County Benchmark Key

A Comprehensive Guide to Understanding Benchmark Data

The county is *ranked* on the combined early childhood indicators to allow you to compare this county with other counties. 1 is the best ranking; 77 is the worst ranking.

The *map* of Oklahoma has the location of the county highlighted.

The *county name* and *county seat* are along the top of each benchmark chart.

The *numbers, percentages and poverty rate of children* in the county are here.

The county is *ranked* on each indicator to allow you to compare this county with other counties. 1 is the best ranking; 77 is the worst ranking.

Seven new indicators profile the early childhood status of the counties' infants, toddlers and preschool children. See *Methodology and Sources* for a detailed explanation of each indicator.

Early Childhood Status		RANKED 77
Child Population < 6	1998	1,795
Immunizations Completed by Age 2	1995	57.0%
Lead-Based Poisoning	1994-97	0.43/1000
Births to Mothers < 20	1998	278.1/1000
Inadequate Prenatal Care	1998	10.8%
Child Care Availability	2000	0.387
Poverty - Children < 5	1997	40.8%

Adair County
County Seat: Stillwell

Number of Children (1998): 6,147
Children are 30.2% of the county population

Number of Poor Children (1997): 2,063
Child Poverty Rate: 33.3%

Indicator	Base Data	–	Worsened	Improved	+	Recent Data	Rank
Low Birthweight	5.3% of live births 1984-86	-10.2%				6.1% of live births 1996-98	17
Infant Mortality	9.3/1000 live births 1984-86				22.0%	7.3/1000 live births 1996-98	37
Births to Young Teens	67.2/1000 girls 15-17 1984-86				7.6%	62.1/1000 girls 15-17 1996-98	75
Child Abuse & Neglect	8.9 confirmed/1000 children FY 1984-86	-228.5%				29.1 confirmed/1000 children FY 1997-99	71
Child Deaths	7.5/100,000 children 1-14 1984-86	-293.9%				29.4/100,000 children 1-14 1996-98	39
High School Dropouts	6.6% of grades 9-12 SY 94/95-96/97				23.6%	5.1% of grades 9-12 SY 96/97-98/99	57
Violent Crime Arrests	37.1/100,000 youth 10-17 1990-92	-265.9%				135.8/100,000 youth 10-17 1997-99	41

Recent data for each new indicator presents a rate for the most recent year available. Each item specifies the recent rate and the period in which it was collected.

The *seven indicators* tracked by KIDS COUNT profile the status of children and youth in Oklahoma. See *Methodology and Sources* for a detailed explanation of each indicator. For example, High School Dropouts only count youth under age 19.

Base data for each indicator presents a rate for a previous three year period when data comparable to that measured currently was available. Each item specifies the base rate and period in which it was collected.

The *bar chart* shows the percent change between the base data and the recent data for each indicator. If the bar goes to the left of center, the county rate has worsened. If the bar goes to the right of center, the county rate has improved. The lighter colored wider bar behind the bar chart is the state rate for that indicator and allows you to compare the county with the state as a whole.

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