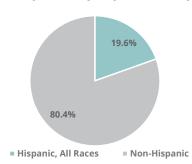
#### **Child Population by Hispanic Ethnicity**

# 35th CROCKETT

Population Under 18: 22.9%







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ECONOMIC WELL-BEING 64TH	Rank	Previous Percent/Rate	Previous Rank
Children living in poverty 22.4%	59th	20.7%	37th
Severe housing cost burden 10.5%	<b>71st</b>	11.2%	77th
Child care cost burden 27.7% FY2022-23	<b>44</b> th	29.7%	76th
EDUCATION 7TH	Rank	Previous Percent/Rate	Previous Rank
3rd to 8th grade reading proficiency 40.4%	17th	40.8%	13th
3rd to 8th grade math proficiency 51.3%	6th	50.5%	8th
Youth graduating high school on time 97.7%	10th	96.1%	25th
HEALTH 93RD	Rank	Previous Percent/Rate	Previous Rank
HEALTH 93RD  Kindergarten full immunization series 95.3% 2022-23	Rank 21st		
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Crockett County			Tennessee	County			
	Number	Rate	Rate	Rank	Year		
Demographics	5						
Total population (state value is number not rate)	13,982	NA	7,126,489	81	2023		
Population under 18 years of age (percent of total population)	3,208	22.9%	22.0%	18	2023		
Economic Well-Be	eing						
Median Household Income	\$53,598	NA	\$65,231.00	57	2022		
Youth unemployment	106	28.0%	9.8%	92	2023		
Per capita personal income (state value is dollars not rate)	\$47,217	NA	\$58,292	37	2022		
Median home sales price (state value is dollars not rate)	\$152,272	NA	\$325,000	87	2022		
Children receiving Families First grants (TANF)	55	1.7%	1.5%	51	FY23		
Children receiving Supplemental Nutrition Assistance (SNAP)	776	24.2%	22.4%	48	FY23		
Fair market rent (percent of monthly median household income)	\$999	22.4%	21.4%	31	FY23		
WIC participation (percent of children under 5)	368	45.9%	29.0%	80	FY23		
Education							
	226	0.5%	0.007		2022.25		
School age special education services (age 3 to 21) TEIS participation (percent of children age 0 to 4)	326	9.5%	8.0%	55	2022-23		
Economically disadvantaged students	33	4.1%	4.4%	44	2022-23		
School suspensions	764 *	27.2%	30.2% 4.6%	25 *	2022-23 2022-23		
Graduating seniors scoring 21 or better on the ACT at least once	60	28.4%	35.4%	59	2022-23		
Young adult college enrollment (percent of graduating seniors)	NA	53.1%	54.3%	35	2022		
Health							
Neonatal abstinence syndrome (per 1,000 live births)	0	0.00	7.1	1	2022		
Births to mothers who smoked during pregnancy	18	11.5%	9.1%	23	2022		
Children on TennCare (Medicaid)	2,265	60.5%	53.1%	51	Dec-23		
Total TennCare (Medicaid) enrollees	4,031	28.8%	23.0%	78	Dec-23		
Births covered by TennCare (Medicaid)	109	66.9%	54.5%	63	2022		
Children qualified for Medicaid/CHIP but uninsured	154	7.4%	6.1%	81	2021		
Infant mortality (per 1,000 live births)	*	*	6.2	*	2021		
Neonatal death (per 1,000 live births)	*	*	3.2	*	2021		
Child deaths (per 100,000 children age 1 to 14)	0	0.00	20.7	1	2021		
Teen violent deaths (per 100,000 youth age 15 to 19)	*	*	69.7	*	2021		
Adequate prenatal care	132	86.3%	73.9%	2	2021		
Pediatric physicians (per 100,000 children) Children who are food insecure	0	0.0	76.1	59	2022-23		
Teens with STDs (per 1,000 youth age 15 to 17)	670 *	20.4%	17.9% 16.1	24	2022 2022		
Confirmed elevated blood lead level (per 1,000 screened)	5	5.9%	4.7%	61	2019-23		
Breastfeeding initiation at birth	118	72.4%	83.3%	79	2019-23		
Individuals scoring for severe depression (all ages) PHQ-9 (per 100K)	11	29.3	44.8	15	2020-23		
Individuals reporting frequent suicidal ideation (all ages) PHQ-9 (per 100K)	9	24.0	43.6	6	2020-23		
Individuals scoring positive for PTSD (all ages) PTSD Screeen (per 100K)	9	24.0	22.1	60	2020-23		
Individals scoring at risk for psychotic-like experiences PQ-B (per 100K)	9	24.0	27.7	31	2020-23		
Family & Commu	nity						
Reported child abuse cases	108	3.4%	4.2%	9	FY23		
Commitment to state custody (per 1,000 children)	15	4.3	2.5	60	FY23		
Remaining in state custody (per 1,000 children)	18	5.1	5.1	38	FY23		
Juvenile court referrals  Child restriant use in crashes (age 0 -12)	51	1.5%	1.8%	42 58	2022		
Regulated child care spaces (percent of children age 0 to 12)	NA 679	92.9% 29.8%	NA 29.8%	26	FY23		
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# **Crockett**

#### **Overall**

At 35th, Crockett County is in the top half of Tennessee counties in child well-being. The county's strongest area was Education.

#### **Strengths**

Crockett's strongest indicator is the percent of students who scored "On Track" or "Mastered" in TCAP Math, where the county ranks 6th. The county also performs well in the percent of chronic absenteeism among public school students at 6th.

#### **Opportunities**

The county's biggest challenge is the percent of children without health insurance, where it ranks 80th. There are opportunities for improvement in the percent of babies who were born at a low birthweight as well.

## **Policy/Practice/Program Options to Improve Outcomes**

Many of these policies have multiple models for delivery, including public-private partnership, non-profit partners and community engagement.

Most uninsured children in Tennessee qualify for either TennCare or CoverKids, so high rates of uninsured children can be improved with outreach to make sure families are aware of these insurance opportunities. According to Census Bureau estimates, Crockett County has 154 children who qualify for these health insurance programs but who nonetheless lack insurance. Communities can utilize free outreach resources from the Connecting Kids to Coverage National Campaign at <a href="https://www.insurekidsnow.gov/outreach-tool-library/index.html">https://www.insurekidsnow.gov/outreach-tool-library/index.html</a>. Those insured by TennCare or CoverKids must keep current contact information with TennCare to prevent unnecessary breaks in coverage. Members can update information at tenncareconnect.tn.gov or by calling 855-259-0701.

Babies are born at a low birthweight either because they are born too early or they did not grow as much as they should. Ensuring women of childbearing age have access to treatment for chronic physical and mental health and substance abuse conditions creates an environment for healthy pregnancies. While the state has not expanded TennCare to close some of these access gaps, improving outreach to ensure those who do qualify are aware of those benefits, as well as others such as SNAP, WIC and TANF, contributes to general good health prior to pregnancy. Once a woman is pregnant, access to regular prenatal care is key. Preexisting risks are properly managed and unexpected complications are found and treated early when pregnant women receive regular care. Community-based doulas have been shown to improve health outcomes for babies, including reducing the number of babies born at a low birthweight.

## **Indicator Definitions and History**

**Children living in poverty** - Percent of children living in a household below the federal poverty line. In 2022, the federal poverty level for a family of 3 was \$23,030. Source: US Census Bureau Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates (2022).

**Severe housing cost burden** - Percent of households (including rented, owned and mortgaged) spending 50% or more of their income on housing. Source: American Community Survey, 5-year estimates (2018-2022). Table B25140.

Child care cost burden - Child care cost burden reflects the average estimate market-rate price for care for full-time care of an infant and 2+ year old but less than school age child as a percentage of the county's estimated median household income. The market-rate is calculated by taking an average of the median market-rate fee for licensed providers in the county. When available, this includes Child Care Centers, Group Homes, and Family Homes. In instances where the county does not have all three, the providers existing in the county averaged. In instances where there are no licensed providers providing care to that age group in the county, the statewide average of Tier 2 market-rates are used. This average rate for infant care and 2+ care is then combined to get the total cost of care. Source: Determining Child Care Market Rates in the State of Tennessee (FY2022-23).

**3rd to 8th grade reading proficiency -** Percent of third- to eighth-grade students who scored "ontrack" or "mastered" on the Tennessee Comprehensive Assessment Program (TCAP) reading and language test.

Source: Tennessee Department of Education (2023-24).

**3rd to 8th grade math proficiency -** Percent of third- to eighth-grade students who scored "ontrack" or "mastered" on the Tennessee Comprehensive Assessment program (TCAP) math test. Source: Tennessee Department of Education (2023-24).

Youth graduating high school on time - Percent of ninth-grade cohort that graduates in four years. Source: Tennessee Department of Education (2022-23).

**Kindergarten Immunization -** Percent of public-school kindergarten students fully immunized for all required vaccine series at the time of survey completion. Required series includes: Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis vaccine (DTaP), Measles, Mumps, Rubella vaccine (MMR), Hepatitis A Virus vaccine (HAV)2 Hepatitis B Virus vaccine (HBV), Poliomyelitis vaccine (IPV or OPV), and Varicella (chickenpox) vaccine/credible history of disease. Source: Tennessee Department of Health Vaccine-Preventable Diseases and Immunization Program. Kindergarten Immunization Compliance Assessment. (2022-23).

**Children who lack health insurance -** Percent of children who lack health insurance. Source: US Census Bureau Small Area Health Insurance Estimates (2021).

**Babies born at a low birth weight -** Percent of live births where baby weighs less than 2,500 grams (5.5 pounds), averaged over three years. Source: Tennessee Department of Health (2020-22).

Youth Crime Rate Per 1,000- Rate of reported crimes alleged to have been committed by someone under 18 to county population of youth 12 to 17. Source: Tennessee Bureau of Investigation, Tennessee Incident Based Reporting System (2022). Accessed May 28, 2024.

Children who are chronically absent - Children who are absent 10 percent or more of school days for any reason, including excused/unexcused absences and out-of-school suspensions. Source: Tennessee Department of Education (2022-23).

**Victims of abuse or neglect per 1,000** - Child victims of abuse or neglect. In cases with multiple children each child is counted individually. The total is the number of children associated with substantiated cases of severe abuse and of determinations of "Services Court Ordered" or "Services Needed" in cases of non-severe abuse or neglect. The rate is per 1,000 children. Source: Tennessee Department of Children's Services (FY2022-23).