



Warwick Data in Your Backyard

Findings from the *2013 Rhode Island KIDS COUNT Factbook*

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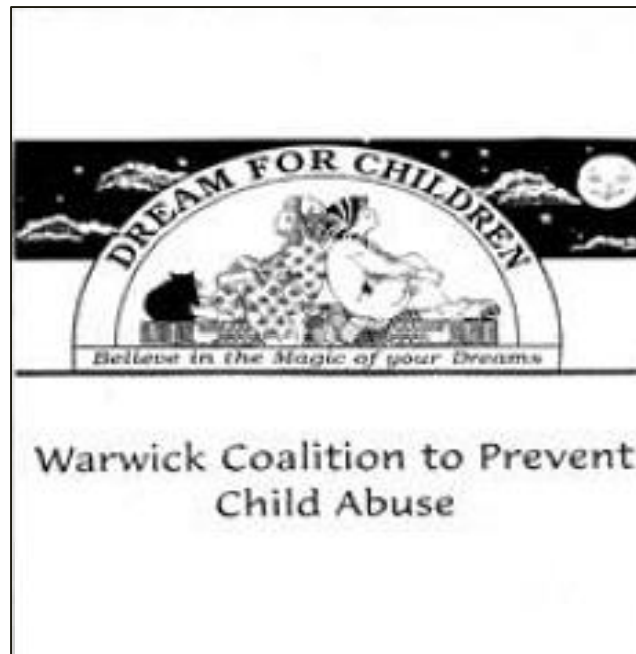
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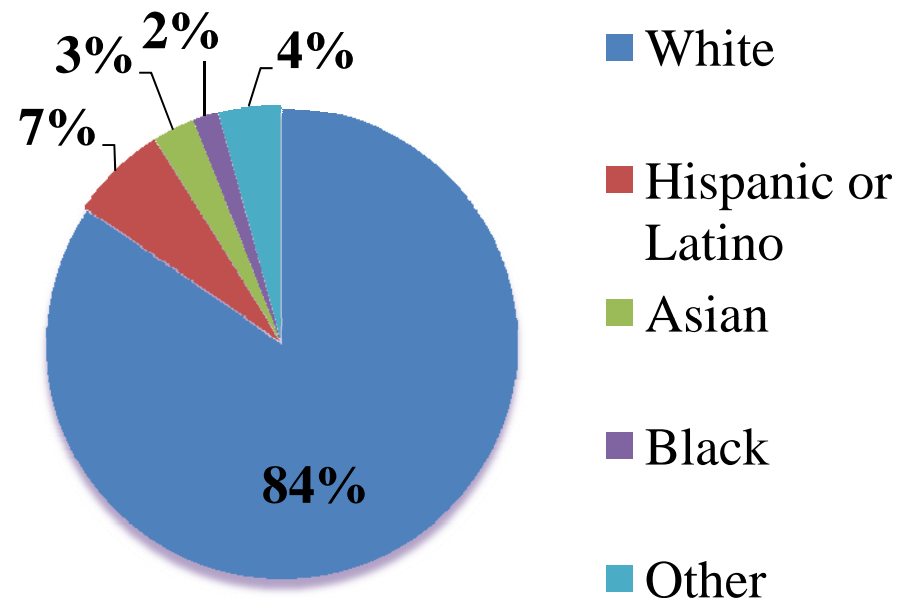
Family and Community





Warwick's Child Population, By Race & Ethnicity, 2010

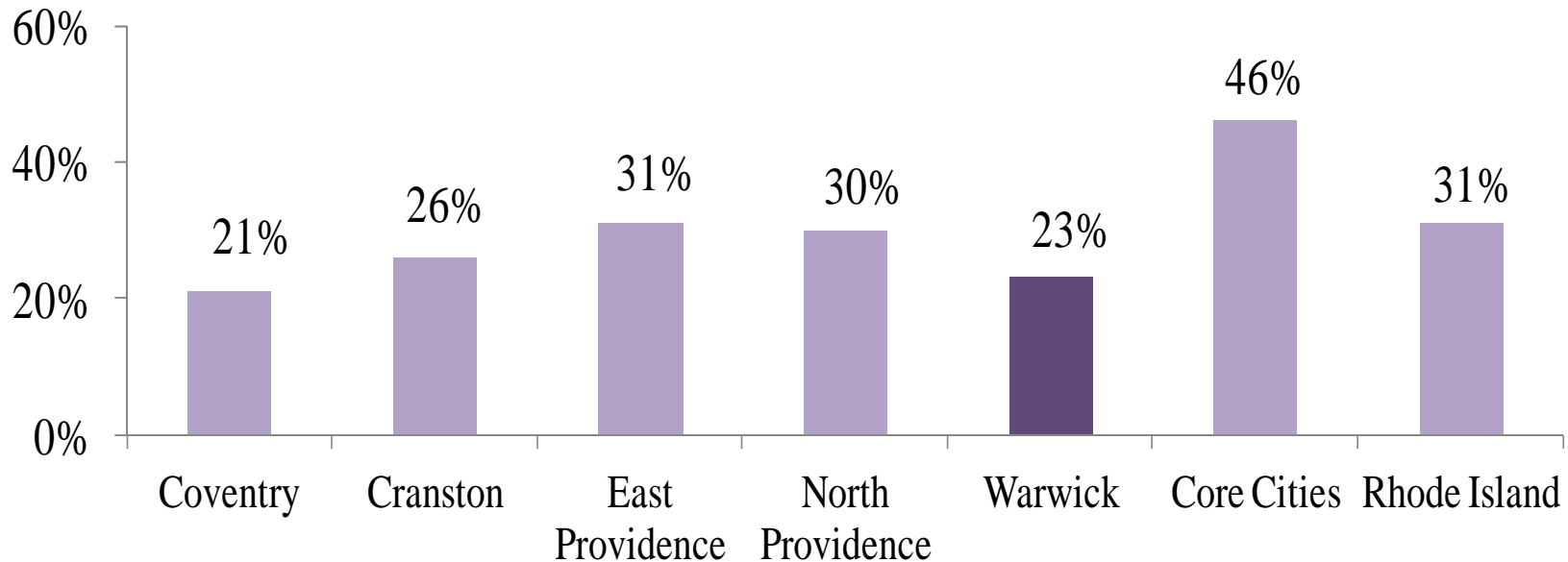
Population Under Age 18	
White, Non-Hispanic	13,365
Hispanic or Latino	1,048
Asian	457
Black	275
Other	680
Total	15,825



- Child population fell 15.7% between 2000 and 2010 from 18,780 to 15,825. It is becoming more diverse with 84% being White, non-Hispanic in 2010, compared to 92% in 2000.



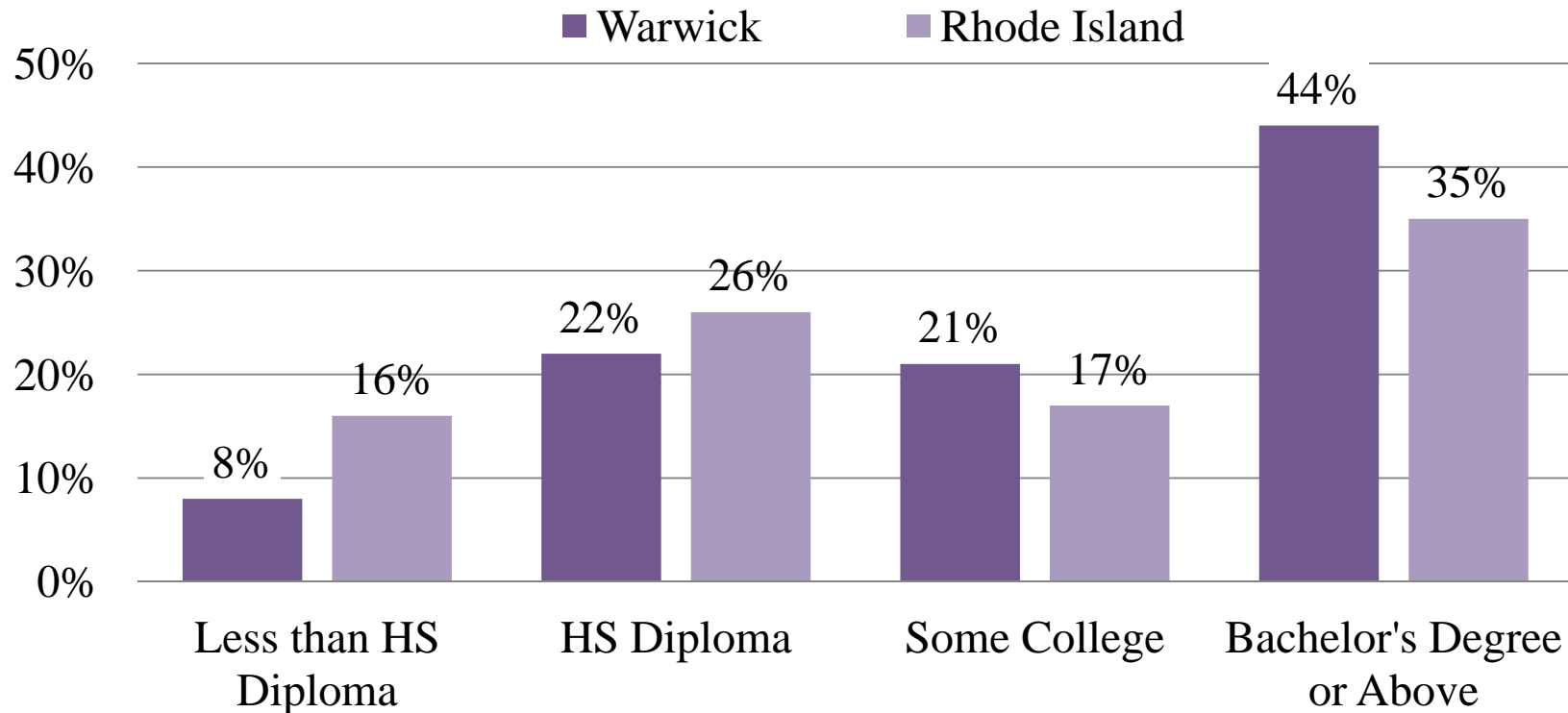
Children in Single Parent Families



- Between 2009 and 2011, 39% of single-parent households lived in poverty compared to 7% of children in married-couple households
- Seventy-six percent of all poor children in Rhode Island lived in a single-parent family during same period.



Mother's Education Level, 2007-2011



- Strong links between parent education levels and a child's health and education outcomes.
- Warwick has a higher rate of mothers with a Bachelor's degree or above (44%) than in the state as a whole (35%).



Infants Born at Highest Risk

Mother:

Under Age 20

Unmarried

Without High School Degree



Child:

More likely to grow up in poverty

More likely to suffer from abuse or neglect

Less likely to be ready for school at kindergarten entry

Less likely to perform well in school

Less likely to complete high school

In 2012...

- 351 (3%) Rhode Island babies were born with all three risk factors.
- **7 (1%) Warwick babies were born at highest risk.**

Economic Well-Being





Child Poverty Defined, 2012

- **Poverty level**
 - **\$18,498** for a family of three with two children
 - **\$23,283** for a family of four with two children
- **Extreme poverty level**
 - **\$9,249** for a family of three with two children
 - **\$11,642** for a family of four with two children.
- ***2012 Rhode Island Standard of Need***
 - Single parent with two young children would need \$49,272/year to pay basic living



Children in Poverty

	Child Poverty 2000	Child Poverty 2007-2011	Child Poverty Margin of Error	Low- Income 2012 (FRPL)
Coventry	481 (5.9%)	938 (11.7%)	+/-3.77%	29%
Cranston	1,496 (9.1%)	1,788 (11.0%)	+/-2.29%	42%
East Providence	1,126 (10.8%)	1,625 (17.2%)	+/-4.37%	48%
North Providence	579 (10.1%)	660 (11.1%)	+/-4.48%	40%
Warwick	1,243 (6.7%)	1,382 (8.8%)	+/-1.94%	34%
Core Cities	28,291 (35.9%)	25,747 (35.3%)	+/-1.23%	80%
Rhode Island	41,162 (16.9)	39,900 (17.9%)	+/-0.83%	46%

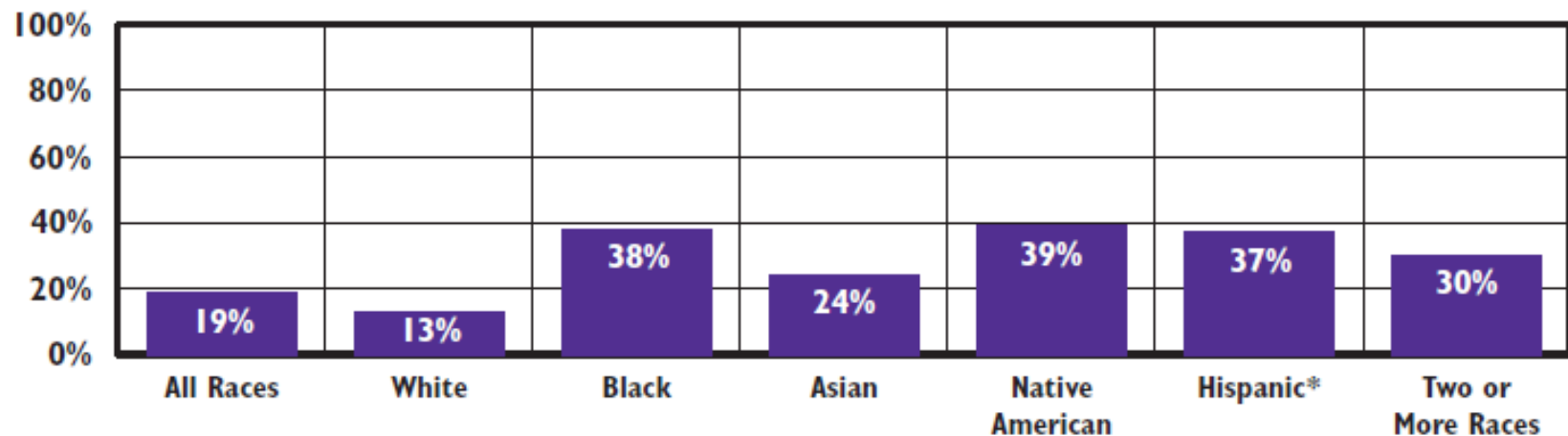
*Note: These communities have high margins of errors, a measure of the reliability of the estimate.

**Note: Percentage of children eligible for an enrolled in the Free and Reduced Price Lunch (FRPL) Program (<185% FPL).



Disparities in Poverty Rates

Children in Poverty, by Race and Ethnicity, Rhode Island, 2009-2011

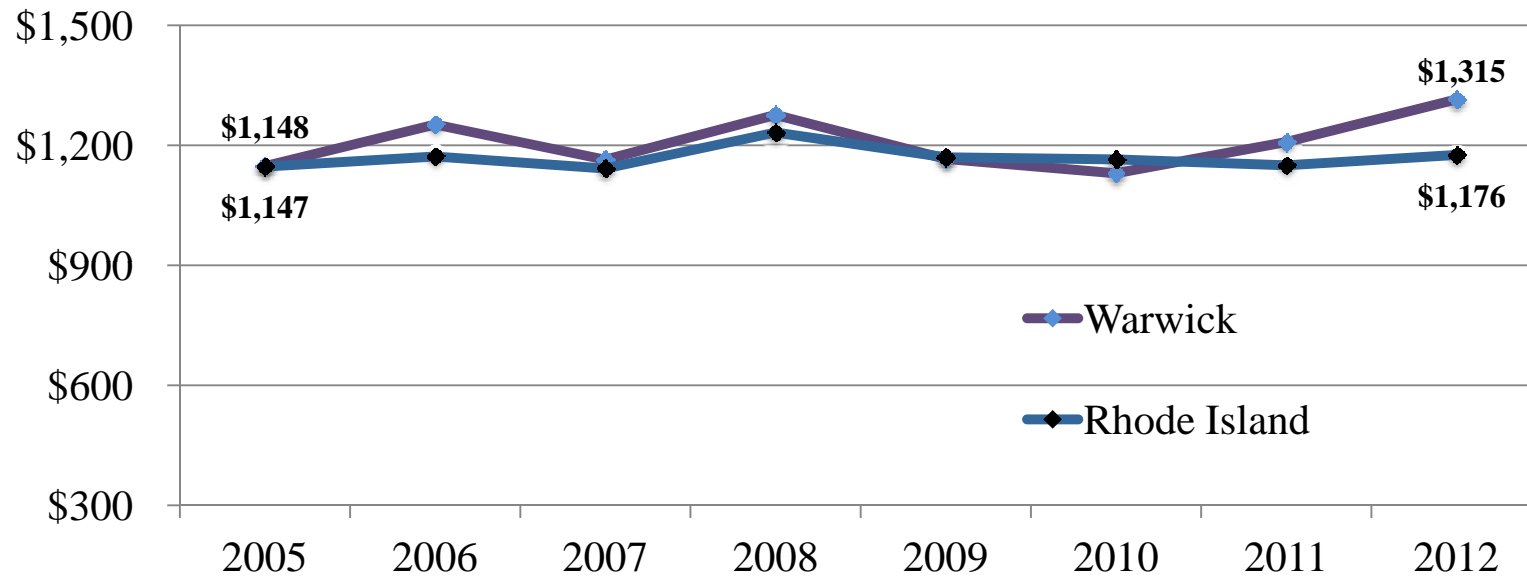


- Half of all poor children in Rhode Island are White,
- **BUT** minority children are much more likely to be living in poverty than their White peers.



Cost of Housing

**Average Cost of a Two-Bedroom Apartment
2005-2012**



To afford the average rent in Rhode Island without a cost burden...

- A worker would need to earn 3 times the state's 2012 minimum wage of \$7.40 per hour.

A family of three living at the poverty level in Warwick...

- would have to devote 83% of its household income to the cost of rent.



Homeless Children & Youth

In 2012, 1,277 children stayed in a homeless shelter or a domestic violence shelter in RI.

- **Warwick was the last permanent residence for 46 of these children.**

During the 2011-2012 school year, Rhode Island public school personnel identified 961 children as homeless.

- **Warwick Public Schools personnel identified 60 children as homeless.**



Children Receiving SNAP Benefits

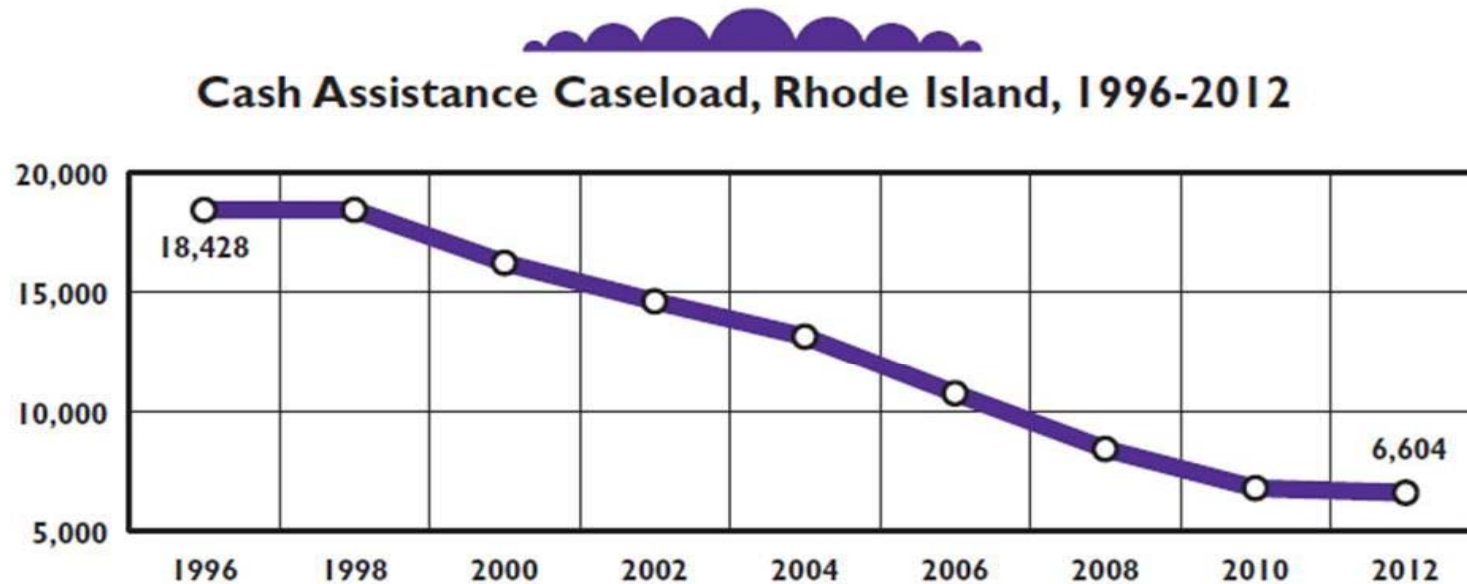
	# Participating 2005	# Participating 2012	% Change 2005- 2012
Coventry	381	1,188	212%
Cranston	1,547	3,898	152%
East Providence	914	2,188	139%
North Providence	420	1,311	212%
Warwick	1,136	2,627	131%
Core Cities	25,433	39,976	57%
Rhode Island	35,168	64,866	84%

In October 2012

- 2,627 Warwick children were receiving SNAP benefits
- 131% increase from 2005



Families Receiving Cash Assistance



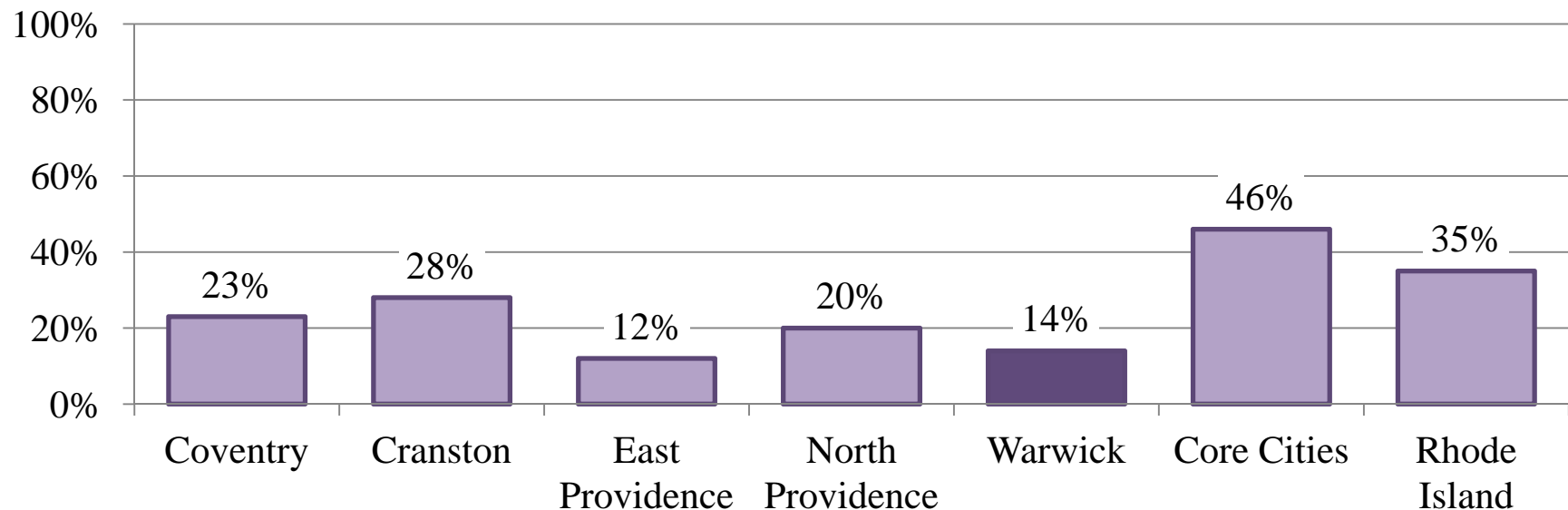
Source: Rhode Island Department of Human Services, InRhodes Database, December 1, 1996–2012.

- 64% decline in the Rhode Island cash assistance caseload.
- **2% (326) of children in Warwick were receiving cash assistance.**
- 68% of RI Works beneficiaries are children under age 18.
- In SFY 2012, the state budget included no state general revenue for cash assistance.



Children Participating in School Breakfast

% of Eligible Low-Income Children Participating in School Breakfast, 2012



- Providing free breakfast to all children regardless of income can increase school breakfast participation and can reduce administrative costs.
- Students who eat breakfast have significantly higher math and reading scores, fewer absences, improved attentiveness and lower incidences of social and behavioral problems.

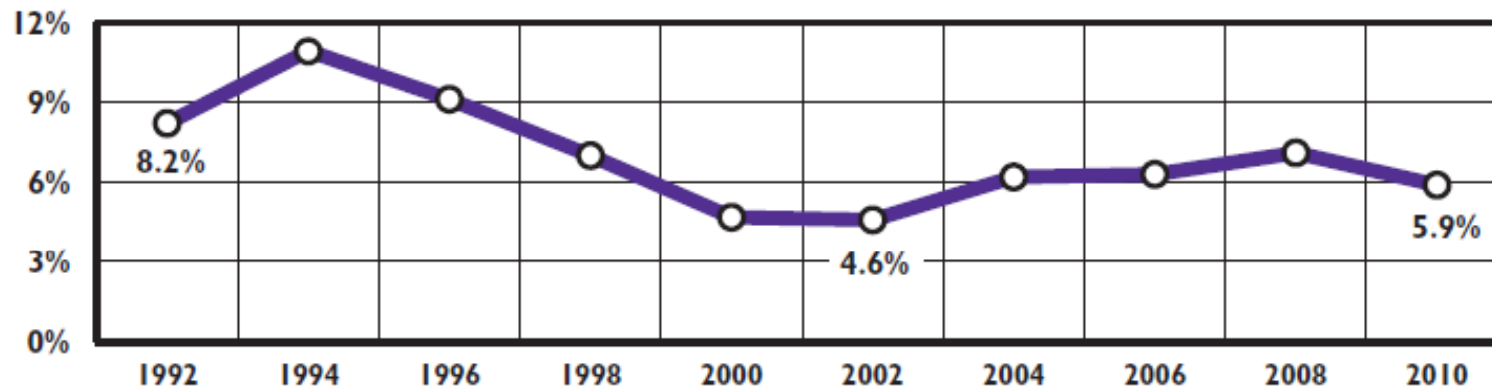
Health





Uninsured Children in Rhode Island

Children Without Health Insurance, Rhode Island, 1991-2011



- In Rhode Island between 2010 and 2012...
 - 6.0% of children under age 18 were uninsured
 - Rhode Island ranks 10th best in the country
- Children in families with incomes up to 250% FPL are eligible for RItE Care.



Infant Health Outcomes, 2007-2011

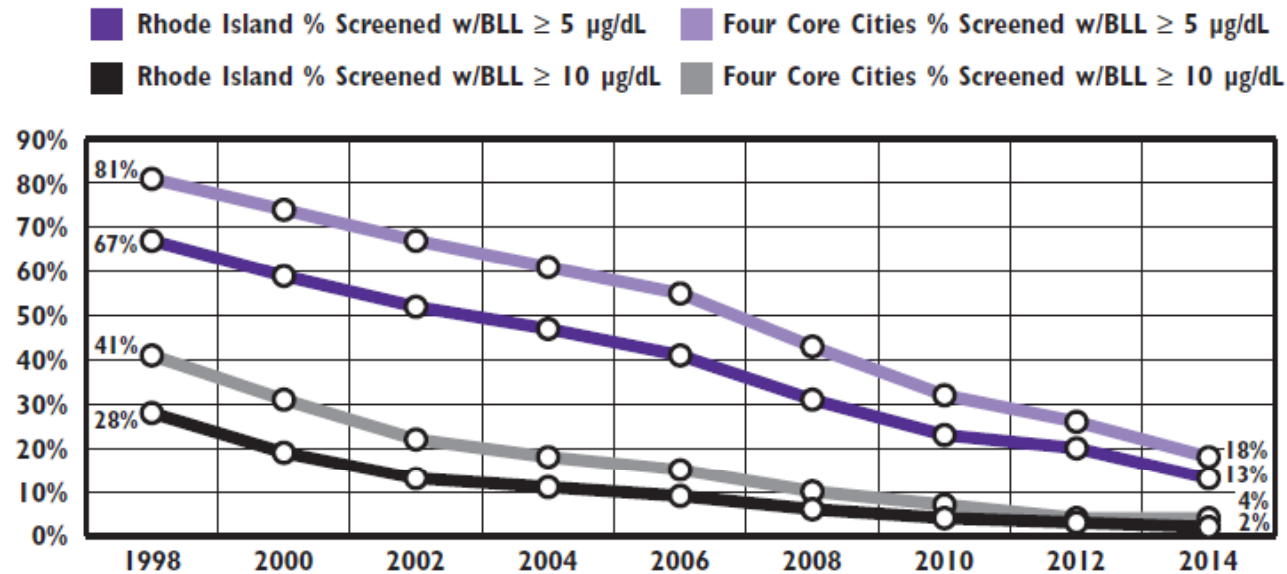
	Delayed Prenatal Care	Preterm Births	Low Birthweight Infants	Infant Mortality (Rate/1,000 Births)
Coventry	12.6%	11.6%	8.0%	7.4
Cranston	14.6%	11.1%	8.1%	6.2
East Providence	11.4%	10.5%	7.2%	5.0
North Providence	13.0%	10.5%	7.8%	5.9
<i>Warwick</i>	<i>12.5%</i>	<i>9.9%</i>	<i>7.5%</i>	<i>6.0</i>
Core Cities	19.6%	12.6%	9.0%	8.1
Rhode Island	15.0%	11.1%	7.9%	6.5

- Warwick ranks better than the state as a whole in all four categories.



Children with Elevated Blood Lead Levels

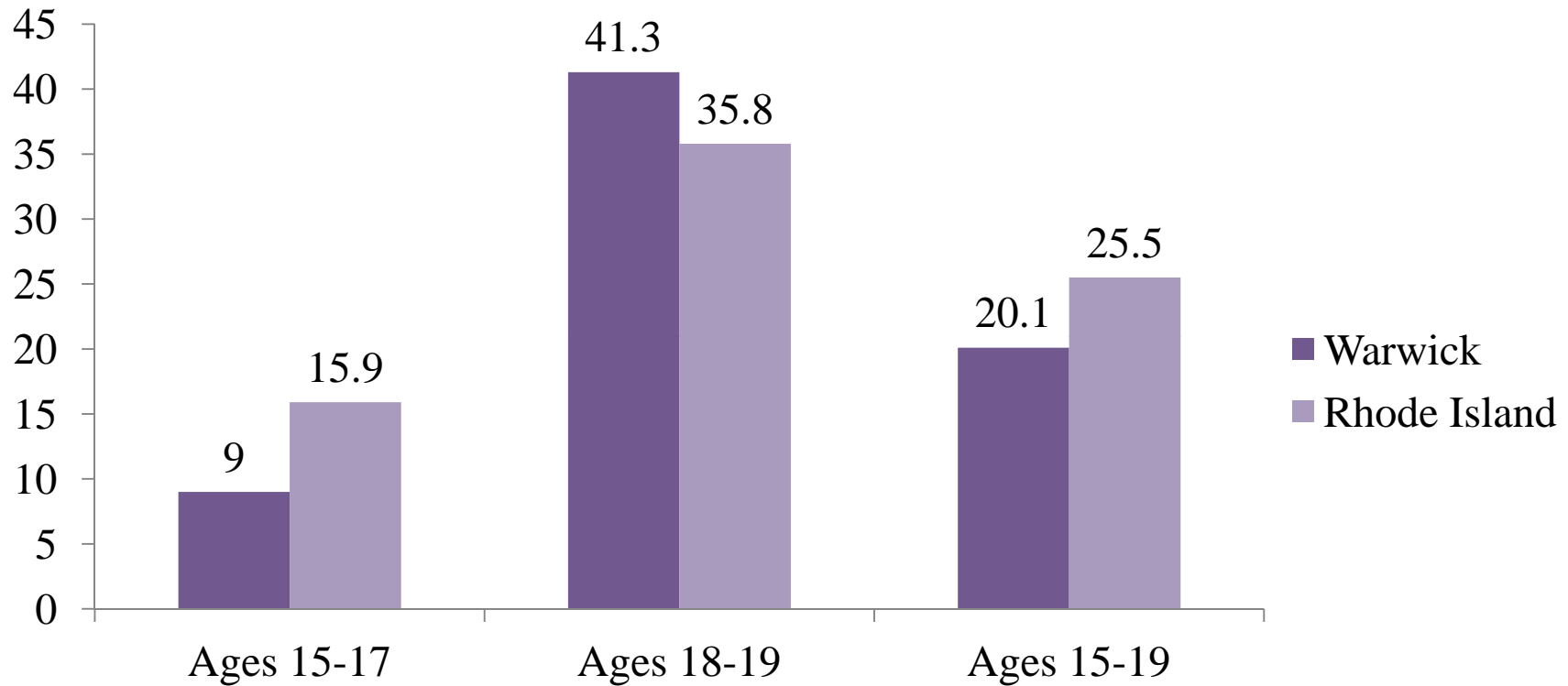
Children Entering Kindergarten with History of Elevated Blood Lead Level Screening, Rhode Island and Four Core Cities, 1998-2014



- The CDC lowered threshold for elevated blood lead level from 10 mcg/dL to 5 mcg/dL.
- 734 Warwick children due to enter kindergarten in the fall of 2014
 - 41 (5.6%) were confirmed positive for ≥ 5 mcg/dL (new level)
 - 1 (0.1%) were confirmed positive for ≥ 10 mcg/dL (old level)



Births to Teens, 2007-2011



- In Warwick between 2007 and 2011, 29 births were repeat teen births, making up 13% of the total 224 teen births in Warwick during that period.

Safety



Gun Violence



Gun Deaths and Hospitalizations Among Children, Rhode Island, 2007-2011

AGE	NUMBER OF DEATHS	NUMBER OF HOSPITALIZATIONS
0 to 14	1	9
15 to 19	21	66
TOTAL	22	75

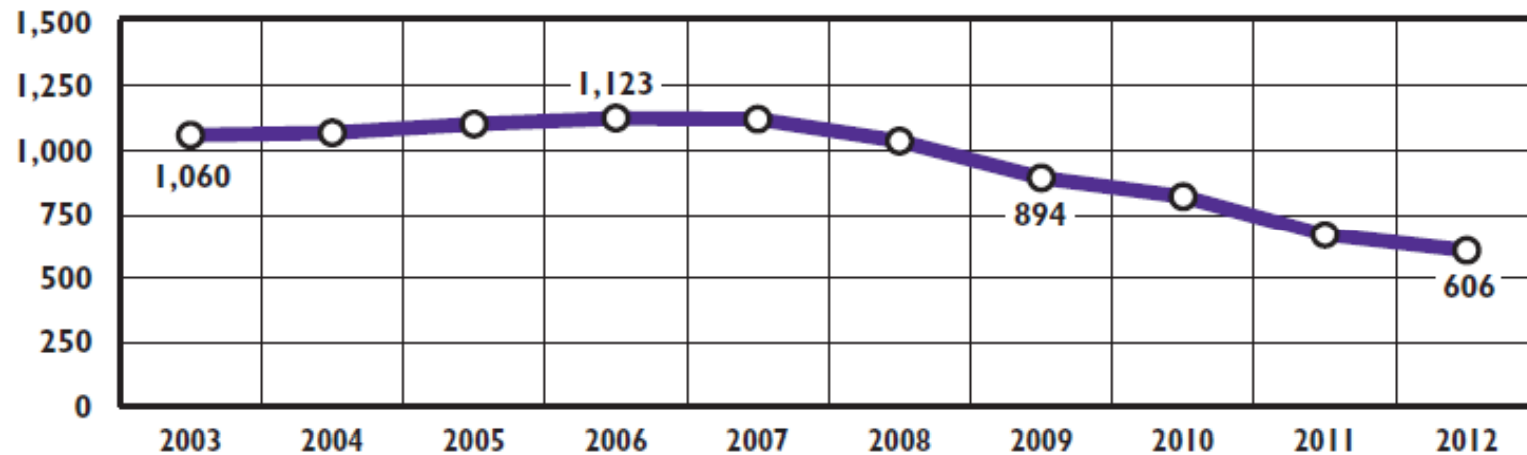
Source: Rhode Island Department of Health, Center for Health Data and Analysis, 2007-2011. Data for 2010 and 2011 are provisional.

- Nationally, **2,711 children and youth under age 20 were killed by firearms during 2010**
 - 86% (2,331) were ages 15 to 19
- In Rhode Island in 2011,
 - **11% of high school students reported they carried a weapon in the past 30 days** compared with 17% of U.S. high school students



Juveniles Referred to Family Court and at the RITS

Juveniles in the Care and Custody of
the Rhode Island Training School, 2003-2012



- Major decreases in youth referred to family court and in the custody of Training School
- In 2012, 5% of juvenile offenses involved violent offenses.



Juveniles Referred to Family Court and at RI Training School

By Type of Offense

23%	Property Crimes	5%	Violent Crimes
19%	Disorderly Conduct	4%	Motor Vehicle Offenses
19%	Status Offenses*	3%	Weapons Offenses
11%	Simple Assault	6%	Other**
9%	Alcohol and Drug Offenses		

n=5,780

**Status offenses are age-related acts that would not be punishable if the offender were an adult, such as truancy and disobedient conduct.*

***Other includes offenses such as conspiracy, crank/obscene phone calls, computer crimes and possession of a manipulative device for automobiles, etc. Probation violations, contempt of court, and other violations of court orders are not included in the offenses above.*

Source: Rhode Island Family Court, 2006-2012 Juvenile Offense Reports. Percentages may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

- Major decreases in youth referred to family court and in custody of the training school
- In 2012, 28 youth from Warwick passed through the Training School
 - 5% of the total youth who passed through



Children of Incarcerated Parents, 2012

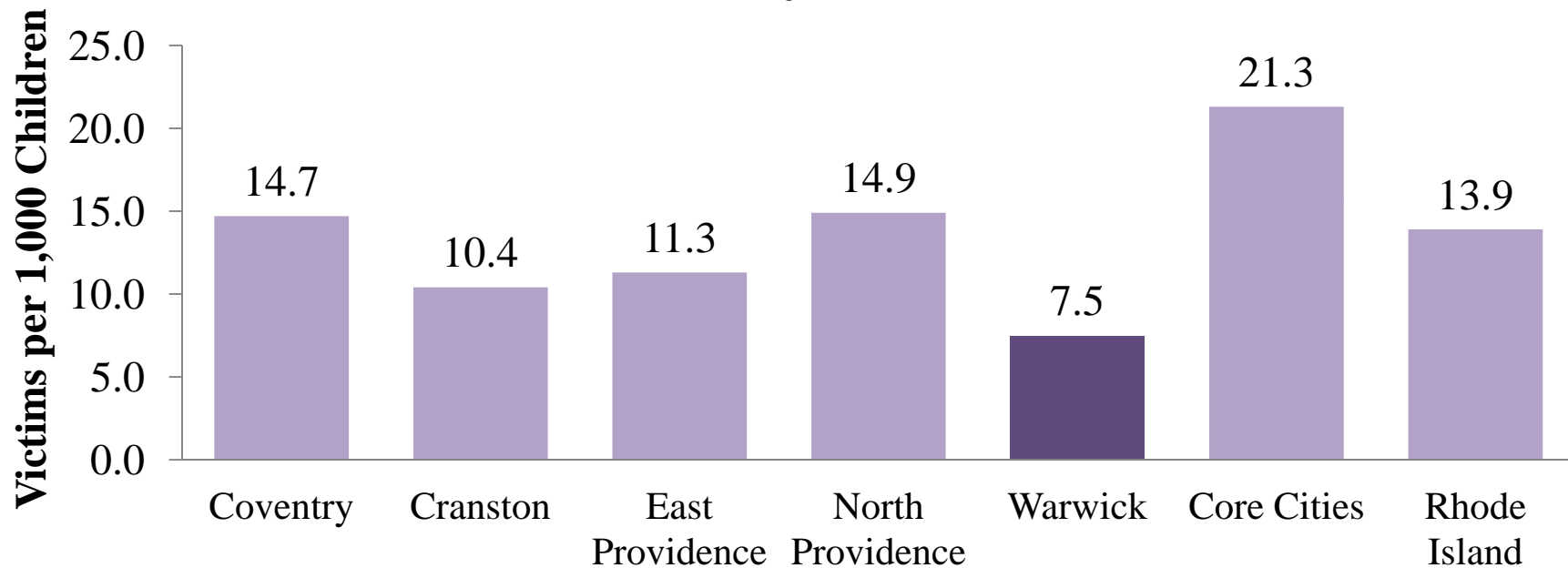
	Number of Parents	Number of Children Reported	Rate per 1,000 Children
Coventry	31	63	8.1
Cranston	62	120	7.3
East Providence	39	82	8.9
North Providence	25	42	7.6
<i>Warwick</i>	<i>63</i>	<i>110</i>	<i>7.0</i>
Four Core Cities	668	1,512	20.5
Rhode Island	1,141	2,458	11.0

- In Warwick, 63 children have incarcerated parents



Child Abuse & Neglect

Victims of Child Abuse and Neglect per 1,000 children 2012



- In 2012 in Warwick, there were 118 victims of child abuse and neglect, a rate of 7.5 per 1,000 children.
- Almost half (47%) of child abuse and neglect victims were under the age of 6.

Education

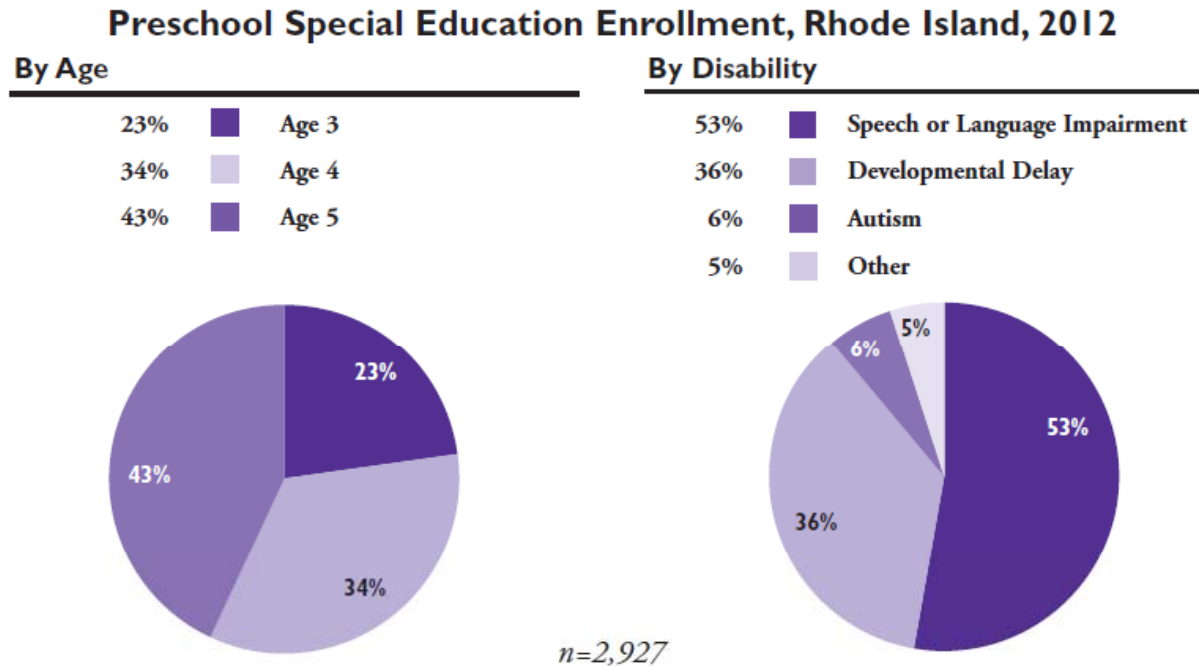




Head Start and Early Head Start

- **Head Start:** In 2012, 9% of Warwick children ages 3 to 4 were enrolled.
- In Rhode Island, Head Start served
 - 40% of the estimated 6,056 income-eligible children ages 3 to 4
 - 10% of all children ages 3 to 4
- **Early Head Start:** In 2012, 2% of Warwick children under age 3 were enrolled.
- In Rhode Island, Early Head Start served
 - 6% of the estimated 8,650 income-eligible children under age 3
 - 2% of all children under age 3

Preschool Special Education

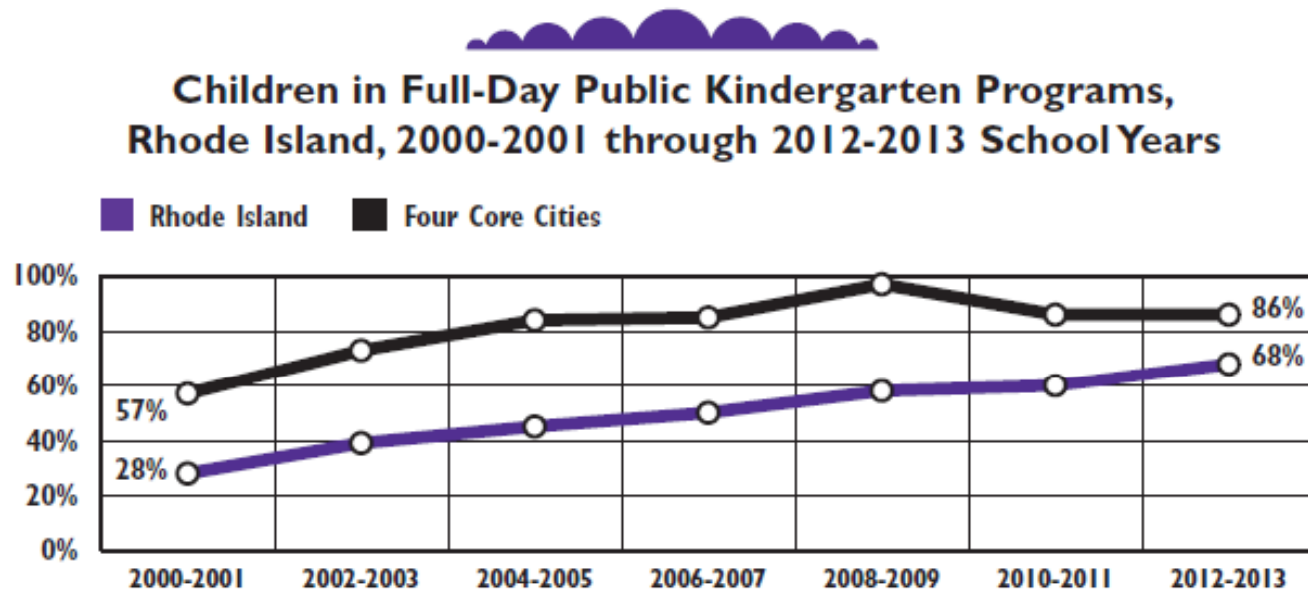


Source: Rhode Island Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, June 2012 Special Education Census.

In Warwick, 8% of children ages 3 to 5 were enrolled in preschool special education.



Children in Full-Day Kindergarten



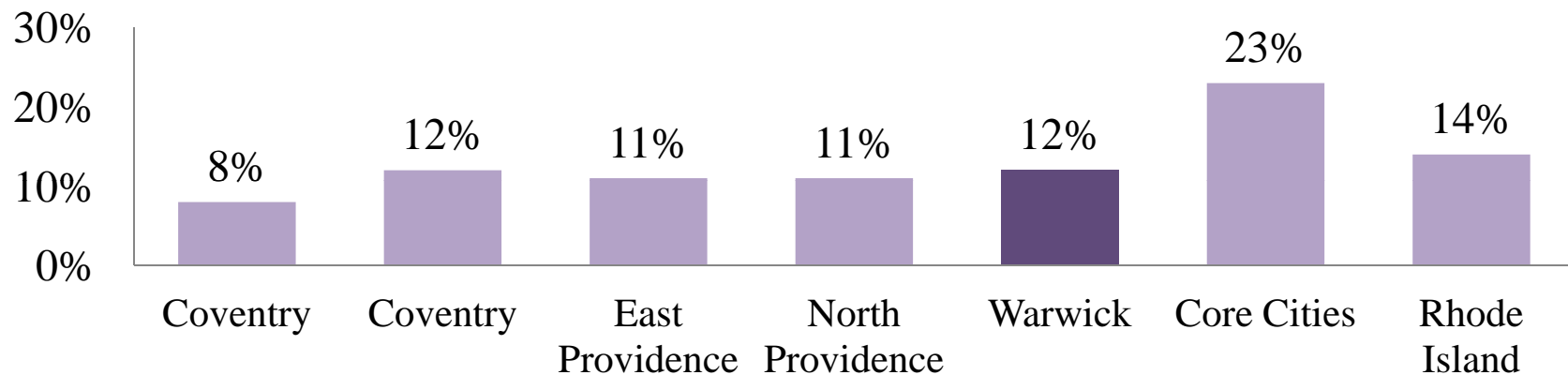
Source: Rhode Island Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, kindergarten enrollment October 1, 2000 – October 1, 2012.

- In 2012-2013
 - 68% of Rhode Island children were in full-day programs
 - 77% of U.S. children were in full-day programs
- As of the 2012-2013 school year, 21 school districts offered universal access to full-day kindergarten classrooms. In Warwick, 11% of children were in full-day programs.



Student Mobility

Student Mobility Rate Four Core Cities and Rhode Island 2011-2012

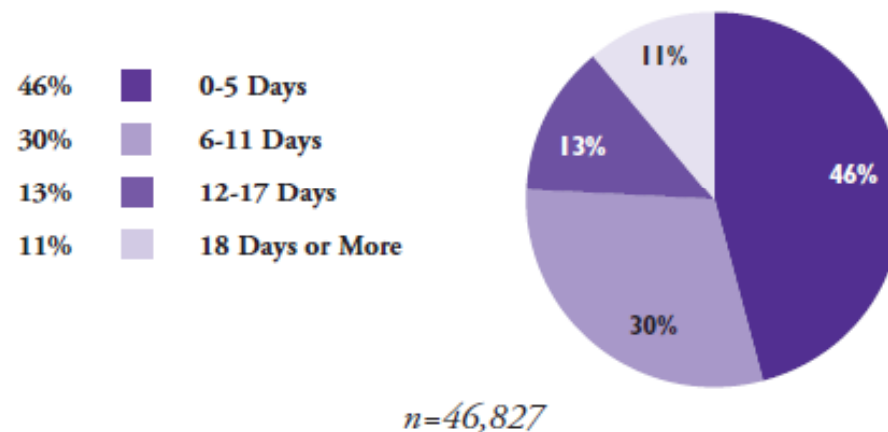


- Students who change schools mid-year are absent more often, suspended more often and perform worse in reading and math than their peers who do not change schools.
- The mobility rate in Warwick is 12%, a little below the state's mobility rate of 14%.



Chronic Early Absence

School Attendance in Rhode Island by Number of School Days Missed,
Grades K-3, 2011-2012 School Year

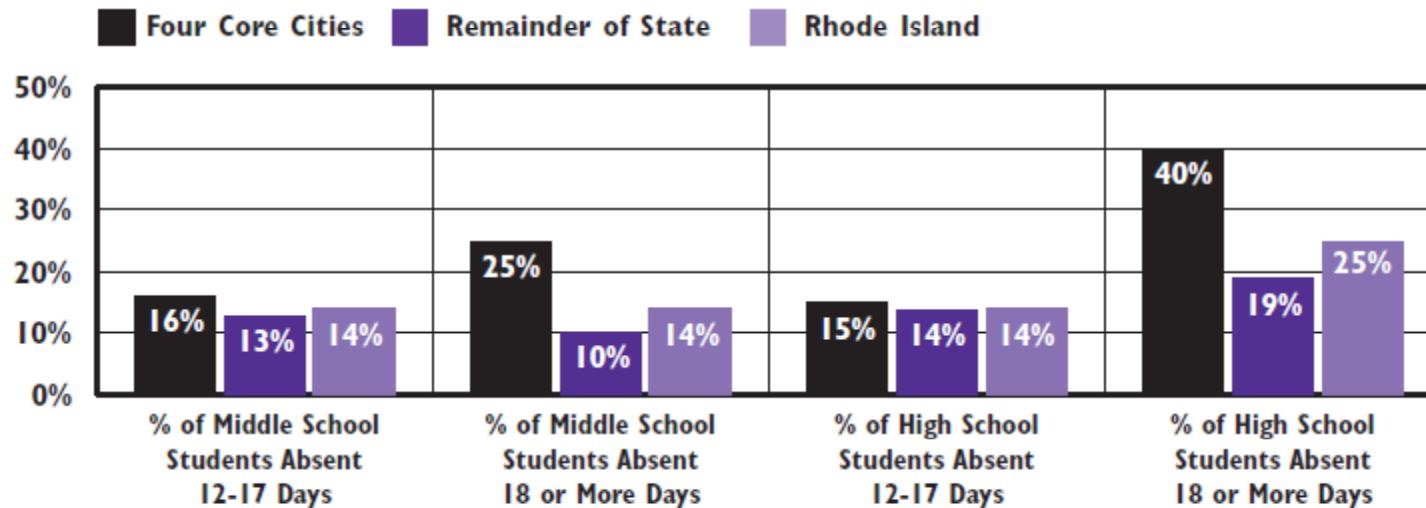


- **Definition:** The percentage of children in grades K-3 who have missed at least 10% of the school year (i.e., 18 days or more), including excused and unexcused absences.
- 8% of Warwick children (228 children) in grades K-3 were chronically absent
 - Less than the state rate of 11%



School Attendance

School Attendance in Rhode Island by Number of School Days Missed Middle and High School, 2011-2012 School Year



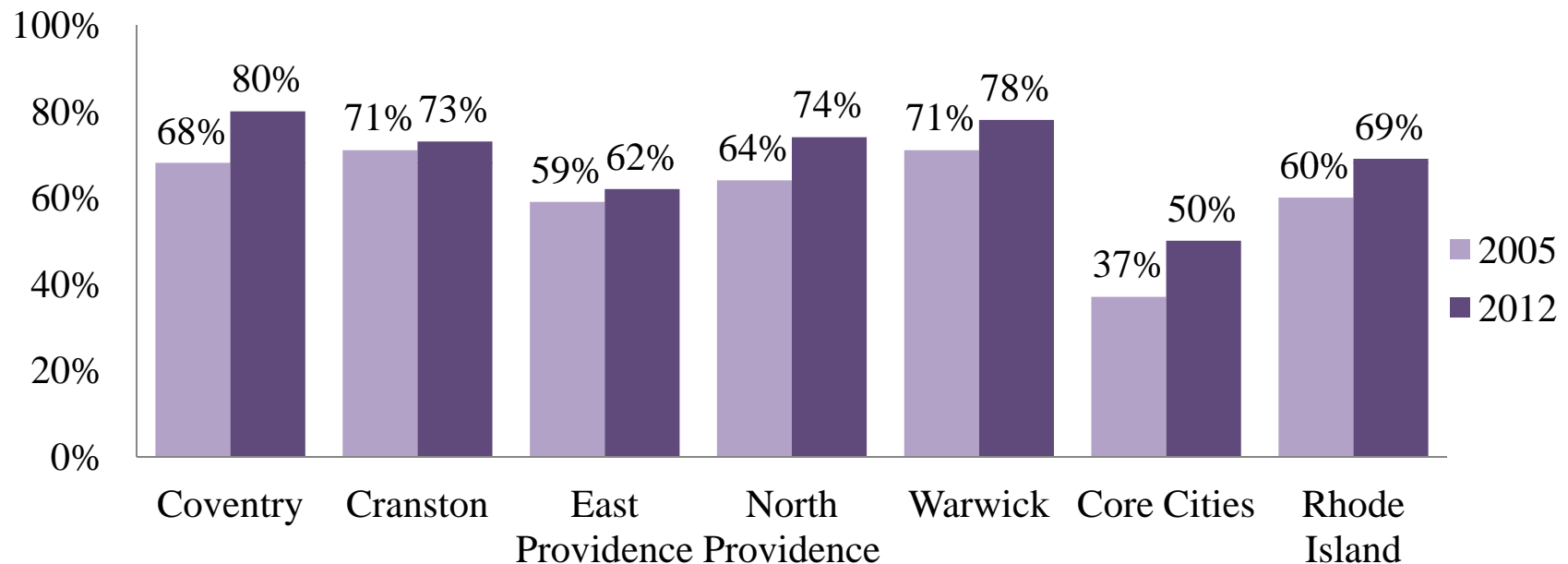
Source: Rhode Island Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, 2011-2012 school year.

- During the 2011-2012 school year,
 - 12% of Warwick middle school students missed 18+ days
 - 22% of Warwick high school students missed 18+ days



Reading Skills

**Fourth-Grade Reading Proficiency
% At or Above the Proficiency Level
Four Core Cities and Rhode Island, 2005 & 2012**



- Between 2005 and 2012, Warwick's 4th grade reading proficiency rate has increased from 71% to 78%.
- Between 2005 and 2012, Warwick's 8th grade reading proficiency rate has increased from 59% to 80% and is now slightly higher than the state rate of 77%.



Math Skills

4th , 8th and 11th Grade Math Proficiency Rates, 2005 & 2012

	4 th Grade 2005	4 th Grade 2012	8 th Grade 2005	8 th Grade 2012	11 th Grade 2007*	11 th Grade 2012
Coventry	63%	81%	62%	63%	26%	38%
Cranston	55%	64%	41%	62%	18%	25%
East Providence	59%	54%	46%	54%	14%	28%
North Providence	39%	65%	38%	47%	19%	35%
Warwick	63%	70%	52%	57%	18%	28%
Core Cities	31%	46%	25%	34%	10%	16%
Rhode Island	52%	64%	48%	58%	22%	34%



High School Graduation and Dropout Rates

Class of 2012				
	4-Year Graduation Rate	Dropout Rate	% Completed GED	% Still in School
Coventry	87%	8%	<1%	5%
Cranston	81%	11%	3%	6%
East Providence	69%	16%	3%	12%
North Providence	87%	1%	4%	8%
Warwick	79%	9%	6%	6%
Four Core Cities	66%	20%	3%	11%
Rhode Island	77%	12%	3%	8%

- In 2012, Warwick's four year graduation rate was 79%,
 - A slight drop from 82% in 2011
 - But higher than the statewide rate of 77%



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