

Number of Children (1997): 3,874

Children are 28.7% of the county population

Economic Cluster #1: Wealthiest



Number of Children (1997): 2,874

Children are 26.5% of the county population

Economic Cluster #5: Poorest

Indicator	Base Data	_	Worsened	Improved	+	Recent Data	Rank
Low Birthweight	4.7% of live births 1983-87	-0.9%				4.7% of live births 1992-96	6
Infant Mortality	6.5/1000 live births 1983-87				25.1%	4.9/1000 live births 1992-96	10
Births to Young Teens	54.2/1000 girls 15-17 1981-83				49.4%	27.4/1000 girls 15-17 1994-96	16
Child Abuse & Neglect	7.8 confirmed/1000 children FY 1985	-29.5%				10.1 confirmed/1000 children FY 1997	11
Child Deaths	47.3/100,000 children 1-14 1978-83				44.1%	26.4/100,000 children 1-14 1992-96	21
Child Poverty	11.6% of all children 1980	-25.0%				14.5% of all children 1993 (revised)	5
High School Dropouts	4.5% of grades 9-12 1994-1995 School Year				32.0%	3.0% of grades 9-12 1996-1997 School Year	19
Juvenile Arrests	53.2/100,000 youth 10-17 1980	-2.6%				54.6/100,000 youth 10-17 1997	21

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## Kiowa County County Seat: Hobart

Indicator	Base Data	-	Worsened	Improved	+	Recent Data	Rank
Low Birthweight	8.0% of live births 1983-87	-7.1%				8.6% of live births 1992-96	75
Infant Mortality	8.6/1000 live births 1983-87				60.9%	3.4/1000 live births 1992-96	4
Births to Young Teens	61.0/1000 girls 15-17 1981-83				37.0%	38.4/1000 girls 15-17 1994-96	46
Child Abuse & Neglect	19.3 confirmed/1000 children FY 1985	-8.0%				20.9 confirmed/1000 children FY 1997	56
Child Deaths	30.6/100,000 children 1-14 1978-83				9.8%	27.6/100,000 children 1-14 1992-96	26
Child Poverty	27.7% of all children 1980	-26.2%				34.9% of all children 1993 (revised)	66
High School Dropouts	4.9% of grades 9-12 1994-1995 School Year	-40.3%				6.8% of grades 9-12 1996-1997 School Year	71
Juvenile Arrests	0.0/100,000 youth 10-17 1980				###	144.7/100,000 youth 10-17 1997	48

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