | 46% | 47% | 48% | 45% |
| School Breakfast Program participation (% income-eligible children participating) | Four Core Cities | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| | Rhode Island | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| Health | | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 |
| Children under age 19 receiving Medical Assistance | Four Core Cities | 64,699 | 68,815 | 66,162 | 66,088 | 66,044 |
| | Rhode Island | 120,138 | 122,915 | 117,987 | 118,858 | 119,426 |
| Babies born | Four Core Cities | 4,070 | 3,972 | 3,895 | 3,856 | 3,807 |
| | Rhode Island | 10,050 | 9,952 | 9,614 | 9,590 | 9,892 |
| Evidence-Based Family Home Visiting (# of families enrolled) | Four Core Cities | 753 | 797 | 804 | 765 | 823 |
| | Rhode Island | 1,090 | 1,278 | 1,294 | 1,244 | 1,317 |
| Child overweight and obesity | Four Core Cities | NA | 36% | 37% | 40% | NA |
| | Rhode Island | NA | 30.0% | 31.0% | 35.0% | NA |
| | | 2012-2016 | 2013-2017 | 2014-2018 | 2015-2019 | 2016-2020 |
| Births to mothers with less than a high school diploma | Four Core Cities | 21% | 20% | 20% | 21% | 21% |
| | Rhode Island | 12% | 11% | 11% | 11% | 12% |
| Infants born with low birthweight | Four Core Cities | 8.8% | 8.7% | 8.7% | 8.8% | 8.8% |
| | Rhode Island | 7.4% | 7.5% | 7.7% | 0.0% | 7.7% |
| Women with delayed prenatal care | Four Core Cities | 18.6% | 18.5% | 19.7% | 20.5% | 20.0% |
| | Rhode Island | 14.5% | 14.7% | 15.9% | 16.1% | 15.8% |
| Preterm births | Four Core Cities | 9.8% | 9.6% | 9.7% | 9.8% | 9.9% |
| | Rhode Island | 9.0% | 8.7% | 8.7% | 8.9% | 9.0% |
| Safety - Child Welfare | | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 |
| Child neglect and abuse indicated victims rate (per 1,000 children) | Four Core Cities | 23.5 | 21.5 | 20.1 | 18.2 | 16.5 |
| | Rhode Island | 14.6 | 14.6 | 13.9 | 12.0 | 11.3 |
| Children with incarcerated parents rate (per 1,000 children) | Four Core Cities | 22.7 | 20.8 | 19.5 | 15.6 | 13.7 |
| | Rhode Island | 11.8 | 10.5 | 8.1 | 0.0 | 7.6 |
| Domestic violence incidents with children present | Four Core Cities | 28% | 26% | NA | 25% | NA |
| | Rhode Island | 27% | 25% | NA | 26% | NA |

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| Safety - Juvenile Justice | | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 |
|---|------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Youth Violence (# of juvenile arrests for assault and weapons offenses) | Four Core Cities | NA | 259 | 234 | 131 | NA |
| | Rhode Island | NA | 618 | 522 | 328 | NA |
| Youth in the Juvenile Justice System (# of youth at the RI Training School during the year) | Four Core Cities | 224 | 171 | 161 | 141 | 91 |
| | Rhode Island | 358 | 272 | 246 | 191 | 137 |
| Education | | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 |
| Children enrolled in Early Intervention (% enrolled) | Four Core Cities | 6% | 7% | 8% | 7% | 6% |
| | Rhode Island | 6% | 7% | 7% | 7% | 6% |
| Children enrolled in Early Head Start (% of low-income children <age 3 enrolled) | Four Core Cities | NA | NA | NA | 3% | 2% |
| | Rhode Island | NA | NA | NA | 3% | 3% |
| Children enrolled in Head Start or RI Pre-K (% of low-income children age 4 enrolled) | Four Core Cities | NA | NA | NA | 36% | 41% |
| | Rhode Island | NA | NA | NA | 33% | 42% |
| Licensed early learning centers | Four Core Cities | 78 | 76 | 81 | 80 | 79 |
| | Rhode Island | 316 | 315 | 329 | 317 | 313 |
| Licensed family child care homes | Four Core Cities | 339 | 327 | 329 | 292 | 281 |
| | Rhode Island | 478 | 457 | 460 | 403 | 397 |
| Licensed early learning centers with high-quality rating (4 or 5 stars) | Four Core Cities | 28% | 26% | 35% | 33% | 34% |
| | Rhode Island | 20% | 21% | 25% | 25% | 25% |
| Licensed family child care homes with high-quality rating (4 or 5 stars) | Four Core Cities | 1% | 1% | 1% | 1% | 1% |
| | Rhode Island | 1% | 1% | 1% | 1% | 1% |
| Children receiving child care subsidies (subsidy use by child residence) | Four Core Cities | 6,136 | 5,982 | 6,176 | 4,076 | 3,429 |
| | Rhode Island | 10,429 | 10,171 | 10,580 | 7,016 | 6,063 |
| Children receiving preschool special education services (% enrolled) | Four Core Cities | 7% | 8% | 8% | 7% | 6% |
| | Rhode Island | 8% | 8% | 9% | 8% | 7% |
| K-12 students receiving special education services (% enrolled) | Four Core Cities | 17% | 17% | 17% | 18% | 18% |
| | Rhode Island | 15% | 15% | 15% | 15% | 16% |
| Public school enrollment (total enrollment) | Four Core Cities | 41,313 | 41,461 | 41,525 | 39,412 | 38,148 |
| | Rhode Island | 142,949 | 143,247 | 143,557 | 139,184 | 138,566 |
| Public school enrollment (% low-income) | Four Core Cities | 79% | 82% | 81% | 80% | 78% |
| | Rhode Island | 47% | 47% | 48% | 46% | 41% |
| Students who are Multilingual Learners/ English Learners | Four Core Cities | 19% | 22% | 24% | 26% | 27% |
| | Rhode Island | 8% | 9% | 10% | 11% | 11% |
| Student mobility rate | Four Core Cities | 22% | 22% | 19% | 17% | 29% |
| | Rhode Island | 14% | 13% | 13% | 10% | 14% |
| Third graders meeting expectations in reading (RICAS) | Four Core Cities | NA | 0.21 | 27% | 27% | 19% |
| | Rhode Island | NA | 40% | 48% | 0% | 40% |
| Third graders meeting expectations in math (RICAS) | Four Core Cities | NA | 0.2 | 19% | 19% | 9% |
| | Rhode Island | NA | 35% | 36% | 0% | 25% |
| Eighth graders meeting expectations in reading (RICAS) | Four Core Cities | NA | 0.1 | 15% | 15% | 12% |
| | Rhode Island | NA | 28% | 36% | 0% | 29% |
| Eighth graders meeting expectations in math (RICAS) | Four Core Cities | NA | 6% | 8% | 8% | <5% |
| | Rhode Island | NA | 23% | 24% | 0% | 16% |
| Schools identified for intervention | Four Core Cities | 32% | 24% | 24% | 24% | 24% |
| | Rhode Island | 8% | 8% | 7% | 7% | 7% |
| Chronic early absence in grades K-3 | Four Core Cities | 24% | 24% | 26% | 25% | 42% |
| | Rhode Island | 13% | 13% | 14% | 16% | 22% |
| Chronic absence in high school | Four Core Cities | 47% | 46% | 45% | 40% | 56% |
| | Rhode Island | 28% | 27% | 26% | 26% | 34% |
| Suspension rate (per 100 students) | Four Core Cities | 14 | 14 | 18 | 12 | 1 |
| | Rhode Island | 14 | 15 | 15 | 10 | 1 |
| High school graduation rate | Four Core Cities | 75% | 75% | 75% | 74% | 74% |
| | Rhode Island | 84% | 84% | 84% | 84% | 84% |
| College enrollment (% of high school graduates immediately enrolling) | Four Core Cities | 46% | 53% | 53% | 43% | 41% |
| | Rhode Island | 61% | 67% | 67% | 61% | 59% |