

Cherokee County

County Seat: Tahlequah

Number of Children (1998): 10,443

Children are 26.7% of the county population

Number of Poor Children (1997): 3,491

Child Poverty Rate: 33.0%

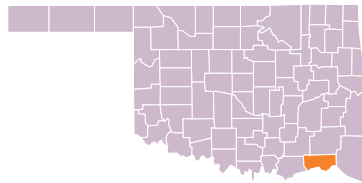
Early Childhood Status

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Child Population < 6	1998	3,249
Immunizations by Age 2	1995	56.0%
Lead-based Poisoning	1994-97	0.17/1000
Births to Mothers < 20	1998	174.1/1000
Inadequate Prenatal Care	1998	6.8%
Child Care Availability	2000	0.686
Poverty - Children < 5	1997	40.4%

Indicator	Base Data	-	Worsened	Improved	+	Recent Data	Rank
Low Birthweight	4.6% of live births 1984-86	-25.7%				6.4% of live births 1996-98	18
Infant Mortality	5.8/1000 live births 1984-86				31.0%	4.0/1000 live births 1996-98	14
Births to Young Teens	47.6/1000 girls 15-17 1984-86				14.9%	40.5/1000 girls 15-17 1996-98	56
Child Abuse & Neglect	7.7 confirmed/1000 children FY 1984-86	-210.3%				23.7 confirmed/1000 children FY 1997-99	62
Child Deaths	38.6/100,000 children 1-14 1984-86				10.5%	34.5/100,000 children 1-14 1996-98	53
High School Dropouts	7.4% of grades 9-12 SY 94/95-96/97				1.9%	7.3% of grades 9-12 SY 96/97-98/99	76
Violent Crime Arrests	86.3/100,000 youth 10-17 1990-92	-29.8%				112.0/100,000 youth 10-17 1997-99	35

Change of more than 110% — positive or negative — are graphed with broken bar ■ state change ■ county change ### = zero base - cannot calculate change County Rank (1 = best) (77 = worst)



Choctaw County

County Seat: Hugo

Number of Children (1998): 4,173

Children are 27.7% of the county population

Number of Poor Children (1997): 1,685

Child Poverty Rate: 40.0%

Early Childhood Status

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Child Population < 6	1998	1,222
Immunizations by Age 2	1995	34.0%
Lead-based Poisoning	1994-97	1.90/1000
Births to Mothers < 20	1998	254.8/1000
Inadequate Prenatal Care	1998	6.8%
Child Care Availability	2000	0.740
Poverty - Children < 5	1997	49.0%

Indicator	Base Data	-	Worsened	Improved	+	Recent Data	Rank
Low Birthweight	7.6% of live births 1984-86				11.6%	6.7% of live births 1996-98	36
Infant Mortality	10.2/1000 live births 1984-86				35.9%	6.6/1000 live births 1996-98	28
Births to Young Teens	77.0/1000 girls 15-17 1984-86				32.1%	52.3/1000 girls 15-17 1996-98	73
Child Abuse & Neglect	5.5 confirmed/1000 children FY 1984-86	-280.5%				21.1 confirmed/1000 children FY 1997-99	54
Child Deaths	18.4/100,000 children 1-14 1984-86	-301.3%				74.0/100,000 children 1-14 1996-98	73
High School Dropouts	3.9% of grades 9-12 SY 94/95-96/97				2.8%	3.8% of grades 9-12 SY 96/97-98/99	26
Violent Crime Arrests	343.4/100,000 youth 10-17 1990-92				25.5%	255.9/100,000 youth 10-17 1997-99	62

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