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The New Jersey Kids Count 2014 Pocket Guide documents key measures of child well-being on the county and state levels. This handy pocket guide provides a quick glimpse at trends in major indicators of child well-being. Data for additional indicators are available on our website at www.acnj.org and at datacenter.kidscount.org.

In addition to the **Pocket Guide**, ACNJ releases an annual state-level data report, **New Jersey Kids Count: The State of Our Children**. Please visit www.acnj.org to access the report.

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Advocates for Children of New Jersey each year publishes **New Jersey Kids Count**, a report about the well-being of children across the state. While statewide data are helpful in tracking overall trends, it is also useful to go beyond state averages and look closer at the range of experiences of children living in different parts of the state. The **New Jersey Kids Count Pocket Guide** measures how children are faring in each of New Jersey's 21 counties.

Although this year's data once again reveal different conditions for child well-being in each county, rising child poverty persisted in all but three counties — Morris, Salem and Warren — from 2008 to 2012. Warren and Salem saw substantial declines at 46 and 22 percent, respectively. Morris had a modest 1 percent decrease. Passaic saw no changes.

In the other counties, increases in the number of children living in families earning too little to meet their children's needs ranged from a low of 8 percent in Monmouth County to a high of 246 percent in Somerset County. Sussex and Bergen also saw steep spikes in child poverty.

Better news may be on the horizon, however. All but one county — Cape May — experienced declines in unemployment, with many seeing substantial drops ranging from 20 to 30 percent from 2009 to 2013. It is not clear, yet, whether this will affect the child poverty rate. The latest data for child poverty is one year behind unemployment figures. Some labor experts say the decline in unemployment is due, at least in part, to people leaving the labor force all together.

Other key trends:

■ **School breakfast.** New Jersey schools are making great progress in feeding more low-income students school breakfast, with every single county achieving increases. At 160 percent, Hunterdon saw the highest percentage jump in the number of students eating breakfast, but the county's schools fed just 14 percent of students eligible for free- or reduced-price school meals in April 2013. Cape May had the smallest increase at 2 percent and was actually feeding a smaller percentage of all eligible students.

Fifteen counties achieved an increase of 50 percent or more students eating breakfast. Ocean, Middlesex and Somerset saw gains of more than 100 percent student participation. With a 56 percent participation rate, Cumberland fed the highest percentage of eligible students.

To view more Kids Count data, including county profiles, additional indicators and the state-level New Jersey Kids Count, visit www.acnj.org and click the Kids Count button on the top of the home page.

Overview

- **Uninsured Children.** New Jersey continues to make substantial progress in reducing the number of uninsured children. All but three counties had fewer uninsured children, with decreases ranging from 5 percent in Hudson to 66 percent in Hunterdon. Sussex, Morris and Middlesex saw alarming increases at 45, 42 and 29 percent, respectively.
- **Foster Care.** The number of New Jersey children in foster care continues to decline statewide, in all but six counties — Atlantic, Bergen, Burlington, Gloucester, Hunterdon and Sussex. The increases ranged from 7 percent in Bergen to 49 percent in Burlington. For the other counties, declines ranged from 5 percent in Camden to 40 percent in Union County.
- **Child Care.** New Jersey's working parents continue to have fewer child care options in nearly every single county. The number of licensed child care centers dropped in all but three counties — Cumberland, Hudson and Passaic, which all experienced only modest increases of 1 to 2 percent. Mercer and Monmouth saw no change. The rest of the counties saw declines ranging from 2 percent in Middlesex to 22 percent in Cape May.

Child care costs also continue to consume a large portion of family budgets. Essex and Passaic parents paid the most at 33 percent of family income in these counties. Warren parents spent the smallest portion of income on child care at 18 percent. National standards say families should spend no more than 10 percent of income on care.

In addition to this pocket guide, Advocates for Children of New Jersey ranks each county on a set of 13 indicators of child well-being. This year, five counties improved in the Kids Count rankings, 10 dropped and six remained the same. Following is a breakdown of the change and the overall rankings for each county.

Better

Cape May
Ocean
Passaic
Salem
Warren

Worse

Atlantic
Burlington
Camden
Cumberland
Essex
Gloucester
Mercer
Monmouth
Sussex
Union

Unchanged

Bergen
Hudson
Hunterdon
Middlesex
Morris
Somerset



County Rankings

New Jersey Kids Count Overall Rank—2014

Hunterdon	1
Morris	2
Somerset	3
Bergen	4
Middlesex	5
Warren	6
Monmouth	7
Sussex	8
Burlington	9
Ocean	10
Gloucester	11
Union	12
Mercer	13
Hudson	14
Cape May	15
Passaic	16
Essex	17
Camden	18
Salem	19
Atlantic	20
Cumberland	21

New Jersey Kids Count 2014 Overall County Ranks

	2013 Rank	2014 Rank
Atlantic	19	20
Bergen	4	4
Burlington	8	9
Camden	16	18
Cape May	18	15
Cumberland	20	21
Essex	15	17
Gloucester	10	11
Hudson	14	14
Hunterdon	1	1
Mercer	12	13
Middlesex	5	5
Monmouth	6	7
Morris	2	2
Ocean	13	10
Passaic	17	16
Salem	21	19
Somerset	3	3
Sussex	7	8
Union	9	12
Warren	11	6

Total Population

	2008	2012	% Change
Atlantic	270,681	275,422	2
Bergen	894,840	918,888	3
Burlington	445,475	451,336	1
Camden	517,234	513,539	-1
Cape May	95,838	96,304	0
Cumberland	156,830	157,785	1
Essex	770,675	787,744	2
Gloucester	287,860	289,586	1
Hudson	595,419	652,302	10
Hunterdon	129,031	127,050	-2
Mercer	364,883	368,303	1
Middlesex	789,102	823,041	4
Monmouth	642,448	629,384	-2
Morris	487,548	497,999	2
Ocean	569,111	580,470	2
Passaic	490,948	502,885	2
Salem	66,141	65,774	-1
Somerset	324,563	327,707	1
Sussex	150,909	147,442	-2
Union	523,249	543,976	4
Warren	109,876	107,653	-2
New Jersey	8,682,661	8,864,590	2

Child Population

	2008	2012	% Change
Atlantic	64,306	62,646	-3
Bergen	195,873	201,282	3
Burlington	101,788	100,920	-1
Camden	127,537	121,732	-5
Cape May	19,044	17,571	-8
Cumberland	38,301	37,525	-2
Essex	195,592	192,607	-2
Gloucester	66,479	68,202	3
Hudson	130,338	133,176	2
Hunterdon	29,349	28,081	-4
Mercer	83,686	81,582	-3
Middlesex	182,324	183,858	1
Monmouth	152,017	144,249	-5
Morris	115,208	113,911	-1
Ocean	131,789	134,916	2
Passaic	126,893	122,743	-3
Salem	14,986	14,946	0
Somerset	80,534	78,526	-2
Sussex	35,742	33,009	-8
Union	129,721	130,691	1
Warren	26,075	24,211	-7
New Jersey	2,047,582	2,026,384	-1

Children Living Below the Poverty Line

	2008		2012		% Change	
	#	%	#	%	#	%
Atlantic	12,114	19	13,802	22	14	18
Bergen	9,347	5	20,341	10	118	112
Burlington	6,399	6	7,639	8	19	20
Camden	20,955	17	23,964	20	14	19
Cape May	1,356	7	1,740	10	28	42
Cumberland	7,309	19	8,794	24	20	25
Essex	39,053	20	48,110	25	23	25
Gloucester	5,514	8	6,754	10	22	20
Hudson	30,408	24	33,988	26	12	9
Hunterdon	992	4	1,431	5	44	46
Mercer	9,865	12	12,223	15	24	27
Middlesex	18,508	10	25,579	14	38	36
Monmouth	12,483	8	13,542	9	8	15
Morris	4,994	4	4,961	4	-1	0
Ocean	21,568	17	24,746	18	15	12
Passaic	27,873	22	28,008	23	0	5
Salem	2,703	18	2,103	14	-22	-22
Somerset	1,899	2	6,579	8	246	259
Sussex	1,121	3	2,828	9	152	164
Union	15,799	12	21,403	17	35	34
Warren	3,118	12	1,691	7	-46	-41
New Jersey	253,378	13	310,226	15	22	24

Median Income of Families with Children

	2008	2012	% Change
	Atlantic	\$56,488	\$53,831
Bergen	\$103,671	\$107,268	3
Burlington	\$96,911	\$93,166	-4
Camden	\$70,119	\$71,841	2
Cape May	\$75,835	\$61,235	-19
Cumberland	\$49,394	\$51,113	3
Essex	\$59,368	\$59,371	0
Gloucester	\$89,274	\$93,274	4
Hudson	\$51,578	\$52,209	1
Hunterdon	\$128,159	\$132,066	3
Mercer	\$94,160	\$99,982	6
Middlesex	\$92,492	\$91,622	-1
Monmouth	\$103,786	\$103,445	0
Morris	\$124,313	\$119,184	-4
Ocean	\$76,196	\$78,900	4
Passaic	\$60,973	\$57,775	-5
Salem	\$61,933	\$76,091	23
Somerset	\$128,846	\$112,199	-13
Sussex	\$84,034	\$100,785	20
Union	\$83,465	\$71,830	-14
Warren	\$88,686	\$88,659	0
New Jersey	\$86,613	\$85,185	-2

Percent Unemployed

	2009	2013	% Change
Atlantic	11.8	10.4	-12
Bergen	7.7	5.5	-29
Burlington	8.4	6.5	-23
Camden	9.8	7.4	-24
Cape May	11.1	13	17
Cumberland	12.4	10.5	-15
Essex	10.2	7.8	-24
Gloucester	9.2	6.9	-25
Hudson	10.4	7.4	-29
Hunterdon	6.6	4.7	-29
Mercer	7.5	5.3	-29
Middlesex	8.4	5.9	-30
Monmouth	8.3	6.1	-27
Morris	7	5	-29
Ocean	9.5	7.3	-23
Passaic	10.9	8	-27
Salem	10.5	7.2	-31
Somerset	7.2	5.1	-29
Sussex	8.5	6.3	-26
Union	9.2	6.9	-25
Warren	8.7	5.7	-34
New Jersey	9.0	8.2	-9

Percentage of Households Spending More than 30% of Income on Rent

	2008	2012	% Change
Atlantic	53	59	10
Bergen	43	47	9
Burlington	44	47	5
Camden	52	57	11
Cape May	27	52	91
Cumberland	53	60	13
Essex	49	54	11
Gloucester	47	55	15
Hudson	47	45	-3
Hunterdon	51	40	-20
Mercer	47	53	13
Middlesex	42	46	10
Monmouth	51	56	9
Morris	37	44	19
Ocean	60	59	-1
Passaic	56	55	-2
Salem	49	54	10
Somerset	45	50	12
Sussex	41	60	47
Union	48	57	19
Warren	41	43	3
New Jersey	48	51	8

Children Receiving Welfare (TANF)

	2009	2013	% Change
Atlantic	3,520	3,576	2
Bergen	1,771	1,659	-6
Burlington	1,750	1,844	5
Camden	6,798	7,303	7
Cape May	762	724	-5
Cumberland	2,634	2,482	-6
Essex	13,795	12,738	-8
Gloucester	1,767	1,816	3
Hudson	8,135	7,346	-10
Hunterdon	184	158	-14
Mercer	3,927	3,806	-3
Middlesex	2,553	2,741	7
Monmouth	2,077	1,678	-19
Morris	517	450	-13
Ocean	1,844	2,478	34
Passaic	5,619	7,914	41
Salem	838	873	4
Somerset	746	865	16
Sussex	352	262	-26
Union	3,469	3,075	-11
Warren	498	591	19
New Jersey	63,556	64,379	1

Children Receiving NJ SNAP (formerly Food Stamps)

	2009	2013	% Change
Atlantic	11,053	19,215	74
Bergen	8,640	14,120	63
Burlington	7,274	11,914	64
Camden	22,704	33,981	50
Cape May	2,962	4,396	48
Cumberland	10,973	15,583	42
Essex	45,180	64,362	42
Gloucester	6,404	10,848	69
Hudson	32,846	52,615	60
Hunterdon	576	1,296	125
Mercer	10,221	16,674	63
Middlesex	11,341	26,068	130
Monmouth	8,949	16,375	83
Morris	3,279	6,270	91
Ocean	15,409	33,786	119
Passaic	33,389	52,609	58
Salem	2,923	4,234	45
Somerset	3,292	6,671	103
Sussex	1,343	2,167	61
Union	12,905	22,935	78
Warren	2,021	3,291	63
New Jersey	253,684	419,410	65

Number of Children Receiving Free- or Reduced-Price School Breakfast

	2008-09	2012-13	% Change
Atlantic	7,201	11,659	62
Bergen	3,672	6,563	79
Burlington	2,790	4,636	66
Camden	9,198	14,149	54
Cape May	2,345	2,390	2
Cumberland	6,915	10,678	54
Essex	29,039	34,714	20
Gloucester	2,271	3,991	76
Hudson	10,790	19,173	78
Hunterdon	84	218	160
Mercer	3,661	6,254	71
Middlesex	6,942	15,795	128
Monmouth	5,214	6,341	22
Morris	1,121	1,990	78
Ocean	3,065	7,382	141
Passaic	10,255	17,375	69
Salem	1,120	1,400	25
Somerset	770	1,723	124
Sussex	288	511	77
Union	11,488	15,335	33
Warren	801	1,123	40
New Jersey	119,030	183,400	54

Percentage of Eligible Children Receiving Free- or Reduced-Price School Breakfast

	2008-09	2012-13	% Change 09-13
Atlantic	37	47	27
Bergen	18	25	35
Burlington	20	25	22
Camden	29	37	26
Cape May	63	50	-22
Cumberland	43	56	30
Essex	47	50	6
Gloucester	22	29	32
Hudson	20	32	60
Hunterdon	8	14	76
Mercer	22	30	37
Middlesex	21	39	83
Monmouth	29	28	-4
Morris	15	21	40
Ocean	19	34	77
Passaic	25	37	47
Salem	28	28	2
Somerset	10	17	61
Sussex	11	14	27
Union	33	36	9
Warren	24	28	16
New Jersey	29	36	27

Number of Children Receiving Free- or Reduced-Price School Lunch

	2008-09	2012-13	% Change
Atlantic	16,192	19,866	23
Bergen	14,764	20,445	38
Burlington	11,287	14,700	30
Camden	25,107	30,865	23
Cape May	3,595	3,673	2
Cumberland	13,926	16,274	17
Essex	45,659	53,888	18
Gloucester	8,260	10,140	23
Hudson	37,658	41,501	10
Hunterdon	780	1,186	52
Mercer	13,643	16,149	18
Middlesex	26,290	33,900	29
Monmouth	14,205	17,669	24
Morris	5,338	6,794	27
Ocean	12,667	16,588	31
Passaic	34,041	40,103	18
Salem	3,398	3,973	17
Somerset	5,871	8,046	37
Sussex	1,929	2,584	34
Union	27,488	34,758	26
Warren	2,601	3,184	22
New Jersey	324,699	396,286	22

Percentage of Eligible Children Receiving Free/ Reduced Price School Lunch

	2008-09	2012-13	% Change
Atlantic	83	80	-4
Bergen	74	77	5
Burlington	81	78	-5
Camden	79	80	1
Cape May	97	76	-22
Cumberland	87	86	-1
Essex	74	77	5
Gloucester	80	73	-8
Hudson	70	69	-1
Hunterdon	73	75	3
Mercer	81	77	-5
Middlesex	81	84	4
Monmouth	80	79	-1
Morris	71	71	0
Ocean	80	77	-4
Passaic	83	84	2
Salem	84	80	-5
Somerset	79	78	-1
Sussex	74	71	-4
Union	78	81	3
Warren	78	79	1
New Jersey	78	78	0

NJ Earned Income Tax Credits Issued, Recipients with at Least 1 Dependent Under Age 19 — 2012

	# Credits	Total Credit Amt.	Avg. Credit Amt.
Atlantic	16,335	\$9,150,272	\$560
Bergen	19,807	\$10,519,072	\$531
Burlington	12,101	\$5,993,904	\$495
Camden	23,621	\$12,763,368	\$540
Cape May	3,585	\$1,901,199	\$530
Cumberland	9,095	\$4,960,459	\$545
Essex	40,773	\$22,474,261	\$551
Gloucester	8,432	\$4,394,640	\$521
Hudson	33,923	\$19,588,364	\$577
Hunterdon	1,601	\$805,782	\$503
Mercer	13,209	\$6,995,600	\$530
Middlesex	25,216	\$13,480,515	\$535
Monmouth	13,326	\$7,020,339	\$527
Morris	7,218	\$3,698,085	\$512
Ocean	17,906	\$10,557,646	\$590
Passaic	29,130	\$16,659,124	\$572
Salem	2,517	\$1,320,497	\$525
Somerset	5,796	\$2,960,664	\$511
Sussex	2,830	\$1,417,502	\$501
Union	22,235	\$11,886,799	\$535
Warren	3,035	\$1,566,948	\$516
New Jersey	314,972	\$171,917,612	\$546

*Please note that counties may not add up to NJ total due to a small number of credits where the county of residence was unknown.

Federal Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) Claims

	2008	2012	% Change
Atlantic	24,342	26,045	7
Bergen	34,103	40,979	20
Burlington	19,474	22,510	16
Camden	39,182	40,619	4
Cape May	6,137	6,534	6
Cumberland	14,262	14,503	2
Essex	71,201	76,686	8
Gloucester	12,785	14,335	12
Hudson	57,948	63,118	9
Hunterdon	2,454	2,930	19
Mercer	20,552	22,714	11
Middlesex	39,116	45,073	15
Monmouth	23,043	26,345	14
Morris	11,782	14,287	21
Ocean	25,308	29,662	17
Passaic	45,190	49,710	10
Salem	4,517	4,641	3
Somerset	7,794	9,446	21
Sussex	4,626	5,350	16
Union	37,565	42,641	14
Warren	4,406	5,163	17
New Jersey	505,607	563,291	11

Number of Infant Deaths

	2006	2010*	% Change
Atlantic	31	28	-10
Bergen	30	18	-40
Burlington	36	36	0
Camden	61	49	-20
Cape May	7	4	-43
Cumberland	14	21	50
Essex	69	72	4
Gloucester	15	16	7
Hudson	46	33	-28
Hunterdon	4	2	-50
Mercer	39	37	-5
Middlesex	54	47	-13
Monmouth	35	26	-26
Morris	16	17	6
Ocean	31	15	-52
Passaic	43	29	-33
Salem	8	7	-13
Somerset	16	6	-63
Sussex	7	10	43
Union	37	39	5
Warren	5	3	-40
New Jersey	604	515	-15

*Data for 2010 are preliminary

Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000 live births)

	2006	2010*	% Change
Atlantic	8.5	8.5	0
Bergen	3.1	1.9	-37
Burlington	6.7	7.5	12
Camden	8.4	7.3	-13
Cape May	7.7	4.4	-43
Cumberland	5.9	9.0	54
Essex	5.8	6.9	18
Gloucester	4.3	5.0	17
Hudson	4.9	3.3	-33
Hunterdon	3.1	2.0	-35
Mercer	8.5	8.4	-1
Middlesex	5.0	4.6	-7
Monmouth	4.7	4.1	-13
Morris	2.8	3.5	26
Ocean	4.0	1.9	-53
Passaic	5.7	4.0	-29
Salem	9.8	9.0	-7
Somerset	4.0	1.7	-58
Sussex	4.2	7.1	69
Union	4.9	5.5	13
Warren	3.8	3.1	-20
New Jersey	5.3	4.8	-8

*Data for 2010 are preliminary.

Percentage of Babies Born with Low-Birth Weight

	2006	2010	% Change
Atlantic	8.8	8.3	-6
Bergen	6.9	8.2	18
Burlington	9.2	7.9	-14
Camden	9.2	7.9	-14
Cape May	6.3	6.5	4
Cumberland	10.9	9.6	-12
Essex	10.9	10.4	-5
Gloucester	8.3	7.8	-6
Hudson	7.3	8.4	14
Hunterdon	6.5	7.8	19
Mercer	9.9	8.8	-11
Middlesex	8.7	8.4	-4
Monmouth	8.1	7.5	-7
Morris	6.9	7.4	8
Ocean	5.7	6.8	19
Passaic	8.5	8.1	-4
Salem	8.9	8.0	-10
Somerset	8.6	8.0	-7
Sussex	7.2	7.8	9
Union	7.4	8.0	8
Warren	8.5	5.7	-33
New Jersey	8.3	8.2	-1

Percentage of Women Receiving Early Prenatal Care

	2006	2010	% Change
Atlantic	68.6	71.5	4
Bergen	77.1	81.3	6
Burlington	75.1	82.3	10
Camden	69.4	76.6	10
Cape May	75.5	76.9	2
Cumberland	63.6	71.4	12
Essex	62.4	67.6	8
Gloucester	75.6	80.9	7
Hudson	65.4	66.5	2
Hunterdon	87.1	91.5	5
Mercer	77.1	78.0	1
Middlesex	80.7	86.1	7
Monmouth	78.5	84.6	8
Morris	86.7	89.8	4
Ocean	75.6	78.4	4
Passaic	70.9	77.7	10
Salem	71.1	66.7	-6
Somerset	87.8	91.0	4
Sussex	87.4	89.6	3
Union	71.5	78.6	10
Warren	83.9	84.1	0
New Jersey	74.1	78.5	6

Children Receiving NJ FamilyCare/Medicaid

	2009	2013	% Change
Atlantic	21,193	28,548	35
Bergen	30,034	40,700	36
Burlington	18,048	25,257	40
Camden	42,666	52,410	23
Cape May	6,556	7,750	18
Cumberland	18,752	22,679	21
Essex	82,686	99,338	20
Gloucester	14,409	18,753	30
Hudson	65,800	80,229	22
Hunterdon	1,964	2,862	46
Mercer	22,572	29,795	32
Middlesex	43,398	57,323	32
Monmouth	25,637	32,974	29
Morris	11,637	14,863	28
Ocean	39,954	58,282	46
Passaic	57,362	69,713	22
Salem	5,111	6,168	21
Somerset	9,336	13,340	43
Sussex	4,085	5,677	39
Union	39,833	52,211	31
Warren	4,247	5,731	35
New Jersey	565,281	724,603	28

Children Under 18 Without Health Insurance

	2009		2012		% Change	
	#	%	#	%	#	%
Atlantic	4,877	7.7	3,936	6.3	-19	-19
Bergen	12,619	6.4	10,940	5.4	-13	-15
Burlington	5,213	5.1	2,276	2.3	-56	-56
Camden	9,242	7.3	5,896	4.9	-36	-34
Cape May	1,008	5.5	719	4.1	-29	-25
Cumberland	2,529	6.5	2,136	5.7	-16	-12
Essex	17,092	8.9	10,374	5.4	-39	-39
Gloucester	3,564	5.2	2,355	3.4	-34	-33
Hudson	11,159	9.1	10,653	8.0	-5	-12
Hunterdon	522	1.7	180	0.6	-66	-62
Mercer	4,295	5.1	1,797	2.2	-58	-57
Middlesex	11,120	6.0	14,340	7.8	29	29
Monmouth	7,705	5.0	5,917	4.1	-23	-18
Morris	3,596	3.1	5,113	4.5	42	45
Ocean	6,738	5.1	6,098	4.5	-9	-11
Passaic	11,148	9.0	7,067	5.8	-37	-36
Salem	1,372	8.8	833	5.6	-39	-36
Somerset	3,333	4.1	2,914	3.7	-13	-10
Sussex	1,426	4.0	2,067	6.3	45	57
Union	9,489	7.3	6,336	4.9	-33	-33
Warren	1,788	7.0	869	3.6	-51	-48
New Jersey	129,835	6.4	102,816	5.1	-21	-20

Child Abuse/Neglect Investigations, Number of Children

	2008	2012	% Change
Atlantic	3,701	4,183	13
Bergen	4,121	5,016	22
Burlington	4,178	4,819	15
Camden	7,816	8,913	14
Cape May	1,375	1,504	9
Cumberland	3,194	3,597	13
Essex	8,599	10,344	20
Gloucester	3,161	4,059	28
Hudson	5,725	6,461	13
Hunterdon	650	845	30
Mercer	3,652	4,009	10
Middlesex	5,514	5,963	8
Monmouth	4,667	5,478	17
Morris	2,899	3,385	17
Ocean	5,083	6,751	33
Passaic	5,475	6,004	10
Salem	1,135	1,360	20
Somerset	2,186	2,531	16
Sussex	1,575	1,735	10
Union	4,045	4,375	8
Warren	1,515	1,476	-3
New Jersey	80,351	92,924	16

*Please note that total for counties may not equal state total due to a small number of children where the county of residence is unknown or other.

Child Abuse/Neglect Substantiation Rate

	2008	2012	% Change
Atlantic	11	9	-15
Bergen	10	13	31
Burlington	9	11	22
Camden	14	14	-1
Cape May	17	12	-29
Cumberland	10	9	-17
Essex	12	11	-14
Gloucester	14	12	-16
Hudson	13	10	-22
Hunterdon	11	13	18
Mercer	11	9	-17
Middlesex	10	8	-17
Monmouth	12	12	2
Morris	11	8	-30
Ocean	11	5	-53
Passaic	7	8	16
Salem	11	10	-7
Somerset	15	5	-70
Sussex	7	11	47
Union	10	10	7
Warren	7	7	-1
New Jersey	11	10	-11

Number of Children Where Abuse/Neglect was Substantiated

	2008	2012	% Change
Atlantic	392	375	-4
Bergen	423	672	59
Burlington	359	507	41
Camden	1,071	1,210	13
Cape May	236	182	-23
Cumberland	329	309	-6
Essex	1,062	1,100	4
Gloucester	435	471	8
Hudson	771	678	-12
Hunterdon	73	112	53
Mercer	401	365	-9
Middlesex	557	498	-11
Monmouth	546	651	19
Morris	315	257	-18
Ocean	572	354	-38
Passaic	391	496	27
Salem	126	141	12
Somerset	332	116	-65
Sussex	114	184	61
Union	391	452	16
Warren	106	102	-4
New Jersey	9,015	9,250	3

Number of Children in Out-of-Home Placements

	2009	2013	% Change
Atlantic	293	430	47
Bergen	305	327	7
Burlington	312	464	49
Camden	723	685	-5
Cape May	168	157	-7
Cumberland	268	232	-13
Essex	1,875	1,275	-32
Gloucester	304	340	12
Hudson	716	588	-18
Hunterdon	31	40	29
Mercer	448	336	-25
Middlesex	433	356	-18
Monmouth	418	329	-21
Morris	185	174	-6
Ocean	489	445	-9
Passaic	452	307	-32
Salem	120	97	-19
Somerset	164	144	-12
Sussex	79	91	15
Union	591	357	-40
Warren	188	137	-27
New Jersey	8,562	7,330	-14

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Children Enrolled in State-Funded Preschool

	2008-09	2012-13	% Change
Atlantic	1,553	1,770	14
Bergen	1,265	1,353	7
Burlington	1,147	1,302	14
Camden	3,234	3,171	-2
Cape May	453	471	4
Cumberland	3,113	3,302	6
Essex	9,234	9,961	8
Gloucester	697	652	-6
Hudson	8,729	9,635	10
Hunterdon	9	14	56
Mercer	2,091	2,101	0
Middlesex	2,800	3,142	12
Monmouth	2,362	2,362	0
Morris	193	238	23
Ocean	623	626	0
Passaic	5,397	4,914	-9
Salem	432	459	6
Somerset	553	507	-8
Sussex	0	0	0
Union	4,814	5,543	15
Warren	381	337	-12
New Jersey	49,080	51,860	6

Children Enrolled in Public School Kindergarten (Full Day and Half Day)

	2008-09	2012-13	% Change
Atlantic	3,164	3,197	1
Bergen	8,929	8,829	-1
Burlington	4,757	4,771	0
Camden	5,760	5,958	3
Cape May	860	917	7
Cumberland	2,064	2,274	10
Essex	9,487	10,284	8
Gloucester	3,368	3,157	-6
Hudson	5,828	6,951	19
Hunterdon	1,333	1,165	-13
Mercer	4,254	4,221	-1
Middlesex	8,295	8,203	-1
Monmouth	6,411	6,208	-3
Morris	5,346	4,792	-10
Ocean	4,842	4,801	-1
Passaic	5,839	6,460	11
Salem	754	780	3
Somerset	3,527	3,330	-6
Sussex	1,524	1,190	-22
Union	5,922	6,457	9
Warren	1,237	1,156	-7
New Jersey	93,501	95,101	2

Licensed Child Care Centers

	2009	2013	% Change
Atlantic	109	87	-20
Bergen	441	421	-5
Burlington	156	144	-8
Camden	256	216	-16
Cape May	32	25	-22
Cumberland	60	61	2
Essex	555	510	-8
Gloucester	137	128	-7
Hudson	299	304	2
Hunterdon	81	77	-5
Mercer	214	213	0
Middlesex	316	310	-2
Monmouth	282	282	0
Morris	280	251	-10
Ocean	173	144	-17
Passaic	228	230	1
Salem	22	21	-5
Somerset	187	173	-7
Sussex	78	73	-6
Union	298	280	-6
Warren	52	47	-10
New Jersey	4,256	3,997	-6

Capacity of Licensed Child Care Centers

	2009	2013	% Change
Atlantic	6,780	5,356	-21
Bergen	37,291	38,609	4
Burlington	13,470	12,619	-6
Camden	22,582	19,643	-13
Cape May	1,478	1,246	-16
Cumberland	6,667	6,671	0
Essex	46,345	45,405	-2
Gloucester	9,869	9,326	-6
Hudson	20,781	22,105	6
Hunterdon	7,153	7,085	-1
Mercer	20,346	19,728	-3
Middlesex	28,635	28,197	-2
Monmouth	24,624	24,090	-2
Morris	21,975	20,726	-6
Ocean	13,903	11,444	-18
Passaic	23,535	22,257	-5
Salem	1,290	1,402	9
Somerset	18,252	19,878	9
Sussex	4,505	4,179	-7
Union	24,879	23,680	-5
Warren	3,208	2,667	-17
New Jersey	357,568	346,313	-3

Young Children with All Parents Working — 2012

	# Children 0-5	% of Children 0-5
Atlantic	13,909	70
Bergen	34,367	60
Burlington	20,761	73
Camden	27,577	72
Cape May	3,146	66
Cumberland	8,759	74
Essex	45,373	74
Gloucester	14,165	69
Hudson	32,987	66
Hunterdon	N/A	N/A
Mercer	17,765	69
Middlesex	36,846	63
Monmouth	26,102	66
Morris	20,811	64
Ocean	24,039	52
Passaic	23,814	62
Salem	3,071	71
Somerset	15,837	71
Sussex	5,557	68
Union	28,421	72
Warren	4,220	71
New Jersey	412,293	66

Includes children in families where both parents work and children in single parent households where that parent works. Data not available for Hunterdon County due to small sample size.

Licensed Child Care Average Annual Costs — 2012

	Infant Care/Age 1 & Under		Preschooler Child Care	
	Avg. Full-Time Center-Based Annual Costs	As a % of Med. Income	Avg. Full-Time Center-Based Annual Costs	As a % Med. Income
Atlantic	\$9,388	17	\$8,054	15
Bergen	\$13,214	12	\$10,960	10
Burlington	\$9,980	11	\$8,473	9
Camden	\$10,342	14	\$8,570	12
Cape May	\$8,372	14	\$7,176	12
Cumberland	\$8,640	17	\$7,205	14
Essex	\$10,411	18	\$9,038	15
Gloucester	\$10,095	11	\$8,736	9
Hudson	\$8,424	16	\$7,176	14
Hunterdon	\$13,052	10	\$11,700	9
Mercer	\$13,351	13	\$10,598	11
Middlesex	\$10,397	11	\$10,335	11
Monmouth	\$12,087	12	\$9,512	9
Morris	\$14,214	12	\$10,975	9
Ocean	\$10,972	14	\$9,048	11
Passaic	\$10,663	18	\$8,651	15
Salem	\$9,813	13	\$7,749	10
Somerset	\$14,450	13	\$12,445	11
Sussex	\$10,920	11	\$9,256	9
Union	\$12,220	17	\$9,534	13
Warren	\$8,944	10	\$7,384	8
New Jersey	\$10,949	13	\$9,170	11

Registered Family Child Care Annual Costs — 2012

	Infant Care/Age 1 & Under		Preschooler Child Care	
	Avg. Full-Time Family Child Care Annual Costs	As a % of Med. Income	Avg. Full-Time Family Child Care Annual Costs	As a % Med. Income
Atlantic	\$7,549	14	\$6,604	12
Bergen	\$9,423	9	\$7,283	7
Burlington	\$8,041	9	\$7,072	8
Camden	\$7,488	10	\$6,279	9
Cape May	\$7,904	13	\$7,020	11
Cumberland	\$7,912	15	\$6,727	13
Essex	\$7,472	13	\$6,894	12
Gloucester	\$8,528	9	\$7,696	8
Hudson	\$5,374	10	\$5,951	11
Hunterdon	\$11,492	9	\$11,336	9
Mercer	\$8,103	8	\$6,218	6
Middlesex	\$8,879	10	\$8,041	9
Monmouth	\$8,335	8	\$7,051	7
Morris	\$10,167	9	\$9,478	8
Ocean	\$9,932	13	\$8,528	11
Passaic	\$8,666	15	\$7,969	14
Salem	\$7,367	10	\$6,053	8
Somerset	\$10,743	10	\$9,904	9
Sussex	\$9,568	9	\$7,562	8
Union	\$7,864	11	\$6,426	9
Warren	\$8,112	9	\$6,916	8
New Jersey	\$8,520	10	\$7,562	9

% of Family Income Spent on Licensed Child Care for a Family with One Infant and One Preschooler, 2012

Atlantic	32
Bergen	23
Burlington	20
Camden	26
Cape May	25
Cumberland	31
Essex	33
Gloucester	20
Hudson	30
Hunterdon	19
Mercer	24
Middlesex	23
Monmouth	21
Morris	21
Ocean	25
Passaic	33
Salem	23
Somerset	24
Sussex	20
Union	30
Warren	18
New Jersey	24

Percentage of Students Enrolled in Special Education

	2008-09	2012-13	% Change
Atlantic	15	14	-2
Bergen	13	15	14
Burlington	16	16	4
Camden	16	16	0
Cape May	19	19	1
Cumberland	15	16	2
Essex	13	14	7
Gloucester	15	16	5
Hudson	13	12	-3
Hunterdon	13	15	14
Mercer	16	16	1
Middlesex	13	13	-2
Monmouth	14	15	4
Morris	15	15	4
Ocean	14	16	14
Passaic	14	15	4
Salem	14	15	6
Somerset	13	15	11
Sussex	13	17	28
Union	12	12	-1
Warren	13	15	14
New Jersey	14	15	6

Percentage of Students Passing 4th Grade State Tests

	2008-09			2012-13			% Change		
	LA	Math	Science	LA	Math	Science	LA	Math	Science
Atlantic	54	67	88	47	69	86	-12	3	-2
Bergen	75	82	94	72	86	95	-4	5	0
Burlington	65	74	93	64	82	93	-3	11	0
Camden	53	64	86	50	72	84	-7	12	-2
Cape May	62	74	94	53	82	92	-15	11	-1
Cumberland	43	60	83	37	64	79	-15	7	-5
Essex	56	67	89	53	70	84	-6	5	-6
Gloucester	64	74	94	58	82	92	-10	10	-2
Hudson	48	64	86	48	73	85	-1	13	-1
Hunterdon	81	84	98	78	90	98	-4	6	-1
Mercer	60	65	88	58	74	86	-4	13	-2
Middlesex	64	77	92	64	81	91	0	5	-1
Monmouth	70	76	94	66	83	93	-5	9	-1
Morris	78	84	97	74	87	78	-6	4	-19
Ocean	68	79	95	59	81	91	-14	2	-4
Passaic	49	62	84	45	69	82	-8	10	-3
Salem	55	71	91	49	73	87	-12	3	-4
Somerset	72	82	96	70	85	94	-3	3	-2
Sussex	70	77	96	65	82	96	-7	6	0
Union	59	70	86	57	79	88	-3	13	2
Warren	68	76	96	63	82	95	-7	7	-1
New Jersey	63	73	91	59	78	90	-6	7	-2

Percentage of Students Passing 8th Grade State Tests

	2008-09			2012-13			% Change		
	LA	Math	Science	LA	Math	Science	LA	Math	Science
Atlantic	77	66	80	77	64	75	0	-2	-6
Bergen	89	80	91	90	79	87	1	-1	-4
Burlington	84	72	88	84	69	82	-1	-5	-6
Camden	77	66	79	75	63	72	-3	-4	-9
Cape May	86	73	88	82	71	80	-4	-2	-9
Cumberland	66	53	73	66	53	63	0	-1	-13
Essex	72	59	73	73	58	69	1	-2	-6
Gloucester	85	74	88	86	70	83	1	-5	-7
Hudson	73	63	74	74	62	67	1	-2	-9
Hunterdon	93	87	96	93	85	93	1	-2	-3
Mercer	79	67	81	79	66	75	0	-2	-7
Middlesex	83	74	85	83	70	79	-1	-5	-7
Monmouth	89	79	90	87	77	86	-2	-2	-5
Morris	93	83	93	92	83	91	0	0	-2
Ocean	85	74	89	85	70	83	0	-5	-6
Passaic	71	60	75	73	63	68	3	5	-11
Salem	78	67	83	75	64	76	-4	-5	-8
Somerset	90	83	91	89	81	88	-1	-2	-3
Sussex	89	78	92	87	73	89	-2	-7	-2
Union	77	65	79	80	67	75	4	2	-5
Warren	87	73	90	86	69	86	0	-6	-4
New Jersey	82	71	84	82	69	79	0	-3	-6

Percentage of Students Passing 11th Grade State Tests

	2008-09		2012-13		% Change	
	LA	Math	LA	Math	LA	Math
Atlantic	78	67	90	74	15	10
Bergen	90	81	95	85	6	5
Burlington	86	75	93	79	9	5
Camden	80	66	88	72	10	9
Cape May	86	75	93	80	8	6
Cumberland	67	54	81	62	21	15
Essex	73	60	88	74	20	23
Gloucester	87	76	94	83	8	9
Hudson	74	63	86	72	16	15
Hunterdon	93	89	98	91	4	2
Mercer	82	70	91	76	11	9
Middlesex	85	77	92	82	8	6
Monmouth	89	80	95	86	6	7
Morris	93	84	97	90	4	7
Ocean	86	73	92	80	7	9
Passaic	78	65	86	72	11	11
Salem	78	64	88	72	12	13
Somerset	91	83	95	88	4	6
Sussex	90	78	95	84	6	7
Union	79	65	89	76	12	16
Warren	87	77	95	83	9	8
New Jersey	84	73	92	80	10	10

Percentage of Births to Females 10–19

	2006	2010	% Change
Atlantic	10.2	9.4	-8
Bergen	1.8	1.8	-3
Burlington	5.4	4.6	-15
Camden	10.2	9.3	-10
Cape May	9.9	8.5	-14
Cumberland	15.4	13.1	-14
Essex	9.1	7.7	-15
Gloucester	5.6	5.3	-4
Hudson	7.8	5.7	-27
Hunterdon	1.2	1.9	54
Mercer	8.0	7.0	-13
Middlesex	4.2	3.6	-14
Monmouth	4.7	3.7	-21
Morris	1.9	1.9	-1
Ocean	4.6	3.0	-34
Passaic	8.9	8.8	-2
Salem	9.4	11.9	27
Somerset	2.8	2.9	4
Sussex	3.6	3.7	3
Union	6.7	5.8	-14
Warren	4.5	3.6	-21
New Jersey	6.3	5.5	-13

Juvenile Arrests

	2008	2012	% Change
Atlantic	2,111	1,234	-42
Bergen	3,644	2,354	-35
Burlington	2,421	1,620	-33
Camden	7,027	3,838	-45
Cape May	1,157	636	-45
Cumberland	1,799	938	-48
Essex	4,048	2,721	-33
Gloucester	1,814	1,010	-44
Hudson	3,005	1,579	-47
Hunterdon	443	309	-30
Mercer	3,324	1,771	-47
Middlesex	2,833	1,605	-43
Monmouth	4,328	2,177	-50
Morris	1,723	1,090	-37
Ocean	2,577	1,303	-49
Passaic	3,894	2,363	-39
Salem	424	446	5
Somerset	1,762	885	-50
Sussex	726	351	-52
Union	2,926	1,272	-57
Warren	472	221	-53
New Jersey	52,458	29,723	-43

Juvenile Justice Commitments

	2008	2012	% Change
Atlantic	76	22	-71
Bergen	22	10	-55
Burlington	13	5	-62
Camden	133	93	-30
Cape May	8	4	-50
Cumberland	28	7	-75
Essex	40	21	-48
Gloucester	9	3	-67
Hudson	76	36	-53
Hunterdon	0	1	100
Mercer	61	23	-62
Middlesex	40	35	-13
Monmouth	20	16	-20
Morris	0	2	200
Ocean	22	10	-55
Passaic	53	23	-57
Salem	7	4	-43
Somerset	5	2	-60
Sussex	2	1	-50
Union	45	31	-31
Warren	4	3	-25
New Jersey	664	352	-47

Average Daily Juvenile Population in County Detention as % of Approved Capacity

	2008	2012	% Change
Atlantic	90	51	-43
Bergen	27	0	N/A
Burlington	75	53	-29
Camden	82	72	-13
Cape May	0	0	0
Cumberland	74	44	-40
Essex	47	40	-16
Gloucester	78	0	N/A
Hudson	77	55	-28
Hunterdon	0	0	0
Mercer	66	0	N/A
Middlesex	67	64	-6
Monmouth	70	0	N/A
Morris	28	37	35
Ocean	94	67	-29
Passaic	82	0	N/A
Salem	0	0	0
Somerset	0	0	0
Sussex	50	0	N/A
Union	40	71	76
Warren	33	0	N/A
New Jersey	61	53	-13

1 Demographics

Total Population, 2008, 2012. As reported by the US Census Bureau, Population Division, Population Estimates Program. Data are as of July 1 for each year.

Child Population, 2008, 2012. As reported by the US Census Bureau, Population Division, Population Estimates Program and are as of July 1.

2 Child and Family Economics

Children Living Below the Poverty Line, 2008, 2012. The percentage of children under 18 living in families earning below 100 percent of the federal poverty line, as reported by the US Census Bureau, American Community Survey, chart B17001.

Median Income of Families with Children, 2008, 2012. Includes families with children, as reported by the US Census Bureau, American Community Survey chart B19125.

Percentage Unemployed, 2009, 2013. As reported by the US Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Local Area Unemployment Statistics. Data are not seasonally adjusted and are as of December for each year.

Percentage of Households Spending More Than 30% Percent of Income on Rent, 2008, 2012. As reported by the US Census Bureau, American Community Survey chart B25070.

Children Receiving Welfare (TANF), 2009, 2013. As reported by the NJ Department of Human Services, Division of Family Development. The number of children living in families receiving Temporary Aid for Needy Families (TANF). Data are from June of each year.

Children Receiving NJ SNAP (formerly Food Stamps), 2009, 2013. As reported by the NJ Department of Human Services, Division of Family Development. Data are from June of each year.

Number of Children Receiving Free- or Reduced-Price School Breakfast, 2008-09, 2012-13. As reported by the NJ Department of Agriculture. Includes children attending traditional public schools and charter schools. 2008-09 data are as of October 2008 and 2012-13 are as of April 2013.

Percentage of Eligible Children Receiving Free/Reduced-Price School Breakfast, 2008-09, 2012-13. Rates calculated using eligibility data from the NJ Department of Education and participation data from the NJ Department of Agriculture. Includes children attending traditional public schools and charter schools.

Number of Children Receiving Free- or Reduced-Price School Lunch, 2008-09, 2012-13. As reported by the NJ Department of Agriculture. Includes children attending traditional public schools and charter schools. Data are as of October of each school year.

Percentage of Eligible Children Receiving Free/Reduced-Price School Lunch, 2008-09, 2012-13. Rates calculated using eligibility data from the NJ Department of Education and participation data from the NJ Department of Agriculture. Includes children attending traditional public schools and charter schools.

NJ Earned Income Tax Credits, Recipients with at Least 1 Dependent Under Age 19 – 2012. Number of New Jersey taxpayers with at least one dependent under the age of 19 receiving a state EITC credit, total amount of EITC credits issued and average credit amount, as reported by the NJ Department of Treasury. Data prior to 2012 are not available.

Federal Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) Claims, 2008, 2012. Number of New Jersey taxpayers claiming a federal EITC, as reported by the US Internal Revenue Service.

3 Child Health

Number of Infant Deaths, 2006, 2010. Counts infants who die within the first year of life. As reported by the NJ Department of Health and Senior Services, Center for Health Statistics, New Jersey State Health Assessment Data. 2010 data are preliminary.

Percentage of Babies Born with Low Birth-Weight, 2006, 2010. The percentage of babies weighing less than 2,500 grams, as reported by the NJ Department of Health and Senior Services, Center for Health Statistics, New Jersey State Health Assessment Data.

Percentage of Women Receiving Early Prenatal Care, 2006, 2010. Percentage of live births for which the mother received prenatal care during the first trimester, as reported by the NJ Department of Health and Senior Services, Center for Health Statistics, New Jersey State Health Assessment Data.

Children Receiving NJ FamilyCare/Medicaid, 2009, 2013. As reported by the NJ Department of Human Services as of March of each year. Includes children enrolled in Medicaid, which is available to children living in families earning below 133% of the federal poverty level and children enrolled in the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP) portion of NJ FamilyCare, which is available to children living in families earning between 134% and 350% of the federal poverty level.

Children Under 18 Without Health Insurance, 2009, 2012. Number and percentage of uninsured children. As reported by the US Census Bureau, American Community Survey chart B27001. Data prior to 2009 are not available by county.

4 Child Protection

Child Abuse/Neglect Investigations, Number of Children, 2008, 2012. Children who were investigated for suspected abuse or neglect to the New Jersey Department of Children and Families. Calculated using data from the NJ Department of Children and Families and population data from the US Census Bureau, Population Division, Population Estimates Program.

Child Abuse/Neglect Substantiation Rate, 2008, 2012. As reported by the NJ Department of Children and Families.

Number of Children in Out-of-Home Placements, 2008, 2013. Includes children under age 18 in all placements, including foster care, relative care, group homes, residential treatment and institutions, as reported by the NJ Department of Children and Families.

5 Early Care and Education

Children Enrolled in Public Preschool, 2008-09, 2012-13.

Number of students enrolled in half- and full-day NJ Department of Education programs, operated both in-district and in community centers, as reported by the NJ Department of Education. Excludes children enrolled in Head Start or other federally-funded programs that do not receive any state aid.

Children Enrolled in Public School Kindergarten (Full Day and Half Day), 2008-09, 2012-13. The number of students enrolled in half- and full-day public kindergarten, as reported by the NJ Department of Education, October enrollment counts of each school year. Includes children enrolled in traditional public schools as well as charter schools.

Percentage of Public Kindergarten Children Enrolled in Full-Day Program, 2008-09, 2012-13. The percentage of public kindergarten children enrolled in a full-day kindergarten program. Includes children attending traditional public schools as well as charter schools. As reported by the NJ Department of Education, October enrollment counts of each school year.

Licensed Child Care Centers, 2009, 2013. The number of state-licensed child care centers as reported by the NJ Department of Children and Families.

Capacity of Licensed Child Care Centers, 2009, 2013. The capacity of state-licensed child care centers as reported by the NJ Department of Children and Families.

Young Children with Working Parents, 2012. Includes children in families where both parents work and children in single parent households where that parent works. Data not available for Hunterdon County due to small sample size. As reported by the US Census Bureau, American Community Survey, chart b23008.

Licensed Child Care Costs, 2012. Median income data are as reported by the US Census Bureau, American Community Survey, chart B19125. Cost data are as reported by the NJ Association of Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies (NJACCRRA), The State of Child Care in New Jersey: A Profile of Key Child Care Indicators 2012.

Registered Family Child Care Costs, 2012. Median income data are as reported by the US Census Bureau, American Community Survey, chart B19125. Cost data are as reported by the NJ Association of Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies (NJACCRRA), The State of Child Care in New Jersey: A Profile of Key Child Care Indicators 2012.

Percentage of Family Income Spent on Licensed Child Care for a Family with One Infant and One Preschooler, 2012. Median income data are as reported by the US Census Bureau, American Community Survey, chart B19125. Cost data are as reported by the NJ Association of Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies (NJACCRRA), The State of Child Care in New Jersey: A Profile of Key Child Care Indicators 2012. Percentage calculated based upon the average annual cost for a family with both an infant and a preschooler in licensed child care, and the median income for families for each county.

6 School Children

Percentage of Students Enrolled in Special Education, 2008-09, 2012-13. The percentage of students ages 6 – 21 enrolled in special education. Includes traditional public schools as well as charter schools. As reported by the NJ Department of Education, Special Education Data.

Percentage of Children Passing 4th Grade Tests, 2008-09, 2012-13. As reported by the NJ Department of Education. Includes children enrolled in traditional public schools as well as charter schools.

Percentage of Children Passing 8th Grade Tests, 2008-09, 2012-13. As reported by the NJ Department of Education. Includes children enrolled in traditional public schools as well as charter schools.

Percentage of Children Passing 11th Grade Tests, 2008-09, 2012-13. As reported by the NJ Department of Education. Includes children enrolled in traditional public schools as well as charter schools.

7 Teens and Young Adults

Percentage of Births to Girls 10-19, 2006, 2010. The percentage of babies born to girls ages 10-19 as a percentage of all births in each county, as reported by the NJ Department of Health and Senior Services, Center for Health Statistics, New Jersey State Health Assessment Data.

Juvenile Arrests, 2008, 2012. Number of juveniles under 18 arrested, as reported by the NJ Department of Law and Public Safety, Division of State Police, Uniform Crime Reports.

Juvenile Commitments, 2008, 2012. Children committed to Juvenile Justice facilities. As reported by the NJ Juvenile Justice Commission.

Average Daily Population in Detention as % of Approved Capacity, 2008, 2012. As reported by the NJ Juvenile Justice Commission, Detention Statistics Report for each year.