

Number of Children
(1997): 5,238

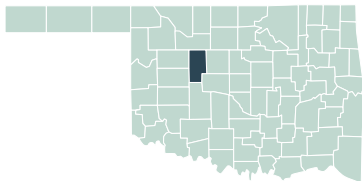
Children are 28.2% of
the county population

Economic Cluster
#4: Poorer

Beckham County *County Seat: Sayre*

Indicator	Base Data	-	Worsened	Improved	+	Recent Data	Rank
Low Birthweight	6.0% of live births 1983-87	-9.4%				6.6% of live births 1992-96	40
Infant Mortality	7.2/1000 live births 1983-87	-50.0%				10.8/1000 live births 1992-96	68
Births to Young Teens	79.2/1000 girls 15-17 1981-83				63.4%	29.0/1000 girls 15-17 1994-96	19
Child Abuse & Neglect	5.3 confirmed/1000 children FY 1985	-446.3%				29.0 confirmed/1000 children FY 1997	72
Child Deaths	50.6/100,000 children 1-14 1978-83				31.9%	34.4/100,000 children 1-14 1992-96	43
Child Poverty	14.6% of all children 1980	-99.2%				29.0% of all children 1993 (revised)	49
High School Dropouts	6.3% of grades 9-12 1994-1995 School Year				21.8%	5.0% of grades 9-12 1996-1997 School Year	48
Juvenile Arrests	91.9/100,000 youth 10-17 1980	-32.8%				122.1/100,000 youth 10-17 1997	40

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Number of Children
(1997): 2,896

Children are 27.3% of
the county population

Economic Cluster
#4: Poorer

Blaine County *County Seat: Watonga*

Indicator	Base Data	-	Worsened	Improved	+	Recent Data	Rank
Low Birthweight	6.3% of live births 1983-87				5.3%	6.0% of live births 1992-96	23
Infant Mortality	13.7/1000 live births 1983-87				3.2%	13.3/1000 live births 1992-96	71
Births to Young Teens	84.3/1000 girls 15-17 1981-83				59.9%	33.8/1000 girls 15-17 1994-96	30
Child Abuse & Neglect	19.5 confirmed/1000 children FY 1985	-41.7%				27.6 confirmed/1000 children FY 1997	68
Child Deaths	44.8/100,000 children 1-14 1978-83				40.1%	26.9/100,000 children 1-14 1992-96	25
Child Poverty	19.4% of all children 1980	-36.2%				26.4% of all children 1993 (revised)	tie for 37
High School Dropouts	5.2% of grades 9-12 1994-1995 School Year				20.2%	4.1% of grades 9-12 1996-1997 School Year	33
Juvenile Arrests	116.3/100,000 youth 10-17 1980				36.3%	74.0/100,000 youth 10-17 1997	28

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