<b>91st</b> <b>MADISON</b> Population Under 18: 22.4%	Child Population	by Race	hild Population by Hispanic Ethnicity 9.3% 90.7% • Hispanic, All Races • Non-Hispanic Published July 2024		
	<ul> <li>Native American/Alaskan</li> <li>Other/Unknown</li> </ul>	Asian/Pacific Islander			
ECONOMIC WELL-BEING 88TH		Rank	Previous Percent/Rate	Previous Rank	
<b>Children living in poverty 2</b>	0.4%	39th	25.0%	74th	
Severe housing cost burden	92nd	15.7%	93rd		
Child care cost burden 31.8 FY2022-23	68th	34.5%	88th		
EDUCATION 85TH		Rank	Previous Percent/Rate	Previous Rank	
<b>3rd to 8th grade reading pro</b>	85th	22.8%	88th		
<b>3rd to 8th grade math profi</b>	86th	21.5%	87th		
Youth graduating high school	74th	90.4%	74th		
HEALTH 40TH		Rank	Previous Percent/Rate	Previous Rank	
Kindergarten full immunization series 91.2%		6 85th	93.8%	69th	
<b>Children who lack health insurance 4.0%</b>		16th	6.0%	41st	
Babies born at a low birth weight 10.9%		91th	10.6%	88th	
FAMILY & COMMUNITY 92ND		Rank	Previous Percent/Rate	Previous Rank	
Youth Crime Rate Per 1,000	76.7	89th	58	85th	
<b>Children who are chronically</b>	91st	29.8%	86th		
Victims of abuse or neglect	<b>40th</b>	7	13th		

Madison County			Tennessee	County			
	Number	Rate	Rate	Rank	Year		
Demographics							
Total population (state value is number not rate)	99,193	NA	7,126,489	16	2023		
Population under 18 years of age (percent of total population)	22,186	22.4%	22.0%	25	2023		
Economic Well-Being							
Median Household Income	\$57,070	NA	\$65,231.00	40	2022		
Youth unemployment	229	7.9%	9.8%	38	2023		
Per capita personal income (state value is dollars not rate)	\$52,286	NA	\$58,292	17	2022		
Median home sales price (state value is dollars not rate)	\$238,226	NA	\$325,000	57	2022		
Children receiving Families First grants (TANF)	611	2.8%	1.5%	82	FY23		
Children receiving Supplemental Nutrition Assistance (SNAP)	6,770	30.5%	22.4%	81	FY23		
Fair market rent (percent of monthly median household income)	\$1,269	26.7%	21.4%	72	FY23		
WIC participation (percent of children under 5)	2438	41.3%	29.0%	73	FY23		
Education							
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School age special education services (age 3 to 21)	1,811	7.4%	8.0%	16	2022-23		
TEIS participation (percent of children age 0 to 4)	319	5.4%	4.4%	74	2022-23		
Economically disadvantaged students	5,395	46.0%	30.2%	91	2022-23		
School suspensions	939	8.0%	4.6%	78	2022-23		
Graduating seniors scoring 21 or better on the ACT at least once	137	18.5%	35.4%	86	2022-23		
Young adult college enrollment (percent of graduating seniors)	NA	42.3%	54.3%	87	2022		
Health							
Neonatal abstinence syndrome (per 1,000 live births)	*	*	7.1	*	2022		
Births to mothers who smoked during pregnancy	96	8.3%	9.1%	12	2021		
Children on TennCare (Medicaid)	15,975	60.3%	53.1%	50	Dec-23		
Total TennCare (Medicaid) enrollees	27,900	28.1%	23.0%	68	Dec-23		
Births covered by TennCare (Medicaid)	799	65.6%	54.5%	58	2022		
Children qualified for Medicaid/CHIP but uninsured	606 *	4.7% *	6.1%	23	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)	*	*	20.7	*	2021		
Teen violent deaths (per 100,000 youth age 15 to 19)			69.7		2021		
Adequate prenatal care Pediatric physicians (per 100,000 children)	926 16	80.9%	73.9%	27	2021		
Children who are food insecure	16 5,790	72.1 26.4%	76.1 17.9%	10 88	2022-23 2022		
Teens with STDs (per 1,000 youth age 15 to 17)	5,790 89	26.4%	16.1	88 48	2022		
Confirmed elevated blood lead level (per 1,000 screened)	25	4.7%	4.7%	40	2022		
Breastfeeding initiation at birth	899	4.7%	4.7%	45 75	2019-23		
Individuals scoring for severe depression (all ages) PHQ-9 (per 100K)	137	32.2	44.8	24	2022-23		
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Individuals reporting frequent suicidal ideation (all ages) PFQ-9 (per 100K) Individuals scoring positive for PTSD (all ages) PTSD Screeen (per 100K)	70	16.5	22.1	13	2020-23		
Individuals scoring at risk for psychotic-like experiences PQ-B (per 100K)	80	18.8	27.7	14	2020-23		

# Family & Community

Reported child abuse cases	1,323	6.0%	4.2%	79	FY23
Commitment to state custody (per 1,000 children)	65	2.6	2.5	40	FY23
Remaining in state custody (per 1,000 children)	90	3.6	5.1	23	FY23
Juvenile court referrals	737	3.3%	1.8%	80	2022
Child restriant use in crashes (age 0 -12)	NA	96.9%	NA	32	2023
Regulated child care spaces (percent of children age 0 to 12)	4,503	29.0%	29.8%	29	FY23

## Madison

#### **Overall**

At 91st, Madison County is in the near the bottom of Tennessee counties in child well-being. The county's strongest area was Health.

#### Strengths

Madison's strongest indicator is the percent of children without health insurance, where the county ranks 16th. The county also performs well in the percent of children living below the federal poverty line at 39th.

#### **Opportunities**

The county's biggest challenge is the percent of households in the county experiencing a severe housing cost burden, where it ranks 92nd. 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.

Pro-active housing policy that helps ensure affordable housing is available for people to live where they work can improve negative outcomes related to high housing costs. These policies might include approving more apartment construction and allowing rental of accessory dwelling units, creating a standard zoning approval process and applying for affordable housing trust fund competitive grants. Improving ease of usage and communication with landlords and renters using Housing Choice Vouchers can increase the number of landlords willing to accept vouchers.

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 "on-track" 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).