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The **amazingly high returns** on
public investments in young kids

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Our Vision

West Virginia KIDS COUNT is determined to make West Virginia a great place to be a kid.

Our Mission

KIDS COUNT provides the most trusted data about the well-being of children and builds alliances to advocate for what kids need.



The BIG Payoff

Why We Should Be (But Aren't) Investing the Most in WV's Youngest Kids

Only 1 in 5
of WV's 3-year-olds are enrolled in a pre-school program

We've left the future of WV's youngest children hanging long enough. The time to invest in them is NOW!

The future prosperity of West Virginia depends on our ability to foster the well-being of the next generation. When we invest wisely in children and

families, the next generation will pay that investment back through a lifetime of productivity and responsible citizenship.

In fact, high-quality early education programs are one of the most productive economic development investments any state can make.

The AMAZINGLY HIGH RETURNS on Public Investments in Young Kids

\$1 Invested in Good Childcare

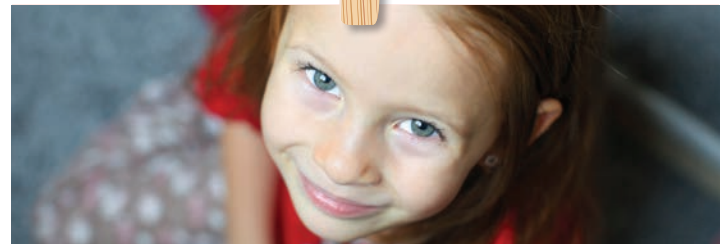


\$5.20 in Social and Economic Returns to West Virginia*

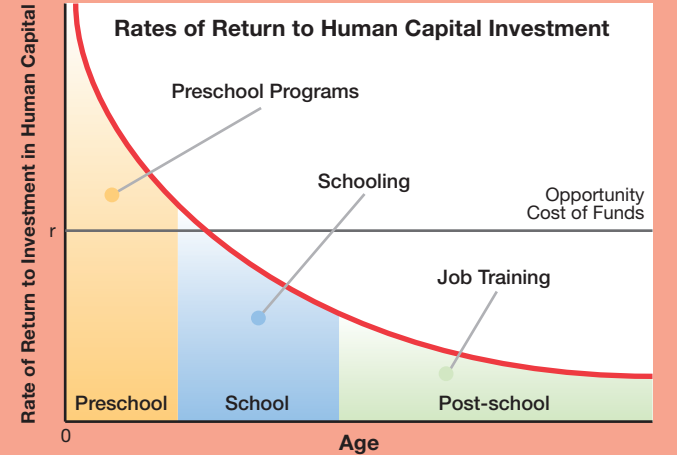
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Are WV's Youngest Children Getting the High-Quality Childcare They Need?

- About half of WV children under six (59,366 kids) are living in low-income families. Most of them are not getting the quality early child development programs they need. (See chart at right)
- Chances are these kids will start school behind and may never catch up.
- For example, higher-income parents speak much more to their children, and, as a result, the children hear 30 million more words by age 3 than children from low-income households. There is a direct connection between the vocabulary that children have in the early years and their ability to read at third grade, and that is a direct predictor of high school graduation as well.
- That's why high-quality early child development programs are the key to helping low-income kids overcome this readiness gap.

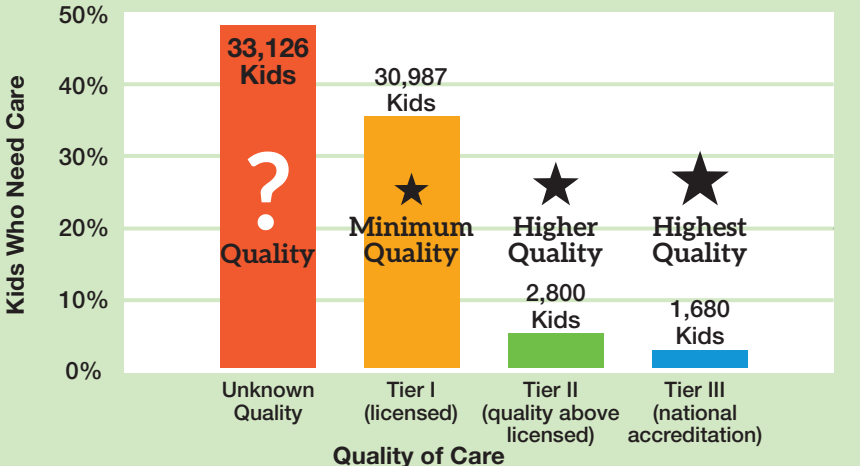


Nobel Prize-Winning Economist James Heckman has found that investments in our youngest children have dramatically higher returns than at any other age.



Unfortunately, as a society we are investing the **LEAST**, not the most, in our youngest children.

How Good is the Childcare WV's Young Kids Are Getting?



Quality of Care	Number of Kids
Unknown Quality	33,126 Kids
Tier I (licensed)	30,987 Kids
Tier II (quality above licensed)	2,800 Kids
Tier III (national accreditation)	1,680 Kids

65% of WV's youngest kids spend a large part of their care in the care of someone else, because their parents are working. The vast majority (93%) are in childcare that is of unknown or minimum quality.

3 Public Investments That Will Bring High Returns for Our Kids & Our State

1. Support parents, for instance through programs that coach those who want help, so they can successfully care for their children.
2. Increase access to high-quality programs for young children, particularly those from low-income families.
3. Develop comprehensive, integrated programs and data systems that address all aspects of early child development.

Infographic Sources and Definitions



National Rank 45

Children ages 3 to 4 not enrolled in preschool. The share of children ages 3 to 4 not enrolled in nursery school or preschool school during the previous two months.

“Nursery school” and “preschool” include any group or class of institution providing educational experiences for children during the years preceding kindergarten. Places where instruction is an integral part of the program are included, but private homes that primarily provide custodial care are not included. Children enrolled in programs sponsored by federal, state or local agencies to provide preschool education to young children—including Head Start programs—are considered as enrolled in nursery school or preschool. Children enrolled in kindergarten are excluded from this analysis.

Due to small sample size, the 3-year American Community Survey was used to increase accuracy of the estimates.

Data Source: Population Reference Bureau, analysis of data from the U.S. Census Bureau, 2005-07 to 2009-11 three-year American Community Survey.

Only 1 in 5

1 in 5 three year olds is enrolled in a preschool program: Population Reference Bureau, 2007-2011 American Community Survey PUMS data.

The Amazingly High Returns on Public Investments in Young Kids

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How Good is the Childcare WV's Kids are Getting? (graph)

Licensed Childcare Centers, Family Childcare Facilities, and Registered Family Childcare Homes data from West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources, Bureau for Children and Families, Division of Early Care and Education. Point in time October 2013.

Tier II and Tier III participation data from West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources, Division of Early Care and Education. 2012-2013.

Children under age 6 with all parents in the labor force data from U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, American FactFinder. Detailed Table B23008. 2007-2011.

Definitions:

Tier I – Requires that childcare centers and family childcare facilities are licensed and family childcare homes are registered with the West Virginia Division of Health and Human Resources.

Tier II - A state-specific set of quality standards for childcare programs that is above licensing requirements, but not as stringent as national accreditation standards.

Tier III – Requires that childcare programs be accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC).

Are WV's Youngest Children Getting the High-Quality Childcare They Need?

Children under age 6 in poverty data from U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey. 2009-2011.

Low Income - Families and children are defined as low-income if the family income is 200% or less than the federal poverty threshold. According to the United States Census Bureau, the federal poverty threshold for a family of four with two children was \$23,492 in 2012.

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Thanks to Our *Data Book* Partners

The *West Virginia KIDS COUNT Data Book* comes about through months of collaboration with a long list of state and national partners, including The Annie E. Casey Foundation, the founder and funder of the KIDS COUNT program nationwide. We continue to be grateful for the leadership and enthusiastic assistance of the national KIDS COUNT staff: Dennis Campa, Jann Jackson and Laura Speer. We are deeply grateful, as always, to Kelvin Pollard, Research Associate at the Population Reference Bureau, for his help in providing our current population data. Thanks also to PRB staffers Jean D'Amico and Genevieve Dupuis.

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KIDS COUNT continues to have a very small but very dedicated staff who share the organization's commitment to making West Virginia a great place to be a kid. Laura Gandee, KIDS COUNT's Director of Communications, has successfully marketed the *Data Book* and the entire organization since 2004. Executive Assistant Amee Beckner aggregated all of the data for this year's book, which is a monumental undertaking.

Special thanks to our proofers Sean O'Leary and Joyce Board. We also recognize the supporting role our regional dissemination partners play in helping us get the *Data Book* in the hands of key community leaders and local policymakers. Our regional partners are listed on the back cover.

For nearly a quarter of a century, KIDS COUNT has been blessed with the loyal support of foundations, businesses, individuals and nonprofit organizations that help underwrite the cost of the *Data Book*. The names of our *Data Book* sponsors are located on the inside back cover.



Finally, as always, we could not do our jobs without the grassroots support of every West Virginian who believes in our vision of making this a great place for every kid to be a kid. We are beginning our 24th year of advocacy for the policies that will improve child well-being in our state. Now more than ever, we will need your strong and active support of the policy initiatives that will, once and forever, make our state a decidedly **great place to be a kid**.

Margie Hale

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Foreword

The Annie E. Casey Foundation launched the KIDS COUNT initiative in 1989. The nationwide project was founded on the notion that the more the public and policymakers know about the status and needs of children the greater the chance those needs would be addressed.

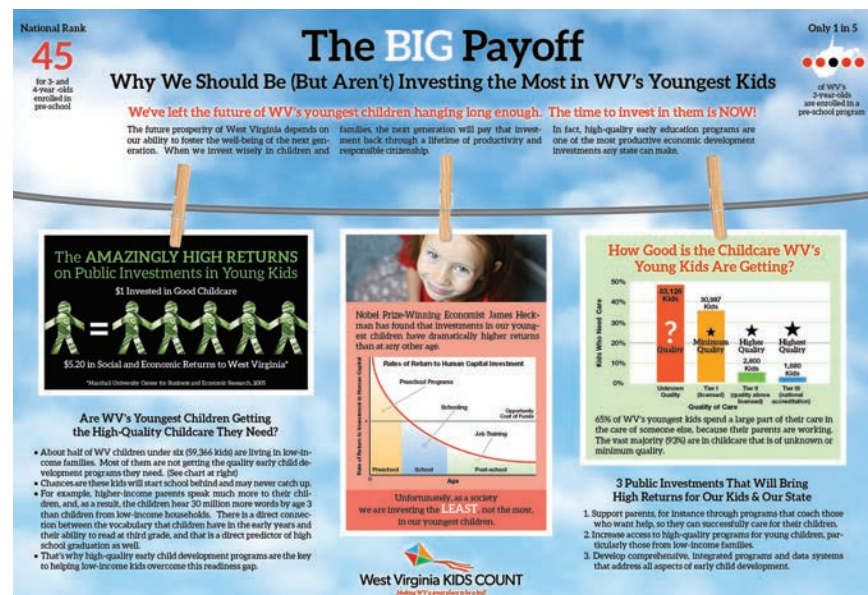
The West Virginia KIDS COUNT project was first funded in 1991 and is one of 50 similar projects throughout the United States. The *2013 KIDS COUNT Data Book* is the 22nd annual profile of West Virginia's children. To compile this *Data Book*, KIDS COUNT pulls together the best available data to measure the well-being of children in West Virginia.

This year, the *KIDS COUNT Data Book* measures 12 indicators of child well-being and 17 background facts. Also included are statewide changes in the indicators and background facts as well as the county-level data. The county profiles are available online at www.wvkidscount.org and through the Casey Foundation's data center at datacenter.kidscount.org.

One of the most important ways the *Data Book* can be used is as a tool for selecting children's issues that need our attention. Last year, instead of a traditional long-form essay about a key policy issue, we produced a short, compelling "infographic" to tell the story of teen pregnancy in West Virginia. The teen pregnancy data snapshot took a groundbreaking look at the problems caused by teens getting pregnant. It outlined the solutions for reducing the state's alarming teen pregnancy rate, particularly in the southern part of the state. Media coverage of the infographic shattered KIDS COUNT's previous records, earning 112 stories and 22 editorials addressing the urgent need to reduce the number of teens having babies. Public interest in the teen pregnancy report was so high that KIDS COUNT's Executive Director Margie Hale was invited to be among the first child advo-

cates to testify at the inaugural meeting of the West Virginia Senate's Select Committee on Child Poverty.

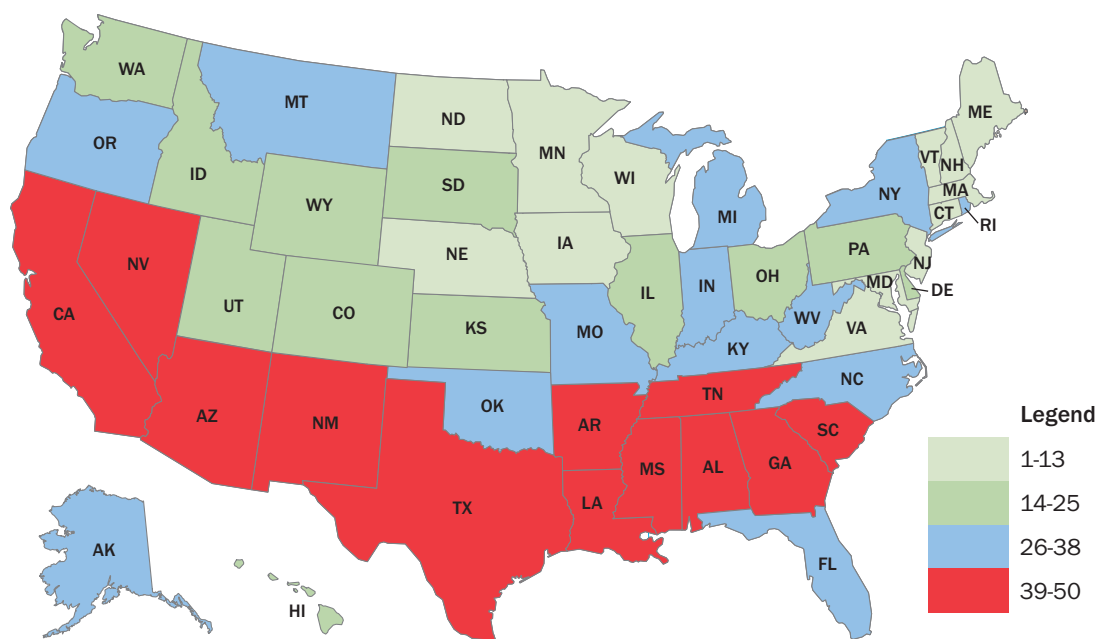
In June of 2013 KIDS COUNT issued another similarly well-covered infographic on the third grade reading proficiency crisis in West Virginia. Building on the success of those first two data snapshots, we have included another pull-out infographic in this *2013 Data Book*. It is called *The Big Payoff: Why We Should Be (But Aren't) Investing the Most in WV's Youngest Kids*. (See pull-out on page 1.)



The infographic has also been designed to easily pull out and post on a bulletin board or share with others who are working to improve and expand early child development programs in West Virginia. A pdf can be downloaded from the KIDS COUNT website at www.wvkidscount.org. Feel free to make and distribute copies of it in your community or post the pdf on your own website or Facebook page.

The research for our *2013 Data Book* was funded in part by The Annie E. Casey Foundation. We thank them for their support but acknowledge that the findings and conclusions presented in this report are those of the author(s) alone, and do not necessarily reflect the opinions of the Foundation.

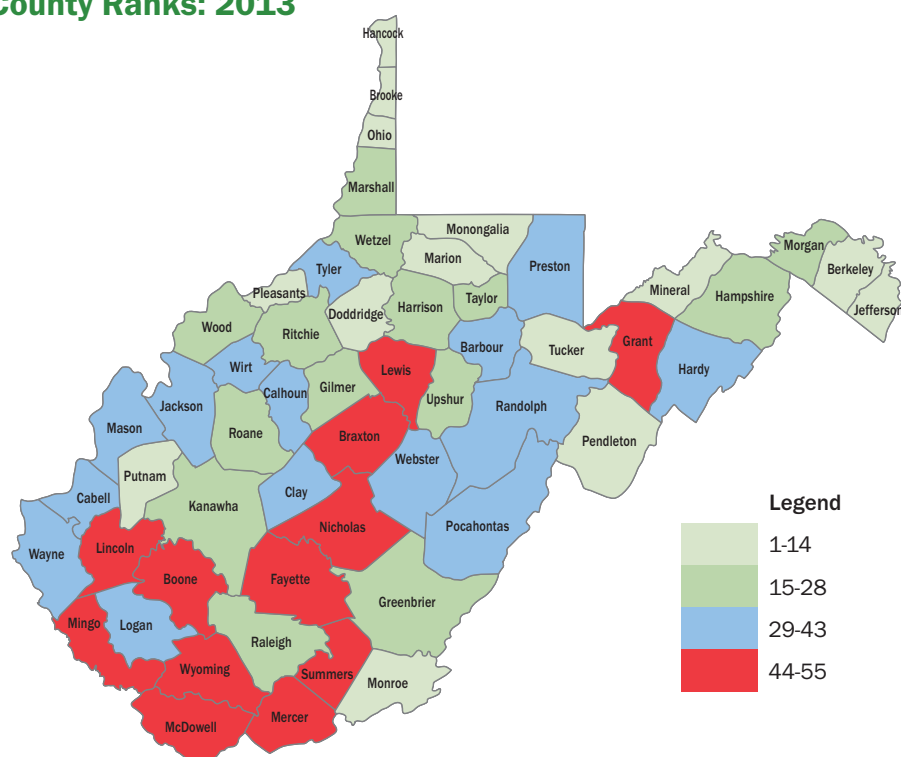
Overall State Ranks: 2013



Rank	State	Rank	State	Rank	State
1	New Hampshire	18	South Dakota	35	North Carolina
2	Vermont	19	Washington	36	Oklahoma
3	Massachusetts	20	Idaho	37	West Virginia
4	Minnesota	21	Colorado	38	Florida
5	New Jersey	22	Delaware	39	Tennessee
6	North Dakota	23	Illinois	40	Arkansas
7	Iowa	24	Ohio	41	California
8	Nebraska	25	Hawaii	42	Texas
9	Connecticut	26	Rhode Island	43	Georgia
10	Maryland	27	Missouri	44	Alabama
11	Virginia	28	Montana	45	South Carolina
12	Wisconsin	29	New York	46	Louisiana
13	Maine	30	Indiana	47	Arizona
14	Utah	31	Michigan	48	Nevada
15	Wyoming	32	Oregon	49	Mississippi
16	Kansas	33	Alaska	50	New Mexico
17	Pennsylvania	34	Kentucky	NR	District of Columbia

A state's Overall Rank is determined by the sum of a state's standing on each of 10 measures of the condition of children arranged in sequential order from highest/best (1) to lowest/worst (50). The measures are as follows: percent low birth-weight babies; infant mortality rate; child death rate; teen death rate; teen birth rate; percent of teens who are high school dropouts; percent of teens not attending school and not working; percent of children living in families where no parent has full-time, year-round employment; percent of children in poverty; and percent of children in single-parent families.

Overall County Ranks: 2013



Rank	County	Rank	County	Rank	County
1	Monongalia	20	Wood	39	Wayne
2	Pleasants	21	Hampshire	40	Calhoun
3	Putnam	22	Roane	41	Logan
4	Jefferson	23	Wetzel	42	Randolph
5	Hancock	24	Greenbrier	43	Webster
6	Brooke	25	Upshur	44	Grant
7	Pendelton	26	Raleigh	45	Lewis
8	Berkeley	27	Ritchie	46	Nicholas
9	Marion	28	Kanawha	47	Fayette
10	Tucker	29	Barbour	48	Braxton
11	Monroe	29	Preston	49	Boone
12	Mineral	31	Jackson	50	Wyoming
13	Ohio	32	Wirt	51	Mercer
14	Doddridge	33	Hardy	52	Lincoln
15	Gilmer	34	Cabell	53	Summers
16	Marshall	35	Mason	54	Mingo
17	Harrison	36	Pocahontas	55	McDowell
18	Morgan	37	Tyler		
19	Taylor	38	Clay		

A county's overall rank is determined by the sum of a county's standing on the 12 core measures of the condition of children arranged in sequential order from highest/best (1) to lowest/worst (55). The measures are as follows: percent low birth-weight babies; infant mortality rate; child death rate; percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten; percent children approved for free and reduced-price meals; child abuse/neglect rate; teen birth rate; percent births to unmarried teens; percent high school drop-outs; teen injury death rate; percent children in poverty; and percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education.

West Virginia Profile

Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	2012 U.S. Rate	— Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	9.2%	9.3%	8.4%	1.1%	
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	7.9	7.4	6.5		6.3%
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	24.6	22.3	17.7		9.3%
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	39.8%	62.4%	NA		56.8%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	52.7%	58.2%	50.4%	10.4%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	22.6	15.6	10.4		31.0%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	43.4	45.3	34.5	4.5%	
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	9.2%	10.5%	8.4%	14.1%	
Percent high school dropouts	16.8%	11.3%	NA		32.7%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	70.1	50.2	42.8		28.4%
Percent children in poverty	25.5%	26.1%	22.5%	2.4%	
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	18.4%	18.0%	21.1%		2.2%

Background Facts

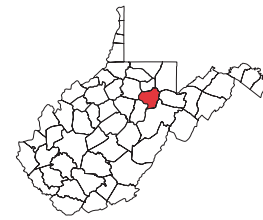
	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	1,816,856	1,855,413	2.1%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	3.1%	2.4%	-22.6%
Total population under age 18	382,497	384,041	0.4%
Percent population under age 18	21.1%	20.7%	-1.9%
Percent minority population	5.0%	6.2%	24.0%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	5.9%	8.1%	37.3%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	121,896	124,249	1.9%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	54.2%	55.2%	1.9%
Number registered family day care homes	2,099	1,572	-25.1%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	8.4%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	110	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	523	337	-35.6%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	18.1%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	52.8%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	38.2%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	62.7%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	69.4%	57.0%	-17.9%

Barbour County

Composite County Rank: 29



Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	— Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	9.2%	4.3%	9.3%	1		53.3%
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	9.3	4.6	7.4	10		51.0%
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	23.5	22.0	22.3	27		6.1%
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	71.8%	63.9%	62.4%	54	11.0%	
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	67.5%	60.6%	58.2%	26		10.2%
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	16.9	10.9	15.6	12		35.2%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	36.3	42.4	45.3	22	16.6%	
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	9.4%	11.9%	10.5%	42	26.6%	
Percent high school dropouts	20.7%	14.8%	11.3%	46		28.5%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	71.1	35.6	50.2	18		49.9%
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	31.7%	33.9%	26.1%	49	6.9%	
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	17.1%	20.9%	18.0%	38	22.2%	

Background Facts

	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	15,689	16,493	5.1%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	2.5%	1.6%	-36.0%
Total population under age 18	3,255	3,472	6.7%
Percent population under age 18	20.7%	21.1%	1.9%
Percent minority population	2.7%	2.7%	NC
Percent children under 18 who are minority	2.8%	3.8%	35.7%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	953	1,034	8.5%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	55.8%	48.3%	-13.5%
Number registered family day care homes	23	28	21.7%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	7.1%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	4	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	4	2	-50.0%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	0.0%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	55.8%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	43.8%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	38.9%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	81.1%	50.3%	-38.0%

Berkeley County

Composite County Rank: 8



Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	— Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	7.8%	7.6%	9.3%	15		■ 2.6%
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	9.6	8.6	7.4	39		■ 9.7%
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	22.9	24.7	22.3	32	7.6% ■	
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	30.5%	47.2%	62.4%	54		→ 54.8%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	40.2%	52.2%	58.2%	13	29.9% ■	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	11.4	7.4	15.6	6		■ 34.8%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	61.1	40.0	45.3	17		■ 34.5%
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	10.9%	8.7%	10.5%	8		■ 20.2%
Percent high school dropouts	22.6%	11.9%	11.3%	34		→ 47.3%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	75.2	18.3	50.2	8		→ 75.6%
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	15.3%	21.4%	26.1%	5	39.9% ■	
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	20.9%	16.8%	18.0%	17		■ 19.6%

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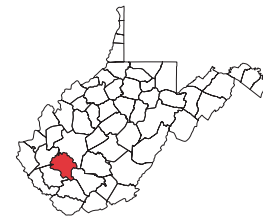
	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	93,394	107,098	14.7%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	3.2%	2.3%	-28.1%
Total population under age 18	22,888	26,181	14.4%
Percent population under age 18	24.5%	24.4%	-0.4%
Percent minority population	8.9%	13.0%	46.1%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	11.3%	17.2%	52.2%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	7,250	8,349	15.2%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	60.7%	69.5%	14.5%
Number registered family day care homes	100	112	12.0%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	8.0%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	12	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	28	18	-35.7%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	0.0%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	48.5%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	41.9%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	62.8%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	37.7%	35.8%	-5.0%

Boone County

Composite County Rank: 49



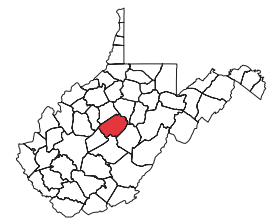
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Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	6.8	8.7	7.4	40	27.7%	
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	17.9	22.7	22.3	30	27.2%	
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	50.3%	81.5%	62.4%	10		62.0%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	58.8%	61.4%	58.2%	37	4.4%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	32.2	30.6	15.6	48		5.2%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	56.8	69.4	45.3	51	22.2%	
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	9.5%	12.6%	10.5%	46	32.6%	
Percent high school dropouts	18.4%	13.1%	11.3%	40		28.8%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	76.7	53.5	50.2	33		30.2%
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	27.9%	26.8%	26.1%	24		3.9%
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	19.8%	22.6%	18.0%	49	14.1%	

Background Facts

	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	25,703	24,478	-4.8%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	3.9%	2.2%	-43.6%
Total population under age 18	5,706	5,580	-2.2%
Percent population under age 18	22.2%	22.8%	2.7%
Percent minority population	1.4%	1.5%	7.1%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	1.8%	1.9%	5.6%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	1,944	1,791	-7.9%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	41.4%	34.3%	-17.2%
Number registered family day care homes	18	3	-83.3%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	0.0%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	1	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	6	2	-66.7%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	0.0%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	54.1%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	35.4%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	162.5%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	51.4%	55.8%	8.6%



Braxton County

Composite County Rank: 48

Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	— Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	7.4%	11.2%	9.3%	45	51.4%	
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	9.5	6.3	7.4	22		34.0%
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	41.7	17.2	22.3	16		58.8%
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	79.2%	63.8%	62.4%	52	19.4%	
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	59.9%	72.1%	58.2%	44	20.4%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	51.8	37.4	15.6	51		27.7%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	45.1	50.5	45.3	36	11.9%	
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	9.5%	10.7%	10.5%	23	12.6%	
Percent high school dropouts	18.1%	8.2%	11.3%	23		54.7%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	84.9	138.2	50.2	55	62.7%	
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	36.6%	30.1%	26.1%	42		17.8%
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	21.4%	21.6%	18.0%	41	0.9%	

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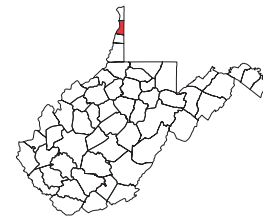
	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	14,851	14,468	-2.6%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	5.2%	3.2%	-38.5%
Total population under age 18	3,044	2,925	-3.9%
Percent population under age 18	20.5%	20.2%	-1.5%
Percent minority population	1.6%	1.9%	18.8%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	1.9%	2.3%	21.1%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	907	963	6.2%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	34.2%	38.8%	13.6%
Number registered family day care homes	6	7	16.7%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	0.0%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	0	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	1	2	100.0%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	50.0%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	67.9%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	45.0%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	81.8%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	106.7%	151.9%	42.4%

Brooke County

Composite County Rank: 6



Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	– Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	9.7%	8.5%	9.3%	23		12.4%
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	7.8	2.9	7.4	3		62.9%
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	16.1	28.7	22.3	40	78.0%	
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	33.9%	52.2%	62.4%	44		54.0%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	40.1%	52.0%	58.2%	8	29.7%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	15.8	14.8	15.6	24		6.0%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	26.8	23.4	45.3	3		12.6%
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	8.6%	9.1%	10.5%	13		5.8%
Percent high school dropouts	9.9%	4.6%	11.3%	4		53.5%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	48.1	24.7	50.2	10		48.8%
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	17.4%	23.0%	26.1%	9	32.2%	
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	13.3%	12.8%	18.0%	8		3.8%

Background Facts

	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	24,515	23,853	-2.7%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	2.1%	1.6%	-23.8%
Total population under age 18	4,651	4,381	-5.8%
Percent population under age 18	19.0%	18.4%	-3.2%
Percent minority population	2.0%	2.9%	45.0%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	2.6%	4.0%	53.8%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	1,361	1,258	-7.6%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	60.5%	70.3%	16.2%
Number registered family day care homes	24	15	-37.5%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	6.7%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	0	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	3	4	33.3%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	50.0%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	57.6%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	36.7%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	81.8%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	39.2%	39.9%	1.8%

Cabell County

Composite County Rank: 34



Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	— Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	10.6%	9.5%	9.3%	33		10.4%
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	8.3	8.3	7.4	37	0.4%	
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	17.6	24.9	22.3	34	41.5%	
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	32.2%	58.8%	62.4%	2		82.6%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	54.3%	63.5%	58.2%	40	16.9%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	20.1	12.0	15.6	18		40.0%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	45.2	48.3	45.3	31	6.9%	
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	10.8%	11.5%	10.5%	39	6.5%	
Percent high school dropouts	23.0%	15.6%	11.3%	50		32.2%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	62.5	38.2	50.2	20		38.8%
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	26.2%	28.4%	26.1%	33	8.4%	
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	19.5%	18.1%	18.0%	28		7.2%

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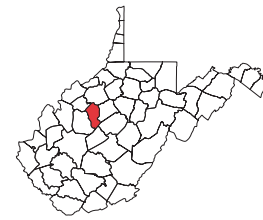
	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	94,031	96,974	3.1%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	4.2%	4.9%	16.7%
Total population under age 18	18,905	19,267	1.9%
Percent population under age 18	20.1%	19.9%	-1.0%
Percent minority population	6.2%	8.3%	33.9%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	7.6%	11.0%	44.7%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	6,699	6,852	2.3%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	57.6%	50.5%	-12.3%
Number registered family day care homes	95	82	-13.7%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	19.5%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	4	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	41	25	-39.0%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	21.7%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	54.2%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	41.1%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	60.4%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	59.6%	41.5%	-30.4%

Calhoun County

Composite County Rank: 40



Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	– Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	9.6%	14.3%	9.3%	55	49.0%	
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	5.3	4.7	7.4	11		10.8%
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	18.2	0.0	22.3	1		100.0%
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	111.1%	90.3%	62.4%	1	18.7%	
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	68.1%	73.3%	58.2%	49	7.6%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	32.9	36.8	15.6	50	11.9%	
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	39.7	72.2	45.3	53	81.8%	
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	11.5%	15.8%	10.5%	55	37.4%	
Percent high school dropouts	21.6%	6.0%	11.3%	8		72.2%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	193.9	47.1	50.2	27		75.7%
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	34.0%	33.5%	26.1%	47		1.5%
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	24.4%	19.8%	18.0%	35		18.9%

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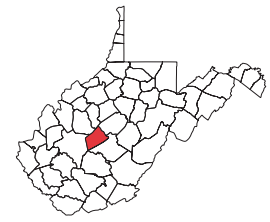
	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	7,387	7,607	3.0%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	3.7%	1.3%	-64.9%
Total population under age 18	1,390	1,522	9.5%
Percent population under age 18	18.8%	20.0%	6.4%
Percent minority population	1.2%	1.9%	58.3%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	1.3%	2.8%	115.4%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	418	489	17.0%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	51.1%	59.3%	16.0%
Number registered family day care homes	5	2	-60.0%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	0.0%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	0	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	2	1	-50.0%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	0.0%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	47.4%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	35.5%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	62.5%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	52.3%	49.4%	-5.5%

Clay County

Composite County Rank: 38



Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	— Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	8.6%	8.5%	9.3%	24		1.2%
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	2.9	9.0	7.4	43	206.3%	
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	20.9	11.5	22.3	10		45.1%
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	55.5%	91.9%	62.4%	7		65.6%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	74.4%	94.1%	58.2%	54	26.5%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	66.0	54.3	15.6	55		17.7%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	42.4	60.6	45.3	47	42.9%	
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	8.6%	10.6%	10.5%	21	23.3%	
Percent high school dropouts	15.1%	7.9%	11.3%	20		47.7%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	79.9	0.0	50.2	1		100.0%
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	37.4%	41.6%	26.1%	54	11.2%	
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	23.7%	23.6%	18.0%	51		0.4%

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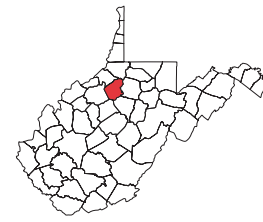
	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	10,356	9,297	-10.2%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	3.5%	1.9%	-45.7%
Total population under age 18	2,455	2,211	-9.9%
Percent population under age 18	23.7%	23.8%	0.4%
Percent minority population	1.3%	1.3%	NC
Percent children under 18 who are minority	1.1%	2.0%	81.1%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	809	735	-9.1%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	46.5%	31.6%	-32.1%
Number registered family day care homes	13	6	-53.8%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	0.0%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	0	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	1	1	NC
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	0.0%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	41.8%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	47.4%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	66.7%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	104.1%	65.7%	-36.9%

Doddridge County

Composite County Rank: 14



Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	— Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	8.8%	6.7%	9.3%	6		23.9%
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	0.0	5.8	7.4	20	NM	
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	65.0	0.0	22.3	1		100.0%
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	44.8%	82.3%	62.4%	46		83.7%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	56.9%	58.6%	58.2%	23	3.0%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	9.3	18.2	15.6	27	96.2%	
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	41.5	40.2	45.3	18		3.0%
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	12.4%	11.1%	10.5%	26		10.5%
Percent high school dropouts	11.3%	9.1%	11.3%	29		19.5%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	69.1	0.0	50.2	1		100.0%
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	29.0%	25.6%	26.1%	18		11.7%
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	22.7%	22.3%	18.0%	46		1.8%

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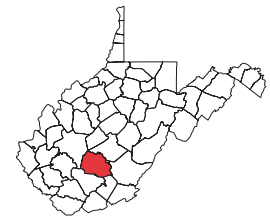
	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	7,476	8,178	9.4%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	3.2%	1.7%	-46.9%
Total population under age 18	1,608	1,618	0.6%
Percent population under age 18	21.5%	19.8%	-7.9%
Percent minority population	1.2%	3.3%	175.0%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	1.7%	3.3%	94.1%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	429	454	5.8%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	50.5%	64.5%	27.8%
Number registered family day care homes	7	1	-85.7%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	0.0%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	2	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	1	0	-100.0%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	NM	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	47.7%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	41.2%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	100.0%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	24.4%	35.3%	44.7%

Fayette County

Composite County Rank: 47



Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	— Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	9.3%	11.3%	9.3%	46	21.5%	
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	5.6	7.1	7.4	28	26.5%	
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	31.6	21.9	22.3	25		30.7%
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	19.2%	57.7%	62.4%	12		200.5%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	63.4%	68.5%	58.2%	43	8.0%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	23.6	18.4	15.6	28		22.0%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	47.5	71.8	45.3	52	51.3%	
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	8.5%	11.8%	10.5%	40	38.8%	
Percent high school dropouts	18.2%	15.2%	11.3%	48		16.5%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	105.0	87.8	50.2	45		16.4%
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	33.3%	30.0%	26.1%	41		9.9%
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	19.7%	21.1%	18.0%	39	7.1%	

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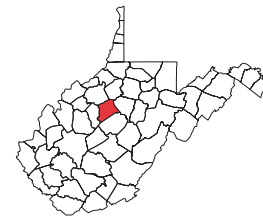
	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	46,823	45,869	-2.0%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	3.2%	1.9%	-40.6%
Total population under age 18	9,673	9,555	-1.2%
Percent population under age 18	20.7%	20.8%	50.0%
Percent minority population	6.6%	6.5%	-1.5%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	6.3%	7.0%	11.1%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	3,295	3,230	-2.0%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	46.9%	48.2%	2.8%
Number registered family day care homes	104	57	-45.2%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	3.5%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	5	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	4	2	-50.0%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	25.0%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	61.4%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	32.9%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	68.9%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	98.6%	65.2%	-33.9%

Gilmer County

Composite County Rank: 15



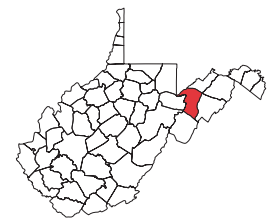
Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	– Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	9.0%	8.3%	9.3%	20		7.8%
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	12.4	5.7	7.4	18		54.2%
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	21.5	61.3	22.3	54	185.7%	
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	55.2%	80.6%	62.4%	35		46.0%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	60.0%	69.1%	58.2%	41	15.2%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	33.4	22.6	15.6	40		32.3%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	32.6	21.1	45.3	2		35.3%
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	11.5%	5.1%	10.5%	2		55.7%
Percent high school dropouts	12.8%	7.8%	11.3%	19		39.1%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	0.0	0.0	50.2	1		NC
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	29.8%	27.5%	26.1%	26		7.7%
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	18.2%	12.6%	18.0%	5		30.8%

Background Facts

	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	6,950	8,732	25.6%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	2.2%	0.3%	-86.4%
Total population under age 18	1,154	1,281	11.0%
Percent population under age 18	16.6%	14.7%	-11.4%
Percent minority population	3.4%	19.4%	470.6%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	2.1%	5.2%	147.6%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	330	442	33.9%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	50.7%	54.3%	7.1%
Number registered family day care homes	5	1	-80.0%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	100.0%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	0	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	3	2	-33.3%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	100.0%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	65.3%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	32.7%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	78.8%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	65.7%	23.7%	-63.9%



Grant County

Composite County Rank: 44

Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	— Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	6.5%	11.1%	9.3%	44	70.8%	
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	6.4	8.0	7.4	34	24.0%	
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	10.3	70.7	22.3	55	588.5%	
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	39.7%	63.5%	62.4%	47		59.9%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	56.3%	54.6%	58.2%	18		3.0%
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	43.2	26.0	15.6	43		40.0%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	56.4	56.4	45.3	43		NC
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	9.3%	12.5%	10.5%	45	34.4%	
Percent high school dropouts	10.7%	4.4%	11.3%	3		58.9%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	156.1	59.0	50.2	39		62.2%
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	23.2%	28.7%	26.1%	36	23.7%	
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	19.5%	17.6%	18.0%	22		9.7%

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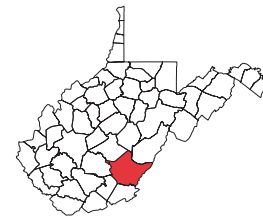
	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	11,673	11,816	1.2%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	2.4%	1.6%	-33.3%
Total population under age 18	2,468	2,447	-0.9%
Percent population under age 18	21.1%	20.7%	-1.9%
Percent minority population	1.9%	2.4%	26.3%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	2.4%	3.4%	41.7%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	768	763	-0.7%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	64.0%	53.2%	-16.9%
Number registered family day care homes	11	7	-36.4%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	0.0%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	3	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	4	2	-50.0%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	0.0%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	57.7%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	41.1%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	223.1%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	83.9%	87.0%	3.7%

Greenbrier County

Composite County Rank: 24



Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	— Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	9.0%	7.5%	9.3%	12		16.7%
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	5.9	6.3	7.4	23	7.4%	
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	32.4	25.6	22.3	35		21.0%
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	37.7%	57.6%	62.4%	48		52.8%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	57.0%	57.4%	58.2%	27	0.7%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	26.5	11.9	15.6	17		55.3%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	43.4	49.2	45.3	34	13.3%	
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	8.5%	11.1%	10.5%	27	30.6%	
Percent high school dropouts	14.1%	6.8%	11.3%	14		51.8%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	48.5	100.3	50.2	49	106.7%	
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	24.7%	25.4%	26.1%	16	2.8%	
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	19.3%	17.4%	18.0%	20		9.8%

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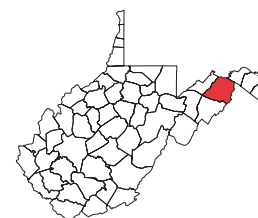
	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	35,027	35,820	2.3%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	1.1%	1.5%	36.4%
Total population under age 18	7,099	7,128	0.4%
Percent population under age 18	20.3%	19.9%	-2.0%
Percent minority population	4.5%	5.2%	15.6%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	5.4%	6.6%	22.2%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	2,192	2,280	4.0%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	54.1%	50.1%	-7.4%
Number registered family day care homes	52	57	9.6%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	0.0%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	1	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	13	2	-84.6%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	14.3%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	52.8%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	49.0%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	62.8%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	87.8%	57.7%	-34.3%

Hampshire County

Composite County Rank: 21



Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	— Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	8.1%	7.0%	9.3%	7		13.6%
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	11.3	3.3	7.4	4		71.0%
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	41.0	9.8	22.3	9		76.2%
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	26.2%	56.5%	62.4%	36		115.6%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	54.7%	63.3%	58.2%	29	15.7%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	18.3	10.9	15.6	11		40.3%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	51.2	48.3	45.3	30		5.7%
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	11.7%	13.1%	10.5%	51	12.0%	
Percent high school dropouts	19.2%	7.4%	11.3%	17		61.5%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	156.6	65.7	50.2	41		58.0%
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	25.5%	28.8%	26.1%	38	12.9%	
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	23.4%	20.1%	18.0%	37		14.1%

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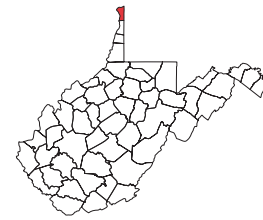
	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	22,025	23,709	7.6%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	3.0%	1.9%	-36.7%
Total population under age 18	5,106	5,092	-0.3%
Percent population under age 18	23.2%	21.5%	-7.3%
Percent minority population	2.5%	3.0%	20.0%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	2.5%	4.0%	60.0%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	1,454	1,413	-2.8%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	54.4%	66.2%	21.7%
Number registered family day care homes	14	14	0.0%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	0.0%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	1	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	3	2	-33.3%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	0.0%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	67.8%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	35.7%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	59.3%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	105.7%	93.0%	-12.0%

Hancock County

Composite County Rank: 5



Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	– Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	8.3%	7.1%	9.3%	10		14.5%
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	7.6	6.5	7.4	25		14.4%
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	24.3	12.5	22.3	14		48.3%
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	21.2%	63.5%	62.4%	17		199.5%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	38.1%	50.0%	58.2%	7	31.2%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	18.1	19.3	15.6	34	6.5%	
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	46.7	32.1	45.3	7		31.4%
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	10.2%	8.4%	10.5%	7		17.6%
Percent high school dropouts	11.9%	8.3%	11.3%	24		30.3%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	68.5	11.8	50.2	7		82.8%
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	17.2%	25.6%	26.1%	18	48.8%	
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	14.9%	12.7%	18.0%	6		14.8%

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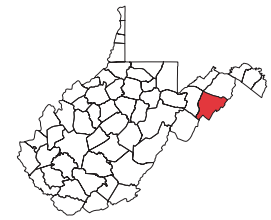
	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	31,350	30,305	-3.3%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	3.5%	2.0%	-42.9%
Total population under age 18	6,268	6,002	-4.2%
Percent population under age 18	20.0%	19.8%	-1.0%
Percent minority population	3.7%	4.3%	16.2%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	4.6%	6.1%	32.6%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	1,997	1,760	-11.9%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	65.5%	60.5%	-7.6%
Number registered family day care homes	32	25	-21.9%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	4.0%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	0	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	7	3	-57.1%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	66.7%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	52.7%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	30.9%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	50.0%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	60.1%	32.9%	-45.3%

Hardy County

Composite County Rank: 33



Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	— Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	9.0%	8.6%	9.3%	26		4.4%
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	2.8	8.9	7.4	42	222.4%	
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	17.4	25.7	22.3	36	47.9%	
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	47.4%	76.6%	62.4%	31		61.6%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	57.7%	55.8%	58.2%	14		3.3%
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	40.1	22.9	15.6	41		43.0%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	49.2	44.0	45.3	24		10.5%
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	9.2%	11.5%	10.5%	37	25.0%	
Percent high school dropouts	17.9%	10.3%	11.3%	30		42.5%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	77.3	23.3	50.2	9		69.9%
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	18.9%	24.3%	26.1%	13	28.6%	
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	24.5%	22.5%	18.0%	47		8.2%

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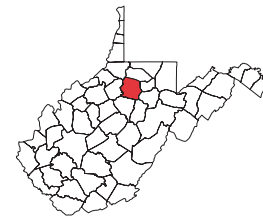
	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	13,287	13,866	4.4%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	0.9%	1.9%	111.1%
Total population under age 18	2,951	2,843	-3.7%
Percent population under age 18	22.2%	20.5%	-7.7%
Percent minority population	3.4%	7.3%	114.7%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	4.2%	9.5%	126.2%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	872	892	2.3%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	74.3%	55.5%	-25.3%
Number registered family day care homes	17	14	-17.6%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	14.3%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	1	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	4	1	-75.0%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	100.0%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	59.8%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	42.5%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	46.7%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	134.9%	59.4%	-56.0%

Harrison County

Composite County Rank: 17



Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	— Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	8.9%	8.5%	9.3%	25		4.5%
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	8.2	7.6	7.4	30		7.3%
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	30.8	20.9	22.3	24		32.3%
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	49.9%	64.0%	62.4%	20		28.3%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	50.9%	49.6%	58.2%	9		2.6%
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	14.3	9.1	15.6	10		36.2%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	47.8	48.9	45.3	32	2.2%	
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	10.4%	11.1%	10.5%	28	6.7%	
Percent high school dropouts	14.9%	12.6%	11.3%	37		15.4%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	80.6	50.7	50.2	31		37.1%
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	27.6%	26.2%	26.1%	20		5.1%
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	20.2%	16.6%	18.0%	16		17.8%

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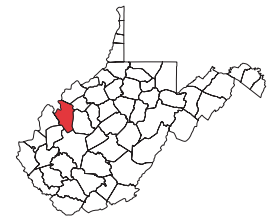
	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	68,369	69,141	1.1%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	3.4%	1.2%	-64.7%
Total population under age 18	14,965	15,008	0.3%
Percent population under age 18	21.9%	21.7%	-0.9%
Percent minority population	3.8%	4.2%	10.5%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	4.0%	5.8%	45.0%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	4,689	4,853	3.5%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	60.8%	62.4%	2.6%
Number registered family day care homes	117	50	-57.3%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	16.0%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	4	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	28	17	-39.3%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	41.2%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	50.7%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	39.2%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	67.7%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	58.2%	46.2%	-20.6%

Jackson County

Composite County Rank: 31



Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	— Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	9.1%	7.3%	9.3%	11		19.8%
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	7.5	7.2	7.4	29		3.7%
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	24.2	31.8	22.3	44	31.6%	
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	47.2%	73.2%	62.4%	55		55.1%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	46.5%	58.1%	58.2%	33	24.9%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	19.3	11.5	15.6	15		40.7%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	44.0	38.9	45.3	16		11.5%
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	8.0%	9.2%	10.5%	16	15.0%	
Percent high school dropouts	14.9%	12.0%	11.3%	35		19.5%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	33.4	110.5	50.2	50	231.2%	
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	23.2%	26.5%	26.1%	21	14.2%	
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	17.3%	17.5%	18.0%	21	1.2%	

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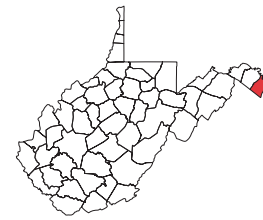
	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	28,403	29,234	2.9%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	3.3%	4.3%	30.3%
Total population under age 18	6,268	6,410	2.3%
Percent population under age 18	22.1%	21.9%	-0.9%
Percent minority population	1.2%	1.8%	50.0%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	1.7%	3.0%	76.5%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	1,872	1,986	6.1%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	50.1%	51.6%	3.0%
Number registered family day care homes	24	20	-16.7%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	0.0%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	1	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	10	7	-30.0%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	14.3%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	51.9%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	31.9%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	50.7%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	45.2%	32.7%	-27.7%

Jefferson County

Composite County Rank: 4



Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	– Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	6.7%	8.3%	9.3%	21	23.9%	
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	7.5	4.9	7.4	13		34.9%
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	11.9	12.2	22.3	13	2.5%	
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	21.4%	40.5%	62.4%	45		89.3%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	33.9%	42.5%	58.2%	3	25.4%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	5.8	5.5	15.6	3		6.0%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	37.6	31.5	45.3	6		16.0%
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	7.9%	8.9%	10.5%	10	12.7%	
Percent high school dropouts	21.8%	6.0%	11.3%	9		72.5%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	61.7	55.5	50.2	36		10.0%
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	12.0%	14.5%	26.1%	1	20.8%	
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	15.5%	14.0%	18.0%	11		9.7%

Background Facts

	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	49,206	54,504	10.8%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	1.9%	1.6%	-15.8%
Total population under age 18	11,468	12,661	10.4%
Percent population under age 18	23.3%	23.2%	-0.4%
Percent minority population	10.4%	14.3%	37.5%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	11.7%	17.9%	53.0%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	3,795	3,845	1.3%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	60.8%	77.7%	27.8%
Number registered family day care homes	32	36	12.5%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	16.7%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	9	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	13	12	-7.7%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	23.1%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	47.5%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	39.7%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	57.1%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	72.6%	48.7%	-32.9%

Kanawha County

Composite County Rank: 28



Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	— Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	9.7%	9.2%	9.3%	30		5.2%
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	7.1	7.8	7.4	33	9.8%	
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	22.6	20.3	22.3	22		10.1%
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	30.5%	57.9%	62.4%	14		89.8%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	53.0%	57.1%	58.2%	34	7.7%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	23.1	7.1	15.6	4		69.5%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	49.1	51.3	45.3	38	4.4%	
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	9.5%	10.7%	10.5%	22	12.6%	
Percent high school dropouts	22.2%	18.7%	11.3%	54		15.8%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	78.1	50.8	50.2	32		34.9%
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	23.2%	27.4%	26.1%	25	18.1%	
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	18.9%	19.9%	18.0%	36	5.3%	

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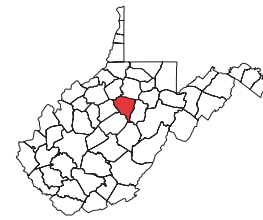
	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	193,559	192,179	-0.7%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	3.5%	4.1%	17.1%
Total population under age 18	40,618	39,272	-3.3%
Percent population under age 18	21.0%	20.4%	-2.9%
Percent minority population	9.4%	10.7%	13.8%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	12.4%	14.4%	16.1%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	13,832	13,045	-5.7%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	58.5%	59.3%	1.5%
Number registered family day care homes	214	157	-26.6%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	4.5%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	5	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	60	54	-10.0%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	11.1%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	49.2%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	39.8%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	67.5%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	43.9%	45.5%	3.6%

Lewis County

Composite County Rank: 45



Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	— Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	5.8%	12.1%	9.3%	49	108.6%	
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	8.2	6.9	7.4	26		16.9%
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	28.5	38.8	22.3	50	35.9%	
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	73.2%	78.6%	62.4%	4		7.4%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	57.6%	57.8%	58.2%	25		0.3%
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	20.5	13.0	15.6	21		36.8%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	39.2	63.1	45.3	49	60.8%	
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	8.3%	12.8%	10.5%	49	54.2%	
Percent high school dropouts	11.1%	15.1%	11.3%	47	36.0%	
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	80.6	58.0	50.2	37		28.0%
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	28.7%	28.8%	26.1%	38		0.3%
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	15.4%	21.5%	18.0%	40	39.6%	

Background Facts

	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	17,199	16,371	-4.8%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	2.5%	2.2%	-12.0%
Total population under age 18	3,580	3,318	-7.3%
Percent population under age 18	20.8%	20.3%	-2.4%
Percent minority population	1.4%	2.2%	57.1%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	1.8%	3.1%	72.2%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	1,119	1,103	-1.4%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	61.4%	57.7%	-6.1%
Number registered family day care homes	31	26	-16.1%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	0.0%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	1	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	4	1	-75.0%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	0.0%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	61.3%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	35.1%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	71.4%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	56.8%	30.5%	-46.3%

Lincoln County

Composite County Rank: 52



Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	— Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	10.1%	10.8%	9.3%	42	6.9%	
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	17.9	4.5	7.4	8		74.8%
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	41.3	47.2	22.3	52	14.3%	
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	54.4%	89.1%	62.4%	5		63.8%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	62.3%	77.3%	58.2%	51	24.1%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	29.3	20.8	15.6	39		28.8%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	63.8	60.6	45.3	46		4.9%
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	9.9%	12.8%	10.5%	48	29.3%	
Percent high school dropouts	13.8%	13.6%	11.3%	42		1.4%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	85.0	118.8	50.2	52	39.7%	
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	36.6%	34.5%	26.1%	51		5.7%
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	25.4%	27.2%	18.0%	54	7.1%	

Background Facts

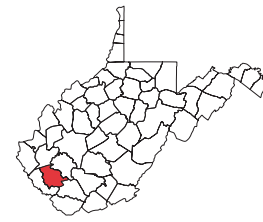
	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	22,374	21,627	-3.3%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	4.3%	3.5%	-18.6%
Total population under age 18	4,948	4,846	-2.1%
Percent population under age 18	22.1%	22.4%	1.4%
Percent minority population	0.8%	1.2%	50.0%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	1.2%	1.8%	50.0%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	1,599	1,515	-5.3%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	43.5%	34.1%	-21.7%
Number registered family day care homes	25	18	-28.0%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	11.1%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	0	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	5	1	-80.0%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	0.0%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	62.7%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	37.1%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	100.0%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	65.5%	55.5%	-15.3%

Logan County

Composite County Rank: 41



Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	— Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	11.0%	10.0%	9.3%	36		9.1%
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	9.4	6.4	7.4	24		32.1%
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	56.4	34.9	22.3	47		38.1%
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	55.9%	85.9%	62.4%	8		53.7%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	56.2%	66.4%	58.2%	45	18.1%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	21.8	16.3	15.6	25		25.1%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	51.2	67.1	45.3	50	31.2%	
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	7.9%	11.2%	10.5%	30	41.8%	
Percent high school dropouts	14.9%	13.7%	11.3%	43		8.1%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	119.6	28.9	50.2	15		75.8%
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	35.5%	28.4%	26.1%	33		20.0%
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	25.5%	25.8%	18.0%	52	1.2%	

Background Facts

	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	36,237	36,168	-0.2%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	2.0%	2.7%	35.0%
Total population under age 18	7,607	7,454	-2.0%
Percent population under age 18	21.0%	20.6%	-1.9%
Percent minority population	3.5%	3.7%	5.7%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	3.7%	4.4%	18.9%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	2,554	2,325	-9.0%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	45.2%	38.7%	-14.4%
Number registered family day care homes	63	25	-60.3%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	32.0%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	0	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	7	3	-57.1%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	0.0%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	56.7%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	35.9%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	69.6%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	63.0%	96.1%	52.5%

McDowell County

Composite County Rank: 55



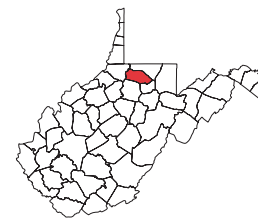
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Percent low birth-weight babies	13.0%	12.2%	9.3%	51		6.2%
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	10.9	13.4	7.4	55	22.2%	
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	62.4	23.7	22.3	31		62.0%
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	60.2%	82.2%	62.4%	39		36.5%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	84.5%	97.6%	58.2%	55	15.5%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	33.2	38.8	15.6	52	16.7%	
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	71.4	95.9	45.3	55	34.2%	
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	15.3%	14.5%	10.5%	53		5.2%
Percent high school dropouts	23.5%	17.8%	11.3%	53		24.3%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	82.0	43.5	50.2	25		47.0%
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	54.7%	45.8%	26.1%	55		16.3%
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	40.3%	30.8%	18.0%	55		23.6%

Background Facts

	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	24,273	21,326	-12.1%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	7.9%	3.8%	-51.9%
Total population under age 18	5,169	4,296	-16.9%
Percent population under age 18	21.3%	20.1%	-5.6%
Percent minority population	11.5%	10.4%	-9.6%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	12.5%	10.9%	-12.8%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	1,608	1,502	-6.6%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	24.3%	25.9%	6.6%
Number registered family day care homes	39	20	-48.7%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	0.0%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	1	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	8	1	-87.5%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	0.0%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	64.1%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	45.9%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	69.2%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	211.6%	154.8%	-26.8%



Marion County

Composite County Rank: 9

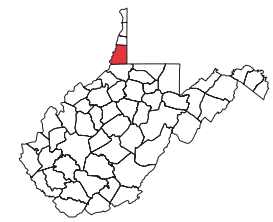
Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	— Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	8.1%	9.0%	9.3%	27	11.1%	
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	6.8	7.0	7.4	27	2.5%	
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	22.9	14.0	22.3	15		39.0%
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	36.6%	62.0%	62.4%	30		69.4%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	49.8%	50.5%	58.2%	10	1.4%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	22.0	12.5	15.6	19		43.3%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	33.3	36.4	45.3	14	9.4%	
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	7.4%	8.9%	10.5%	11	20.3%	
Percent high school dropouts	10.8%	9.0%	11.3%	27		16.7%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	27.5	50.4	50.2	30	83.1%	
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	23.7%	23.4%	26.1%	10		1.3%
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	12.6%	12.7%	18.0%	7	0.8%	

Background Facts

	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	56,509	56,678	0.3%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	1.7%	1.1%	-35.3%
Total population under age 18	11,248	11,185	-0.6%
Percent population under age 18	19.9%	19.7%	-1.0%
Percent minority population	4.9%	5.7%	16.3%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	6.2%	8.3%	33.9%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	3,643	3,791	4.1%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	57.7%	47.5%	-17.7%
Number registered family day care homes	71	48	-32.4%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	4.2%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	0	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	17	12	-29.4%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	45.5%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	44.6%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	41.7%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	59.7%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	88.5%	60.6%	-31.5%



Marshall County

Composite County Rank: 16

Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	— Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	8.5%	9.5%	9.3%	34	11.8%	
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	8.2	9.2	7.4	45	12.5%	
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	6.9	7.6	22.3	7	10.1%	
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	34.6%	64.0%	62.4%	18		85.0%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	52.5%	59.1%	58.2%	32	12.6%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	24.1	8.2	15.6	7		66.1%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	35.7	42.0	45.3	21	17.8%	
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	10.3%	11.5%	10.5%	38	11.7%	
Percent high school dropouts	12.2%	8.0%	11.3%	22		34.4%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	63.4	48.0	50.2	28		24.3%
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	22.6%	22.3%	26.1%	8		1.3%
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	13.9%	15.3%	18.0%	13	10.1%	

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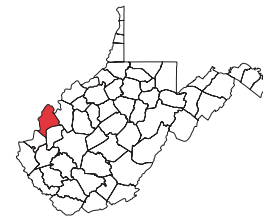
	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	34,337	32,674	-4.8%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	3.4%	2.4%	-29.4%
Total population under age 18	7,173	6,652	-7.3%
Percent population under age 18	20.9%	20.4%	-2.4%
Percent minority population	1.8%	2.3%	27.8%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	2.3%	3.3%	43.5%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	2,053	2,062	0.4%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	57.5%	58.3%	1.5%
Number registered family day care homes	38	17	-55.3%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	11.8%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	0	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	9	4	-55.6%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	25.0%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	52.6%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	36.4%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	75.0%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	82.1%	45.6%	-44.5%

Mason County

Composite County Rank: 35



Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	— Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	9.3%	9.5%	9.3%	32	2.2%	
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	4.1	10.6	7.4	49	157.9%	
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	18.5	17.5	22.3	17		5.2%
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	68.7%	75.2%	62.4%	34		9.5%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	54.5%	66.0%	58.2%	42	21.1%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	28.9	18.5	15.6	30		35.8%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	51.1	49.1	45.3	33		4.0%
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	8.6%	10.8%	10.5%	24	25.6%	
Percent high school dropouts	15.7%	8.3%	11.3%	26		47.1%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	77.4	26.1	50.2	13		66.3%
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	26.9%	28.6%	26.1%	35	6.3%	
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	18.9%	18.4%	18.0%	31		2.6%

Background Facts

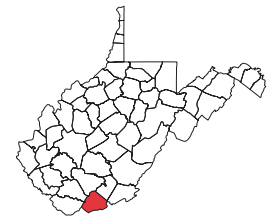
	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	25,761	27,179	5.5%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	3.8%	3.4%	-10.5%
Total population under age 18	5,462	5,804	6.3%
Percent population under age 18	21.2%	21.4%	0.9%
Percent minority population	1.7%	2.2%	29.4%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	2.3%	3.5%	52.2%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	1,713	1,795	4.8%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	43.2%	50.6%	17.1%
Number registered family day care homes	17	13	-23.5%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	0.0%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	0	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	3	2	-33.3%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	50.0%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	54.4%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	32.2%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	76.9%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	50.1%	43.9%	-12.4%

Mercer County

Composite County Rank: 51



Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	— Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	12.3%	13.7%	9.3%	54	11.4%	
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	7.5	8.4	7.4	38	12.2%	
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	16.0	30.6	22.3	42	90.6%	
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	46.7%	63.7%	62.4%	11		36.4%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	61.2%	73.3%	58.2%	48	19.8%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	17.0	19.1	15.6	33	12.3%	
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	57.6	61.0	45.3	48	6.0%	
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	9.8%	12.6%	10.5%	47	28.6%	
Percent high school dropouts	14.3%	11.4%	11.3%	32		20.3%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	82.9	87.6	50.2	44	5.7%	
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	33.1%	33.6%	26.1%	48	1.5%	
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	18.3%	19.8%	18.0%	34	8.2%	

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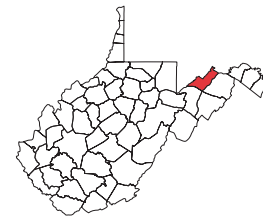
	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	61,589	62,523	1.5%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	6.6%	6.0%	-9.1%
Total population under age 18	12,660	13,179	4.1%
Percent population under age 18	20.6%	21.1%	2.4%
Percent minority population	7.4%	8.2%	10.8%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	8.7%	11.6%	33.3%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	4,202	4,652	10.7%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	51.4%	45.5%	-11.5%
Number registered family day care homes	100	108	8.0%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	24.1%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	2	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	21	13	-38.1%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	0.0%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	61.6%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	32.5%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	65.8%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	51.0%	50.2%	-1.6%

Mineral County

Composite County Rank: 12



Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	– Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	10.5%	7.6%	9.3%	14		27.6%
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	14.1	7.7	7.4	31		45.7%
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	17.1	22.5	22.3	28	31.6%	
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	66.0%	80.8%	62.4%	25		22.4%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	47.8%	51.1%	58.2%	6	6.9%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	24.6	13.1	15.6	22		46.9%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	29.5	41.7	45.3	20	41.3%	
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	8.1%	12.2%	10.5%	44	50.6%	
Percent high school dropouts	8.5%	1.4%	11.3%	1		83.5%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	79.4	48.9	50.2	29		38.4%
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	21.3%	24.8%	26.1%	15	16.4%	
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	10.7%	14.0%	18.0%	10	30.8%	

Background Facts

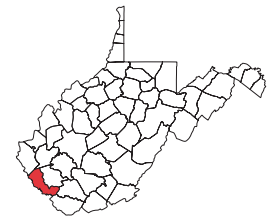
	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	27,028	27,956	3.4%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	2.7%	2.0%	-25.9%
Total population under age 18	5,980	5,698	-4.7%
Percent population under age 18	22.1%	20.4%	-7.7%
Percent minority population	4.0%	4.7%	17.5%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	4.6%	6.1%	32.6%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	1,761	1,807	2.6%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	52.1%	43.8%	-15.9%
Number registered family day care homes	21	14	-33.3%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	0.0%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	8	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	5	5	NC
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	0.0%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	53.0%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	45.4%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	68.7%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	127.1%	79.6%	-37.4%

Mingo County

Composite County Rank: 54



Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	— Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	9.8%	12.5%	9.3%	52	27.6%	
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	10.1	10.3	7.4	47	2.1%	
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	28.7	26.2	22.3	38		8.7%
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	36.4%	66.7%	62.4%	38		83.2%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	65.6%	79.5%	58.2%	52	21.2%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	30.1	27.5	15.6	46		8.8%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	60.6	72.9	45.3	54	20.3%	
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	8.5%	11.5%	10.5%	34	35.3%	
Percent high school dropouts	13.3%	13.1%	11.3%	39		1.5%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	88.1	25.3	50.2	12		71.3%
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	37.7%	32.1%	26.1%	45		14.9%
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	24.1%	27.0%	18.0%	53	12.0%	

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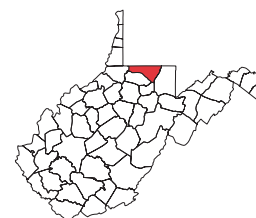
	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	27,210	26,103	-4.1%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	4.4%	3.1%	-29.5%
Total population under age 18	6,217	5,767	-7.2%
Percent population under age 18	22.8%	22.1%	-3.1%
Percent minority population	3.5%	3.1%	-11.4%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	3.7%	4.1%	10.8%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	2,115	1,936	-8.5%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	28.8%	40.0%	39.0%
Number registered family day care homes	15	8	-46.7%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	0.0%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	0	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	13	2	-84.6%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	0.0%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	49.9%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	31.2%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	66.7%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	171.8%	132.7%	-22.8%

Monongalia County

Composite County Rank: 1



Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	– Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	7.8%	7.5%	9.3%	13		3.8%
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	5.4	4.4	7.4	6		18.0%
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	17.7	12.1	22.3	12		31.7%
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	30.5%	62.2%	62.4%	23		103.9%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	37.5%	35.4%	58.2%	1		5.6%
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	24.9	11.3	15.6	13		54.6%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	14.4	13.0	45.3	1		10.1%
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	5.3%	4.9%	10.5%	1		7.5%
Percent high school dropouts	13.8%	9.1%	11.3%	28		34.1%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	26.3	29.0	50.2	16	10.3%	
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	18.3%	16.8%	26.1%	3		8.2%
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	10.4%	10.2%	18.0%	2		1.9%

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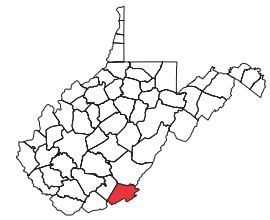
	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	84,386	100,332	18.9%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	0.9%	1.4%	55.6%
Total population under age 18	14,383	16,091	11.9%
Percent population under age 18	17.0%	16.0%	-5.9%
Percent minority population	7.5%	9.5%	26.7%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	7.8%	11.3%	44.9%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	5,059	5,795	14.5%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	55.6%	53.8%	-3.2%
Number registered family day care homes	40	23	-42.5%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	8.7%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	2	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	21	24	14.3%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	21.7%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	50.3%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	51.3%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	45.3%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	58.5%	56.9%	-2.7%

Monroe County

Composite County Rank: 11



Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	– Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	7.6%	6.7%	9.3%	5		11.8%
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	3.1	5.7	7.4	19	85.9%	
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	37.0	36.2	22.3	49		2.1%
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	59.3%	68.0%	62.4%	26		14.7%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	57.5%	58.5%	58.2%	19	1.7%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	61.6	19.4	15.6	35		68.6%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	31.2	38.5	45.3	15	23.6%	
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	5.4%	9.1%	10.5%	15	68.5%	
Percent high school dropouts	10.7%	7.5%	11.3%	18		29.9%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	100.7	0.0	50.2	1		100.0%
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	22.2%	27.5%	26.1%	26	23.9%	
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	18.5%	13.6%	18.0%	9		26.5%

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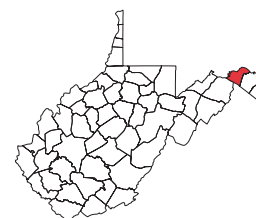
	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	13,507	13,463	-0.3%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	1.6%	0.6%	-62.5%
Total population under age 18	2,730	2,761	1.1%
Percent population under age 18	20.2%	20.5%	1.5%
Percent minority population	1.7%	2.3%	35.3%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	2.1%	4.1%	95.2%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	770	857	11.3%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	58.5%	76.8%	31.2%
Number registered family day care homes	7	12	71.4%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	16.7%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	1	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	4	3	-25.0%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	33.3%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	50.4%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	30.8%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	60.9%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	119.1%	60.2%	-49.5%

Morgan County

Composite County Rank: 18



Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	— Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	5.9%	9.3%	9.3%	31	57.6%	
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	9.0	7.7	7.4	32		14.7%
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	30.7	28.3	22.3	39		7.6%
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	38.8%	65.9%	62.4%	29		69.8%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	48.5%	61.9%	58.2%	38	27.6%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	9.2	4.9	15.6	2		47.0%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	38.9	34.8	45.3	9		10.5%
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	9.0%	9.6%	10.5%	18	6.7%	
Percent high school dropouts	9.9%	6.4%	11.3%	11		35.4%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	163.3	81.6	50.2	43		50.0%
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	17.3%	21.7%	26.1%	7	25.4%	
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	17.9%	18.1%	18.0%	27	1.1%	

Background Facts

	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	16,022	17,471	9.0%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	3.5%	3.2%	-8.6%
Total population under age 18	3,361	3,499	4.1%
Percent population under age 18	21.0%	20.0%	-4.8%
Percent minority population	1.8%	2.9%	61.1%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	1.8%	4.6%	155.6%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	973	952	-2.2%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	57.6%	66.1%	14.8%
Number registered family day care homes	4	6	50.0%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	0.0%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	0	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	4	2	-50.0%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	0.0%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	58.4%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	36.8%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	52.2%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	177.8%	164.8%	-7.3%

Nicholas County

Composite County Rank: 46



Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	– Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	8.3%	10.8%	9.3%	43	30.1%	
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	5.7	10.2	7.4	46	81.0%	
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	32.4	33.5	22.3	46	3.2%	
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	39.6%	64.6%	62.4%	53		63.1%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	64.7%	61.9%	58.2%	31		4.3%
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	29.1	30.8	15.6	49	5.8%	
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	40.7	56.3	45.3	42	38.5%	
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	7.7%	11.3%	10.5%	33	46.8%	
Percent high school dropouts	16.7%	8.3%	11.3%	25		50.3%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	115.3	37.1	50.2	19		67.8%
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	28.1%	29.3%	26.1%	40	4.3%	
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	17.3%	17.3%	18.0%	19	NC	

Background Facts

	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	26,464	26,229	-0.9%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	3.1%	2.6%	-16.1%
Total population under age 18	5,490	5,435	-1.0%
Percent population under age 18	20.7%	20.7%	NC
Percent minority population	1.0%	1.6%	60.0%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	1.3%	2.5%	92.3%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	1,646	1,803	9.5%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	42.7%	51.7%	21.1%
Number registered family day care homes	54	35	-35.2%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	8.6%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	1	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	7	3	-57.1%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	50.0%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	41.6%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	36.2%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	62.8%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	60.6%	45.5%	-24.9%

Ohio County

Composite County Rank: 13



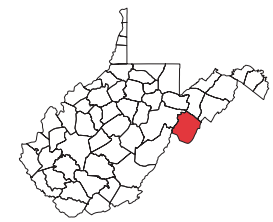
Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	— Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	8.5%	9.2%	9.3%	29	8.2%	
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	10.0	8.3	7.4	36		17.2%
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	8.4	24.7	22.3	33	194.9%	
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	23.3%	51.6%	62.4%	9		121.5%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	46.7%	52.8%	58.2%	24	13.1%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	12.5	18.8	15.6	32	50.2%	
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	30.6	34.9	45.3	10	14.3%	
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	10.5%	12.0%	10.5%	43	14.3%	
Percent high school dropouts	15.7%	5.8%	11.3%	7		63.1%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	41.4	24.9	50.2	11		39.8%
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	21.5%	21.6%	26.1%	6	0.5%	
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	13.9%	17.2%	18.0%	18	23.7%	

Background Facts

	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	45,112	44,075	-2.3%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	3.1%	1.6%	-48.4%
Total population under age 18	9,065	8,437	-6.9%
Percent population under age 18	20.1%	19.1%	-5.0%
Percent minority population	5.4%	6.2%	14.8%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	8.0%	9.8%	22.5%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	2,804	2,760	-1.6%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	63.3%	63.1%	-0.3%
Number registered family day care homes	49	42	-14.3%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	7.1%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	0	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	17	13	-23.5%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	33.3%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	37.4%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	43.4%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	55.2%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	59.2%	53.3%	-10.0%



Pendleton County

Composite County Rank: 7

Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	— Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	6.5%	10.8%	9.3%	41	66.2%	
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	0.0	2.5	7.4	2		NM
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	0.0	0.0	22.3	1		NC
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	59.7%	81.8%	62.4%	15		37.0%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	51.1%	60.5%	58.2%	17	18.4%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	24.4	18.0	15.6	26		26.3%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	28.8	29.8	45.3	5		3.6%
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	4.0%	5.6%	10.5%	3	40.0%	
Percent high school dropouts	11.8%	6.7%	11.3%	12		43.2%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	87.6	89.7	50.2	46		2.3%
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	17.5%	26.5%	26.1%	21	51.4%	
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	10.9%	12.0%	18.0%	4		10.1%

Background Facts

	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	7,844	7,566	-3.5%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	1.3%	1.1%	-15.4%
Total population under age 18	1,629	1,389	-14.7%
Percent population under age 18	20.8%	18.4%	-11.5%
Percent minority population	3.9%	4.3%	10.3%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	4.8%	6.3%	31.3%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	525	449	-14.5%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	63.1%	95.8%	51.8%
Number registered family day care homes	1	1	NC
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	0.0%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	0	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	3	2	-33.3%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	100.0%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	42.9%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	34.8%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	57.1%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	65.2%	155.5%	138.5%

Pleasants County

Composite County Rank: 2



Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	– Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	13.2%	7.0%	9.3%	8		47.0%
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	8.5	0.0	7.4	1		100.0%
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	15.6	0.0	22.3	1		100.0%
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	58.6%	78.2%	62.4%	41		33.4%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	45.9%	50.2%	58.2%	4	9.4%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	8.6	11.7	15.6	16	36.0%	
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	30.4	26.4	45.3	4		13.3%
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	6.6%	8.8%	10.5%	9	33.3%	
Percent high school dropouts	12.5%	6.7%	11.3%	13		46.4%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	128.8	41.3	50.2	22		68.0%
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	18.4%	21.3%	26.1%	4	15.8%	
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	11.2%	8.2%	18.0%	1		26.8%

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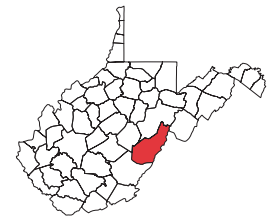
	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	7,376	7,595	3.0%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	2.1%	1.6%	-23.8%
Total population under age 18	1,593	1,493	-6.3%
Percent population under age 18	21.6%	19.7%	-8.8%
Percent minority population	1.8%	2.8%	55.6%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	1.6%	3.0%	87.5%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	464	428	-7.8%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	57.5%	52.6%	-8.5%
Number registered family day care homes	8	5	-37.5%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	0.0%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	1	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	2	1	-50.0%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	0.0%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	62.7%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	24.4%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	50.0%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	272.3%	114.2%	-58.1%

Pocahontas County

Composite County Rank: 36



Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	— Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	12.5%	10.5%	9.3%	38		16.0%
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	18.7	8.8	7.4	41		53.3%
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	29.7	32.8	22.3	45	10.7%	
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	73.4%	60.5%	62.4%	43	17.6%	
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	55.0%	62.6%	58.2%	28	13.8%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	22.8	39.3	15.6	53	72.3%	
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	42.8	35.5	45.3	11		17.2%
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	8.6%	6.3%	10.5%	4		26.7%
Percent high school dropouts	24.8%	8.0%	11.3%	21		67.7%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	0.0	42.3	50.2	23		NM
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	24.6%	28.7%	26.1%	36	16.7%	
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	20.3%	18.0%	18.0%	26		11.3%

Background Facts

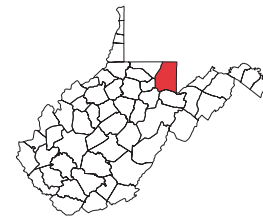
	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	8,851	8,692	-1.8%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	2.0%	2.2%	10.0%
Total population under age 18	1,721	1,554	-9.7%
Percent population under age 18	19.4%	17.9%	-7.7%
Percent minority population	1.6%	2.5%	56.3%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	1.6%	2.5%	56.3%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	496	523	5.4%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	54.6%	45.1%	-17.4%
Number registered family day care homes	2	9	350.0%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	33.3%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	1	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	2	1	-50.0%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	0.0%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	51.3%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	35.5%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	45.5%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	114.6%	51.9%	-54.7%

Preston County

Composite County Rank: 29



Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	— Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	10.0%	11.6%	9.3%	47	16.0%	
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	9.6	10.7	7.4	50	12.2%	
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	20.5	19.6	22.3	21		4.6%
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	31.1%	59.1%	62.4%	51		90.0%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	57.7%	52.8%	58.2%	15		8.5%
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	12.6	7.2	15.6	5		43.1%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	45.2	46.6	45.3	26	3.2%	
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	9.1%	10.2%	10.5%	20	12.1%	
Percent high school dropouts	18.0%	13.0%	11.3%	38		27.8%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	68.4	97.0	50.2	48	41.8%	
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	24.8%	23.9%	26.1%	12		3.6%
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	17.0%	14.7%	18.0%	12		13.5%

Background Facts

	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	30,115	33,832	12.3%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	1.6%	1.0%	-37.5%
Total population under age 18	6,345	6,535	3.0%
Percent population under age 18	21.1%	19.3%	-8.5%
Percent minority population	1.1%	2.6%	136.4%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	1.6%	2.1%	31.3%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	1,856	2,093	12.8%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	57.0%	58.1%	1.9%
Number registered family day care homes	11	19	72.7%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	0.0%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	1	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	6	4	-33.3%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	0.0%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	68.0%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	46.3%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	64.5%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	94.0%	79.0%	-16.0%



Putnam County

Composite County Rank: 3

Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	— Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	7.8%	8.1%	9.3%	17	3.8%	
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	9.0	4.9	7.4	14		45.3%
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	24.7	19.6	22.3	20		20.8%
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	21.7%	53.2%	62.4%	28		145.2%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	40.1%	40.4%	58.2%	2	0.7%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	11.9	4.1	15.6	1		65.6%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	30.7	32.7	45.3	8	6.5%	
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	5.7%	7.2%	10.5%	6	26.3%	
Percent high school dropouts	12.2%	5.5%	11.3%	6		54.9%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	79.8	41.1	50.2	21		48.5%
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	13.7%	14.9%	26.1%	2	8.8%	
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	11.4%	12.0%	18.0%	3	5.3%	

Background Facts

	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	54,443	56,435	3.7%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	1.0%	0.7%	-30.0%
Total population under age 18	12,540	13,062	4.2%
Percent population under age 18	23.0%	23.1%	0.4%
Percent minority population	2.5%	3.3%	32.0%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	3.2%	5.2%	62.5%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	3,830	3,870	1.0%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	57.7%	59.0%	2.3%
Number registered family day care homes	36	28	-22.2%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	14.3%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	2	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	11	16	45.5%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	0.0%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	43.6%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	32.4%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	68.3%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	44.4%	51.9%	16.9%

Raleigh County

Composite County Rank: 26



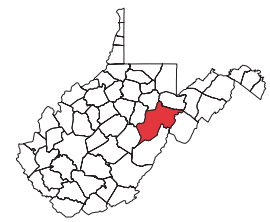
Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	— Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	9.6%	10.6%	9.3%	39	10.4%	
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	7.0	5.4	7.4	17		23.0%
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	27.2	20.5	22.3	23		24.6%
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	37.8%	65.2%	62.4%	37		72.5%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	53.9%	52.3%	58.2%	16		3.0%
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	26.5	19.5	15.6	36		26.4%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	47.2	60.4	45.3	45	28.0%	
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	8.6%	11.1%	10.5%	28	29.1%	
Percent high school dropouts	16.3%	11.5%	11.3%	33		29.4%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	46.0	53.8	50.2	34	17.0%	
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	28.3%	23.4%	26.1%	10		17.3%
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	18.0%	16.1%	18.0%	15		10.6%

Background Facts

	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	79,167	79,021	-0.2%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	2.9%	1.8%	-37.9%
Total population under age 18	15,978	16,542	3.5%
Percent population under age 18	20.2%	20.9%	3.5%
Percent minority population	10.5%	11.1%	5.7%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	10.1%	11.7%	15.8%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	5,141	5,746	11.8%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	51.2%	53.1%	3.7%
Number registered family day care homes	174	154	-11.5%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	2.6%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	3	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	17	15	-11.8%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	0.0%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	47.7%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	36.6%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	78.0%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	78.3%	65.6%	-16.2%



Randolph County

Composite County Rank: 42

Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	— Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	8.6%	8.4%	9.3%	22		■ 2.3%
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	7.5	10.3	7.4	48	38.3% ■	
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	34.6	18.3	22.3	18		■ 47.1%
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	44.6%	62.5%	62.4%	22		■ 40.1%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	58.0%	61.7%	58.2%	36	6.4% ■	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	34.4	11.3	15.6	14		■ 67.1%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	53.2	51.0	45.3	37		■ 4.1%
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	10.5%	12.9%	10.5%	50	22.9% ■	
Percent high school dropouts	12.8%	14.3%	11.3%	44	11.7% ■	
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	122.8	54.2	50.2	35		■ 55.8%
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	25.6%	30.6%	26.1%	44	19.5% ■	
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	17.1%	22.2%	18.0%	44	29.8% ■	

Background Facts

	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	28,571	29,384	2.8%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	1.5%	0.4%	-73.3%
Total population under age 18	5,962	5,603	-6.0%
Percent population under age 18	20.9%	19.1%	-8.6%
Percent minority population	2.3%	2.9%	26.1%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	2.0%	3.1%	55.0%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	1,828	1,799	-1.6%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	60.9%	46.7%	-23.3%
Number registered family day care homes	66	40	-39.4%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	2.5%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	14	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	7	3	-57.1%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	50.0%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	57.7%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	41.4%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	44.7%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	44.2%	59.0%	33.5%

Ritchie County

Composite County Rank: 27



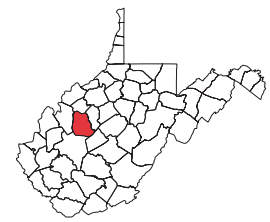
Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	— Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	8.5%	8.0%	9.3%	16		5.9%
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	8.3	4.0	7.4	5		52.1%
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	23.1	11.8	22.3	11		49.1%
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	84.9%	71.3%	62.4%	40	16.0%	
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	56.2%	56.9%	58.2%	21	1.2%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	23.2	25.9	15.6	42	11.5%	
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	45.0	48.1	45.3	28	6.8%	
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	9.0%	11.5%	10.5%	35	27.8%	
Percent high school dropouts	13.0%	11.4%	11.3%	31		12.3%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	91.4	63.9	50.2	40		30.0%
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	24.0%	27.7%	26.1%	28	15.4%	
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	19.2%	22.0%	18.0%	42	14.6%	

Background Facts

	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	10,540	10,236	-2.9%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	2.6%	1.6%	-38.5%
Total population under age 18	2,237	2,083	-6.9%
Percent population under age 18	21.2%	20.3%	-4.2%
Percent minority population	1.1%	1.6%	45.5%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	1.4%	2.8%	100.0%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	703	607	-13.7%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	43.3%	76.1%	75.8%
Number registered family day care homes	14	5	-64.3%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	0.0%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	0	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	2	0	-100.0%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	NM	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	54.4%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	31.3%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	66.7%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	85.7%	19.3%	-77.5%



Roane County

Composite County Rank: 22

Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	— Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	6.9%	5.7%	9.3%	3		17.4%
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	2.4	5.0	7.4	15	111.0%	
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	15.8	7.9	22.3	8		50.2%
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	61.5%	61.7%	62.4%	16		0.3%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	63.0%	60.9%	58.2%	30		3.3%
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	26.0	8.3	15.6	8		67.9%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	50.9	48.1	45.3	29		5.5%
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	9.4%	9.1%	10.5%	14		3.2%
Percent high school dropouts	21.5%	14.7%	11.3%	45		31.6%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	99.9	113.7	50.2	51	13.9%	
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	31.8%	33.1%	26.1%	46	4.1%	
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	25.0%	23.2%	18.0%	50		7.2%

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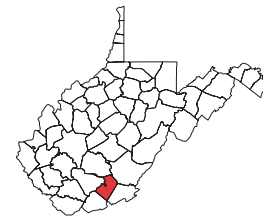
	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	15,407	14,684	-4.7%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	4.1%	2.2%	-46.3%
Total population under age 18	3,272	3,114	-4.8%
Percent population under age 18	21.2%	21.2%	NC
Percent minority population	1.6%	2.0%	25.0%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	2.1%	3.5%	66.7%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	1,034	934	-9.7%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	52.6%	39.3%	-25.3%
Number registered family day care homes	11	3	-72.7%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	33.3%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	0	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	3	2	-33.3%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	0.0%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	60.3%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	36.9%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	55.6%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	51.9%	58.3%	12.3%

Summers County

Composite County Rank: 53



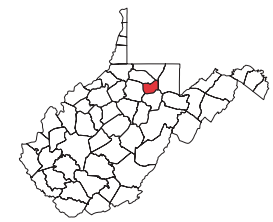
Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	– Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	11.1%	11.9%	9.3%	48	7.2%	
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	10.6	11.7	7.4	54	9.8%	
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	10.8	31.6	22.3	43	193.8%	
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	64.6%	77.3%	62.4%	42		19.7%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	65.3%	76.8%	58.2%	50	17.6%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	25.0	20.4	15.6	38		18.2%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	41.7	46.8	45.3	27	12.1%	
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	10.8%	10.8%	10.5%	25		NC
Percent high school dropouts	17.3%	19.0%	11.3%	55	9.8%	
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	78.9	58.2	50.2	38		26.2%
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	38.8%	35.7%	26.1%	52		8.0%
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	21.8%	18.3%	18.0%	30		16.1%

Background Facts

	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	13,740	13,737	NC
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	5.4%	3.4%	-37.0%
Total population under age 18	2,318	2,451	5.7%
Percent population under age 18	16.9%	17.8%	5.5%
Percent minority population	8.7%	7.4%	-14.9%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	5.3%	5.7%	7.5%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	680	743	9.3%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	52.5%	83.6%	59.2%
Number registered family day care homes	14	10	-28.6%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	10.0%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	0	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	3	0	-100.0%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	NM	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	69.0%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	39.3%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	100.0%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	152.1%	144.7%	-4.9%



Taylor County

Composite County Rank: 19

Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	— Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	10.5%	10.5%	9.3%	37		NC
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	9.1	4.5	7.4	9		49.9%
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	30.4	29.2	22.3	41		4.2%
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	50.0%	60.4%	62.4%	19		20.8%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	54.0%	52.6%	58.2%	12		2.6%
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	18.4	13.3	15.6	23		27.5%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	38.5	45.7	45.3	25	18.6%	
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	10.8%	9.0%	10.5%	12		16.7%
Percent high school dropouts	22.1%	13.4%	11.3%	41		39.4%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	80.2	123.8	50.2	53	54.3%	
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	27.5%	24.7%	26.1%	14		10.2%
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	16.6%	15.3%	18.0%	14		7.8%

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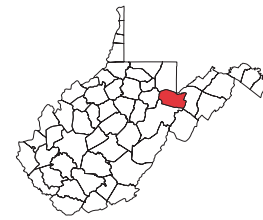
	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	16,291	16,991	4.3%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	2.3%	2.5%	8.7%
Total population under age 18	3,313	3,457	4.3%
Percent population under age 18	20.3%	20.3%	NC
Percent minority population	1.9%	2.7%	42.1%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	2.7%	3.5%	29.6%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	971	1,140	17.4%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	49.8%	72.3%	45.2%
Number registered family day care homes	15	15	0.0%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	6.7%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	5	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	5	1	-80.0%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	0.0%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	53.5%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	39.5%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	63.6%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	297.7%	80.0%	-73.1%

Tucker County

Composite County Rank: 10



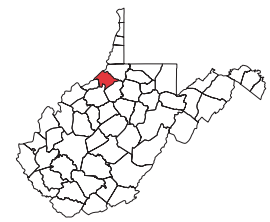
Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	– Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	7.5%	5.0%	9.3%	2		33.3%
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	3.2	11.6	7.4	53	262.9%	
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	55.6	38.9	22.3	51		30.0%
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	72.1%	74.6%	62.4%	24		3.5%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	56.2%	55.7%	58.2%	5		0.9%
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	22.8	8.9	15.6	9		61.1%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	37.4	35.7	45.3	12		4.8%
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	9.6%	6.5%	10.5%	5		32.3%
Percent high school dropouts	6.4%	2.8%	11.3%	2		56.3%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	0.0	43.6	50.2	26		NM
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	25.8%	25.4%	26.1%	16		1.6%
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	14.6%	17.6%	18.0%	23	20.5%	

Background Facts

	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	6,943	6,995	0.7%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	0.7%	0.5%	-28.6%
Total population under age 18	1,355	1,352	-0.2%
Percent population under age 18	19.5%	19.3%	-1.0%
Percent minority population	0.8%	1.7%	112.5%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	1.3%	3.5%	169.2%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	381	390	2.4%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	61.0%	55.6%	-8.8%
Number registered family day care homes	17	14	-17.6%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	0.0%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	1	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	1	1	NC
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	NM	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	69.2%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	42.2%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	60.0%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	14.6%	0.0%	-100.0%



Tyler County

Composite County Rank: 37

Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	— Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	11.3%	7.1%	9.3%	9		37.2%
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	9.0	4.5	7.4	7		50.0%
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	26.2	53.7	22.3	53	104.8%	
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	63.6%	67.0%	62.4%	50		5.4%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	56.4%	60.4%	58.2%	35	7.1%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	22.6	27.9	15.6	47	23.6%	
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	37.4	60.2	45.3	44	60.9%	
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	8.2%	15.2%	10.5%	54	85.4%	
Percent high school dropouts	14.7%	6.1%	11.3%	10		58.5%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	31.7	0.0	50.2	1		100.0%
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	25.8%	28.0%	26.1%	30	8.5%	
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	16.5%	18.7%	18.0%	32	13.3%	

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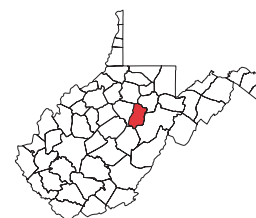
	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	9,340	9,037	-3.2%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	2.5%	2.5%	0.0%
Total population under age 18	1,887	1,825	-3.3%
Percent population under age 18	20.2%	20.2%	-0.0%
Percent minority population	0.6%	1.4%	133.3%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	1.1%	2.7%	145.5%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	513	527	2.7%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	50.7%	43.6%	-14.0%
Number registered family day care homes	14	9	-35.7%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	0.0%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	0	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	1	0	-100.0%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	NM	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	55.3%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	34.6%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	100.0%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	146.1%	57.8%	-60.4%

Upshur County

Composite County Rank: 25



Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	– Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	7.3%	6.5%	9.3%	4		11.0%
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	6.3	5.9	7.4	21		6.2%
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	15.4	26.2	22.3	37	69.8%	
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	23.7%	53.9%	62.4%	27		127.4%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	59.6%	57.5%	58.2%	22		3.5%
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	29.0	12.6	15.6	20		56.5%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	32.3	36.2	45.3	13	12.2%	
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	8.3%	9.2%	10.5%	17	10.8%	
Percent high school dropouts	18.3%	16.4%	11.3%	52		10.4%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	92.4	129.8	50.2	54	40.6%	
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	28.7%	28.3%	26.1%	32		1.4%
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	20.9%	17.6%	18.0%	24		15.8%

Background Facts

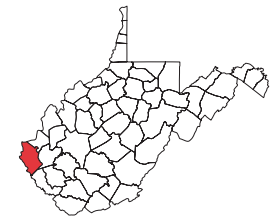
	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	23,712	24,477	3.2%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	2.3%	1.1%	-52.2%
Total population under age 18	4,967	4,988	0.4%
Percent population under age 18	20.9%	20.4%	-2.4%
Percent minority population	2.0%	2.8%	40.0%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	1.9%	3.6%	89.5%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	1,590	1,635	2.8%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	55.6%	43.9%	-21.1%
Number registered family day care homes	23	18	-21.7%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	11.1%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	1	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	12	6	-50.0%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	14.3%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	61.4%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	30.3%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	42.2%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	112.6%	82.8%	-26.5%

Wayne County

Composite County Rank: 39



Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	— Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	12.5%	12.2%	9.3%	50		■ 2.4%
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	8.5	8.2	7.4	35		■ 4.0%
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	21.9	19.0	22.3	19		■ 13.0%
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	36.9%	65.6%	62.4%	13		→ 77.8%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	58.8%	63.3%	58.2%	39	■ 7.7%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	17.7	18.6	15.6	31	■ 5.1%	
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	46.9	40.2	45.3	19		■ 14.3%
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	8.4%	11.2%	10.5%	31	■ 33.3%	
Percent high school dropouts	18.7%	12.4%	11.3%	36		■ 33.7%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	67.5	75.1	50.2	42	■ 11.3%	
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	29.7%	28.1%	26.1%	31		■ 5.4%
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	20.9%	22.2%	18.0%	45	■ 6.2%	

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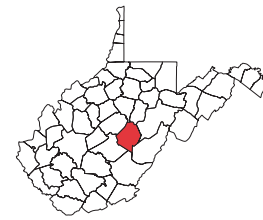
	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	42,091	41,649	-1.1%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	3.7%	2.2%	-40.5%
Total population under age 18	9,190	9,113	-0.8%
Percent population under age 18	21.8%	21.9%	0.5%
Percent minority population	1.3%	1.5%	15.4%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	1.7%	2.5%	47.1%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	2,805	2,706	-3.5%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	51.9%	63.4%	22.1%
Number registered family day care homes	42	26	-38.1%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	26.9%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	3	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	11	7	-36.4%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	71.4%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	50.0%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	36.3%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	32.6%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	72.8%	83.7%	15.0%

Webster County

Composite County Rank: 43



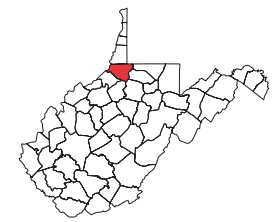
Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	— Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	8.6%	10.6%	9.3%	40	23.3%	
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	2.1	5.3	7.4	16	148.6%	
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	12.5	0.0	22.3	1		100.0%
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	69.1%	79.6%	62.4%	21		15.2%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	74.9%	85.3%	58.2%	53	13.9%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	27.8	54.2	15.6	54	94.9%	
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	31.5	52.2	45.3	39	65.9%	
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	6.3%	11.5%	10.5%	36	82.5%	
Percent high school dropouts	12.8%	15.3%	11.3%	49	19.5%	
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	102.5	33.0	50.2	17		67.8%
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	42.9%	38.0%	26.1%	53		11.4%
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	18.8%	22.0%	18.0%	42	17.0%	

Background Facts

	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	9,804	9,043	-7.8%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	7.5%	4.5%	-40.0%
Total population under age 18	2,019	1,873	-7.2%
Percent population under age 18	20.6%	20.7%	0.5%
Percent minority population	0.5%	1.2%	140.0%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	0.8%	2.2%	175.0%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	582	670	15.1%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	48.0%	53.4%	11.3%
Number registered family day care homes	8	13	62.5%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	0.0%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	0	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	3	1	-66.7%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	0.0%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	54.3%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	39.4%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	66.7%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	72.0%	71.6%	-0.6%



Wetzel County

Composite County Rank: 23

Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	— Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	11.2%	8.2%	9.3%	18		26.8%
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	9.3	4.7	7.4	12		49.3%
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	27.3	22.6	22.3	29		17.2%
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	78.5%	72.6%	62.4%	6	7.5%	
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	50.4%	51.7%	58.2%	11	2.6%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	26.1	26.2	15.6	44	0.4%	
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	57.6	53.7	45.3	40		6.8%
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	13.2%	13.8%	10.5%	52	4.5%	
Percent high school dropouts	9.1%	5.4%	11.3%	5		40.7%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	52.5	94.1	50.2	47	79.3%	
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	25.7%	26.5%	26.1%	21	3.1%	
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	19.6%	19.2%	18.0%	33		2.0%

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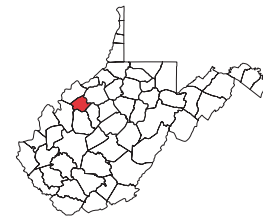
	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	17,117	16,422	-4.1%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	3.4%	2.3%	-32.4%
Total population under age 18	3,733	3,365	-9.9%
Percent population under age 18	21.8%	20.5%	-6.0%
Percent minority population	1.2%	1.6%	33.3%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	1.6%	2.8%	75.0%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	1,121	1,026	-8.5%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	43.8%	58.1%	32.6%
Number registered family day care homes	30	12	-60.0%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	0.0%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	1	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	3	0	-100.0%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	NM	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	67.2%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	37.8%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	100.0%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	71.6%	61.2%	-14.5%

Wirt County

Composite County Rank: 32



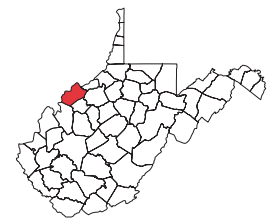
Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	– Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	11.9%	8.2%	9.3%	19		31.1%
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	7.1	11.0	7.4	52	55.0%	
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	19.7	0.0	22.3	1		100.0%
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	71.7%	84.5%	62.4%	49		17.9%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	56.9%	70.1%	58.2%	47	23.2%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	14.9	19.8	15.6	37	32.9%	
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	45.3	43.1	45.3	23		4.8%
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	10.2%	11.3%	10.5%	32	10.8%	
Percent high school dropouts	12.5%	7.0%	11.3%	15		44.0%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	0.0	0.0	50.2	1		NC
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	30.7%	30.2%	26.1%	43		1.6%
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	18.2%	18.2%	18.0%	29		NC

Background Facts

	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	5,896	5,847	-0.8%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	3.9%	2.2%	-43.6%
Total population under age 18	1,267	1,210	-4.5%
Percent population under age 18	21.5%	20.7%	-3.7%
Percent minority population	0.8%	1.8%	125.0%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	0.9%	3.1%	244.4%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	328	358	9.1%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	56.7%	40.2%	-29.1%
Number registered family day care homes	6	7	16.7%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	0.0%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	0	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	1	0	-100.0%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	NM	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	62.9%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	29.1%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	50.0%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	97.7%	244.8%	150.7%



Wood County

Composite County Rank: 20

Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	— Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	8.0%	9.1%	9.3%	28	13.8%	
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	8.1	9.2	7.4	44	13.5%	
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	20.0	22.0	22.3	26	10.2%	
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	41.6%	55.4%	62.4%	3		33.2%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	41.9%	54.0%	58.2%	20	28.9%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	25.2	18.4	15.6	29		26.9%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	45.3	50.0	45.3	35	10.2%	
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	10.4%	11.8%	10.5%	41	13.5%	
Percent high school dropouts	18.2%	7.4%	11.3%	16		59.3%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	43.1	26.4	50.2	14		38.8%
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	28.0%	27.7%	26.1%	28		1.1%
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	18.1%	18.0%	18.0%	25		0.6%

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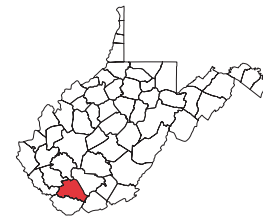
	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	87,047	86,701	-0.4%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	1.7%	1.3%	-23.5%
Total population under age 18	19,072	18,721	-1.8%
Percent population under age 18	21.9%	21.6%	-1.4%
Percent minority population	2.6%	3.3%	26.9%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	3.2%	5.2%	62.5%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	5,944	5,961	0.3%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	57.3%	55.9%	-2.4%
Number registered family day care homes	98	68	-30.6%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	4.4%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	7	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	35	22	-37.1%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	4.5%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	54.3%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	34.3%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	65.9%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	28.5%	25.2%	-11.6%

Wyoming County

Composite County Rank: 50



Indicators	2005 Rate/%	2012 Rate/%	State Rate/%	2012 Rank	– Worse	+ Better
Percent low birth-weight babies	11.1%	12.7%	9.3%	53	14.4%	
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	5.7	10.8	7.4	51	88.7%	
Child death rate (ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)	64.8	35.1	22.3	48		45.8%
Percent four year olds enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten	34.6%	89.7%	62.4%	0		159.2%
Percent children approved for free and reduced-price school meals (K-12)	64.9%	70.0%	58.2%	46	7.9%	
Child abuse/neglect rate (per 1,000 children)	64.4	27.1	15.6	45		57.9%
Teen birth rate (ages 15-19 per 1,000 females)	55.5	54.4	45.3	41		2.0%
Percent births to unmarried teens (ages 10-19)	9.0%	10.1%	10.5%	19	12.2%	
Percent high school dropouts	19.9%	15.8%	11.3%	51		20.6%
Teen injury death rate (ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens)	91.8	42.6	50.2	24		53.6%
Percent children in poverty (2005 is the base year)	35.3%	34.1%	26.1%	50		3.4%
Percent births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education	21.8%	22.5%	18.0%	48	3.2%	

Background Facts

	2005	2012	% Change
Total population	24,479	23,273	-4.9%
Percent all families with related children who receive cash assistance	4.4%	1.1%	-75.0%
Total population under age 18	5,086	5,033	-1.0%
Percent population under age 18	20.8%	21.6%	3.8%
Percent minority population	1.7%	1.6%	-5.9%
Percent children under 18 who are minority	2.1%	2.4%	14.3%

Early Child Development Background Facts

	2005	2012-13	% Change
Number children under age 6	1,619	1,555	-4.0%
Percent children under age 6 who live in families w/parents in labor force	34.8%	34.5%	-0.9%
Number registered family day care homes	22	7	-68.2%
Percent family childcare providers who are ACDS graduates	NA	0.0%	NM
Number family childcare facilities	NA	1	NM
Number licensed childcare centers	14	2	-85.7%
Percent childcare centers participating in quality tier programs	NA	0.0%	NM
Percent 4th graders who scored below proficiency in reading/language arts	NA	50.2%	NM
Percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care	NA	29.5%	NM
Percent childcare workers with no formal training in caring for children	NA	57.1%	NM
Percent eligible children served by Head Start (ages 3-4)	134.7%	109.4%	-18.8%

Child Population Demographics

County	2012 Children under age 1	2012 Children age 1	2012 Children age 2	2012 Children age 3	2012 Children age 4	2012 Children age 5	2012 Total Children under age 6	2012-13 Children 4 years old in pre-K
Barbour	159	158	170	176	202	169	1,034	129
Berkeley	1,291	1,280	1,325	1,414	1,514	1,525	8,349	714
Boone	310	292	310	289	292	298	1,791	238
Braxton	150	171	170	139	174	159	963	111
Brooke	190	189	183	224	245	227	1,258	128
Cabell	1,209	1,190	1,147	1,093	1,110	1,103	6,852	653
Calhoun	90	84	90	83	62	80	489	56
Clay	123	139	113	118	124	118	735	114
Doddridge	72	74	85	67	79	77	454	65
Fayette	551	551	517	544	548	519	3,230	316
Gilmer	72	83	80	68	67	72	442	54
Grant	115	131	143	119	137	118	763	87
Greenbrier	377	376	365	365	401	396	2,280	231
Hampshire	214	203	219	265	260	252	1,413	147
Hancock	283	269	274	318	312	304	1,760	198
Hardy	157	151	142	146	145	151	892	111
Harrison	774	816	814	802	847	800	4,853	542
Jackson	305	311	314	348	336	372	1,986	246
Jefferson	586	594	601	639	704	721	3,845	285
Kanawha	2,170	2,200	2,117	2,142	2,224	2,192	13,045	1,287
Lewis	180	165	182	186	196	194	1,103	154
Lincoln	232	256	235	222	266	304	1,515	237
Logan	397	443	390	337	389	369	2,325	334
McDowell	262	281	232	224	230	273	1,502	189
Marion	609	657	655	617	653	600	3,791	405
Marshall	305	338	347	340	381	351	2,062	244
Mason	271	283	287	280	355	319	1,795	267
Mercer	792	835	785	743	739	758	4,652	471
Mineral	302	279	316	302	312	296	1,807	252
Mingo	335	342	302	296	330	331	1,936	220
Monongalia	988	1,053	936	978	926	914	5,795	576
Monroe	119	131	139	156	153	159	857	104
Morgan	154	139	156	160	170	173	952	112
Nicholas	314	291	304	305	308	281	1,803	199
Ohio	491	494	440	434	463	438	2,760	239
Pendleton	92	74	78	64	66	75	449	54
Pleasants	60	54	88	68	78	80	428	61
Pocahontas	98	87	84	91	81	82	523	49
Preston	313	315	320	374	396	375	2,093	234
Putnam	573	606	642	647	693	709	3,870	369
Raleigh	922	953	971	972	997	931	5,746	650
Randolph	275	302	309	283	315	315	1,799	197
Ritchie	90	84	99	118	101	115	607	72
Roane	136	151	151	163	167	166	934	103
Summers	115	101	112	137	132	146	743	102
Taylor	183	185	208	193	187	184	1,140	113
Tucker	66	65	61	65	67	66	390	50
Tyler	86	67	84	98	97	95	527	65
Upshur	255	251	260	260	304	305	1,635	164
Wayne	379	379	432	489	489	538	2,706	321
Webster	126	117	123	95	108	101	670	86
Wetzel	174	189	170	152	179	162	1,026	130
Wirt	41	55	55	80	58	69	358	49
Wood	979	1,009	997	949	1,038	989	5,961	575
Wyoming	240	259	261	271	262	262	1,555	235
West Virginia	20,152	20,552	20,390	20,508	21,469	21,178	124,249	13,394

Definitions and Sources

Key Indicators:

BIRTHS TO MOTHERS WITH LESS THAN A 12TH GRADE EDUCATION (%)

The percentage of all births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education. This indicator is based on a three-year total ending in 2011. The number of births to mothers with less than a 12th grade education is divided by the total number of births to mothers with known education. WV Department of Health and Human Resources, Health Statistics Center. The national percent is based on years 2008-2010.

BIRTHS TO UNMARRIED TEENS AGES 10-19 (%)

The percentage of all live births to unmarried teens ages 10-19. At a national level, the percentage represents live births that are to unmarried teens under 20 years of age. This indicator is based on a three-year total ending in 2011. The numerator is the number of births to unmarried teens ages 10-19; the denominator is the total number of births. The base population for this indicator is births to all mothers, regardless of age. National data are based on years 2009-2011. WV Department of Health and Human Resources, Health Statistics Center.

CHILD ABUSE/NEGLECT (rate per 1,000 children)

The number of children found to be victims of abuse or neglect per 1,000 children under age 18. The rate is based on an average of victims for three years ending in 2012. WV Department of Health and Human Resources, Bureau for Children and Families. The national rate is from Child Maltreatment 2011, Child Victims, Chapter 3: Children, page 32. Population data are from the Population Reference Bureau.

CHILD DEATH (rate ages 1-14 per 100,000 children)

The number of deaths due to all causes of children between the ages of 1-14 years, per 100,000 children. This variable is a rate per 100,000 children based on a five-year total ending in 2011. The national rate is based on

2007-2011 data. WV Department of Health and Human Resources, Health Statistics Center.

CHILDREN APPROVED FOR FREE OR REDUCED-PRICE SCHOOL MEALS (%)

The percent of all enrolled children in grades K-12 who applied and were approved for free or reduced-price school meals. This indicator is used as a measure of the percent of poor and near-poor children in West Virginia. Children whose parents' income is below 130% of poverty are eligible for free meals; reduced-price meals are available for children whose parents' income is between 130% and 185% of poverty. At a county and state level, this variable is a percentage based on 2005 and 2012 data. The numerator is the number of submitted and approved applications for free or reduced-price school meals in grades K-12; the denominator is the total student enrollment in grades K-12. WV Department of Education, Office of Child Nutrition, Percentage of Needy Students. Claim date October 1, 2012. National 2012 data are from The Food Research and Action Center, West Virginia page 1, www.frac.org.

CHILDREN IN POVERTY (%)

The percentage of children in poverty is the share of children under age 18 who live in families with incomes below the U.S. poverty threshold as defined by the U.S. Census Bureau, 2011. U.S. Census Bureau, Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates program.

FOUR YEAR OLDS ENROLLED IN PRE-KINDERGARTEN (%)

The percent of four year olds who are enrolled in pre-kindergarten. This background fact uses the number of 4 year olds based on second month enrollment and a September 1 calculation date in the school year 2012-13. This does not include children who entered at 5 years or 3 year olds with special needs. The denominator is the 2012 estimate of the four-year-old population prepared by the Population Reference Bureau.

NOTE: The Department of Education's formula for calculating pre-k enrollment is different—it compares the 5 year old

kindergarten enrollment with the previous year's 4 year old pre-k enrollment. We were planning to use this formula but were unable to get the 2005 baseline data from the Department of Education.

In 2011 this indicator was added to the list of 12 used to calculate county composite rank. It replaced the Head Start indicator, which is now in ECD facts.

HIGH SCHOOL DROPOUTS (%)

The percentage of students in grades 7-12 who leave a public school before graduation without transferring to another school. It is based on a three-year average ending in 2012-13. This percent is calculated by dividing the number of dropouts by the sum of 12th grade graduates and 7th – 12th grade dropouts. West Virginia Department of Education.

INFANT MORTALITY (rate per 1,000 live births)

The number of deaths of infants under one year of age per 1,000 live births. The rate is based on a five-year total ending in 2011. The national rate is based on 2007-2011 data. West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources, Health Statistics Center.

LOW BIRTH-WEIGHT BABIES (%)

The percent of live births weighing less than 2,500 grams (5.5 pounds). Based on a three-year average ending in 2011. WV Department of Health and Human Resources, Health Statistics Center. National data are based on years 2009-2011.

TEEN BIRTH AGES 15-19 (rate per 1,000 females)

The number of live births to mothers ages 15-19 per 1,000 females ages 15-19. The rate is based on three years of data ending in 2011. WV Department of Health and Human Resources, Health Statistics Center. National data are based on years 2009-2011.

TEEN INJURY DEATH AGES 15-19 (rate per 100,000 teens)

The number of deaths from accidental, homicide, suicide and undetermined injuries to

teens ages 15-19 per 100,000 teens based on five years of data ending in 2011. WV Department of Health and Human Resources, Health Statistics Center. National data are from 2010.

Background Facts:

FAMILIES WITH RELATED CHILDREN WHO RECEIVE CASH ASSISTANCE (%)

The percentage of families with related children who receive public assistance under the Temporary Aid to Needy Families (TANF) program. The total of TANF cases is divided by the number of families with related children under 18 years of age. Families with related children are comprised of married couples with related children, female heads with related children, and male heads with related children. WV Department of Health and Human Resources, Bureau for Finance, Office of Accountability and Management Reporting. TANF - Cases, Individuals, and Expenditures, State Fiscal Year 2013. The total number of families with children under 18 is from the Population Reference Bureau and is 2010 data. In recent years we have used 2000 data for the number of families with children. The 2010 data are more current but may not provide an accurate picture due to the margin of error. According to our data, the total number of families with children in 2000 was 213,070; the total in 2010 was 214,937.

MINORITY CHILDREN UNDER 18 (%)

The percentage of the population under age 18 that is identified as minority. Population Reference Bureau. 2012.

MINORITY POPULATION (%)

The percentage of the total population that is identified as minority. Population Reference Bureau. 2012.

POPULATION (total)

The total population as reported by the U.S. Census Bureau. 2012.

POPULATION UNDER AGE 18 (total)

The total population under age 18 as reported by the U.S. Census Bureau. 2012.

POPULATION UNDER AGE 18 (%)

The percentage of the total population under age 18. Population Reference Bureau. 2012.

Early Child Development Background Facts:

ACDS GRADUATE FAMILY CHILDCARE PROVIDERS (%)

The percent of all family childcare providers who are ACDS (Apprenticeship for Child Development Specialist program) graduates. These are all graduates from 2001 to October 2013. ACDS State Coordinator, River Valley Child Development Services, October 2013.

Childcare WORKERS WITH NO FORMAL TRAINING IN CARING FOR CHILDREN (%)

This is the percent of all childcare workers enrolled in the state's training register system called STARS Career Pathway who have no training in caring for children. All workers enrolled in Levels I and II of the Career Pathway fit this criteria. Level I requires either being enrolled in high school or in a GED preparation class and Level II requires a high school diploma or equivalent and 0 to 1 years experience. WV Early Childhood Training Connections and Resources, River Valley Child Development Services, Huntington WV. 10/25/2013.

UNDER AGE SIX (total)

The number of children under age six in West Virginia. Population Reference Bureau. 2012.

CHILDREN UNDER AGE SIX WITH ALL AVAILABLE PARENTS IN THE LABOR FORCE (%)

The percent of children under age 6 who live in families with all available parents in the labor force. The number of children with both parents in the labor force, the number of children who live with their father only and he is in the labor force, and children who live with their mother only and she is in the labor force are added together to get the number of children with all available parents in the labor force. The purpose of the indicator is to determine how many children are in some form of

childcare. The margins of error are very large for nearly all counties for child population. Population Reference Bureau. 2012.

FAMILY CHILDCARE FACILITIES (total)

The number of family childcare facilities that are regulated by the Division of Early Care and Education, WV Department of Health and Human Resources. Point in time October 2013.

FOURTH GRADERS WHO SCORED BELOW PROFICIENT IN READING AND LANGUAGE ARTS (%)

Students in grades three through eight and in grade ten take the West Virginia Educational Standards Test (WESTest 2). The WESTest 2 is an assessment that measures student achievement of the West Virginia Content Standards and Objectives. The content area used here is reading/language arts (RLA). Student performance is compared to WV academic standards, not a national sample of students. The RLA tests are given in the spring and while we are interested in reading ability by the end of third grade we want to follow the national KIDS COUNT Data Book definition by using 4th grade reading scores. National tests are not given in the third grade.

Assessment Data – School Year 2012-13.

WV Department of Education.

In 2011 this indicator was added to the list of 12 used to calculate county composite rank. It replaced the Head Start indicator, which is now in ECD facts.

HEAD START ELIGIBLE CHILDREN SERVED AGES 3-4 (%)

The percentage of all eligible children 3-4 years old is based on the number of funded positions in Head Start. The percent eligible is calculated using the number of children under age 5 in poverty and is from the Population Reference Bureau. West Virginia Head Start State Collaboration Project. FY 2012-13.

LICENSED CHILDCARE CENTERS (total)

The number of licensed childcare centers in West Virginia and includes licensed Head Start programs that provide childcare services. West

Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources, Division of Early Care and Education. Point in time October 2013.

LICENSED CHILDCARE CENTERS PARTICIPATING IN QUALITY TIER PROGRAMS (%)

The percent of childcare centers that are either accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC), or participating in the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources Tier II reimbursement program. West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources, Division of Early Care and Education. Point in time October 2013.

MEDICAID ENROLLED CHILDREN UNDER 5 WHO RECEIVE DENTAL CARE (%)

The percent of children under age 5 who are enrolled in Medicaid and have received dental care during one state fiscal year. West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources, Bureau for Medical Services, July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013.

REGISTERED FAMILY CHILDCARE HOMES (total)

The number of registered family childcare homes in West Virginia. West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources, Division of Early Care and Education. Point in time October 2013.

Notes

The 12 measures used in the WV KIDS COUNT Data Book do not capture the full range of conditions shaping children's lives, but they do reflect a wide range of factors such as health and income; they reflect experiences across a range of developmental stages; and they permit comparisons because they are consistent across counties and over time. The West Virginia measures were adopted based on the National KIDS COUNT Data Book measures.

Most of the indicators and background facts are expressed as percentages or rates. Background facts presented as actual numbers

include: total population, total population under age 18, children under age 6, number registered family childcare homes, number family childcare facilities, and number licensed childcare centers.

Other background facts include the percent children under age 6 who live in families with parents in the work force; percent Family Childcare Providers who are ACDS graduates; percent of NAEYC accredited childcare centers; percent of fourth graders who scored below proficient in reading; percent Medicaid-enrolled children under 5 who receive dental care; and the percent of Tier II family childcare providers.

A composite county rank is derived by averaging the 12 indicator ranks. This is done to give each indicator equal weight. The average ranks are sorted from 1 (best) to 55 (worst). All rate/percent and percent changes are rounded to the nearest tenth of a percent. 'NC' indicates there was no change between the base and current rate. 'NA' indicates that data were not available. 'NM' (no measure) is used when the base data are zero, and the most current data are any value above zero because a percent change from zero cannot be calculated. When the base data are any value above zero and the most current data are zero, the percent change shown is always 100 percent.

More detailed information about the individual indicators, percent changes and rankings are available by request to KIDS COUNT. Call 1-888-KIDSCOUNT (888-543-7268) or email margie@wvkidscount.org.

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