	Child Population by Race		ild Population by Hispanic Ethnicity		
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ECONOMIC WELL-BEING 10TH		Rank	Percent/Rate	Rank	
Children living in poverty 14.9%		12th	16.0%	14th	
Severe housing cost burden 9.2%)	50th	10.0%	59th	
Child care cost burden 22.4%		14th	23.9%	25th	
EDUCATION 50TH		Rank	Previous Percent/Rate	Previous Rank	
3rd to 8th grade reading proficien	cy 32.8 %	58th	32.0%	60th	
3rd to 8th grade math proficiency	39.2 %	43rd	40.3%	37th	
Youth graduating high school on t	ime 93.7%	49 th	97.0%	14th	
HEALTH 87TH		Rank	Previous Percent/Rate	Previous Rank	
Kindergarten full immunization so	eries 94.8%	31st	97.0%	16th	
Children who lack health insuranc	e 5.1%	58th	8.0%	86th	
Babies born at a low birth weight	10.8%	89th	9.0%	60th	
FAMILY & COMMUNITY 60TH		Rank	Previous Percent/Rate	Previous Rank	
Youth Crime Rate Per 1,000 58.8		81st	27.9	53rd	
Children who are chronically abse	nt 19.2%	57th	14.7%	29th	
Victims of abuse or neglect per 1,0 FY2022-23	000 9.2	26th	11.6	41st	

Marshall County			Tennessee	County				
	Number	Rate	Rate	Rank	Year			
Demographics								
Total population (state value is number not rate)	36,961	NA	7,126,489	42	2023			
Population under 18 years of age (percent of total population)	8,662	23.4%	22.0%	13	2023			
Economic Well-Being								
Median Household Income	\$64,013	NA	\$65,231.00	21	2022			
Youth unemployment	135	17.7%	9.8%	85	2023			
Per capita personal income (state value is dollars not rate)	\$48,222	NA	\$58,292	33	2022			
Median home sales price (state value is dollars not rate)	\$312,848	NA	\$325,000	24	2022			
Children receiving Families First grants (TANF)	112	1.3%	1.5%	28	FY23			
Children receiving Supplemental Nutrition Assistance (SNAP)	1,534	17.7%	22.4%	15	FY23			
Fair market rent (percent of monthly median household income)	\$1,132	21.2%	21.4%	17	FY23			
WIC participation (percent of children under 5)	550	25.6%	29.0%	16	FY23			
Education								
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School age special education services (age 3 to 21)	662	7.7%	8.0%	20	2022-23			
TEIS participation (percent of children age 0 to 4)	76	3.5%	4.4%	22	2022-23			
Economically disadvantaged students	1,175	22.0%	30.2%	9	2022-23			
School suspensions	233	4.4%	4.6%	56	2022-23			
Graduating seniors scoring 21 or better on the ACT at least once	124	34.0%	35.4%	34	2022-23			
Young adult college enrollment (percent of graduating seniors)	NA	45.8%	54.3%	77	2022			
Health								
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Neonatal abstinence syndrome (per 1,000 live births)	*	*	7.1	*	2022			
Births to mothers who smoked during pregnancy	49	11.6%	9.1%	24	2021			
Children on TennCare (Medicaid)	4,706	49.9%	53.1%	18	Dec-23			
Total TennCare (Medicaid) enrollees	8,022	21.7%	23.0%	19	Dec-23			
Births covered by TennCare (Medicaid)	239	52.3%	54.5%	18	2022			
Children qualified for Medicaid/CHIP but uninsured	299 *	6.5% *	6.1%	18	2021			
Infant mortality (per 1,000 live births)	*	*	6.2		2021			
Neonatal death (per 1,000 live births) Child deaths (per 100,000 children age 1 to 14)			3.2	*	2021			
Teen violent deaths (per 100,000 youth age 15 to 19)	0	0.00	20.7	1	2021			
	0	0.0	69.7	1	2021			
Adequate prenatal care Pediatric physicians (per 100,000 children)	334 1	79.1% 11.5	73.9% 76.1	41 55	2021 2022-23			
Children who are food insecure	1,260	15.8%	17.9%	45	2022-23			
Teens with STDs (per 1,000 youth age 15 to 17)	23	17.3	16.1	45	2022			
Confirmed elevated blood lead level (per 1,000 screened)	12	5.2%	4.7%	52	2019-23			
Breastfeeding initiation at birth	374	81.8%	83.3%	31	2019-23			
Individuals scoring for severe depression (all ages) PHQ-9 (per 100K)	47	34.8	44.8	32	2020-23			
Individuals scoring for severe depression (all dges) Fire 5 (per 100K)	43	31.9	43.6	34	2020-23			
Individuals scoring positive for PTSD (all ages) PTSD Screeen (per 100K)	35	25.9	22.1	70	2020-23			
Individals scoring at risk for psychotic-like experiences PQ-B (per 100K)	32	23.7	27.7	30	2020-23			

Family & Community

Reported child abuse cases	345	4.0%	4.2%	20	FY23
Commitment to state custody (per 1,000 children)	19	2.0	2.5	29	FY23
Remaining in state custody (per 1,000 children)	44	4.7	5.1	34	FY23
Juvenile court referrals	326	4.0%	1.8%	87	2022
Child restriant use in crashes (age 0 -12)	NA	95.9%	NA	43	2023
Regulated child care spaces (percent of children age 0 to 12)	886	15.1%	29.8%	76	FY23

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Overall

At 57th, Marshall County is in the bottom half of Tennessee counties in child well-being. The county's strongest area was Economic Well-Being.

Strengths

Marshall's strongest indicator is the percent of chlidren living below the federal poverty line, where the county ranks 12th. The county also performs well in child care cost burden at 14th.

Opportunities

The county's biggest challenge is the percent of babies who were born at a low birthweight, where it ranks 89th. There are opportunities for improvement in the rate of youth crime per 1,000 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.

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.

Addressing youth crime at a community level requires a comprehensive approach combining prevention, early intervention, targeted intensive services and re-entry planning. The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) communities implement prevention programs such as:

- Classroom and behavior management programs
- Multi-component classroom-based programs
- Social competence promotion curriculums
- Conflict resolution and violence prevention curriculums

- Bullying prevention programs
- Afterschool recreation programs
- Mentoring programs
- School organization programs
- · Comprehensive community interventions

For more targeted interventions OJJDP provides a Model Programs Guide with research and evaluations for various topics in youth behavior and the justice system. The Model Programs Guide can be found here: https://ojjdp.ojp.gov/model-programs-guide/literature-reviews. In counties with a Juvenile Detention Center, working with the LEA to reduce the time between a child coming into custody and receiving education should be a priority. Additionally, these counties can partner with community programs to engage youth while they are in detention, providing additional educational or developmental support.

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).