

Cherokee County



County Seat: Tahlequah

Number of Children (2003): 10,965
Children are 25.0% of the county population

Number of Poor Children (2002): 2,876
Child Poverty Rate (2002): 26.3%

Economic Cluster #4: Poorer

Indicator	Base Data	-	Worsened	Improved	+	Recent Data	Rank
Birthweight							
Low Birthweight (under 5½ lbs)	6.8% of live births, 1994-1996				4.8%	6.4% of live births, 2001-2003	15
Very Low Birthweight (under 3lbs,5oz)	0.9% of live births, 1994-1996				13.6%	0.8% of live births, 2001-2003	15
Births to Teens							
Births to Young Teens (ages 15-17)	44.0 per 1000 girls 15-17, 1994-1996				18.2%	36.0 per 1000 girls 15-17, 2001-2003	63
Births to Older Teens (ages 18-19)	103.6 per 1000 girls 18-19, 1994-1996				36.9%	65.4 per 1000 girls 18-19, 2001-2003	10
Births to Teens (ages 15-19)	70.0 per 1000 girls 15-19, 1994-1996				26.3%	51.6 per 1000 girls 15-19, 2001-2003	26
Child Abuse & Neglect	14.4 confirmed per 1000 children, FY 1995-1997	-75.3%				25.3 confirmed per 1000 children, FY 2002-04	70
High School Dropouts	3.5% of grades 9-12, SY 2001/02-2003/04					<i>Trend data available in future Factbooks</i>	N/A
Juvenile Violent Crime Arrests	182.0 per 100,000 youths 10-17, 1994-1996				53.4%	84.7 per 100,000 youths 10-17, 2001-2003	23
Mortality							
Infant Mortality (under age 1)	5.6 per 1000 live births, 1994-1996	-15.2%				6.5 per 1000 live births, 2001-2003	32
Child Death (age 1-14)	43.1 per 100,000 children 1-14, 1994-1996				44.8%	23.8 per 100,000 children 1-14, 2001-2003	23
Teen Death (ages 15-19)	32.7 per 100,000 teens 15-19, 1994-1996	-185.3%				93.3 per 100,000 teens 15-19, 2001-2003	47
Child and Teen Death (ages 1-19)	40.2 per 100,000 youth 1-19, 1994-1996	-14.4%				46.0 per 100,000 youth 1-19, 2001-2003	42
Economic Cluster	243 Economic Index, 1994-1996				31.3%	167 Economic Index, 2001-2003	43

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)

County Health Indicators

Health Resources

The following medical facilities are physically located within Cherokee County

YES	Hospital serving general population
YES	Hospital specializing in care for specific population, procedure or condition
YES	County or City/County Health Department
NO	Non-health dept. community-based clinic receiving selected federal funding
YES	Community Health Center
YES	Clinic or health center serving native population
YES	Community Mental Health Center

The following medical practitioners are located in Cherokee County

60	Physicians	(1.4 per 1000 people)
546	Nurses	(12.6 per 1000 people)
21	Dentists	(0.5 per 1000 people)

The following community partnerships serve Cherokee County

YES	Turning Point
YES	Systems of Care

Health Status

Rate		Rank
46.7%	Birth mothers received adequate prenatal care	74
3.0/10,000	Infants/Toddlers exposed to lead	41
66.3%	Two-year olds immunized	25
91.9%	Eligible children covered by Medicaid/SCHIP	44
436.7/100,000	Juvenile arrests for drug & alcohol related offenses	16
2.7/100,000	Children & teen deaths from disease	12

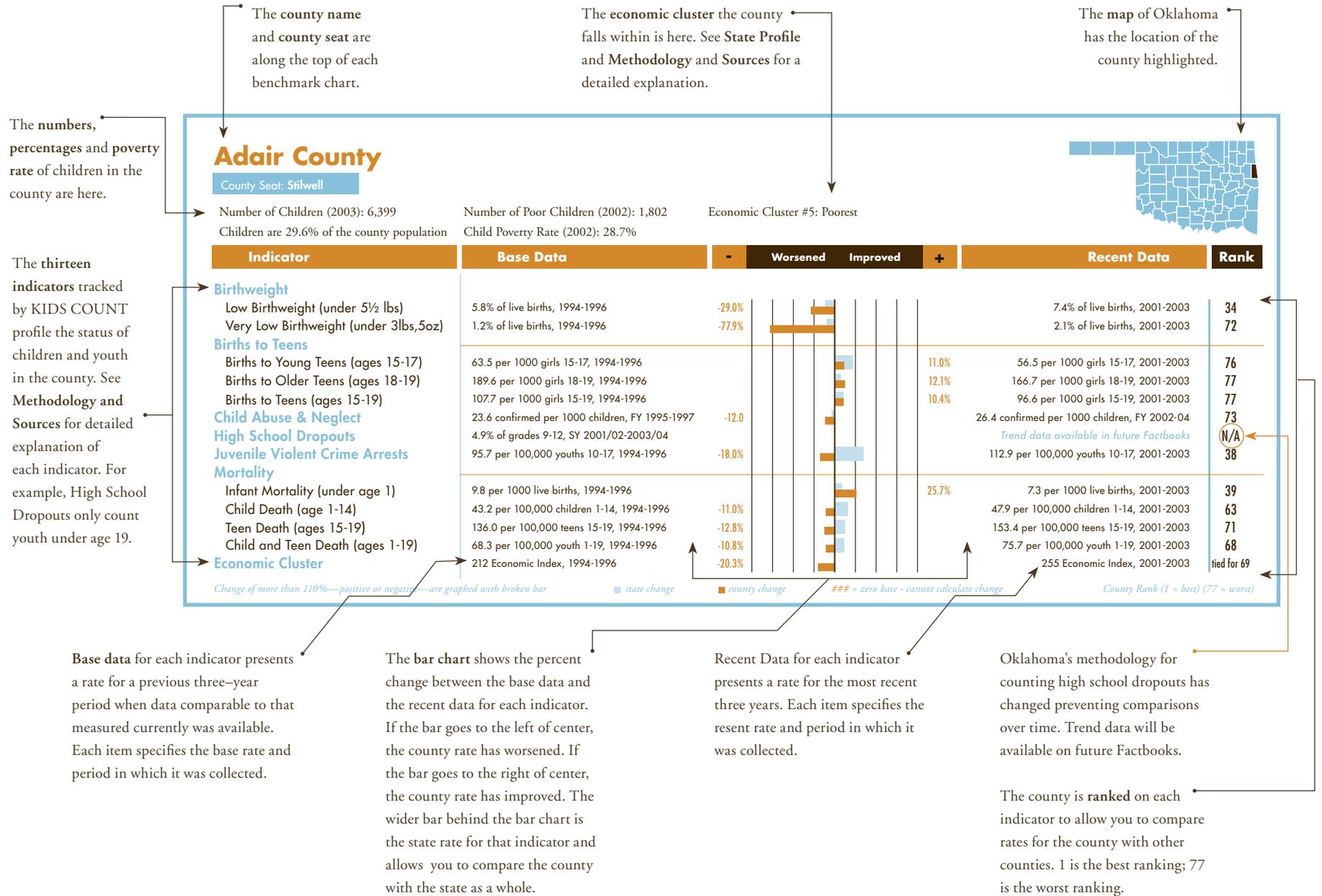
Overall Health Status Rank

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Part of Cherokee County is designated as a medically underserved area.



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Medical Facilities catalog the bricks and mortar of the county health system, noting which of the seven resources are physically located in the county. See Data tables for detailed explanation.

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Medical Practitioners

The following medical practitioners are located in Adair County

14	Physicians	(0.7 per 1000 people)
163	Nurses	(7.6 per 1000 people)
5	Dentists	(0.2 per 1000 people)

Community Partnerships

The following community partnerships serve Adair County

NO	Turning Point
NO	Systems of Care

Health Status	Rate	Rank
Birth mothers received adequate prenatal care	51.5%	65
Infants/Toddlers exposed to lead	0.0/10,000	tied for 1
Two-year olds immunized	64.9%*	44
Eligible children covered by Medicaid/SCHIP	96.1%	33
Juvenile arrests for drug & alcohol related offenses	372.5/100,000	12
Children & teen deaths from disease	15.1/100,000	46

*2003 data displayed. May be low due to vaccine shortage.

Overall Health Status Rank

Tied for 23

All of Adair County is designated as a medically underserved area.



Community Partnerships report whether the county is involved in one of Oklahoma's two major health-related community-based initiatives. See Data Tables for detailed explanation.

Medical Practitioners count providers by type, noting how many are available for every 1,000 county residents. See Data Tables for detailed explanation.

Six new indicators profile the status of child health in the county. See Methodology and Sources for a detailed explanation of each indicator. Recent Data for each new indicator presents a rate and a county ranking for the most recent time period available.

The Medically Underserved Area designation reports whether all or part of the county suffers from a severe lack of health resources.

The County is ranked on the combined Child Health Status indicators to allow you to compare this county with other counties. 1 is the best ranking; 77 is the worst ranking

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