

Number of Children
(1997): 10,134

Children are 23.5% of
the county population

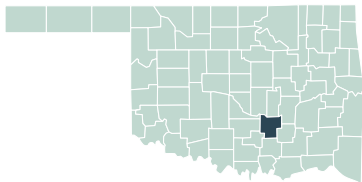
Economic Cluster
#5: Poorest

Pittsburg County

County Seat: McAlester

Indicator	Base Data	-	Worsened	Improved	+	Recent Data	Rank
Low Birthweight	7.0% of live births 1983-87				4.8%	6.7% of live births 1992-96	44
Infant Mortality	14.0/1000 live births 1983-87				28.3%	10.0/1000 live births 1992-96	58
Births to Young Teens	50.1/1000 girls 15-17 1981-83				28.6%	35.8/1000 girls 15-17 1994-96	36
Child Abuse & Neglect	9.3 confirmed/1000 children FY 1985				3.7%	9.0 confirmed/1000 children FY 1997	8
Child Deaths	34.5/100,000 children 1-14 1978-83	-29.0%				44.6/100,000 children 1-14 1992-96	45
Child Poverty	19.3% of all children 1980	-46.9%				28.3% of all children 1993 (revised)	46
High School Dropouts	5.5% of grades 9-12 1994-1995 School Year				17.4%	4.5% of grades 9-12 1996-1997 School Year	39
Juvenile Arrests	182.1/100,000 youth 10-17 1980				57.6%	77.2/100,000 youth 10-17 1997	29

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Number of Children
(1997): 8,528

Children are 24.5% of
the county population

Economic Cluster
#4: Poorer

Pontotoc County

County Seat: Ada

Indicator	Base Data	-	Worsened	Improved	+	Recent Data	Rank
Low Birthweight	6.2% of live births 1983-87	-1.9%				6.3% of live births 1992-96	34
Infant Mortality	9.2/1000 live births 1983-87				4.0%	8.8/1000 live births 1992-96	47
Births to Young Teens	30.6/1000 girls 15-17 1981-83	-3.6%				31.6/1000 girls 15-17 1994-96	26
Child Abuse & Neglect	10.4 confirmed/1000 children FY 1985	-169.1%				28.0 confirmed/1000 children FY 1997	70
Child Deaths	41.5/100,000 children 1-14 1978-83				63.0%	15.4/100,000 children 1-14 1992-96	9
Child Poverty	18.7% of all children 1980	-58.6%				29.6% of all children 1993 (revised)	51
High School Dropouts	3.3% of grades 9-12 1994-1995 School Year	-26.9%				4.1% of grades 9-12 1996-1997 School Year	34
Juvenile Arrests	129.1/100,000 youth 10-17 1980	-66.7%				215.3/100,000 youth 10-17 1997	56

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