

## Newport Data in Your Backyard

#### Findings from the 2014 Rhode Island Kids Count Factbook

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#### 2014 Rhode Island Kids Count Factbook

- 20<sup>th</sup> annual publication
- 70 indicators across 5 areas
- City and town-level information

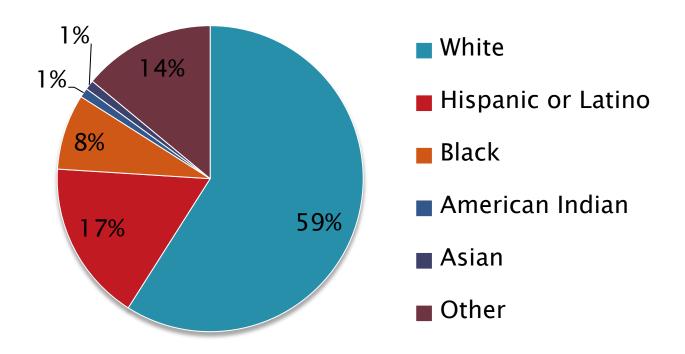




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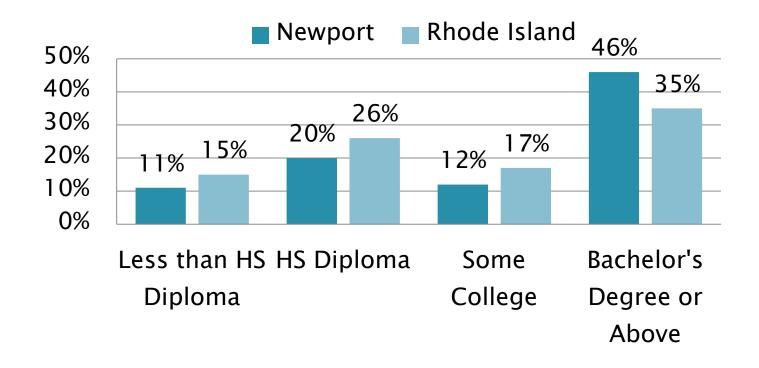
## Child Population, 2010



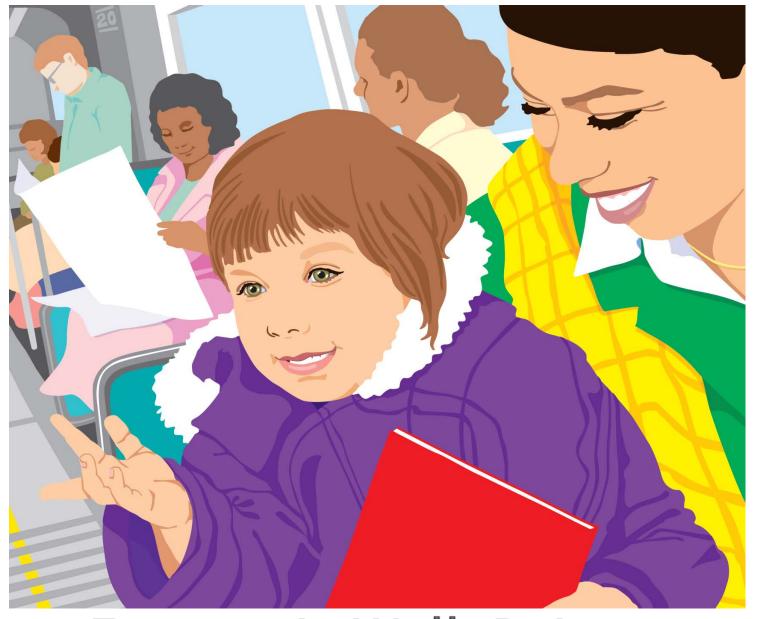
- Child population down 21.5% from 2000
- Increasing racial and ethnic diversity



## Mother's Education Level, 2008–2012



Strong links between parental education levels and child well-being



Economic Well-Being

## Child Poverty Defined, 2013

## Poverty level

- >\$18,769 for a family of 3
- >\$23,624 for a family of 4

## Extreme poverty level

- >\$9,385 for a family of 3
- >\$11,812 for a family of 4

#### 2012 Rhode Island Standard of Need

Single-parent family with 2 children would need \$49,272 a year to meet its basic needs



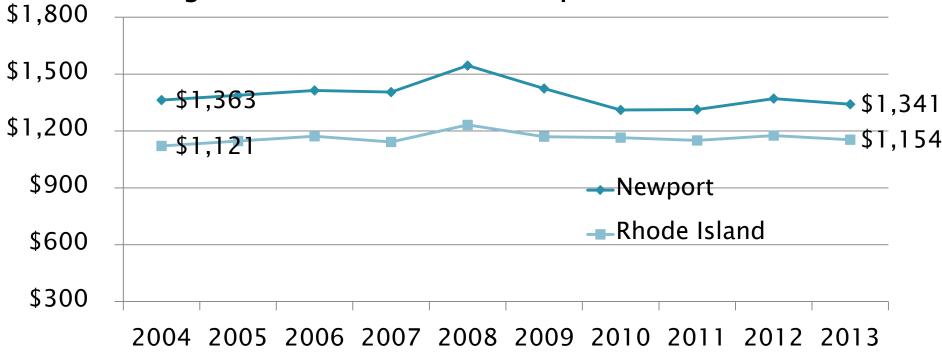
## Children in Poverty

	Child Poverty 2008–2012	FRPL October 2013
Middletown	499 (13.0%)	29%
Newport	503 (13.5%)	63%
Portsmouth	249 (6.9%)	15%
Four Core Cities	25,670 (35.6%)	79%
Rhode Island	40,317 (18.4%)	47%



## Cost of Housing





- To afford the average rent in Rhode Island without a cost burden...
  - A worker would need to earn nearly 3 times the state's 2013 minimum wage of \$7.75 per hour.
- A family of three living at the poverty level in Newport...
  - would have to devote 82% of its household income to the cost of rent.

#### Homeless Children

## In 2013, 1,117 children stayed in a homeless shelter or a domestic violence shelter in RI.

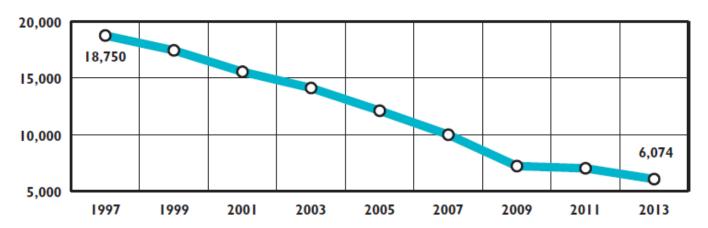
Newport was the last permanent residence for 28 of these children.

## During the 2012-2013 school year, Rhode Island public school personnel identified 923 children as homeless.

Newport Public Schools personnel identified 25 children as homeless.

#### Children in Families Receiving Cash Assistance

#### Cash Assistance Caseload, Rhode Island, 1997-2013\*



Source: Rhode Island Department of Human Services, InRhodes Database, December 1, 1997-2013. Cases can be childonly or whole families and multiple people can be included in one case. \*The Rhode Island Department of Human Services changed the method for calculating the caseload data starting in the 2012 Factbook. This change is reflected in 2010-2013 caseload data. Comparisons to earlier years should be made with caution.

- 67% decline in Rhode Island cash assistance caseload.
- 7% (282) of children in Newport receive cash assistance.
- 69% of RI Works beneficiaries are children under age 18.
- In SFY 2014, for the fifth year in a row, the state budget included no state general revenue for cash assistance.



## Children Receiving SNAP Benefits

	# Participating 2008	# Participating 2013	% Change 2008–2013
Middletown	243	421	73%
Newport	1,050	1,315	25%
Portsmouth	130	257	98%
Four Core Cities	27,816	39,218	41%
Rhode Island	41,421	63,971	54%

#### In October 2013

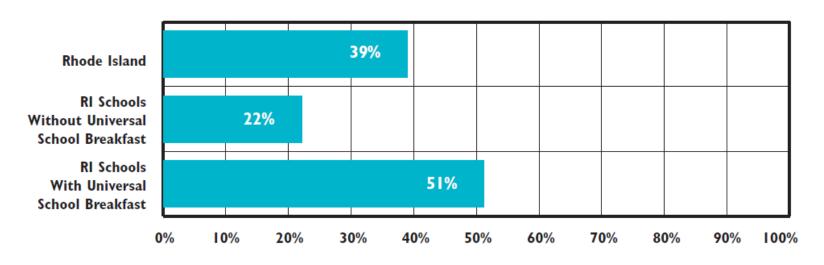
- 1,315 Newport children were receiving SNAP benefits.
- 25% increase from 2008.



## Children Participating in School Breakfast



#### Low-Income Children Participating in the School Breakfast Program, Rhode Island, October 2013



Source: Rhode Island Department of Education, Office of School Food Services, Office of Finance and Office of Network & Information Systems, October 2013.

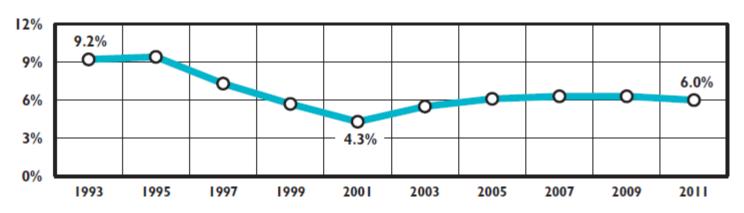
•22% of Newport's low-income students participated in the School Breakfast Program.



Health

#### Children's Health Insurance

#### Children Without Health Insurance, Rhode Island, 1992-2012



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 1992-2012, three-year averages (labeled by the mid-point year), compiled by Rhode Island KIDS COUNT. Data are for children under 18 years of age.

#### In Rhode Island in 2013

- > 5.4% of children under age 18 were uninsured
- > Rhode Island ranks 16th best in the country
- Children in families with incomes up to 250% FPL are eligible for RIte Care.



### Accelerated RIte Care Renewals



## 42,000 families covered by RIte Care in 2013

(1,797 children in Newport)

Must renew July - December 2014





#### Renew RIte Care Resources Available

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## **Infants Born at Highest Risk**

## **Mother:**

Under Age 20

Unmarried

Without High School Degree



### Child:

9 times 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

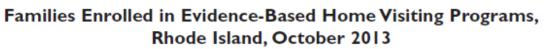
Less likely to complete high school

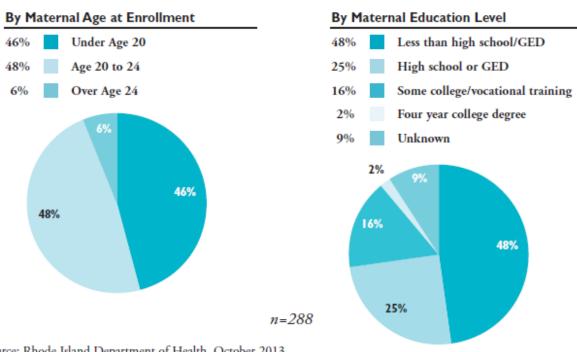
#### In 2013...

- 290 (3%) Rhode Island babies were born with all three risk factors.
- 5 (2%) Newport babies were born at highest risk.



## Evidence-Based Home Visiting





Source: Rhode Island Department of Health, October 2013.

13 Newport families enrolled in one of the three Maternal Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV)-funded evidence-based home visiting programs in Rhode Island.



## Infant Health Outcomes, 2008–2012

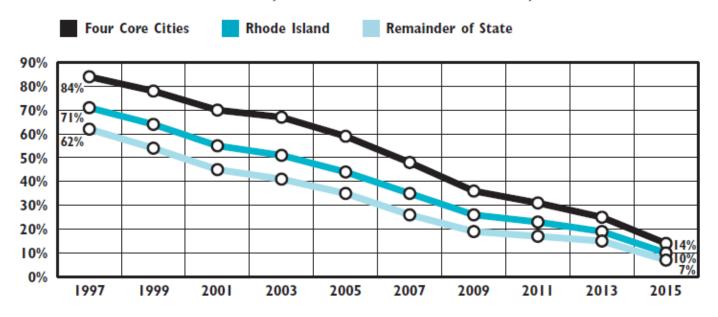
	Delayed Prenatal Care	Pre-term Births	Low Birthweight Infants	Infant Mortality Rate/1,000 Births
Middletown	8.9%	8.5%	6.4%	2.3
Newport	8.6%	11.2%	8.1%	7.3
Portsmouth	6.4%	8.2%	5.6%	4.9
Four Core Cities	18.0%	12.5%	9.0%	8.0
Rhode Island	13.7%	10.9%	7.8%	6.4

- Newport's delayed prenatal care rate declining
- Other infant health outcome measures worse than the state as a whole



## Children with Lead Poisoning

Children Entering Kindergarten with History of Elevated\* Blood Lead Level Screening (≥5 µg/dL), Rhode Island, Four Core Cities, and Remainder of State, 1997-2015

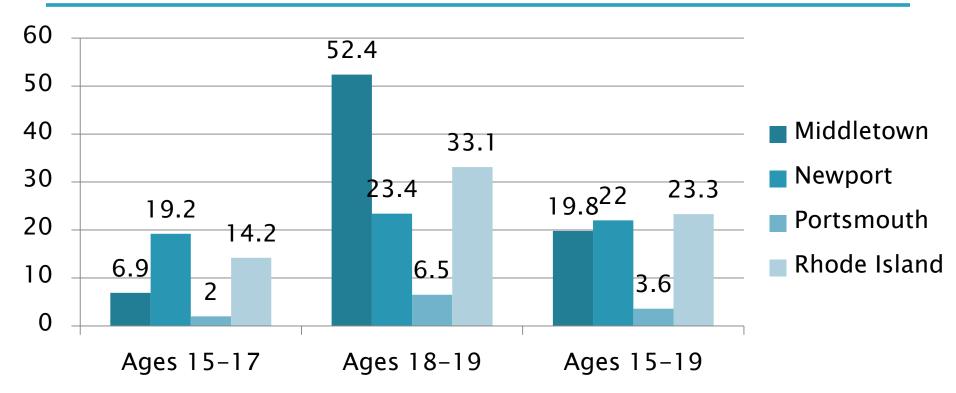


Source: Rhode Island Department of Health, Healthy Homes and Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program, Children entering kindergarten between 1997 and 2015. \*Elevated blood lead level of ≥5 μg/dL.

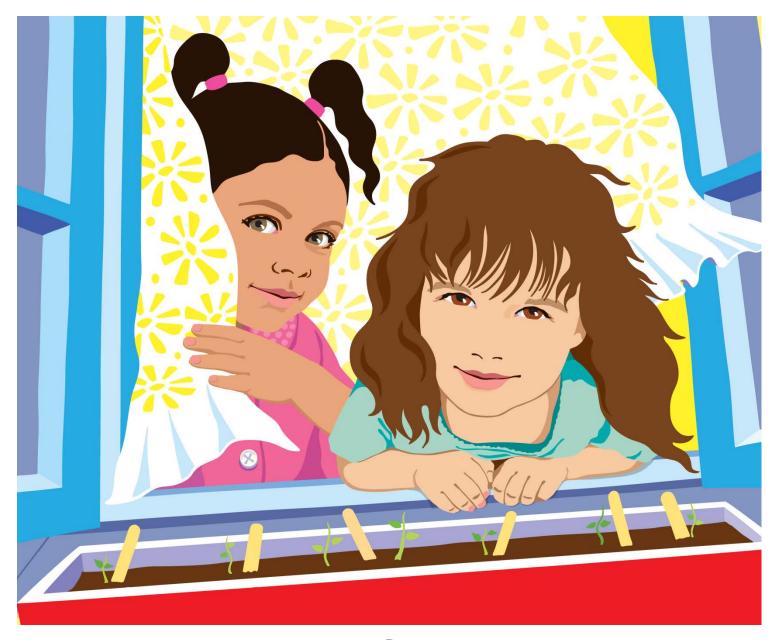
 Of the 302 children entering kindergarten and tested for Lead Poisoning in Newport, 27 (8.9%) were confirmed with blood lead levels ≥5 µg/dL.



## Birth to Teens, 2008-2012



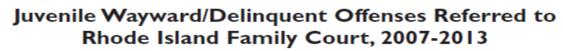
Teen birth rate on the decline nationally, in Rhode Island, and in Newport.

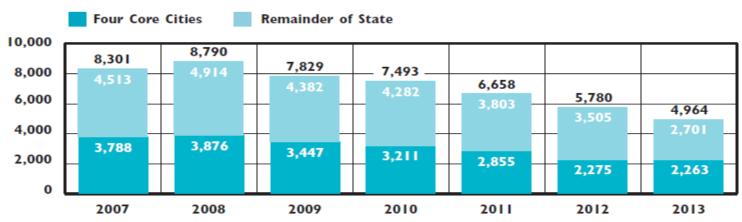


Safety



## Juveniles Referred to Family Court

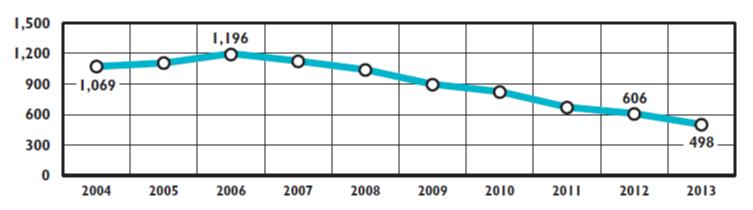




45% decline in youth referred to Family Court from 2007 to 2013

## Juveniles at the Training School

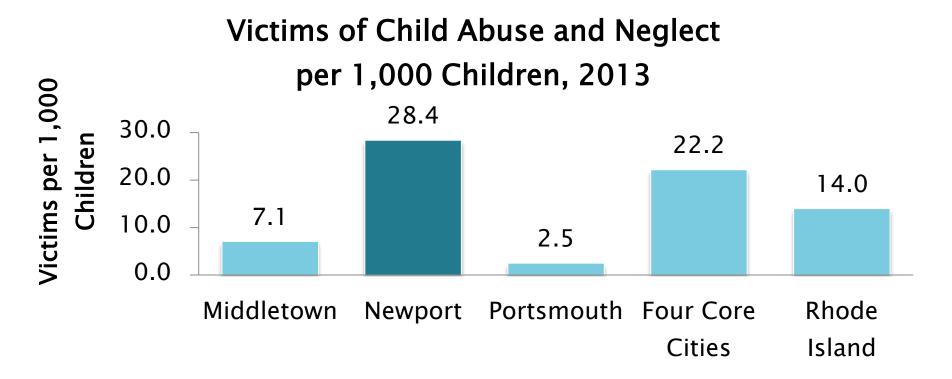
## Juveniles in the Care and Custody of the Rhode Island Training School, Calendar Years 2004-2013



- 498 youth were in the care or custody of the Training School at some point during 2013, down from 1,069 in 2004.
- In 2008, the Rhode Island General Assembly instituted a cap on the number of youth at the Training School. On any given day, the limit is 148 boys and 12 girls.



## Child Abuse and Neglect



 Newport's reported child abuse and neglect victim rate is the third highest in the state



**Education** 

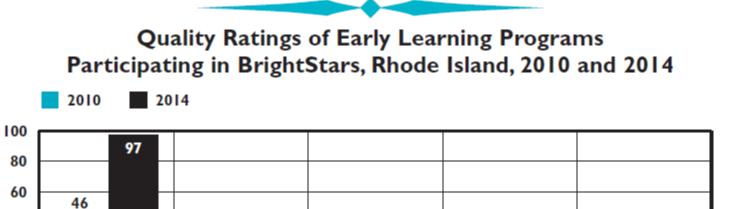


#### Early Learning Programs Participating in BrightStars

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4 Stars

5 Stars



3 Stars

Source: Rhode Island Association for the Education of Young Children, 2010 and 2014.

2 Stars

#### In Newport:

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- 75% of child care centers and preschools participate in BrightStars
  >0% have a quality rating
- 25% of family child care homes participate in BrightStars
  >0% have a quality rating

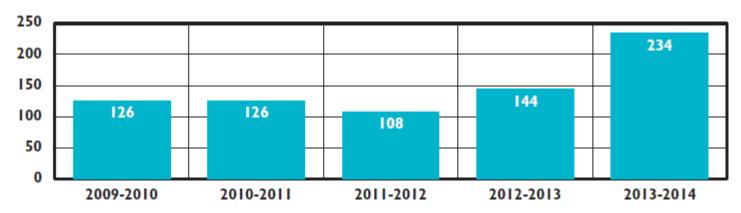


## Head Start and Early Head Start

- Head Start: In 2013, 84 Newport children (16% of Newport children ages 3 to 4) were enrolled.
- Early Head Start: In 2013, 46 Newport children (6% of Newport children under age 3) were enrolled.

### Children Enrolled in State Pre-K

#### Rhode Island State Pre-K Funded Slots, 2009-2010 through 2013-2014



Sources: National Institute for Early Education Research (NIEER), *The state of preschool 2010, 2011, 2012.*Rhode Island Department of Education, State Pre-K programs 2012-2013 and 2013-2014 school years.

During the 2013-2014 school year, 18 Newport children (8% of four-year-olds) were enrolled in the State Pre-K program.



## Children Enrolled in Full-Day Kindergarten

## Children Enrolled in Full-Day Kindergarten during the 2012-2013 School year

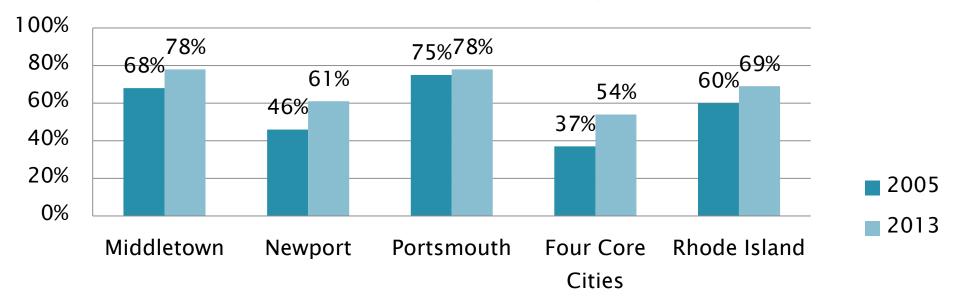


 The Portsmouth School Department began operating universal full-day kindergarten during the 2013-2014 school year



#### Fourth-Grade Reading Skills

# Fourth-Grade Reading Proficiency % At or Above the Proficiency Level Four Core Cities and Rhode Island, 2005 & 2013



- Between 2005 and 2013, Newport's 4<sup>th</sup> grade reading proficiency rate increased from 46% to 61%.
- Reading proficiency rates remain below the state rate.



#### Math Skills

	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade 2005	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade 2013	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade 2005	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade 2013	11 <sup>th</sup> Grade 2007*	11 <sup>th</sup> Grade 2013
Middletown	68%	78%	70%	66%	33%	59%
Newport	34%	50%	39%	55%	24%	24%
Portsmouth	67%	83%	72%	78%	37%	63%
Four Core Cities	31%	43%	25%	34%	10%	16%
Rhode Island	52%	63%	47%	57%	22%	36%

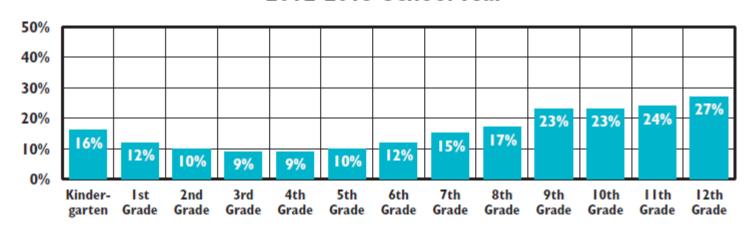
\*Note: 2007 is the first year that 11th grade students participated in the NECAP.

- Since 2005, Newport has seen improvements in 4<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade math proficiency but not 11<sup>th</sup> grade math proficiency.
- Newport continues to have math proficiency rates below state rate.



#### **Chronic Early Absence**





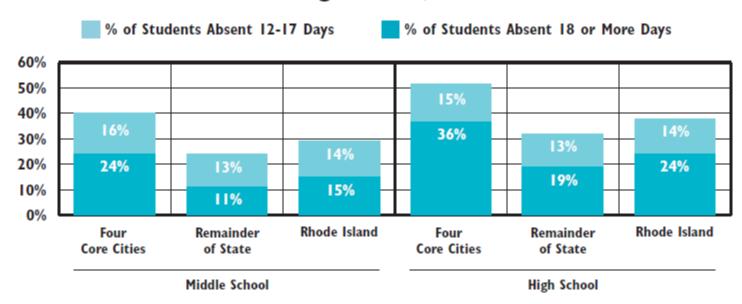
Source: Rhode Island Department of Education, 2012-2013 school year.

 Newport's chronic early absence rate (grades K-3) of 17% is higher than the state rate of 12%.



#### Chronic Absence, Middle School and High School

#### School Attendance in Rhode Island by Number of School Days Missed, Middle School and High School, 2012-2013 School Year

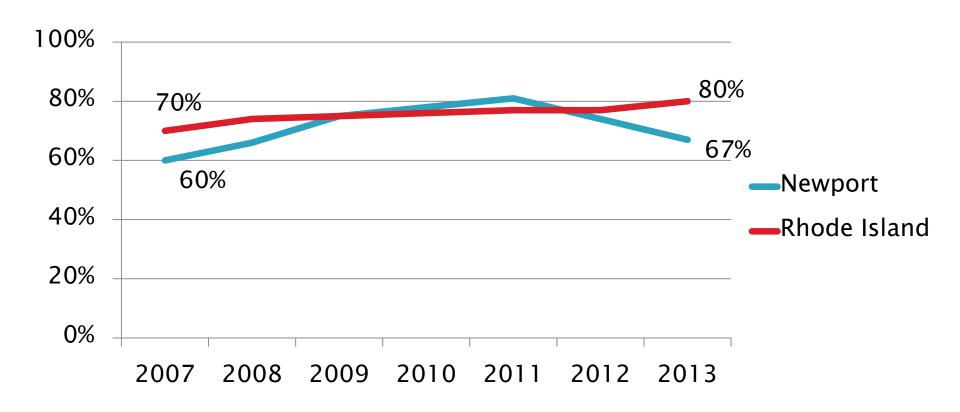


Source: Rhode Island Department of Education, 2012-2013 school year.

 Newport's chronic absence rate in high school of 38% is well over the state rate of 24%



## High School Graduation Rate, 2007-2013



• The Newport 4-year graduation rate for the Class of 2013 was 67%, the dropout rate was 22%, 4% completed their GED within 4 years of entering high school, and 7% were still in school in the fall of 2013.



## High School Graduation Rate, 2013

All Newport Students	67%
Females	65%
Males	69%
Students with Disabilities	40%
Students without Disabilities	75%
Low-Income Students	55%
Higher-Income Students	91%
White	77%
Black	59%
Hispanic	44%



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