

Findings from the *2015 Rhode Island Kids Count Factbook*

Newport Data in Your Backyard

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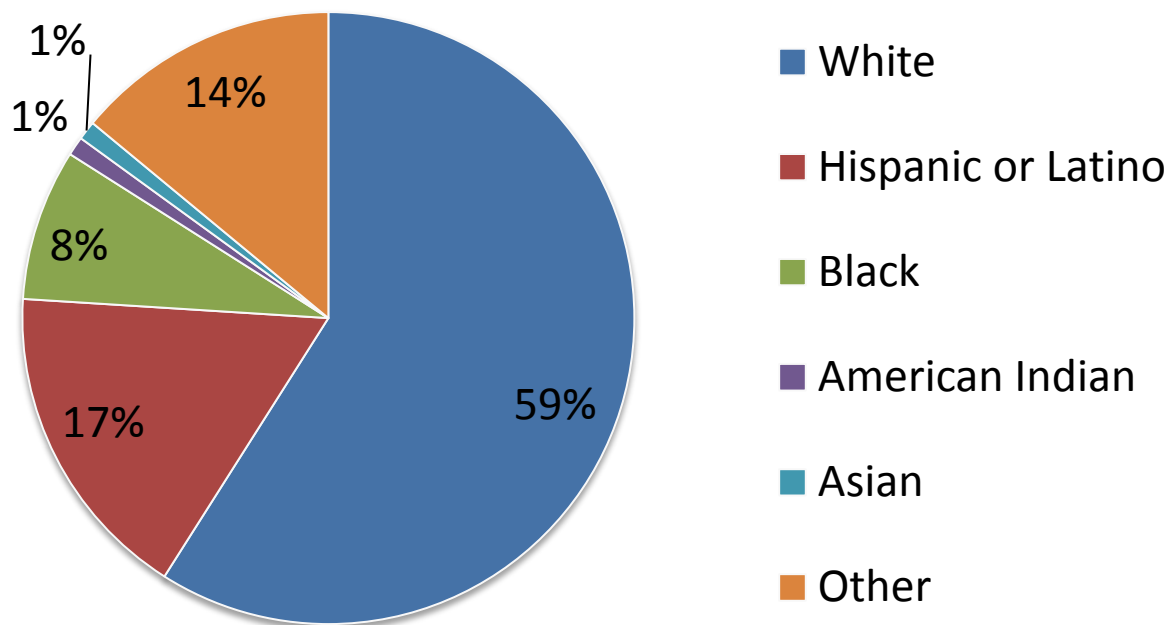
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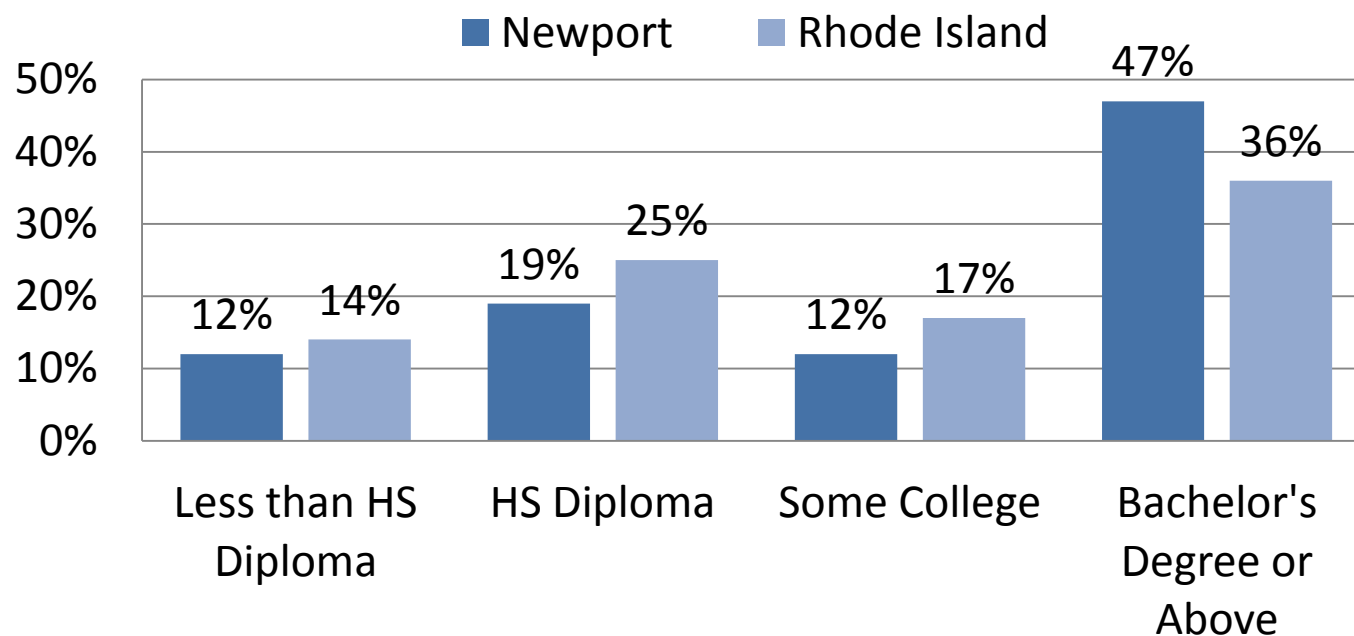
Family and Community

Child Population, 2010



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

Mother's Education Level, 2009-2013



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



Economic Well-Being

Child Poverty Defined, 2014

Poverty level

- \$19,073 for a family of 3
- \$24,008 for a family of 4

Extreme poverty level

- \$9,537 for a family of 3
- \$12,004 for a family of 4

2014 Rhode Island Standard of Need

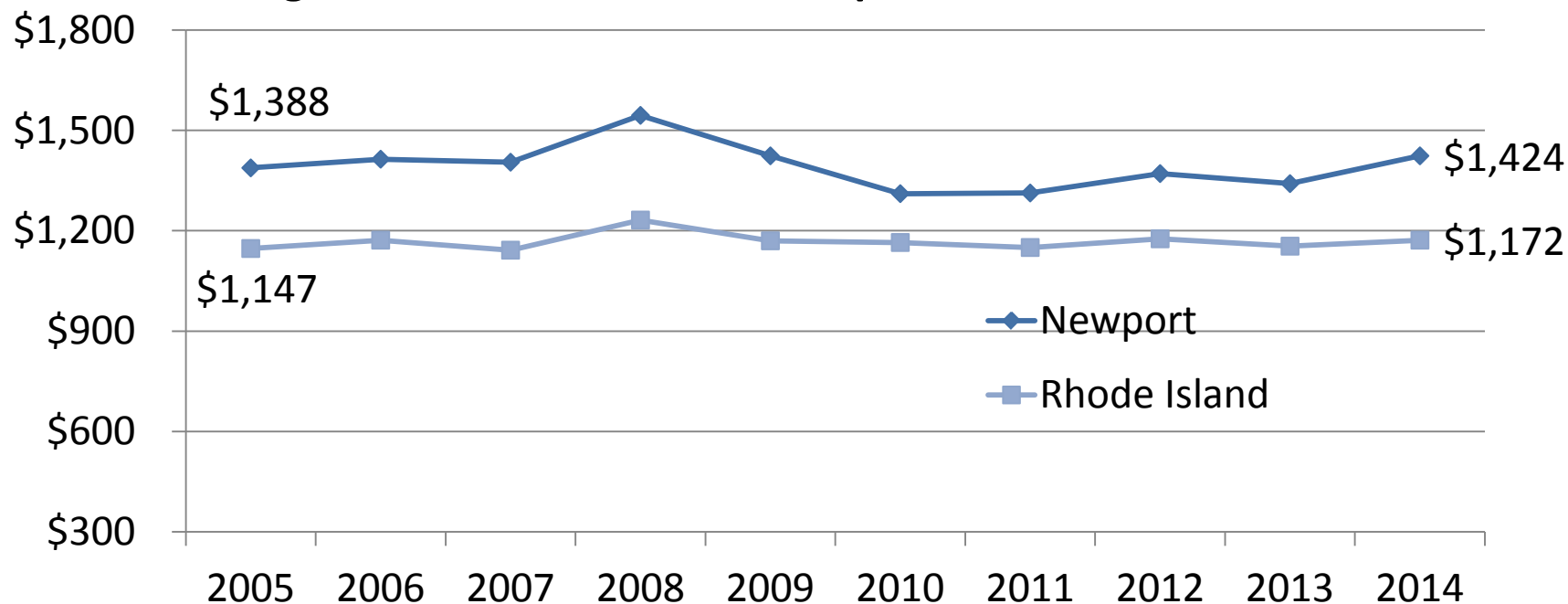
- Single-parent family with 2 children would need \$51,492 a year to meet its basic needs

Children in Poverty

	Child Poverty 2009-2013	FRPL October 2014
Middletown	666 (16.8%)	28%
Newport	533 (14.5%)	62%
Portsmouth	250 (7.4%)	15%
Four Core Cities	27,155 (37.9%)	77%
Rhode Island	42,247 (19.5%)	47%

Cost of Housing

Average Cost of a Two-Bedroom Apartment 2005-2014



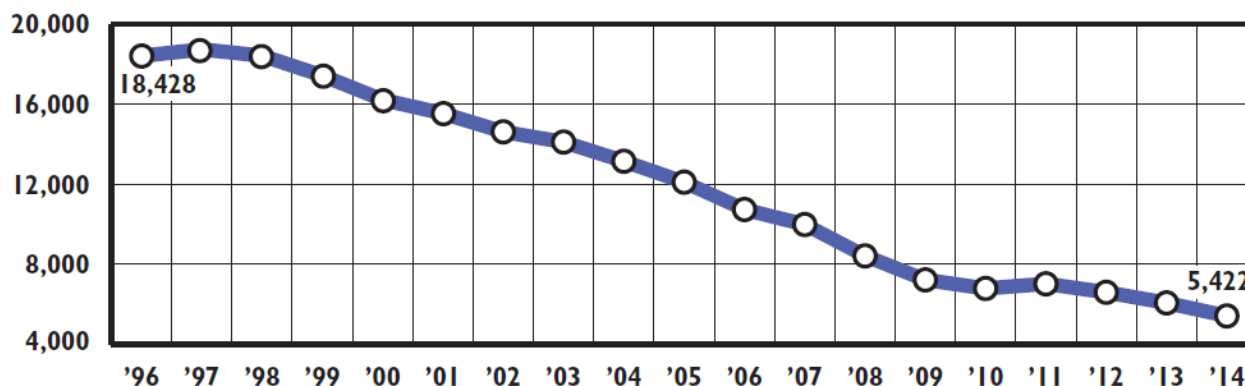
- To afford the average rent in Rhode Island without a cost burden...
 - A worker would need to earn nearly 3 times the state's 2014 minimum wage of \$8.00 per hour.
- **A family of three living at the poverty level in Newport...**
 - **would have to devote 86% of its household income to the cost of rent.**

Homeless Children

- In 2014, 986 children stayed in a homeless shelter or a domestic violence shelter in RI.
- During the 2013-2014 school year, Rhode Island public school personnel identified 1,023 children as homeless.
 - **Newport Public Schools personnel identified 50 children as homeless.**

Children in Families Receiving Cash Assistance

Cash Assistance Caseload, Rhode Island, 1996-2014*

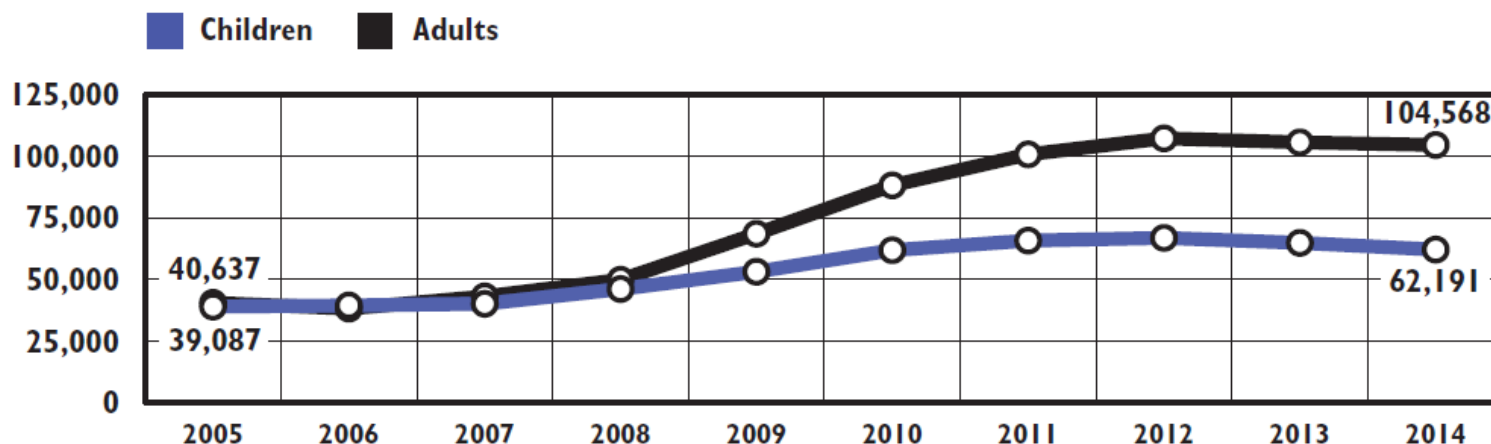


Source: Rhode Island Department of Human Services, InRhodes Database, December 1, 1996-2014. Cases can be child-only or whole families and multiple people can be included in one case. *The Rhode Island Department of Human Services changed the method for calculating the caseload data starting in the 2012 Factbook. This change is reflected in 2010-2014 caseload data. Comparisons to earlier years should be made with caution.

- 71% decline in Rhode Island cash assistance caseload.
- **5% (206) of children in Newport receive cash assistance.**
- 70% 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

Participation in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, Children and Adults, Rhode Island, 2005-2014



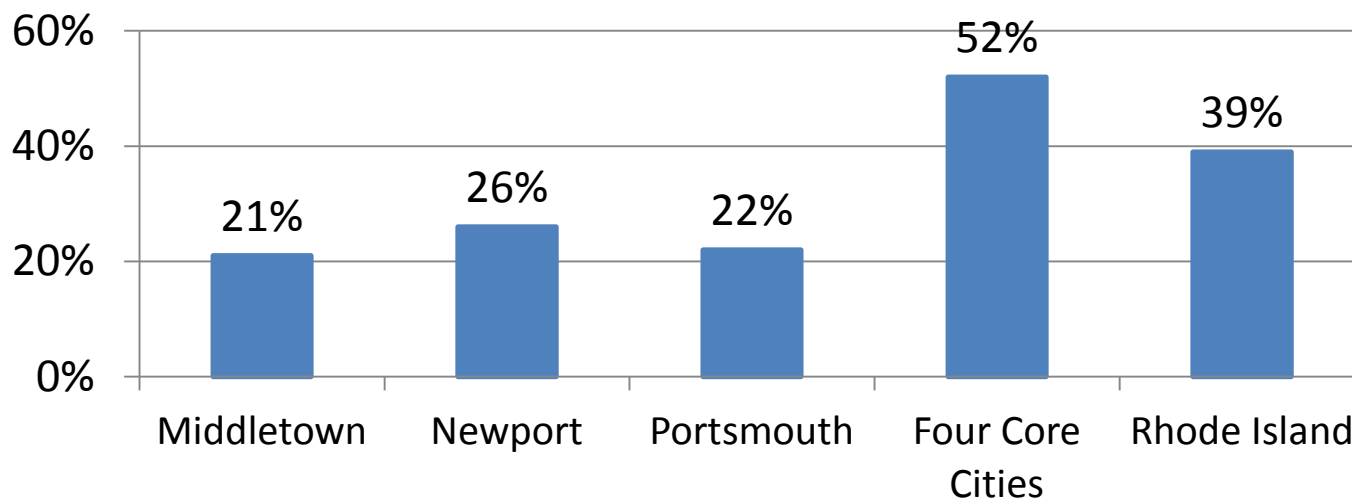
Source: Rhode Island Department of Human Services, InRhodes Database, 2005-2014. Data represent children under age 18 and adults who participated in SNAP during the month of October.

In October 2014

- 1,277 Newport children were receiving SNAP benefits.
- 6% increase from 2009.

The School Breakfast Program

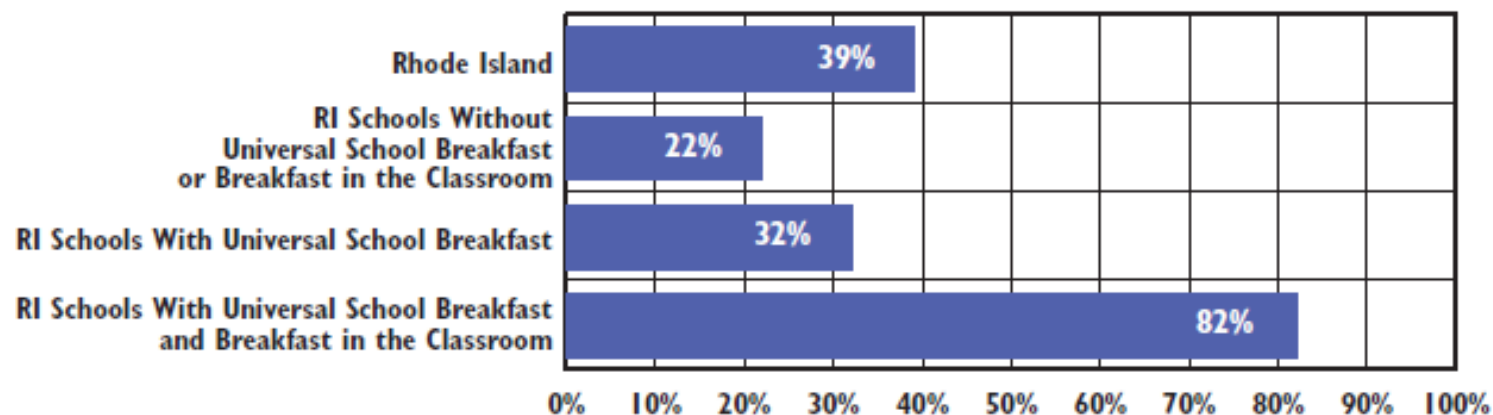
% of Low-Income Children Participating in School Breakfast, 2014



- Newport does not participate in the Universal School Breakfast Program or breakfast in the classroom, 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 2014



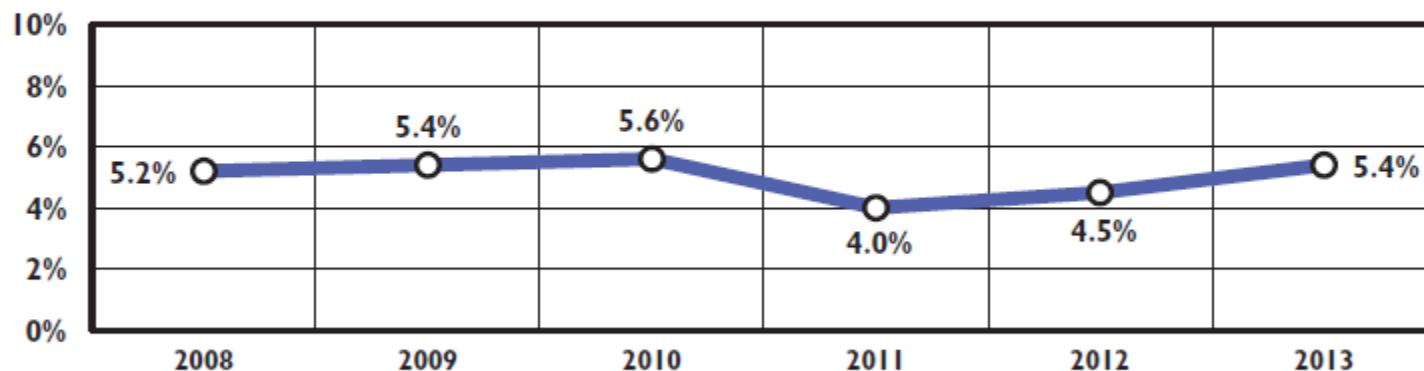
Source: Rhode Island Department of Education, Office of School Food Services, Office of Statewide Efficiencies, October 2014.



Health

Children's Health Insurance

Children Without Health Insurance, Rhode Island, 2008-2013



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2012 and 2013, Table CP03. Data are for children under 18 years of age and are not comparable to previous Factbooks*.

- Data released in September showed that in Rhode Island in 2014
 - 3.3% of children under age 18 were uninsured
 - Rhode Island ranks 7th best in the country

Infants Born at Highest Risk

Mother:

Child:

Under Age 20

Unmarried

Without High School Degree



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 2014...

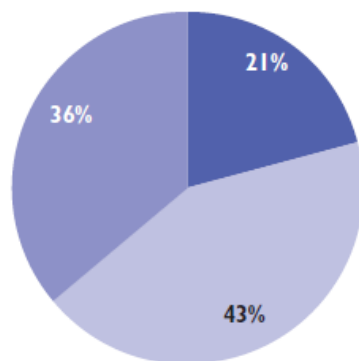
- 210 (2%) Rhode Island babies were born with all three risk factors.
- **3 (1%) Newport babies were born at highest risk.**

Evidence-Based Home Visiting

Families Enrolled in Evidence-Based Family Home Visiting Programs, Rhode Island, October 2014

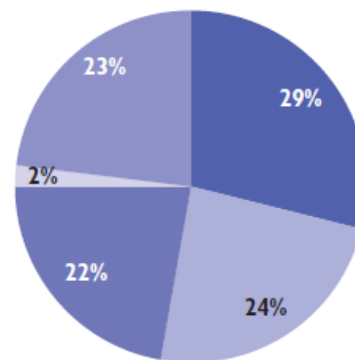
By Maternal Age at Enrollment

- 21% ■ Under Age 20
- 43% ■ Age 20 to 24
- 36% ■ Over Age 24



By Maternal Education Level

- 29% ■ Less than high school/GED
- 24% ■ High school or GED
- 22% ■ Some college/vocational training
- 2% ■ Four year college degree
- 23% ■ Unknown



n=500

Source: Rhode Island Department of Health, October 2014.

- 19 families enrolled in Newport out of a total state enrollment of 500.
- Families are enrolled in Healthy Families America and Nurse-Family Partnership programs.

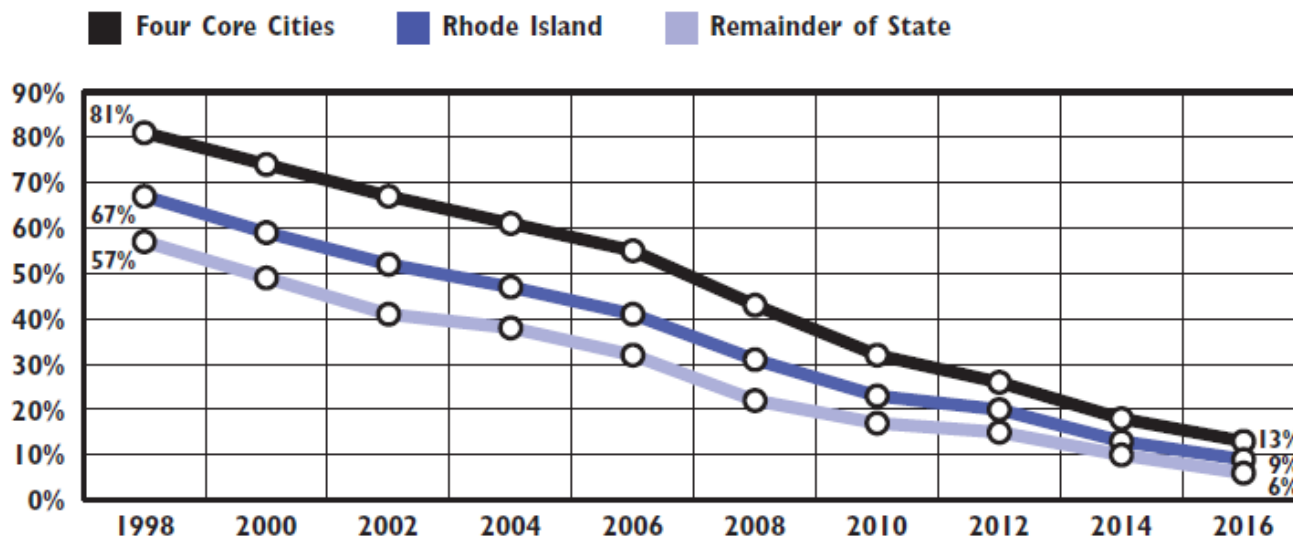
Infant Health Outcomes, 2009-2013

	Delayed Prenatal Care	Pre-term Births	Low Birthweight Infants	Infant Mortality Rate/1,000 Births
Middletown	8.5%	8.2%	5.6%	NA
Newport	8.3%	11.3%	7.8%	9.5
Portsmouth	6.1%	7.6%	4.9%	NA
Four Core Cities	16.6%	12.3%	8.8%	8.3
Rhode Island	12.8%	10.7%	7.6%	6.6

- 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 $\mu\text{g/dL}$), Rhode Island, Four Core Cities, and Remainder of State, 1998-2016

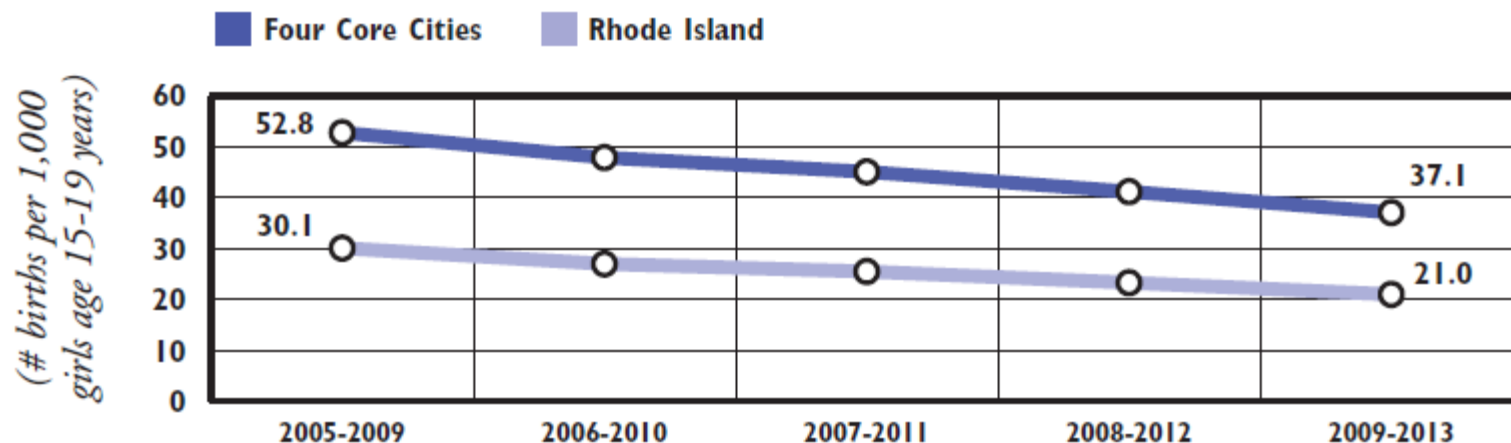


Source: Rhode Island Department of Health, Healthy Homes and Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program, Children entering kindergarten between 1998 and 2016. *Elevated blood lead level of ≥ 5 $\mu\text{g/dL}$.

- 289 Newport children due to enter kindergarten in the fall of 2016
- 35 (12.1%) were confirmed positive for ≥ 5 mcg/dL, the 5th highest rate in the state.

Birth to Teens, 2008-2012

Teen Birth Rates, Rhode Island, Five Year Averages, 2005-2013



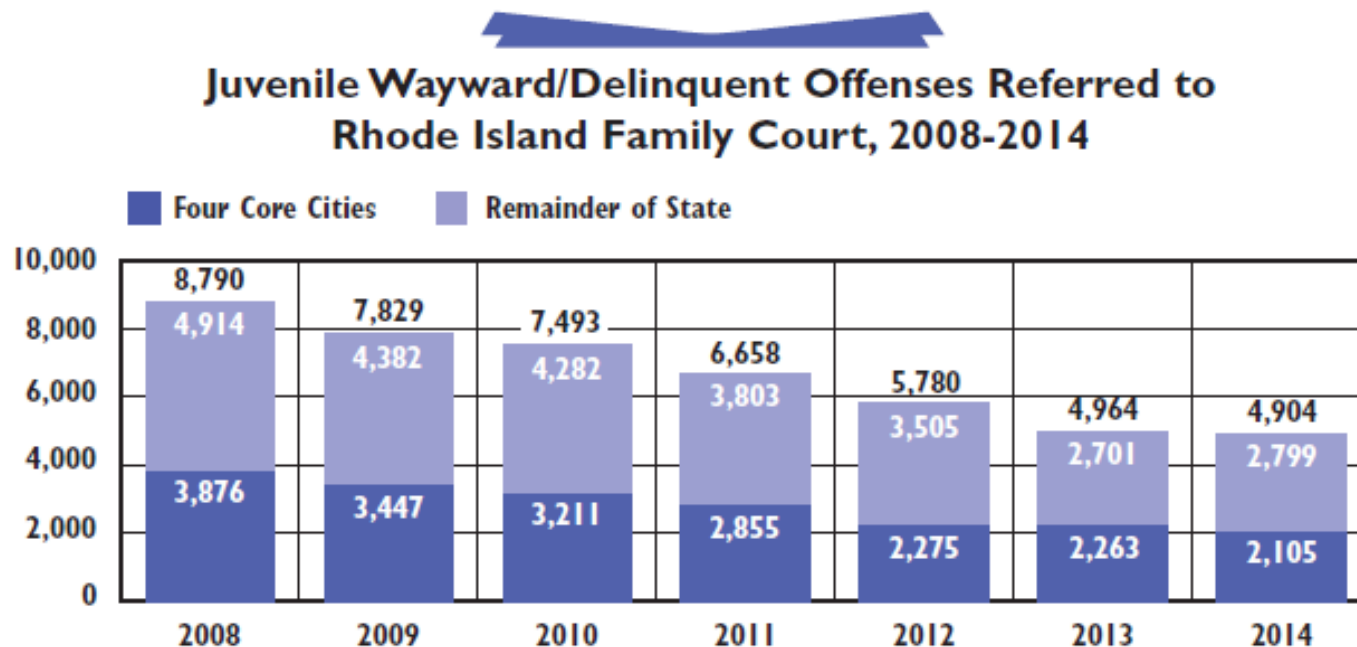
Source: Rhode Island Department of Health, Center for Health Data and Analysis, 2005-2013. Data for 2013 are provisional.

- Teen birth rate on the decline nationally, in Rhode Island, and in Newport.
- 20.8 teen births per 1,000 girls ages 15-19 in Newport from 2009-2013, down from 25.1 teen births per 1,000 from 2004-2008.
- In Newport, between 2009 and 2013, 24 births were repeat teen births, making up 22% of the 107 total teen births during that period.



Safety

Juveniles Referred to Family Court



- 48% decline in youth referred to Family Court from 2008 to 2014

Youth Referred to Family Court

BY TYPE OF OFFENSE

23%	Status Offenses*	3%	Alcohol and Drug Offenses
23%	Property Crimes	4%	Violent Crimes
21%	Disorderly Conduct	4%	Motor Vehicle Offenses
11%	Simple Assault	4%	Weapons Offenses
		7%	Other**

n=4,904

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

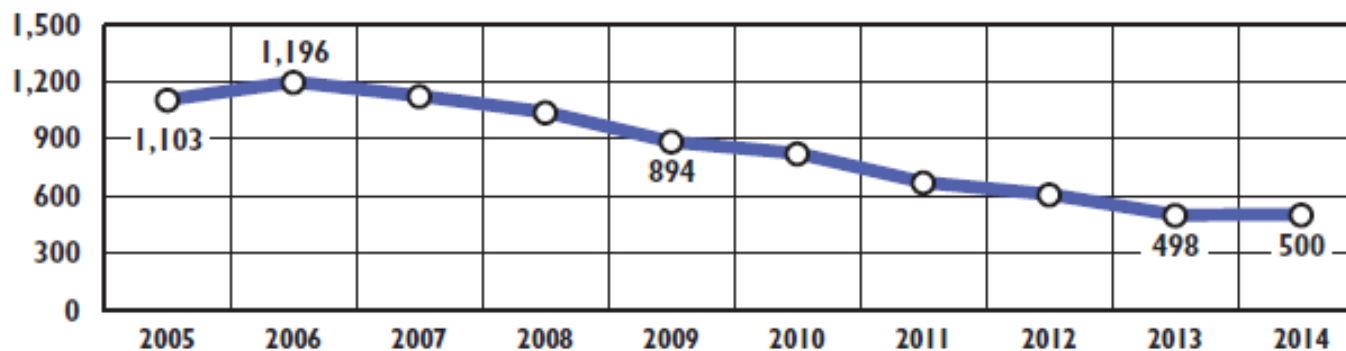
***Other includes offenses such as conspiracy, crank/obscene phone calls, computer crimes and possession of a manipulative device for automobiles, etc. Probation violations, contempt of court, and other violations of court orders are not included in the offenses above.*

Source: Rhode Island Family Court, 2008-2014 *Juvenile Offense Reports*. Percentages may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

- 4% (213) of offenses for which youth were referred to Family Court in 2013 involved violent offenses.

Youth at the Training School

**Youth in the Care and Custody of
the Rhode Island Training School, 2005-2014**



- 500 youth were in the care or custody of the Training School at some point during 2014, down from 1,103 in 2005.
- 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, 2014



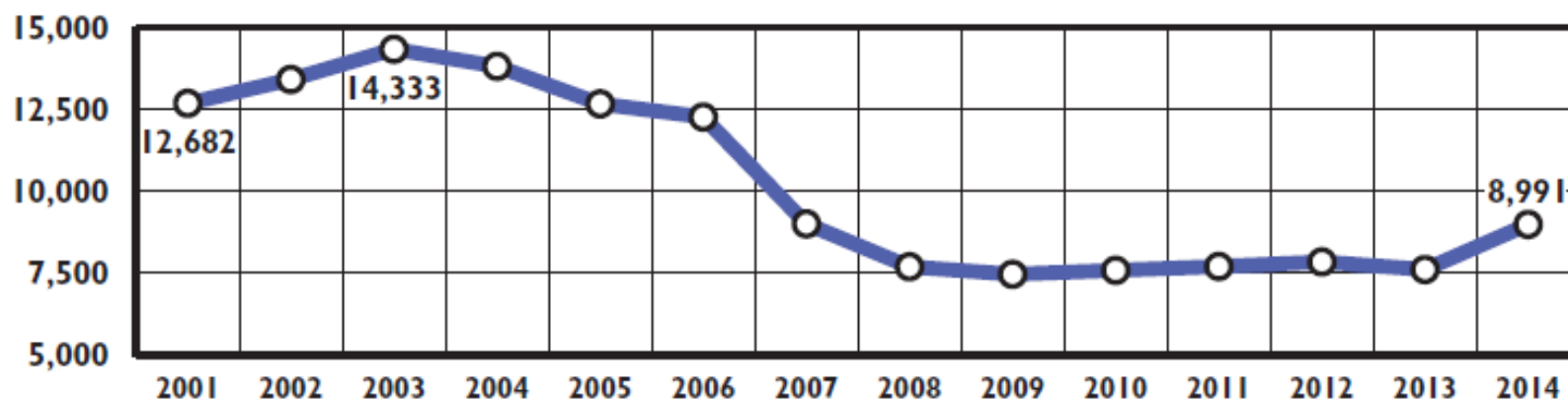
- Newport's reported child abuse and neglect victim rate is the third highest in the state



Education

Child Care Subsidies

Child Care Subsidies, Rhode Island, 2001-2014



Source: Rhode Island Department of Human Services, December 2001-December 2014.

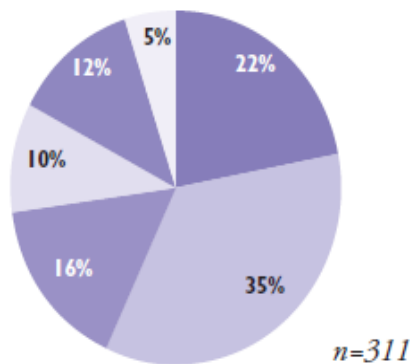
- Since peaking in 2003, there has been a 37% decrease in the number of child care subsidies available and an 18% increase from December 2013

Early Learning Programs Participating in BrightStars

Quality Ratings of Licensed Early Learning Programs Participating in BrightStars, Rhode Island, January 2015

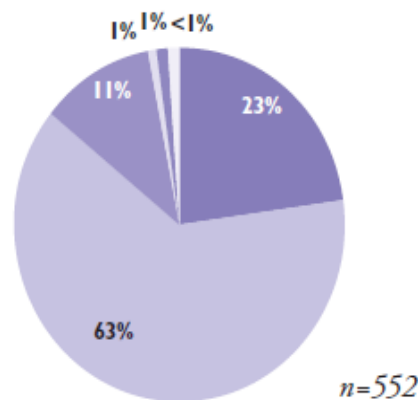
Centers & Preschools

22% (68)	Unrated
35% (108)	1 Star
16% (51)	2 Stars
10% (31)	3 Stars
12% (36)	4 Stars
5% (17)	5 Stars



Family Child Care

23% (126)	Unrated
63% (349)	1 Star
11% (61)	2 Stars
1% (8)	3 Stars
1% (7)	4 Stars
<1% (1)	5 Stars

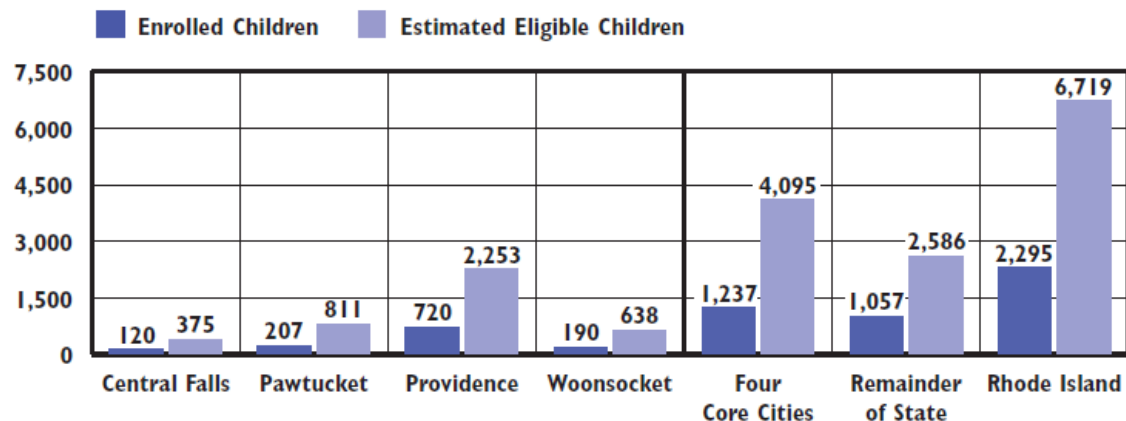


In Newport

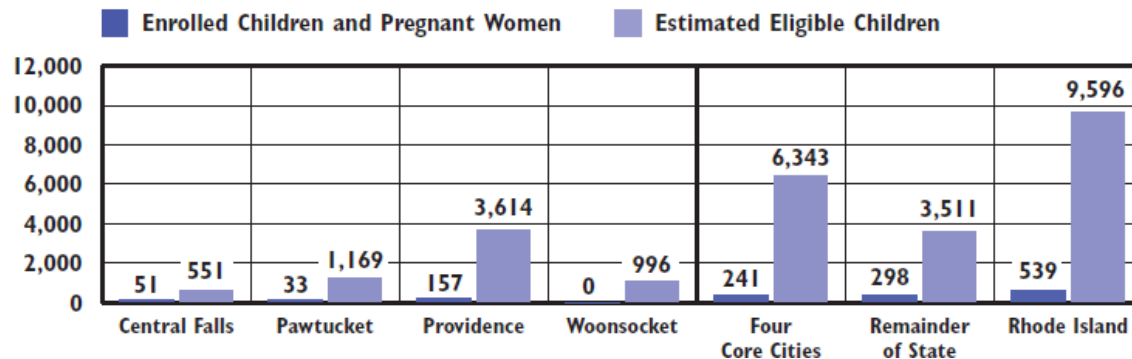
- 50% of child care centers and preschools participate in BrightStars.
 - 25% have a high-quality rating
- 50% of family child care homes participate in BrightStars.
 - 0% have a high-quality rating

Head Start and Early Head Start

Access to Head Start for Low-Income Children, Rhode Island, 2014

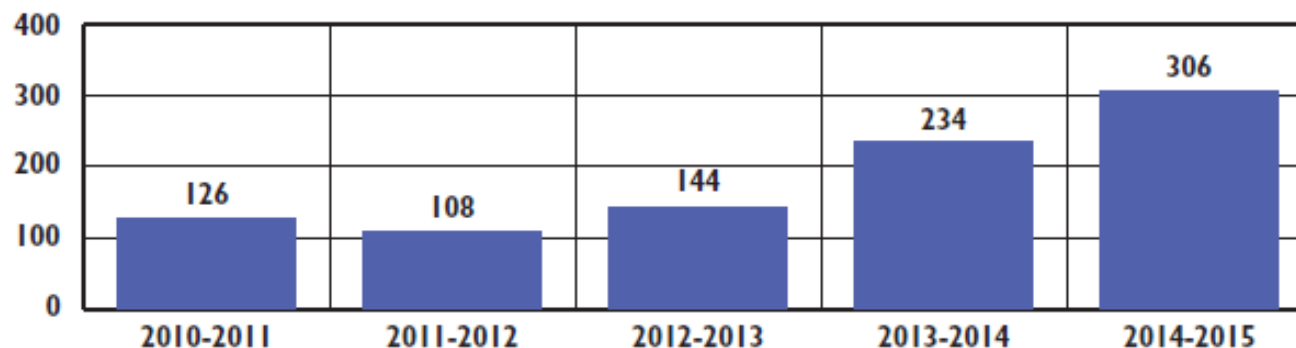


Access to Early Head Start for Low-Income Children and Pregnant Women, Rhode Island, 2014



Children Enrolled in State Pre-K

Rhode Island State Pre-K Funded Slots, 2010-2011 through 2014-2015

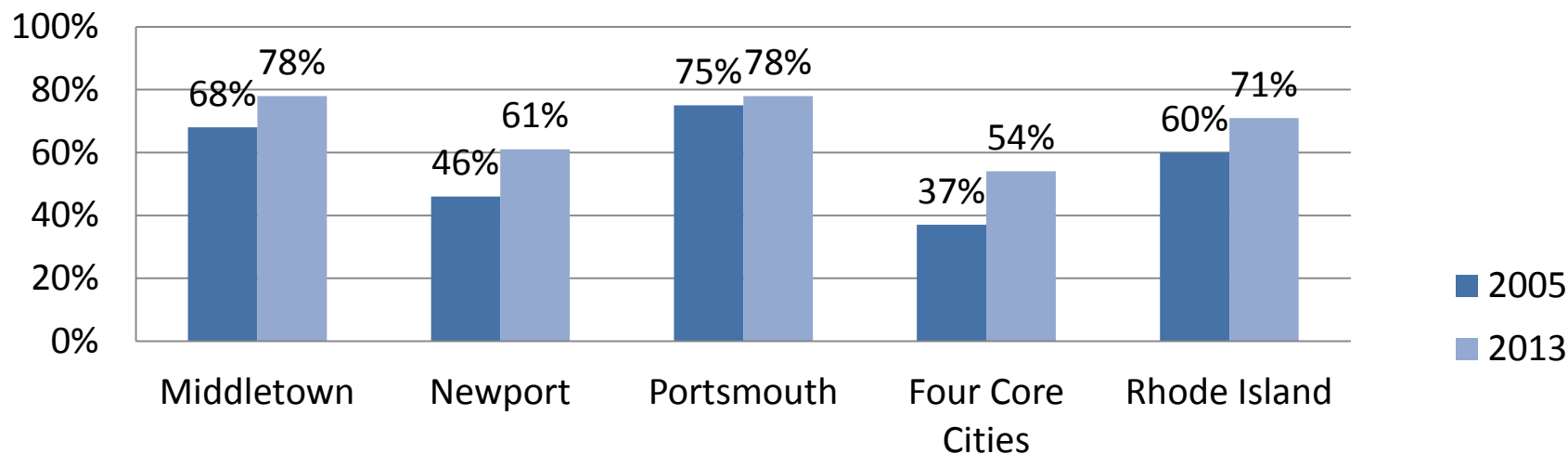


Sources: National Institute for Early Education Research, *The State of Preschool 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013*. Rhode Island Department of Education, State Pre-K programs 2013-2014 and 2014-15.

- During the 2014-2015 school year, 36 Newport children (16% of four-year-olds) were enrolled in the State Pre-K program, the highest rate in the state.

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 4th grade reading proficiency rate increased from 46% to 61%.
- Reading proficiency rates remain below the state rate.

Math Skills

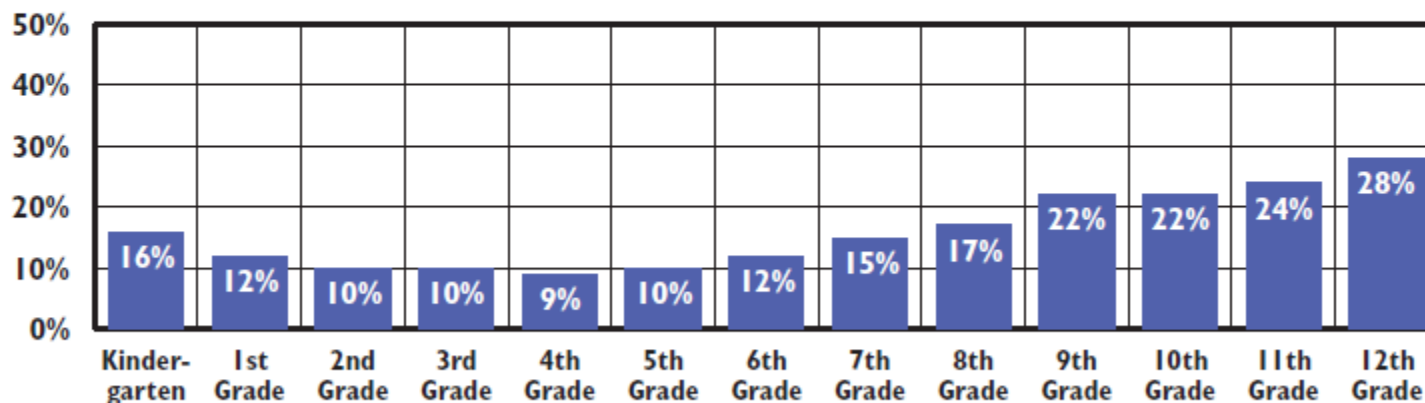
	4th Grade 2005	4th Grade 2013	8th Grade 2005	8th Grade 2013	11th Grade 2007*	11th Grade 2013
Middletown	68%	78%	70%	66%	33%	59%
Newport	34%	50%	39%	55%	24%	24%
Portsmouth	67%	83%	72%	78%	37%	63%
Four Core Cities	31%	43%	25%	34%	10%	16%
Rhode Island	52%	63%	47%	57%	22%	36%

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

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

Chronic Early Absence

**Chronic Absence Rates in Rhode Island by Grade,
2013-2014 School Year**

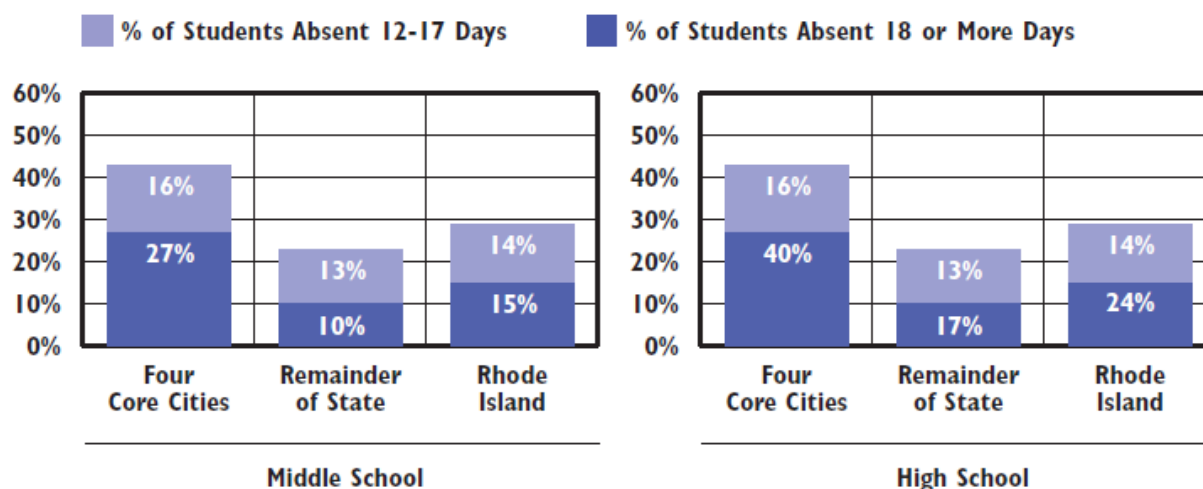


Source: Rhode Island Department of Education, 2013-2014 school year.

- In Newport, 12% of students in grades K-3 missed 18+ days of school during the 2013-2014 school year, and an additional 17% missed 12-17 days.

Chronic Absence, Middle School and High School

School Attendance in Rhode Island by Number of School Days Missed, Middle and High School, 2013-2014 School Year



Source: Rhode Island Department of Education, 2013-2014 school year.

- In Newport, 14% of middle school students missed 18+ days of school during the 2013-2014 school year, and an additional 18% missed 12-17 days.
- At the high school level, 34% of students missed 18+ days of school and 16% missed 12-17 days.

School Suspensions

Out-of-School Suspensions, Rhode Island Public Schools, 2013-2014

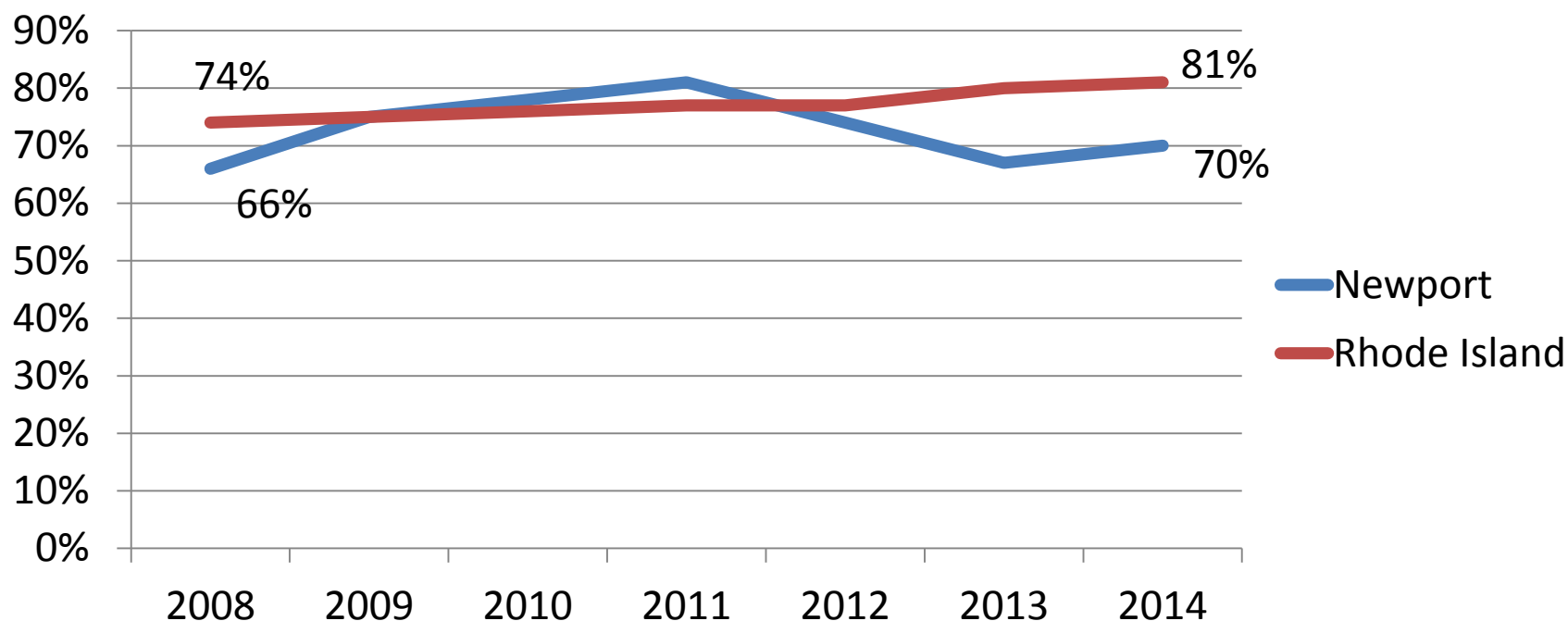
BY TYPE OF INFRACTION*	#	%	BY TYPE OF INFRACTION	#	%
Insubordination/Disrespect	4,927	31%	Alcohol/Drug/Tobacco Offenses	718	5%
Disorderly Conduct	3,290	21%	Arson/Larceny/Robbery/Vandalism	412	3%
Fighting	2,233	14%	Weapon Possession	206	1%
Assault of Student or Teacher	1,275	8%	Communications/Electronic Devices	186	1%
Obscene/Abusive Language	1,169	7%	Attendance Offenses	0	0%
Harassment/Intimidation/Threat	1,030	7%	Other Offenses	317	2%
			Total	15,763	

**Harassment offenses include hazing and hate crimes. Assault offenses include sexual assault. Examples of other offenses include cheating/plagiarism, fire regulation violations, sexual misconduct, trespassing, forgery, as well as disciplinary actions where the infraction is missing or not specified.*

Source: Rhode Island Department of Education, 2013-2014 school year. Percentages may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

- During the 2013-2014 school year in Newport, **still overwhelmingly out-of-school suspensions**
 - 399 out-of-school suspensions
 - 74 in-school suspensions

High School Graduation Rate, 2008-2014



- The Newport 4-year graduation rate for the Class of 2014 was 70%, the dropout rate was 18%, 1% completed their GED within 4 years of entering high school, and 12% were still in school in the fall of 2014.

High School Graduation Rate, 2014

All Newport Students	70%
Females	70%
Males	69%
Students with Disabilities	45%
Students without Disabilities	79%
Low-Income Students	58%
Higher-Income Students	92%
White	84%
Black	58%
Hispanic	50%

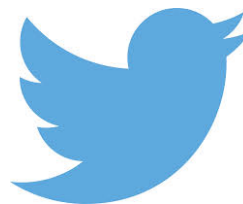


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