

Findings from the *2016 Rhode Island Kids Count Factbook*

Newport Data in Your Backyard

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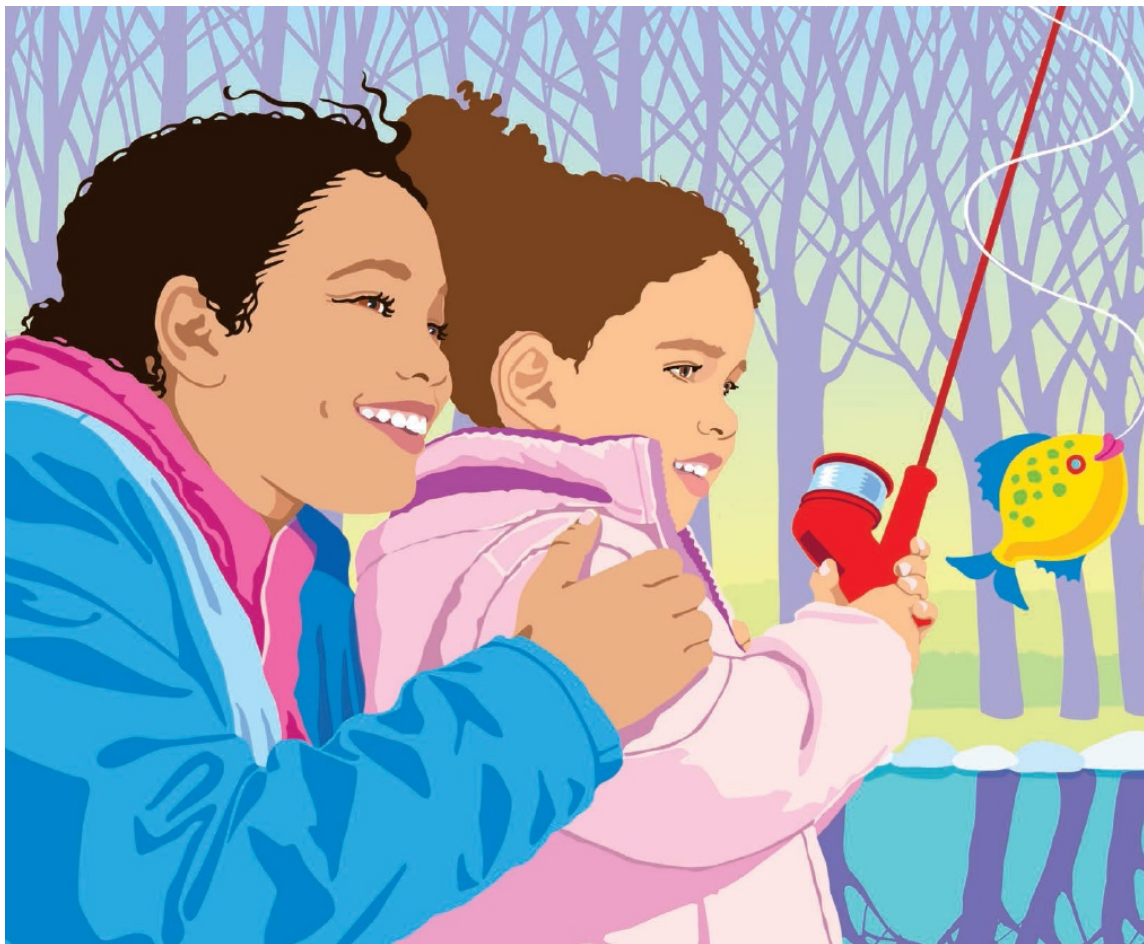
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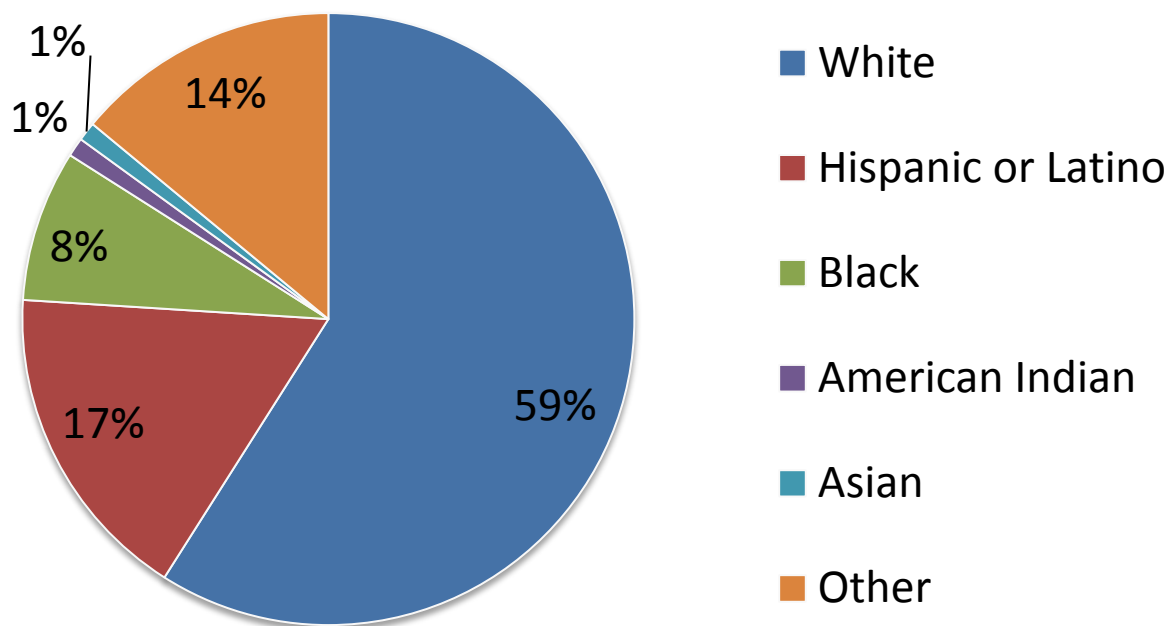
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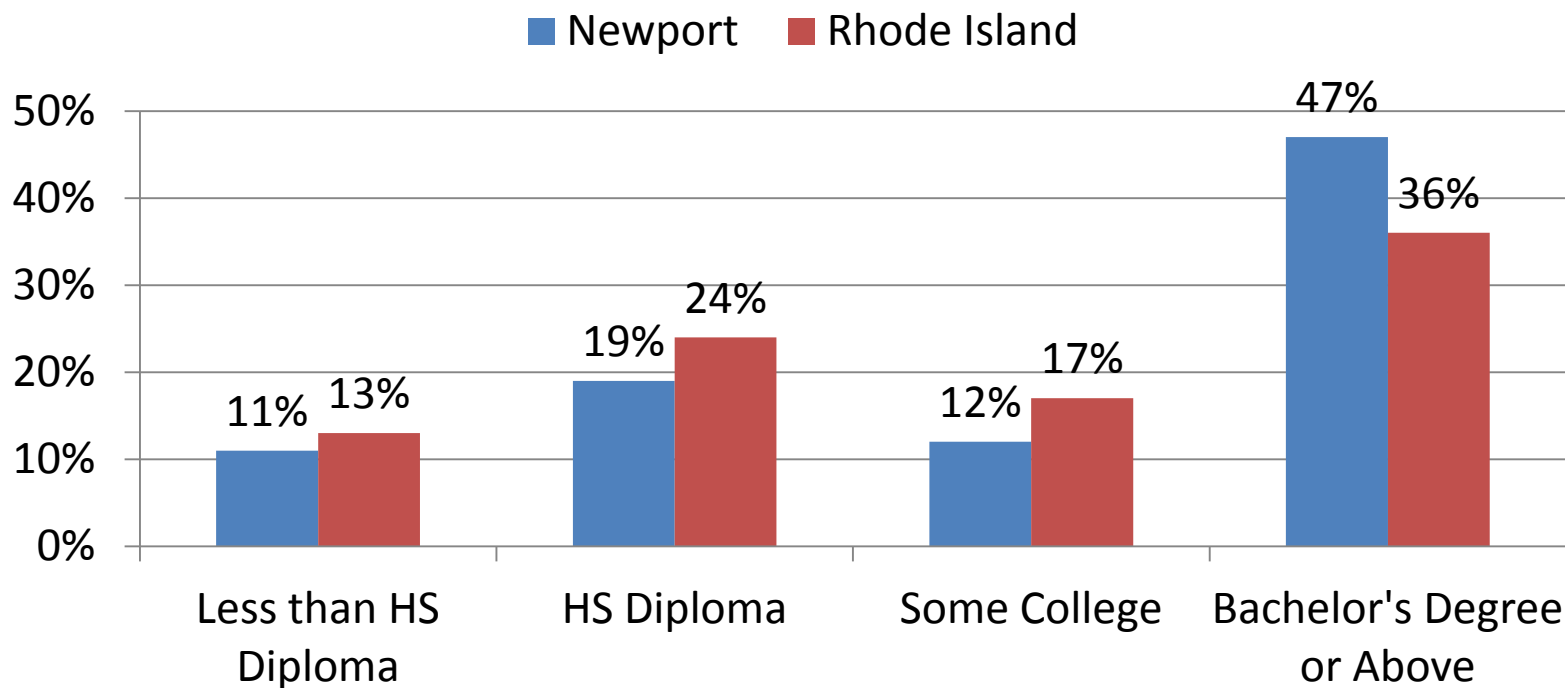
Family and Community

Child Population, 2010



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

Mother's Education Level, 2010-2014



- Strong links between parental education levels and child well-being.



Economic Well-Being

Child Poverty Defined, 2015

Poverty level

- \$19,096 for a family of 3
- \$24,036 for a family of 4

Extreme poverty level

- \$9,548 for a family of 3
- \$12,018 for a family of 4

2014 Rhode Island Standard of Need

- Single-parent family with 2 children would need \$51,492 a year to meet its basic needs

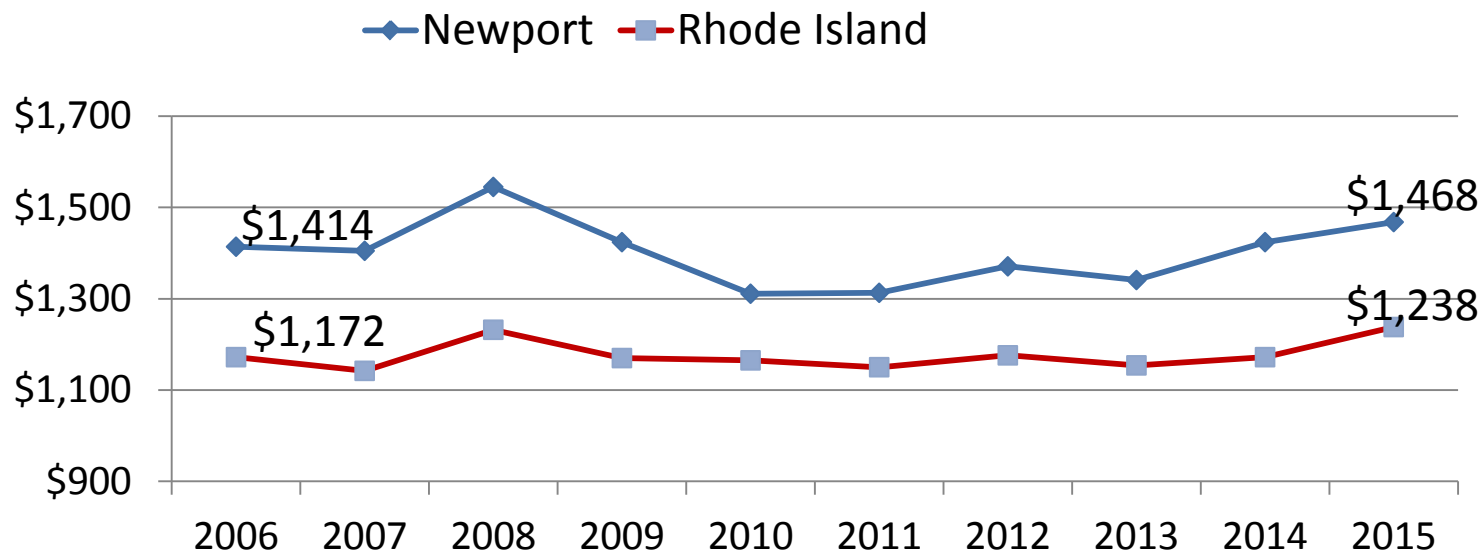
Children in Poverty

	Child Poverty 2010-2014	FRPL October 2015
Middletown	357 (9.3%)	28%
Newport	582 (16.4%)*	64%
Portsmouth	238 (6.6%)	14%
Four Core Cities	27,411 (38.5%)	77%
Rhode Island	43,114 (20.1%)	47%

* Estimate has high margin of error.

Cost of Housing

Average Cost of a Two-Bedroom Apartment 2006-2015



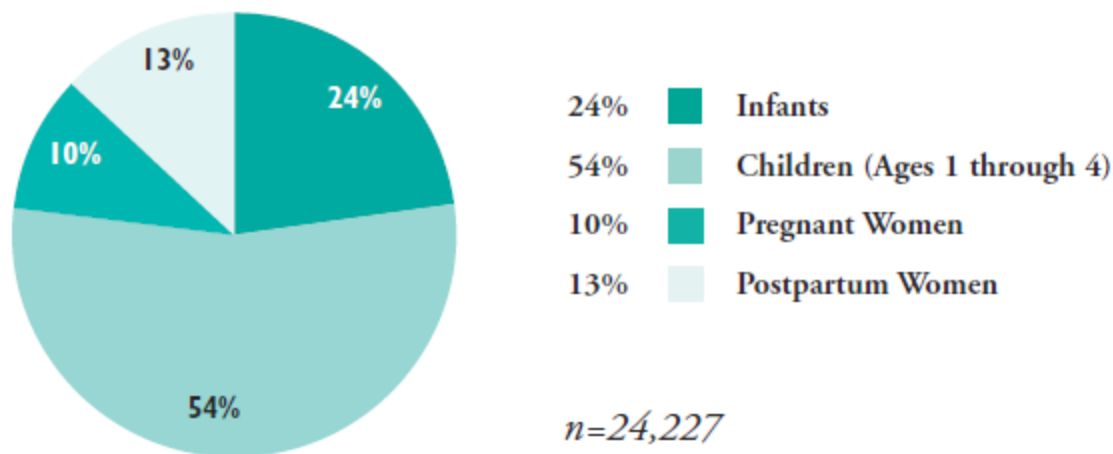
- To afford the average rent in Rhode Island without a cost burden...
 - A worker would need to earn nearly 2.5 times the state's 2015 minimum wage of \$9 per hour.
- **A family of three living at the poverty level in Newport...**
 - **would have to devote 88% of its household income to the cost of rent.**

Homeless Children

- In 2015, 988 children stayed in a homeless shelter or a domestic violence shelter in RI.
- During the 2014-2015 school year, Rhode Island public school personnel identified 1,031 children as homeless.
 - **Newport Public Schools personnel identified 53 children as homeless.**

The WIC Program

Women, Infants, and Children Enrolled in WIC, Rhode Island, September 2015

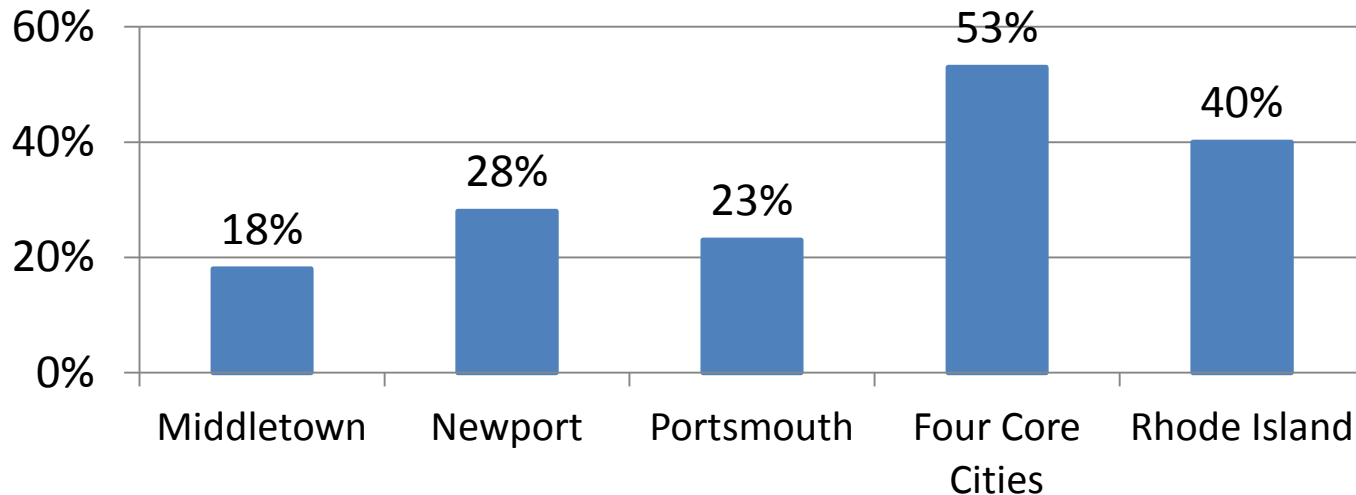


Source: Rhode Island Department of Health, WIC Program, September 2015. Totals may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

- In Newport, 70% of eligible women, infants, and children are enrolled in WIC, higher than the state rate of 59%.

The School Breakfast Program

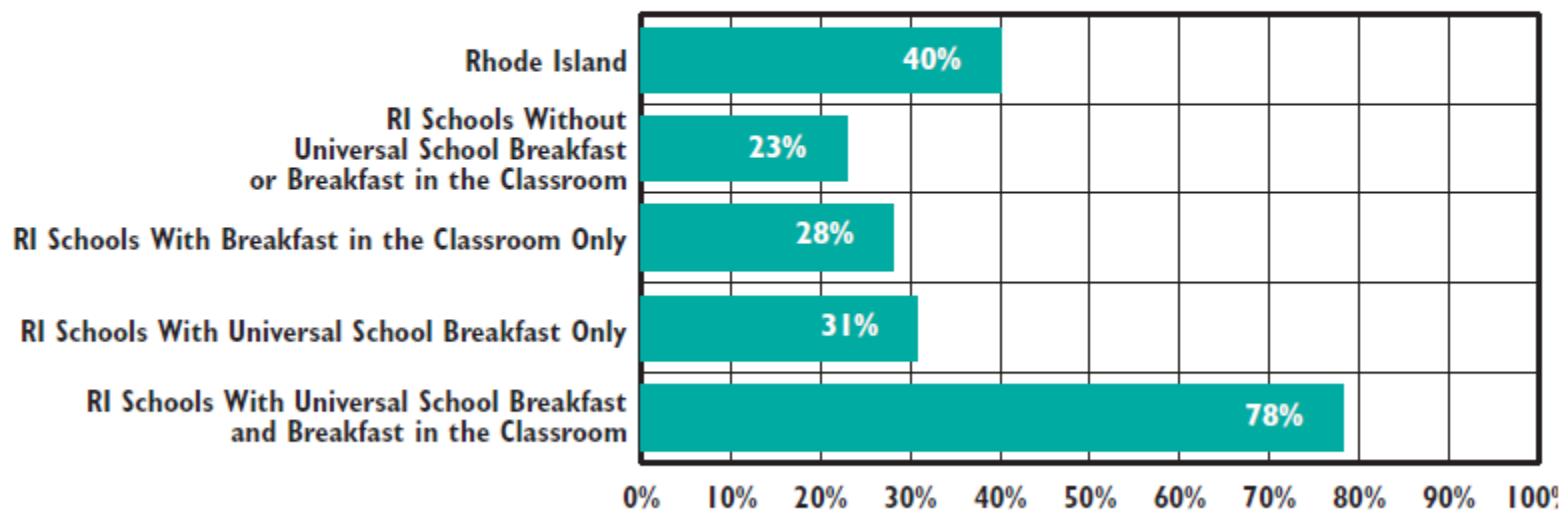
**% of Low-Income Children Participating in
School Breakfast, 2015**



- Universal School Breakfast and breakfast in the classroom are two proven strategies for increasing school breakfast participation.

Children Participating in School Breakfast

Low-Income Children Participating in the School Breakfast Program, Rhode Island, October 2015

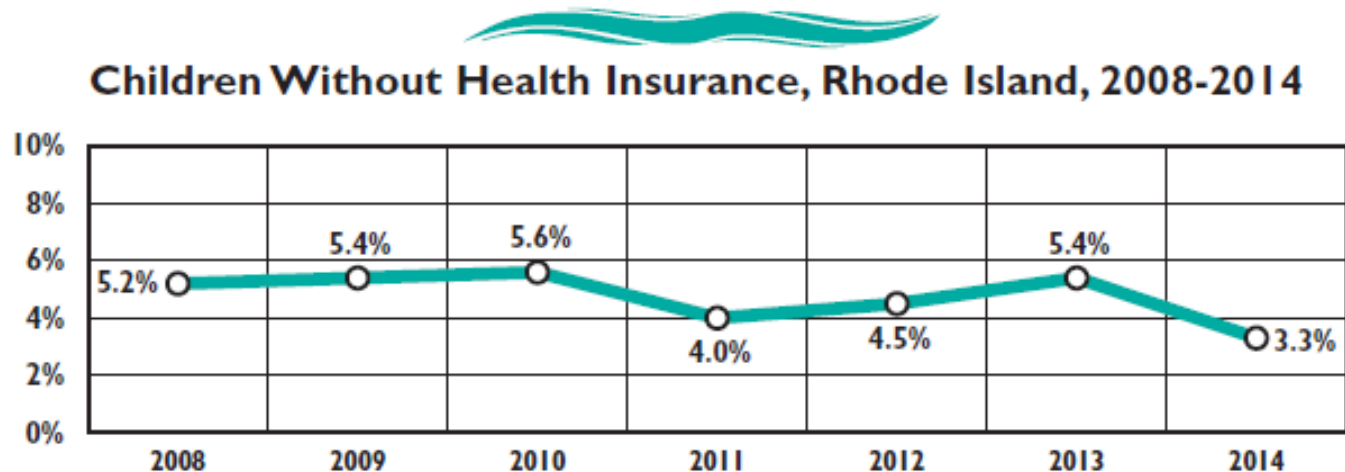


Source: Rhode Island Department of Education, Office of School Food Services, Office of Statewide Efficiencies, October 2015.



Health

Children's Health Insurance



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2012 & 2014. Table CP03. Data are for children under 18 years of age and are not comparable to Factbooks prior to 2015.

- Data released in September showed that in Rhode Island in 2015
 - 3.4% of children under age 18 were uninsured
 - Rhode Island ranks 15th best in the country

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

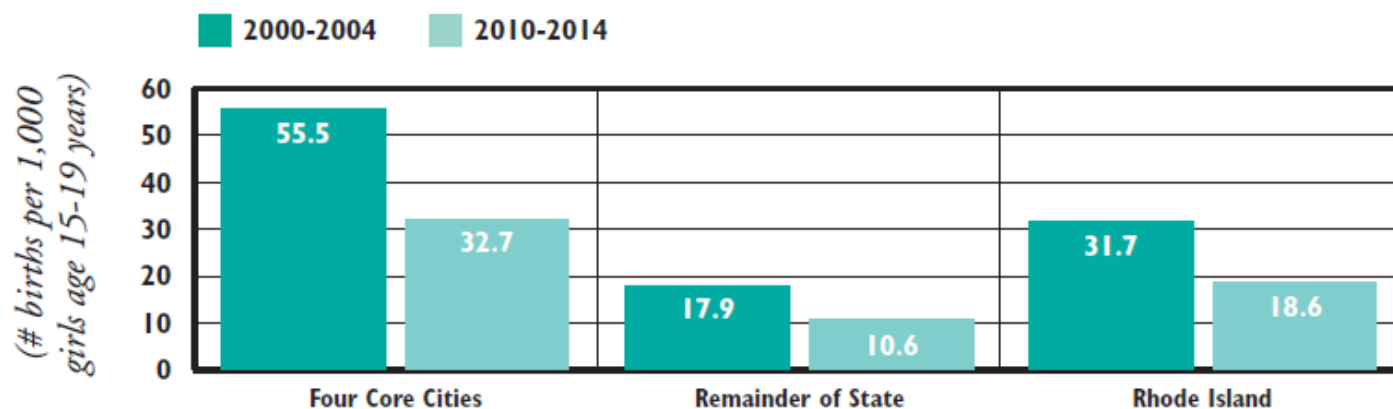
Less likely to complete high school

In 2015...

- 240 (2%) Rhode Island babies were born with all three risk factors.
- **5 (2%) Newport babies were born at highest risk.**

Birth to Teens, 2005-2014

Teen Birth Rates, Rhode Island, Five-Year Averages Comparisons, 2000-2004 and 2010-2014

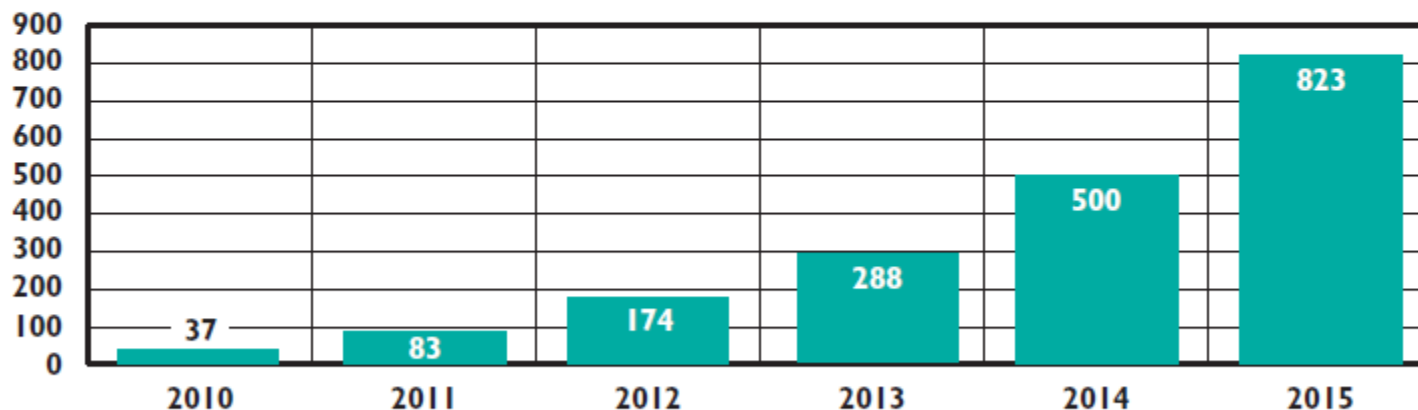


Source: Rhode Island Department of Health, Center for Health Data and Analysis, 2000-2014. Data for births in 2014 are provisional.

- Teen birth rate on the decline nationally, in Rhode Island, and in Newport.
- 16.5 teen births per 1,000 girls ages 15-19 in Newport from 2010-2014, down from 24.5 teen births per 1,000 from 2005-2009.
- In Newport, between 2010 and 2014, 16 births were repeat teen births, making up 19% of the 85 teen births during that period.

Evidence-Based Home Visiting

**Families Enrolled in Evidence-Based Family Home Visiting
(MIECHV-Funded), Rhode Island, 2010-2015**



Source: Children's Friend and Service, Nurse-Family Partnership enrollment in October 2010 and October 2011. Rhode Island Department of Health, enrollment in MIECHV-funded evidence-based home visiting programs, October 2012-2015.

- 12 families enrolled in Newport out of a total state enrollment of 823.
 - Families are enrolled in Healthy Families America and Nurse-Family Partnership programs.
- Early Head Start and First Connections also provide home visits.

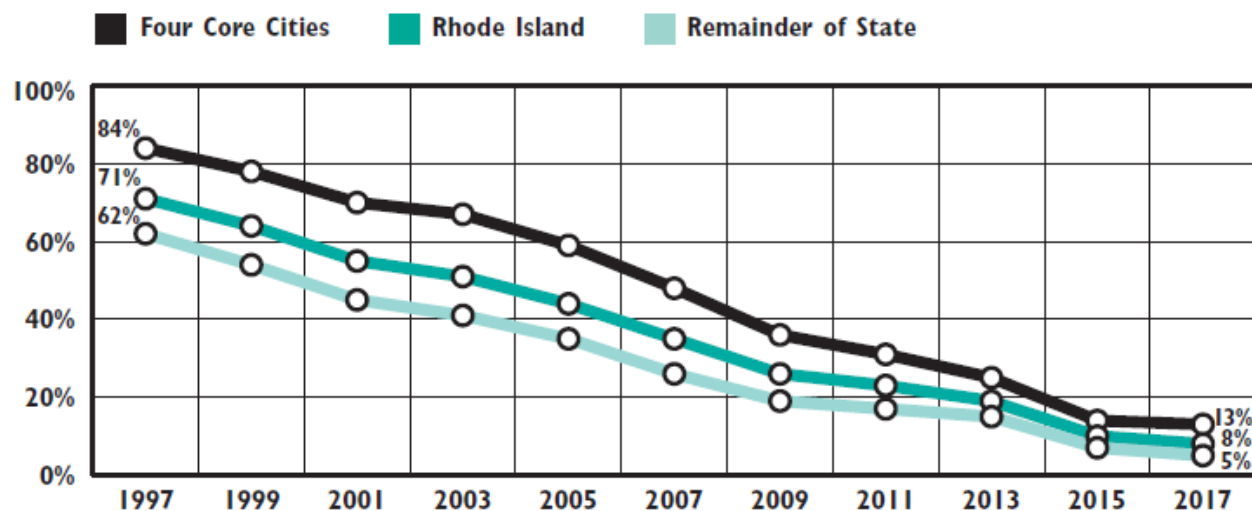
Infant Health Outcomes, 2010-2014

	Delayed Prenatal Care	Preterm Births	Low Birthweight Infants
Middletown	8.6%	6.8%	6.1%
Newport	9.3%	8.7%	6.8%
Portsmouth	5.8%	7.5%	5.4%
Four Core Cities	16.1%	10.0%	8.7%
Rhode Island	12.4%	9.1%	7.5%

- Newport's infant health outcome measures are as good or better than the state as a whole.

Children with Lead Poisoning

Children Entering Kindergarten with History of Elevated* Blood Lead Level Screening (≥ 5 $\mu\text{g/dL}$), Rhode Island, Four Core Cities, and Remainder of State, 1997-2017



Source: Rhode Island Department of Health, Healthy Homes and Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program, Children entering kindergarten between 1997 and 2017. *Elevated blood lead level of ≥ 5 $\mu\text{g/dL}$.

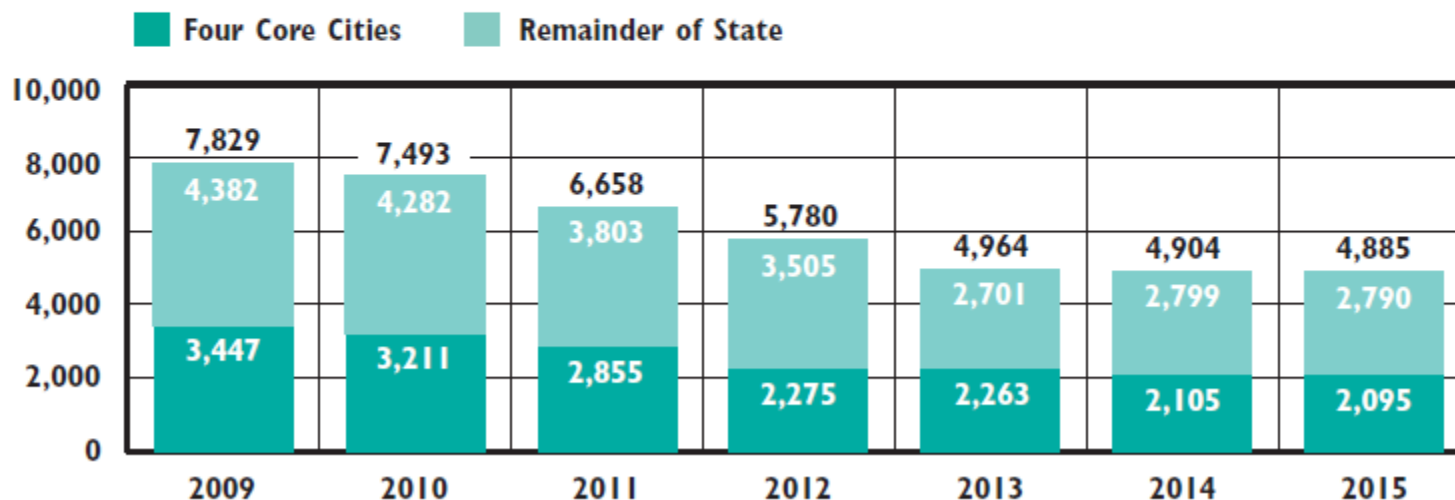
- 292 Newport children due to enter kindergarten in the fall of 2016 were screened.
- 24 (8.2%) were confirmed positive for ≥ 5 mcg/dL, a rate similar to the state rate of 8.3%.



Safety

Juveniles Referred to Family Court

Juvenile Wayward/Delinquent Offenses Referred to Rhode Island Family Court, 2009-2015



- 43% decline in youth referred to Family Court from 2009 to 2015.

Youth Referred to Family Court

BY TYPE OF OFFENSE

25%	Status Offenses*	4%	Motor Vehicle Offenses
21%	Property Crimes	3%	Weapons Offenses
21%	Disorderly Conduct	2%	Alcohol and Drug Offenses
11%	Simple Assault	7%	Other**
5%	Violent Crimes		

n=4,885

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

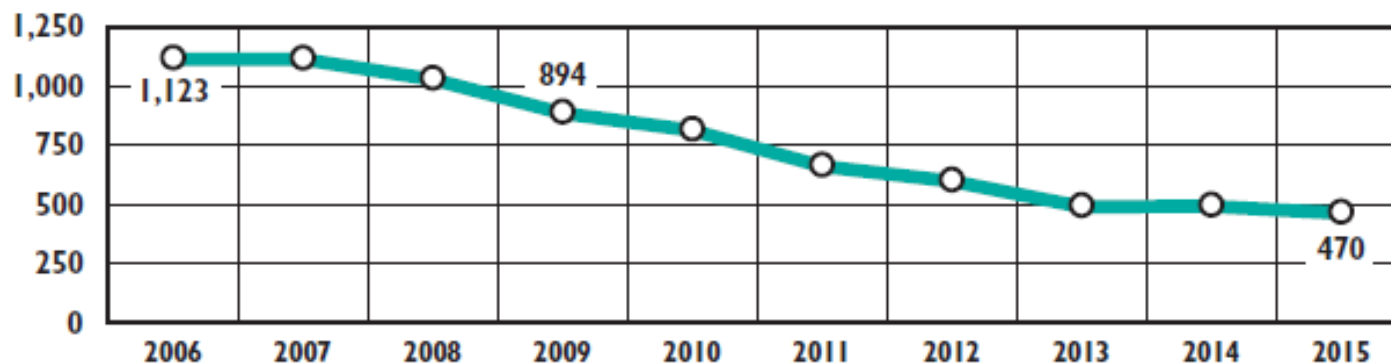
***Other includes offenses such as conspiracy, crank/obscene phone calls, computer crimes, and possession of a manipulative device for automobiles, etc. Probation violations, contempt of court, and other violations of court orders are not included in the offenses above.*

Source: Rhode Island Family Court, 2009-2015 Juvenile offense reports. Percentages may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

- 5% (234) of offenses for which youth were referred to Family Court in 2015 involved violent offenses.

Youth at the Training School

**Youth in the Care and Custody of the Rhode Island Training School,
Calendar Years 2006-2015**



- 470 youth were in the care or custody of the Training School at some point during 2015, down from 1,123 in 2006.
- 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

**Victims of Child Abuse and Neglect
per 1,000 Children, 2015**

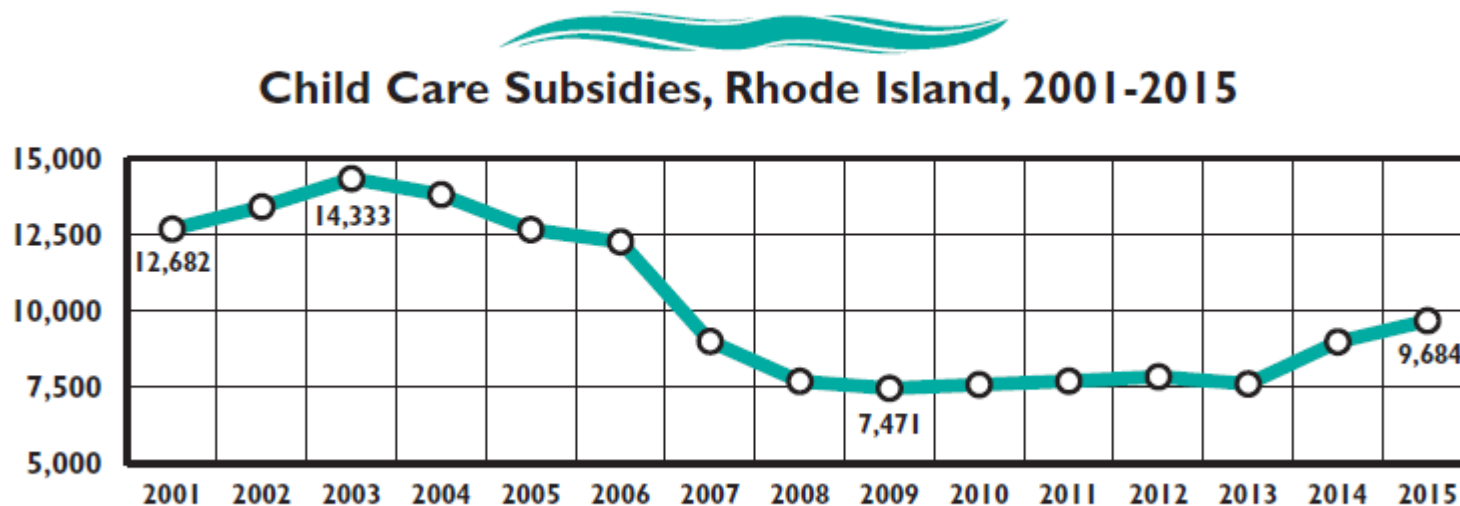


- Newport's reported child abuse and neglect victim rate is the second highest in the state.



Education

Child Care Subsidies



Source: Rhode Island Department of Human Services, December 2001–December 2015.

- In recent years, we have seen an increase in the number of child care subsidies available, but the number of child care subsidies is still 32% lower than the number available at the peak in 2003.

Early Learning Programs Participating in BrightStars

BrightStars Quality Ratings for Licensed Early Learning Programs and Public Schools Serving Preschoolers, Rhode Island, January 2016

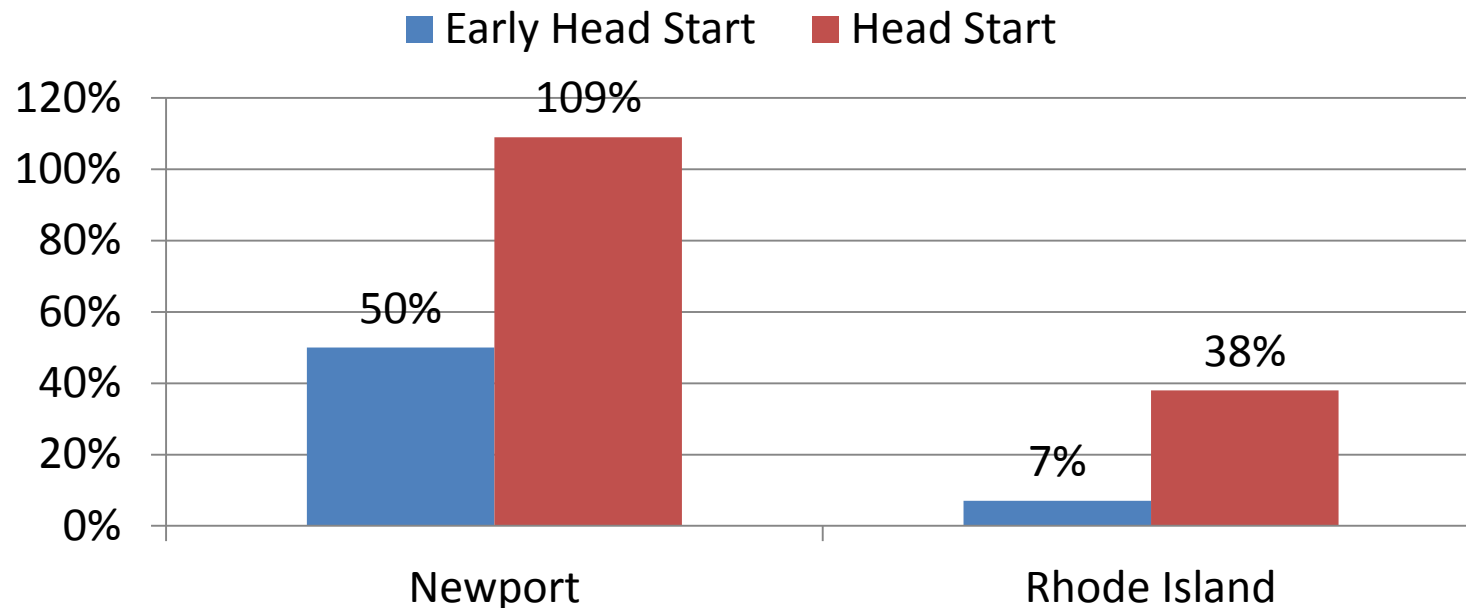
	CENTERS & PRESCHOOLS	PUBLIC SCHOOLS	FAMILY CHILD CARE
Unrated	18% (57)	40% (22)	13% (67)
1 Star	31% (99)	15% (8)	59% (293)
2 Stars	20% (64)	27% (15)	24% (121)
3 Stars	14% (43)	5% (3)	1% (7)
4 Stars	12% (39)	13% (7)	2% (8)
5 Stars	5% (15)	0% (0)	<1% (1)
TOTAL	317	55	497

Source: Rhode Island Association for the Education of Young Children and the RI Early Care and Education Data System (ECEDS), January 2016.

In Newport

- 100% of child care centers and preschools participate in BrightStars.
 - 25% (1 out of 4) have a high-quality rating.
- There is one family child care home in Newport and it does not participate in BrightStars.

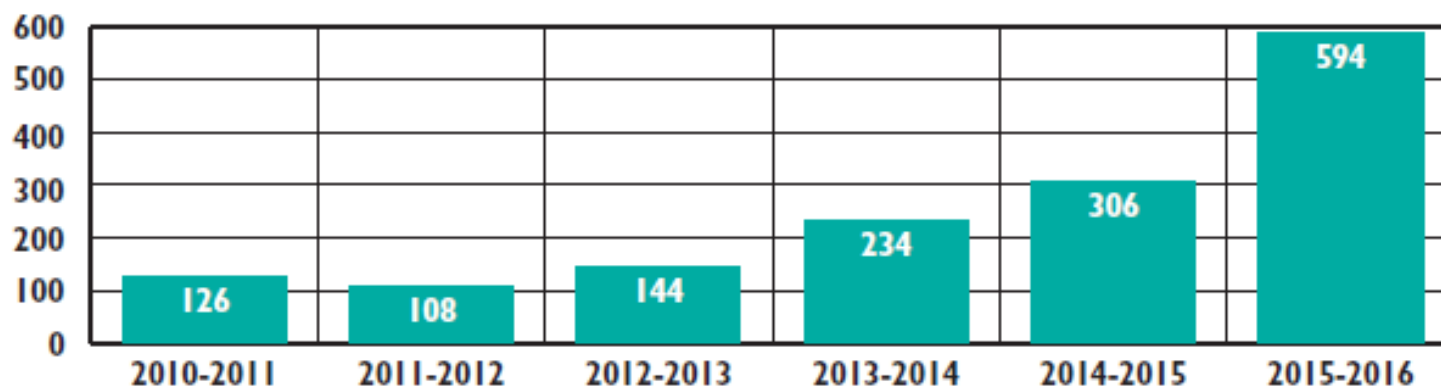
Head Start and Early Head Start



- In 2015
 - 54 Newport children and pregnant women participated in Early Head Start, 50% of the estimated eligible population.
 - 74 Newport children participated in Head Start, approximately the same as the estimated eligible population.

Children Enrolled in State Pre-K

Rhode Island State Pre-K Funded Slots, 2010-2011 through 2015-2016

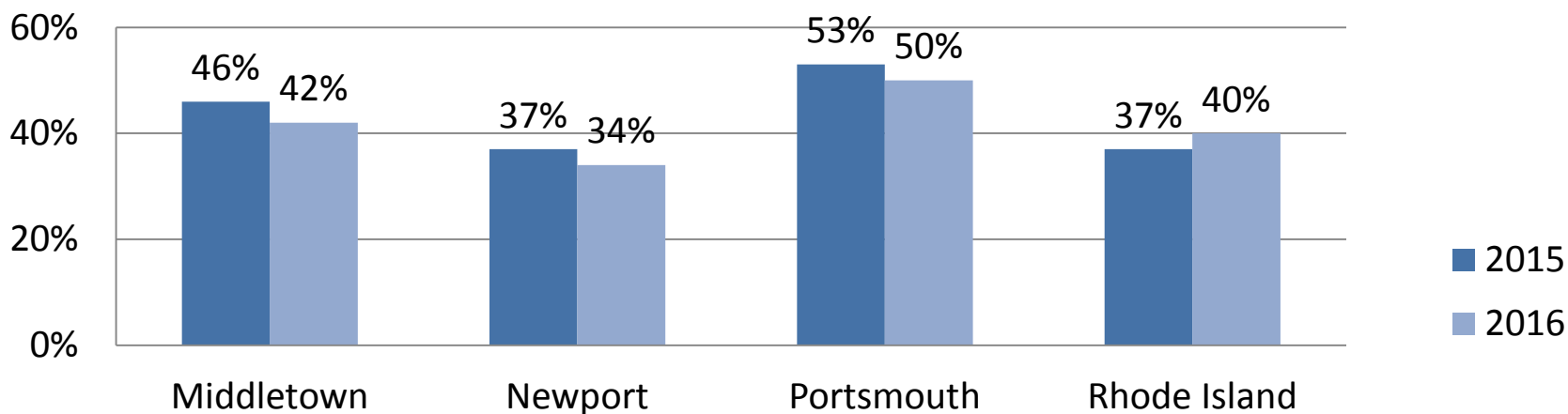


Sources: National Institute for Early Education Research, *The State of Preschool 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013*. Rhode Island Department of Education, State Pre-K programs 2013-2014 through 2015-2016.

- During the 2015-2016 school year, 54 Newport children (23% of four-year-olds) were enrolled in the State Pre-K program, the highest rate in the state.

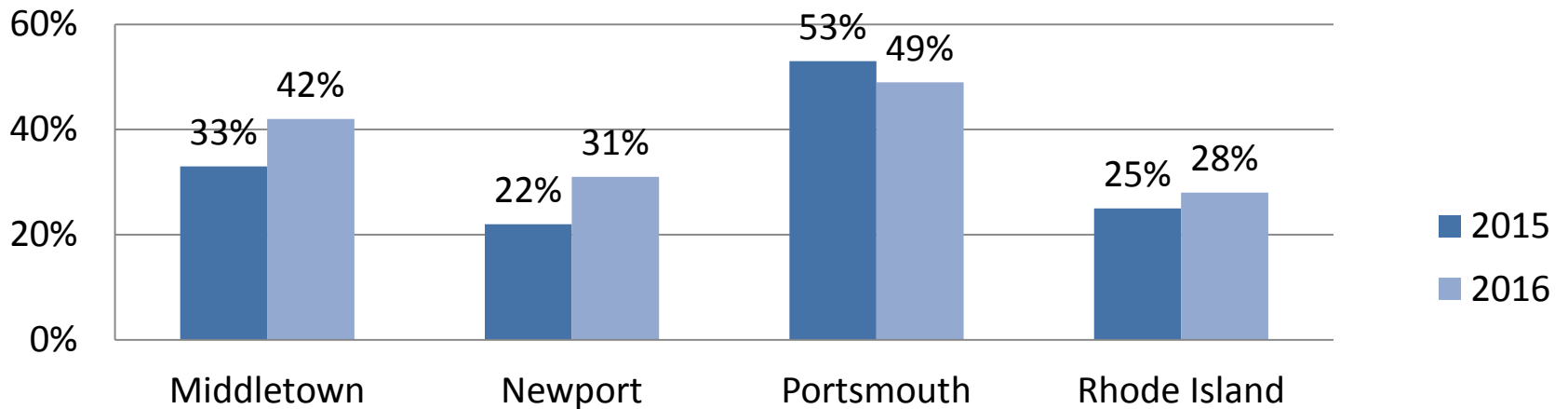
Third-Grade Reading Skills

Third-Graders Meeting Expectations in English Language Arts, 2015-2016



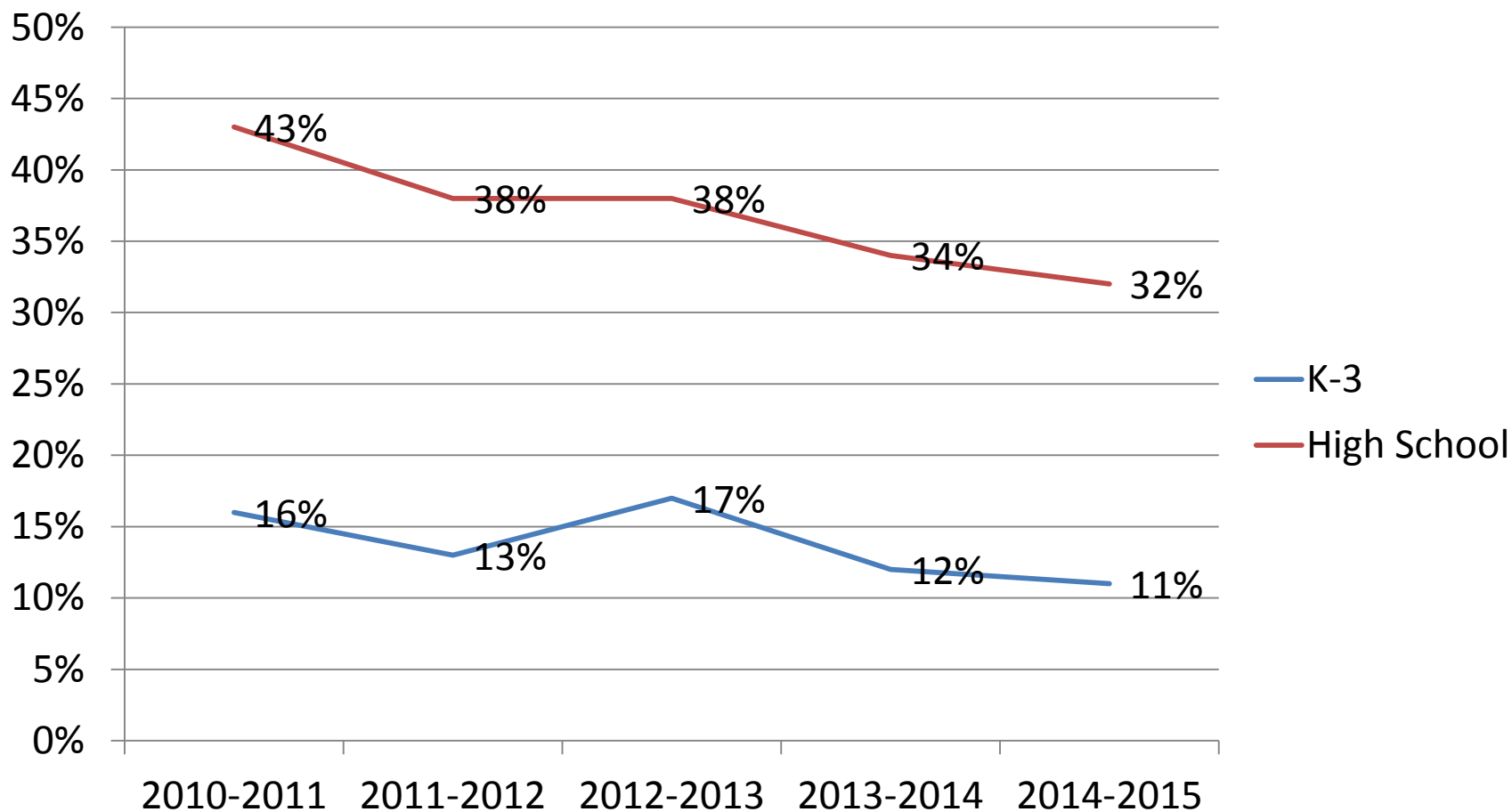
Seventh Grade Math Skills

Seventh-Graders Meeting Expectations in Math, 2015-2016



Chronic Absence

Newport Public Schools, 2010-2011 through 2014-2015 school years



School Suspensions

Out-of-School Suspensions by Infraction, Rhode Island, 2014-2015

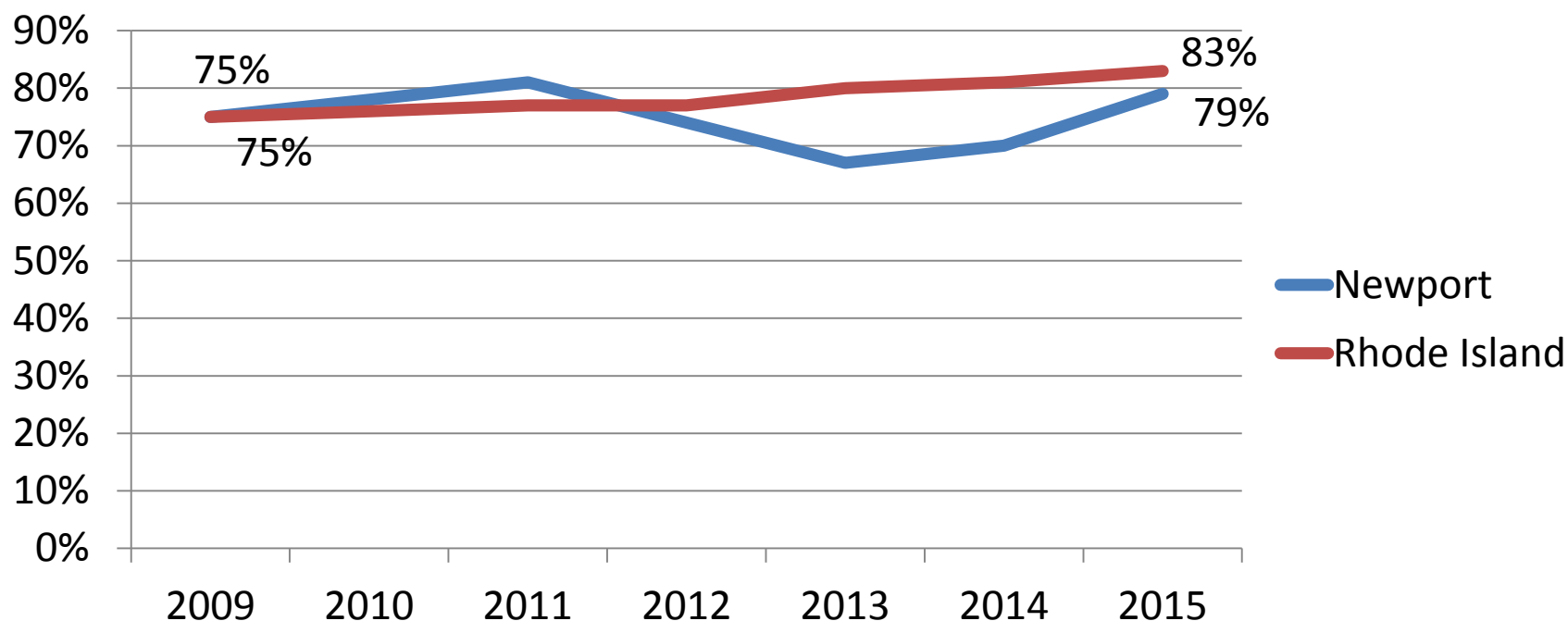
TYPE OF INFRACTION*	#	%	TYPE OF INFRACTION	#	%
Insubordination/Disrespect	3,758	29%	Alcohol/Drug/Tobacco Offenses	581	4%
Disorderly Conduct	3,038	23%	Arson/Larceny/Robbery/Vandalism	332	3%
Fighting	1,685	13%	Electronic Devices/Technology	297	2%
Assault of Student or Teacher	1,029	8%	Weapon Possession	156	1%
Obscene/Abusive Language	988	8%	Attendance Offenses	0	0%
Harassment/Intimidation/Threat	985	8%	Other Offenses	125	1%
			<i>Total</i>	<i>12,974</i>	

Source: Rhode Island Department of Education, 2014-2015 school year. Percentages may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

*Harassment offenses include hazing and hate crimes. Assault offenses include sexual assault.

- Newport is seeing a decline in suspensions overall, but still using largely out-of-school suspensions.
 - During the 2014-2015 school year, 94% of suspensions were out-of-school suspensions.
 - Newport's out-of-school suspension rate of 17 per 100 students was almost twice the state rate of 9 per 100 students.

High School Graduation Rate, 2009-2015



- The Newport 4-year graduation rate for the Class of 2015 was 79%, the dropout rate was 15%, 1% completed their GED within 4 years of entering high school, and 6% were still in school in the fall of 2016.

High School Graduation Rate, 2015

All Newport Students	79%
Females	77%
Males	81%
Students with Disabilities	59%
Students without Disabilities	84%
Low-Income Students	71%
Higher-Income Students	100%
White	85%
Black	79%
Hispanic	64%

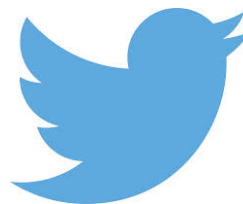


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