

Rhode Island Kids Count 2022 Factbook

Indicators of Child Well-Being

Snapshot of Providence, Rhode Island



Census-Based Indicators		1990	2000	2010	2020	
Child population	Providence	37,972	45,277	41,634	41,021	
	Rhode Island	225,690	247,822	223,956	209,785	
					2016-2020	
Median family income	Providence				\$50,393	
	Rhode Island				\$83,161	
Children living in families below the federal poverty threshold	Providence				31.8%	
	Rhode Island				15.6%	
Economic Well-Being		2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Cost of rent	Providence	\$1,855	\$1,880	\$1,867	\$1,851	\$1,846
	Rhode Island	\$1,717	\$1,731	\$1,732	\$1,725	\$1,771
Paid Family Leave (total approved TCI claims)	Providence	869	1,051	1,094	1,289	966
	Rhode Island	6,224	6,760	7,175	8,083	6,057
Children in families receiving cash assistance	Providence	8%	8%	8%	4%	5%
	Rhode Island	3%	3%	3%	2%	2%
Children receiving SNAP benefits	Providence	21,355	20,730	19,225	16,339	16,376
	Rhode Island	56,580	54,706	50,825	43,660	43,511
WIC participation (% income-eligible children participating)	Providence	60%	56%	57%	56%	54%
	Rhode Island	50%	46%	47%	48%	45%
School Breakfast Program participation (% income-eligible children participating)	Providence	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	Providence	37,822	41,329	39,508	39,314	39,199
	Rhode Island	120,138	122,915	117,987	118,858	119,426
Babies born	Providence	2,366	2,352	2,292	2,264	2,276
	Rhode Island	10,050	9,952	9,614	9,590	9,892
Evidence-Based Family Home Visiting (# of families enrolled)	Providence	435	463	452	424	452
	Rhode Island	1,090	1,278	1,294	1,244	1,317
Child overweight and obesity	Providence	NA	32%	33%	36%	NA
	Rhode Island	NA	30%	31%	35%	NA
		2012-2016	2013-2017	2014-2018	2015-2019	2016-2020
Births to mothers with less than a high school diploma	Providence	21%	21%	21%	21%	22%
	Rhode Island	12%	11%	11%	11%	12%
Infants born with low birthweight	Providence	8.8%	8.8%	8.8%	8.7%	8.8%
	Rhode Island	7.5%	7.4%	7.5%	7.7%	7.7%
Women with delayed prenatal care	Providence	18.8%	18.3%	19.8%	20.7%	20.2%
	Rhode Island	14.5%	14.7%	15.9%	16.1%	15.8%
Preterm births	Providence	10.0%	9.8%	9.8%	9.7%	9.8%
	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)	Providence	19.3	16.5	14.8	15.0	12.8
	Rhode Island	14.6	14.6	13.9	12.0	11.3
Children with incarcerated parents rate (per 1,000 children)	Providence	23.6	22.4	20.8	16.5	14.8
	Rhode Island	12.7	11.8	10.5	8.1	7.6
Domestic violence incidents with children present	Providence	29%	29%	NA	27%	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)	Providence	NA	105	94	37	NA
	Rhode Island	NA	618	522	328	NA
Youth in the Juvenile Justice System (# of youth at the RI Training School during the year)	Providence	143	98	94	82	51
	Rhode Island	358	272	246	191	137
Education		2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Children enrolled in Early Intervention (% enrolled)	Providence	6%	7%	8%	7%	7%
	Rhode Island	6%	7%	7%	7%	6%
Children enrolled in Early Head Start (% of low-income children <age 3 enrolled)	Providence	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)	Providence	NA	NA	NA	39%	39%
	Rhode Island	NA	NA	NA	33%	42%
Licensed early learning centers	Providence	47	46	51	53	51
	Rhode Island	316	315	329	317	313
Licensed family child care homes	Providence	283	272	276	241	236
	Rhode Island	478	457	460	403	397
Licensed early learning centers with high-quality rating (4 or 5 stars)	Providence	30%	28%	29%	26%	29%
	Rhode Island	20%	21%	25%	25%	25%
Licensed family child care homes with high-quality rating (4 or 5 stars)	Providence	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
	Rhode Island	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Children receiving child care subsidies (subsidy use by child residence)	Providence	3,909	3,682	3,950	2,504	2,149
	Rhode Island	10,429	10,171	10,580	7,016	6,063
Children receiving preschool special education services	Providence	6%	6%	6%	5%	5%
	Rhode Island	8%	8%	9%	8%	7%
K-12 students receiving special education services (% enrolled)	Providence	15%	15%	15%	16%	16%
	Rhode Island	15%	15%	15%	15%	16%
Public school enrollment (total enrollment)	Providence	24,075	23,944	23,836	22,440	21,656
	Rhode Island	142,949	143,247	143,557	139,184	138,566
Public school enrollment (% low-income)	Providence	87%	84%	84%	84%	82%
	Rhode Island	47%	47%	48%	46%	41%
Students who are Multilingual Learners/ English Learners	Providence	23%	26%	29%	32%	33%
	Rhode Island	8%	9%	10%	11%	11%
Student mobility rate	Providence	24%	23%	23%	17%	38%
	Rhode Island	14%	13%	13%	10%	14%
Third graders meeting expectations in reading (RICAS)	Providence	NA	0.19	26%	NA	19%
	Rhode Island	NA	40%	48%	NA	40%
Third graders meeting expectations in math (RICAS)	Providence	NA	0.17	17%	NA	9%
	Rhode Island	NA	35%	36%	NA	25%
Eighth graders meeting expectations in reading (RICAS)	Providence	NA	0.08	15%	NA	12%
	Rhode Island	NA	28%	36%	NA	29%
Eighth graders meeting expectations in math (RICAS)	Providence	NA	0.06	7%	NA	<5%
	Rhode Island	NA	23%	24%	NA	16%
Schools identified for intervention	Providence	48%	32%	27%	27%	27%
	Rhode Island	8%	8%	7%	7%	7%
Chronic early absence in grades K-3	Providence	27%	27%	29%	27%	47%
	Rhode Island	13%	13%	14%	16%	22%
Chronic absence in high school	Providence	51%	50%	48%	40%	68%
	Rhode Island	28%	27%	26%	26%	34%
Suspension rate (per 100 students)	Providence	17	16	13	7	1
	Rhode Island	14	15	15	10	1
High school graduation rate	Providence	75%	75%	74%	75%	78%
	Rhode Island	84%	84%	84%	84%	84%
College enrollment (% of high school graduates immediately enrolling)	Providence	49%	55%	54%	45%	43%
	Rhode Island	61%	67%	67%	61%	59%