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# Pocket Guide



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## The Pocket Guide

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The New Jersey Kids Count 2015 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 <u>www.acnj.org</u> and at <u>datacenter.kidscount.org</u>.

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 <u>www.acnj.org</u> to access the report.

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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 New Jersey Kids Count badge on the home page.

A dvocates 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 five counties — Cape May, Hunterdon, Passaic, Sussex and Mercer — from 2009 to 2013. With a 56 percent decrease, Hunterdon saw the steepest decline in the number of children living in poverty, followed by Sussex at 35 percent, Cape May at 21 percent, Passaic at 4 percent and Mercer at 2 percent.

In all the other counties, the number of children living in families earning too little to meet their children's needs increased, ranging from a low of 3 percent in Monmouth and Union counties to a high of 97 percent in Salem. Statewide, the number of children living in families earning below the federal poverty line rose 22 percent during that same time.

Unemployment, however, continues to drop, decreasing 41 percent from 2010 to 2014 statewide. All but one county — Cape May – experienced declines in unemployment, with many seeing substantial drops. This may help improve the state's child poverty numbers in the coming years. The latest data for child poverty is one year behind unemployment figures.

#### Other key trends:

School breakfast. New Jersey schools continue to make strong progress in feeding more low-income students school breakfast, with every single county achieving increases in the number of children who receive this healthy start to the day. Somerset led the counties on this front with a 181 percent increase, followed by Hudson at 171 percent. This is likely due, in large part, to more districts serving "breakfast after the bell" over the past year. This approach significantly increases student participation. Essex had the smallest increase at 8 percent.

### Introduction

Uninsured Children. While the number of uninsured New Jersey children continues to decline statewide, some counties are seeing sharp increases – a worrisome trend. At 71 percent, Sussex had the highest increase in the number of uninsured children from 2009 to 2013. During that time, the county's uninsured rate nearly doubled from 4 to 7.6 percent of all Sussex County children. Five other counties also saw concerning double-digit increases, including Hunterdon at 58 percent and Cumberland at 45 percent. Despite this increase, the number of children enrolled in NJ FamilyCare, the state's free- or low-cost health insurance, rose in every county from 2010 to 2014. It is possible that this could have a positive impact on the uninsured data for 2014, which has yet to be released.

Child Abuse. The number of children who were found to be victims of abuse or neglect jumped 29 percent from 2009 to 2013. This is probably due, at least in part, to a change in the system state investigators now use to determine if child abuse has, in fact, occurred. In 2013, New Jersey added an "established" category that means abuse did occur, but the child was not seriously harmed and there were mitigating factors, such as a parent being under tremendous stress.

The established finding carries fewer long-term ramifications for people who are found to have abused or neglected their children. Previously, investigators could only "substantiate" a report of suspected abuse or neglect or find it "unfounded." A substantiated finding is still made in more serious cases of child abuse or neglect. A substantiated finding puts a person on a child abuse registry, essentially, for life, making it nearly impossible for them to be approved as a caregiver for a relative's child who may need to enter foster care or work in many jobs that involve children.

Child Care Costs. An average New Jersey family with one infant and one preschooler in licensed child care spent about a quarter of their income on that care in 2013. Atlantic County parents paid the highest portion of median family income on child care at 38 percent, while Hunterdon parents spent the smallest portion at 18 percent. National standards say families should spend no more than 10 percent of income on child 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, seven counties improved in the Kids Count rankings, six dropped and eight remained the same. Following is a summary of the changes and the overall rankings for each county.

## Introduction

#### Better

Camden Cape May Essex Gloucester Middlesex Morris Sussex

#### Worse

Bergen Hudson Hunterdon Ocean Passaic Warren

#### Unchanged

Atlantic Burlington Cumberland Mercer Monmouth Salem Somerset Union

#### New Jersey Kids Count Overall County Ranks

	2014	2015	
Atlantic	20	20	
Bergen	4	5	
Burlington	9	9	
Camden	18	17	
Cape May	15	14	
Cumberland	21	21	
Essex	17	16	
Gloucester	11	10	
Hudson	14	15	
Hunterdon	1	2	
Mercer	13	13	
Middlesex	5	4	
Monmouth	7	7	
Morris	2	1	
Ocean	10	11	
Passaic	16	18	
Salem	19	19	
Somerset	3	3	
Sussex	8	6	
Union	12	12	
Warren	6	8	

#### New Jersey Kids Count Overall Rank—2015

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

#### **Total Population**

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	2009	2013	% Change
Atlantic	274,049	275,862	1
Bergen	900,319	925,328	3
Burlington	447,391	450,838	1
Camden	513,668	512,854	0
Cape May	97,238	95,897	-1
Cumberland	156,531	157,332	1
Essex	781,943	789,565	1
Gloucester	287,362	290,265	1
Hudson	628,572	660,282	5
Hunterdon	128,364	126,250	-2
Mercer	365,388	370,414	1
Middlesex	805,204	828,919	3
Monmouth	628,669	629,672	0
Morris	490,779	499,397	2
Ocean	573,123	583,414	2
Passaic	498,641	505,672	1
Salem	66,183	65,166	-2
Somerset	321,564	330,585	3
Sussex	149,487	145,992	-2
Union	532,434	548,256	3
Warren	108,693	107,379	-1
New Jersey	8,755,602	8,899,339	2

#### **Child Population**

	2009	2013	% Change
Atlantic	64,306	61,824	-4
Bergen	203,847	202,419	-1
Burlington	104,902	99,733	-5
Camden	126,207	120,761	-4
Cape May	18,621	17,274	-7
Cumberland	37,790	37,493	-1
Essex	195,274	191,819	-2
Gloucester	70,719	67,580	-4
Hudson	130,300	134,229	3
Hunterdon	30,720	27,464	-11
Mercer	83,355	81,519	-2
Middlesex	185,236	184,382	0
Monmouth	151,612	142,247	-6
Morris	118,223	112,965	-4
Ocean	134,047	136,935	2
Passaic	124,254	123,563	-1
Salem	15,635	14,680	-6
Somerset	80,687	77,986	-3
Sussex	36,384	32,137	-12
Union	130,643	131,432	1
Warren	25,922	23,675	-9
New Jersey	2,068,684	2,022,117	-2

Children Living Below the Poverty Line						
	2	009	2013		% Cha	ange
	#	%	#	%	#	%
Atlantic	10,709	17	16,658	27	56	60
Bergen	16,478	8	22,879	11	39	36
Burlington	7,577	7	8,496	9	12	17
Camden	21,797	18	28,310	24	30	36
Cape May	2,235	12	1,770	10	-21	-17
Cumberland	8,945	23	10,907	30	22	30
Essex	40,171	21	47,116	25	17	18
Gloucester	7,776	12	8,838	13	14	15
Hudson	27,747	23	42,412	32	53	40
Hunterdon	1,539	5	680	3	-56	-47
Mercer	12,891	16	12,632	16	-2	1
Middlesex	19,126	10	23,735	13	24	24
Monmouth	13,807	9	14,184	10	3	12
Morris	3,695	3	4,945	4	34	38
Ocean	16,566	13	25,842	19	56	51
Passaic	31,953	26	30,614	25	-4	-4
Salem	2,736	18	5,384	38	97	117
Somerset	3,432	4	3,963	5	15	21
Sussex	3,252	9	2,110	7	-35	-28
Union	17,774	14	18,305	14	3	1
Warren	2,491	10	3,595	15	44	57
New Jersey	272,697	13	333,375	17	22	24

#### Children Living Below the Poverty Line

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#### Median Income of Families with Children

	2009	2013	% Change
Atlantic	\$58,459	\$48,103	-18
Bergen	\$102,247	\$111,122	9
Burlington	\$94,776	\$90,563	-4
Camden	\$74,390	\$69,783	-6
Cape May	\$52,974	\$81,219	53
Cumberland	\$54,345	\$50,006	-8
Essex	\$58,069	\$60,563	4
Gloucester	\$88,771	\$95,938	8
Hudson	\$49,164	\$50,452	3
Hunterdon	\$130,527	\$140,648	8
Mercer	\$88,173	\$89,172	1
Middlesex	\$96,005	\$94,581	-1
Monmouth	\$104,052	\$106,180	2
Morris	\$130,121	\$133,624	3
Ocean	\$76,656	\$76,391	0
Passaic	\$60,751	\$56,484	-7
Salem	\$68,309	\$60,185	-12
Somerset	\$115,347	\$129,763	12
Sussex	\$91,913	\$105,313	15
Union	\$73,397	\$70,671	-4
Warren	\$81,741	\$83,197	2
New Jersey	\$83,742	\$85,248	2

#### Percentage Unemployed

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	2010	2014	% Change
Atlantic	12.7	11.3	-11
Bergen	8.4	4.8	-43
Burlington	9.1	5.7	-37
Camden	10.8	6.6	-39
Cape May	12.2	12.3	1
Cumberland	13.6	9.2	-32
Essex	11.1	7	-37
Gloucester	10.1	6.1	-40
Hudson	10.8	6.6	-39
Hunterdon	7.2	4.1	-43
Mercer	7.9	4.6	-42
Middlesex	8.7	5.1	-41
Monmouth	8.8	5.3	-40
Morris	7.3	4.3	-41
Ocean	10.2	6.3	-38
Passaic	11.6	7.1	-39
Salem	11.6	6.6	-43
Somerset	7.6	4.4	-42
Sussex	9.5	5.1	-46
Union	9.7	6	-38
Warren	9.2	5	-46
New Jersey	9.6	5.7	-41

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

	2009	2013	% Change
Atlantic	55	56	0
Bergen	47	50	6
Burlington	47	48	1
Camden	47	56	19
Cape May	48	51	5
Cumberland	59	64	7
Essex	52	53	1
Gloucester	55	48	-13
Hudson	44	48	9
Hunterdon	47	51	10
Mercer	48	48	0
Middlesex	44	48	8
Monmouth	53	54	2
Morris	43	39	-10
Ocean	60	58	-3
Passaic	61	59	-4
Salem	57	47	-17
Somerset	52	38	-27
Sussex	53	48	-9
Union	53	54	2
Warren	46	51	9
New Jersey	50	51	2

#### Children Receiving Welfare (TANF)

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	2010	2014	% Change
Atlantic	3,546	3,783	7
Bergen	2,012	1,474	-27
Burlington	2,152	1,960	-9
Camden	7,299	6,170	-15
Cape May	837	668	-20
Cumberland	2,709	2,599	-4
Essex	14,125	11,949	-15
Gloucester	2,090	1,817	-13
Hudson	8,249	6,555	-21
Hunterdon	216	158	-27
Mercer	4,163	3,543	-15
Middlesex	2,771	2,612	-6
Monmouth	2,209	1,317	-40
Morris	546	453	-17
Ocean	2,119	2,230	5
Passaic	6,477	6,234	-4
Salem	881	812	-8
Somerset	831	870	5
Sussex	344	292	-15
Union	3,529	2,868	-19
Warren	527	584	11
New Jersey	67,632	58,948	-13

#### Children Receiving NJ SNAP (formerly Food Stamps)

	2010	2014	% Change
Atlantic	14,036	19,858	41
Bergen	11,500	13,798	20
Burlington	9,178	11,560	26
Camden	26,719	32,085	20
Cape May	3,744	3,394	-9
Cumberland	13,319	15,682	18
Essex	54,011	64,464	19
Gloucester	8,046	10,515	31
Hudson	41,004	52,193	27
Hunterdon	849	1,294	52
Mercer	12,503	15,754	26
Middlesex	17,010	26,725	57
Monmouth	11,454	16,944	48
Morris	4,497	5,513	23
Ocean	20,923	34,309	64
Passaic	40,248	52,662	31
Salem	3,464	4,417	28
Somerset	4,188	6,407	53
Sussex	1,774	2,004	13
Union	16,812	24,111	43
Warren	2,540	3,355	32
New Jersey	317,819	417,044	31

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

School Dieakiast	2010-11	2014-15	% Change
Atlantic	6,471	11,050	71
Bergen	5,107	5,547	9
Burlington	3,144	5,009	59
Camden	9,959	19,337	94
Cape May	2,042	2,470	21
Cumberland	7,786	10,455	34
Essex	33,347	35,957	8
Gloucester	2,675	4,784	79
Hudson	11,535	31,237	171
Hunterdon	138	268	94
Mercer	4,021	8,128	102
Middlesex	9,985	18,755	88
Monmouth	5,923	7,494	27
Morris	1,401	1,933	38
Ocean	4,227	8,151	93
Passaic	10,322	22,475	118
Salem	1,231	1,672	36
Somerset	1,131	3,181	181
Sussex	355	550	55
Union	14,131	15,946	13
Warren	882	1,205	37
New Jersey	135,813	215,604	59

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

	2010-11	2014-15*	% Change
Atlantic	30	44	46
Bergen	22	20	-12
Burlington	20	26	31
Camden	29	50	72
Cape May	45	50	13
Cumberland	43	53	25
Essex	56	52	-8
Gloucester	23	34	44
Hudson	21	52	147
Hunterdon	11	16	51
Mercer	26	38	47
Middlesex	29	43	49
Monmouth	29	31	5
Morris	17	19	15
Ocean	22	34	56
Passaic	23	43	89
Salem	28	35	25
Somerset	13	29	126
Sussex	11	16	39
Union	36	37	3
Warren	24	28	16
New Jersey	30	41	36

\*Please note that the 2014-15 percentage data are preliminary and based upon the most recent data, which include school meal eligibility data as of 2013-14 school year and receiving data as of October 2014.

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

	2010-11	2014-15	% Change
Atlantic	18,156	19,901	10
Bergen	18,173	20,729	14
Burlington	12,890	14,737	14
Camden	27,226	32,353	19
Cape May	3,717	3,725	0
Cumberland	15,188	16,063	6
Essex	51,210	52,818	3
Gloucester	9,183	10,371	13
Hudson	39,768	41,241	4
Hunterdon	999	1,338	34
Mercer	13,607	17,988	32
Middlesex	28,754	34,647	20
Monmouth	16,691	18,996	14
Morris	6,316	7,566	20
Ocean	15,117	17,224	14
Passaic	38,079	44,022	16
Salem	3,712	4,121	11
Somerset	7,014	8,261	18
Sussex	2,401	2,647	10
Union	32,169	34,824	8
Warren	2,892	3,424	18
New Jersey	363,262	406,996	12

# Percentage of Eligible Children Receiving Free- or Reduced-Price School Lunch

	2010-11	2014-15*	% Change
Atlantic	84	79	-6
Bergen	79	73	-8
Burlington	83	78	-6
Camden	79	83	6
Cape May	81	76	-7
Cumberland	83	82	-2
Essex	86	76	-12
Gloucester	81	73	-9
Hudson	72	68	-6
Hunterdon	77	80	4
Mercer	88	85	-4
Middlesex	82	79	-4
Monmouth	83	79	-5
Morris	76	76	0
Ocean	77	71	-8
Passaic	84	85	1
Salem	85	87	2
Somerset	79	75	-5
Sussex	76	75	-1
Union	81	80	-1
Warren	79	79	0
New Jersey	81	78	-4

\*Please note that the 2014-15 percentage data are preliminary and based upon the most recent data, which include school meal eligibility data as of 2013-14 school year and receiving data as of October 2014.

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

		2012 Ttl.		2013 Ttl.	% C	hange
	# Cr.	Cr. Amt	# Cr.	Cr. Amt	# Cr.	Cr. Amt
Atlantic	16,335	\$560	17,225	\$586	5	5
Bergen	19,807	\$531	20,718	\$550	5	4
Burlington	12,101	\$495	12,951	\$523	7	6
Camden	23,621	\$540	25,062	\$569	6	5
Cape May	3,585	\$530	3,801	\$562	6	6
Cumberland	9,095	\$545	9,705	\$567	7	4
Essex	40,773	\$551	43,862	\$582	8	6
Gloucester	8,432	\$521	9,027	\$537	7	3
Hudson	33,923	\$577	35,728	\$605	5	5
Hunterdon	1,601	\$503	1,597	\$509	0	1
Mercer	13,209	\$530	14,319	\$557	8	5
Middlesex	25,216	\$535	26,955	\$562	7	5
Monmouth	13,326	\$527	14,061	\$549	6	4
Morris	7,218	\$512	7,529	\$534	4	4
Ocean	17,906	\$590	18,883	\$615	5	4
Passaic	29,130	\$572	31,036	\$598	7	5
Salem	2,517	\$525	2,736	\$559	9	7
Somerset	5,796	\$511	6,054	\$538	4	5
Sussex	2,830	\$501	3,057	\$517	8	3
Union	22,235	\$535	23,962	\$560	8	5
Warren	3,035	\$516	3,115	\$535	3	4
New Jersey	314,972	\$546	333,726	\$572	6	5

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

#### Federal Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)

		2009		2013	9	6 Change
	Claims	Avg. Claim Amt.	Claims	Avg. Claim Amt.	Claims	Avg. Claim Amt.
Atlantic	25,569	\$2,225	26,902	\$2,396	5	8
Bergen	38,688	\$1,868	43,372	\$2,053	12	10
Burlington	21,049	\$1,883	23,444	\$2,033	11	8
Camden	40,658	\$2,153	42,395	\$2,338	4	9
Cape May	6,611	\$1,960	6,820	\$2,060	3	5
Cumberland	14,717	\$2,276	14,884	\$2,452	1	8
Essex	73,585	\$2,312	79,791	\$2,523	8	9
Gloucester	13,554	\$1,945	14,867	\$2,120	10	9
Hudson	61,140	\$2,214	65,355	\$2,388	7	8
Hunterdon	2,681	\$1,489	3,177	\$1,663	19	12
Mercer	21,747	\$2,060	23,986	\$2,293	10	11
Middlesex	42,662	\$2,045	48,391	\$2,197	13	7
Monmouth	24,714	\$1,840	27,461	\$1,966	11	7
Morris	13,575	\$1,702	15,200	\$1,885	12	11
Ocean	28,173	\$2,152	30,695	\$2,328	9	8
Passaic	48,241	\$2,309	52,124	\$2,492	8	8
Salem	4,481	\$2,043	4,814	\$2,255	7	10
Somerset	8,631	\$1,799	10,026	\$1,972	16	10
Sussex	5,138	\$1,712	5,686	\$1,834	11	7
Union	39,835	\$2,140	44,225	\$2,313	11	8
Warren	4,859	\$1,890	5,411	\$2,024	11	7
New Jersey	561,644	\$2,101	589,026	\$2,283	5	9

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#### Number of Infant Deaths

	2007	2011	% Change
Atlantic	31	39	26
Bergen	31	39	26
Burlington	26	18	-31
Camden	54	67	24
Cape May	6	4	-33
Cumberland	27	26	-4
Essex	90	61	-32
Gloucester	14	18	29
Hudson	39	41	5
Hunterdon	3	2	-33
Mercer	34	31	-9
Middlesex	41	43	5
Monmouth	24	12	-50
Morris	22	19	-14
Ocean	33	23	-30
Passaic	38	31	-18
Salem	8	4	-50
Somerset	10	11	10
Sussex	4	3	-25
Union	45	37	-18
Warren	9	2	-78
New Jersey	589	531	-10

#### Infant Mortality Rate (deaths per 1,000 live births)

2007	2011	% Change
8.6	11.3	31
3.1	4.3	39
4.9	3.8	-22
7.3	10.4	43
6.2	4.3	-31
10.6	12.0	13
7.5	5.8	-23
4.0	5.7	41
4.0	4.0	-2
2.6	2.1	-18
7.2	7.3	1
3.8	4.3	16
3.3	1.9	-42
4.0	4.0	1
4.0	2.8	-29
4.8	4.3	-10
10.5	5.4	-48
2.4	3.2	31
2.6	2.2	-13
5.9	5.4	-8
7.1	2.0	-72
5.1	5.0	-1
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## 3 Child Health

#### Percentage of Babies Born with Low-Birth Weight

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	2007	2011	% Change
Atlantic	9.7	8.3	-14
Bergen	6.8	7.8	15
Burlington	9.1	8.9	-2
Camden	9.6	9.3	-3
Cape May	7.7	6.1	-21
Cumberland	10.3	10.8	5
Essex	10.4	10.1	-3
Gloucester	7.8	8.0	3
Hudson	7.4	8.7	18
Hunterdon	7.7	8.3	8
Mercer	8.5	8.7	2
Middlesex	7.8	8.0	3
Monmouth	6.9	7.7	12
Morris	7.9	7.7	-3
Ocean	6.3	6.5	3
Passaic	9.2	9.3	2
Salem	8.9	8.0	-10
Somerset	7.3	8.4	14
Sussex	8.0	7.8	-3
Union	7.8	8.4	7
Warren	8.7	7.5	-14
New Jersey	8.2	8.4	3

#### Percentage of Women Receiving Early Prenatal Care

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	2007	2011	% Change
Atlantic	66.7	74.3	11
Bergen	76.5	81.2	6
Burlington	76.5	85.7	12
Camden	69.9	78.9	13
Cape May	76.4	80.6	5
Cumberland	62.2	71.4	15
Essex	62.9	68.0	8
Gloucester	80.2	81.4	2
Hudson	64.3	67.2	4
Hunterdon	87.3	92.8	6
Mercer	76.9	73.0	-5
Middlesex	81.4	86.2	6
Monmouth	81.1	82.5	2
Morris	85.3	91.1	7
Ocean	76.6	78.4	2
Passaic	70.7	77.4	10
Salem	68.3	70.3	3
Somerset	86.2	91.2	6
Sussex	85.8	88.6	3
Union	69.4	78.5	13
Warren	84.4	86.0	2
New Jersey	74.1	78.6	6

## **Child Health**

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#### Children Receiving NJ FamilyCare/Medicaid

	2010	2014	% Change
Atlantic	25,267	31,236	24
Bergen	36,594	42,000	15
Burlington	22,290	25,981	17
Camden	49,927	53,778	8
Cape May	7,440	7,694	3
Cumberland	21,073	23,083	10
Essex	94,786	99,078	5
Gloucester	17,099	19,501	14
Hudson	73,959	78,595	6
Hunterdon	2,639	3,252	23
Mercer	27,176	31,589	16
Middlesex	51,114	57,407	12
Monmouth	30,253	35,053	16
Morris	14,713	16,094	9
Ocean	47,437	62,160	31
Passaic	63,581	71,742	13
Salem	5,850	6,456	10
Somerset	11,557	14,443	25
Sussex	5,508	5,850	6
Union	46,898	54,575	16
Warren	5,323	6,423	21
New Jersey	660,484	745,990	13

#### Children Under 18 Without Health Insurance

2009		2	2013		ange
#	%	#	%	#	%
4,877	7.7	4,462	7.2	-9	-6
12,619	6.4	14,519	7.2	15	13
5,213	5.1	2,911	3.0	-44	-42
9,242	7.3	4,634	3.8	-50	-48
1,008	5.5	654	3.8	-35	-31
2,529	6.5	3,668	9.9	45	53
17,092	8.9	11,783	6.1	-31	-31
3,564	5.2	2,114	3.1	-41	-40
11,159	9.1	10,626	7.9	-5	-13
522	1.7	826	3.1	58	84
4,295	5.1	5,151	6.3	20	24
11,120	6.0	8,405	4.6	-24	-24
7,705	5.0	6,320	4.4	-18	-11
3,596	3.1	5,109	4.5	42	46
6,738	5.1	6,955	5.1	3	-1
11,148	9.0	8,951	7.3	-20	-19
1,372	8.8	1,052	7.2	-23	-18
3,333	4.1	3,172	4.1	-5	-1
1,426	4.0	2,439	7.6	71	91
9,489	7.3	7,203	5.5	-24	-25
1,788	7.0	1,163	4.9	-35	-29
129,835	6.4	112,117	5.6	-14	-13
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# 4 Child Protection

#### Child Abuse/Neglect Investigations, Number of Children

	2009	2013	% Change
Atlantic	4,237	4,088	-4
Bergen	4,562	5,147	13
Burlington	4,582	4,921	7
Camden	8,533	8,488	-1
Cape May	1,508	1,485	-2
Cumberland	3,651	3,942	8
Essex	9,497	10,479	10
Gloucester	3,616	4,404	22
Hudson	6,191	7,010	13
Hunterdon	680	762	12
Mercer	3,992	4,002	0
Middlesex	6,150	6,400	4
Monmouth	5,268	5,812	10
Morris	3,709	3,266	-12
Ocean	6,071	6,184	2
Passaic	6,074	6,355	5
Salem	1,184	1,342	13
Somerset	2,405	2,559	6
Sussex	1,553	1,525	-2
Union	4,260	4,698	10
Warren	1,515	1,555	3
New Jersey	89,287	94,486	6

#### Child Abuse/Neglect Substantiation/Established Rate\*

<b>j</b>	2009	2013	% Change
Atlantic	10	14	43
Bergen	11	15	38
Burlington	8	15	86
Camden	13	15	21
Cape May	14	14	-2
Cumberland	11	13	14
Essex	11	14	24
Gloucester	11	13	24
Hudson	12	15	21
Hunterdon	13	17	39
Mercer	10	15	56
Middlesex	11	12	5
Monmouth	10	12	14
Morris	12	11	-9
Ocean	6	8	23
Passaic	8	11	37
Salem	9	9	6
Somerset	13	8	-32
Sussex	7	12	76
Union	12	11	-8
Warren	7	9	17
New Jersey	10	13	22

\*In 2013, the NJ Department of Children and Families added two possible findings of child abuse neglect investigations — established and not established. Previously, investigators could only determine whether reported abuse/neglect was substantiated or unfounded. The 2013 statistics in this chart represent investigations in which the investigator determined that the reported abuse/ neglect was "substantiated" or "established," meaning abuse or neglect did occur.

## 4 Child Protection

#### Number of Children Where Abuse/Neglect was Substantiated or Established\*

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	2009	2013	% Change
Atlantic	413	570	38
Bergen	483	751	55
Burlington	366	731	100
Camden	1,083	1,300	20
Cape May	217	210	-3
Cumberland	406	501	23
Essex	1,044	1,433	37
Gloucester	390	587	51
Hudson	744	1,022	37
Hunterdon	85	132	55
Mercer	392	614	57
Middlesex	678	738	9
Monmouth	537	673	25
Morris	444	355	-20
Ocean	388	485	25
Passaic	467	669	43
Salem	103	124	20
Somerset	302	217	-28
Sussex	107	185	73
Union	519	526	1
Warren	111	133	20
New Jersey	9,286	11,972	29
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Note: The total for counties may not equal state total due to a small number of children where the county of residence is unknown or other. "In 2013, the NJ Department of Children and Families added two possible findings of child abuse neglect investigations — established and not established. Previously, investigators could only determine whether reported abuse/neglect was substantiated or unfounded. The 2013 statistics in this chart represent investigations in which the investigator determined that the reported abuse/neglect was "substantiated" or "established, "meaning abuse or neglect did occur.

#### Number of Children in Out-of-Home Placements

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2010	2014	% Change
320	427	33
306	330	8
332	472	42
741	703	-5
154	150	-3
245	251	2
1,223	1,178	-4
283	423	49
608	565	-7
46	37	-20
328	367	12
385	360	-6
311	333	7
201	155	-23
304	449	48
397	326	-18
87	97	11
153	143	-7
66	71	8
487	340	-30
156	128	-18
7,171	7,322	2
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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 where children are assigned to adoption subsidy programs or an Area Office. 5

Children Enrolled in State-Funded Preschool			
	2009-10	2013-14	% Change
Atlantic	1,543	1,519	-2
Bergen	1,330	1,415	6
Burlington	1,213	1,376	13
Camden	3,081	3,153	2
Cape May	494	477	-3
Cumberland	3,195	3,283	3
Essex	9,291	10,017	8
Gloucester	663	704	6
Hudson	8,928	9,570	7
Hunterdon	14	15	7
Mercer	2,111	1,997	-5
Middlesex	2,950	3,131	6
Monmouth	2,458	2,402	-2
Morris	261	212	-19
Ocean	813	656	-19
Passaic	5,337	5,237	-2
Salem	404	443	10
Somerset	488	471	-3
Sussex	0	0	0
Union	5,026	5,509	10
Warren	340	338	-1
New Jersey	49,940	51,924	4

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

	2009-10	2013-14	% Change
Atlantic	3,181	3,223	1
Bergen	9,186	9,003	-2
Burlington	4,953	4,779	-4
Camden	5,873	5,770	-2
Cape May	885	881	0
Cumberland	2,109	2,321	10
Essex	9,708	8,903	-8
Gloucester	3,344	3,129	-6
Hudson	6,192	7,055	14
Hunterdon	1,319	1,181	-10
Mercer	4,168	3,747	-10
Middlesex	8,338	8,175	-2
Monmouth	6,465	6,083	-6
Morris	5,234	4,609	-12
Ocean	5,056	4,650	-8
Passaic	6,063	6,377	5
Salem	777	757	-3
Somerset	3,479	3,214	-8
Sussex	1,412	1,100	-22
Union	5,999	6,264	4
Warren	1,176	1,101	-6
New Jersey	94,917	92,322	-3

Early Care and Education

Licensed Unitd Lare Centers				
	2010	2014	% Change	
Atlantic	103	84	-18	
Bergen	423	423	0	
Burlington	155	138	-11	
Camden	245	223	-9	
Cape May	28	25	-11	
Cumberland	66	62	-6	
Essex	538	491	-9	
Gloucester	135	126	-7	
Hudson	306	313	2	
Hunterdon	81	69	-15	
Mercer	223	207	-7	
Middlesex	319	316	-1	
Monmouth	299	275	-8	
Morris	275	247	-10	
Ocean	171	144	-16	
Passaic	235	231	-2	
Salem	21	22	5	
Somerset	186	174	-6	
Sussex	77	68	-12	
Union	287	279	-3	
Warren	50	47	-6	
New Jersey	4,223	3,964	-6	

#### Licensed Child Care Centers

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#### **Capacity of Licensed Child Care Centers**

oupdetty of Lice	2010	2014	% Change
Atlantic	6,147	5,356	-13
Bergen	37,246	39,147	5
Burlington	13,394	12,387	-8
Camden	21,857	20,183	-8
Cape May	1,352	1,270	-6
Cumberland	6,900	6,896	0
Essex	44,865	44,344	-1
Gloucester	9,853	9,116	-7
Hudson	21,256	22,925	8
Hunterdon	7,136	6,263	-12
Mercer	20,094	19,528	-3
Middlesex	29,070	29,611	2
Monmouth	24,927	24,638	-1
Morris	22,140	20,723	-6
Ocean	13,210	11,563	-12
Passaic	24,247	22,452	-7
Salem	1,372	1,494	9
Somerset	19,016	19,607	3
Sussex	4,531	3,892	-14
Union	23,681	23,796	0
Warren	3,134	2,761	-12
New Jersey	355,428	347,952	-2

## **Early Care and Education**

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	<b># Children 0 - 5</b> w/All Parents Working	% of Children 0 - 5 w/All Parents Working
Atlantic	12,962	67
Bergen	37,399	64
Burlington	20,668	73
Camden	29,791	75
Cape May	N/A	N/A
Cumberland	7,272	60
Essex	46,865	75
Gloucester	13,563	71
Hudson	34,846	67
Hunterdon	4,411	79
Mercer	17,117	68
Middlesex	36,309	62
Monmouth	25,073	63
Morris	20,962	67
Ocean	23,707	52
Passaic	25,475	63
Salem	3,216	66
Somerset	13,093	66
Sussex	6,371	70
Union	28,970	70
Warren	3,351	62
New Jersey	415,143	66

#### Young Children with Working Parents - 2013

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<sup>1</sup>Includes children in families where both parents work and children in single-parent households where that parent works. Data not available for Cape May County due to small sample size.

#### Licensed Child Care Annual Costs - 2013

	inte care Anno		2013	
Infant Care	Age 18 Months		Preschooler Ch	
	Avg. Full-Time	As a %	Avg. Full-Time	As a %
	Center-Based	of Med.	Center-Based	Med.
	Annual Costs	Income	Annual Costs	Income
Atlantic	\$9,620	20	\$8,528	18
Bergen	\$13,364	12	\$11,076	10
Burlington	\$12,272	14	\$9,776	11
Camden	\$10,192	15	\$8,580	12
Cape May	\$10,244	13	\$8,476	10
Cumberland	\$8,892	18	\$7,592	15
Essex	\$9,776	16	\$8,424	14
Gloucester	\$10,296	11	\$8,632	9
Hudson	\$8,996	18	\$7,748	15
Hunterdon	\$14,300	10	\$11,700	8
Mercer	\$13,936	16	\$11,180	13
Middlesex	\$12,636	13	\$10,192	11
Monmouth	\$12,220	12	\$9,724	9
Morris	\$15,132	11	\$11,388	9
Ocean	\$11,024	14	\$9,256	12
Passaic	\$11,128	20	\$9,152	16
Salem	\$9,308	15	\$8,008	13
Somerset	\$14,612	11	\$12,636	10
Sussex	\$11,336	11	\$9,568	9
Union	\$12,168	17	\$9,620	14
Warren	\$10,764	13	\$9,204	11
New Jersey	\$11,534	14	\$9,546	11

#### Giving Every Child A Chance

## 5 Early Care and Education

#### Registered Family Child Care Costs — 2013

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Infant Care	Age 18 Months	& Under	Preschooler Ch	ild Care
	Avg. Full-Time	As a %	Avg. Full-Time	As a %
	Child Care	of Med.	Child Care	Med.
	Annual Costs	Income	Annual Costs	Income
Atlantic	\$7,644	16	\$6,864	14
Bergen	\$9,828	9	\$8,684	8
Burlington	\$8,164	9	\$7,280	8
Camden	\$7,592	11	\$6,552	9
Cape May	\$8,632	11	\$8,112	10
Cumberland	\$8,476	17	\$7,228	14
Essex	\$7,592	13	\$7,228	12
Gloucester	\$8,216	9	\$7,176	7
Hudson	\$7,748	15	\$6,344	13
Hunterdon	\$11,960	9	\$11,648	8
Mercer	\$8,164	9	\$6,864	8
Middlesex	\$8,788	9	\$8,112	9
Monmouth	\$8,008	8	\$7,176	7
Morris	\$9,360	7	\$8,372	6
Ocean	\$10,088	13	\$8,840	12
Passaic	\$7,228	13	\$6,084	11
Salem	\$7,904	13	\$6,916	11
Somerset	\$11,596	9	\$11,284	9
Sussex	\$9,256	9	\$8,944	8
Union	\$8,216	12	\$7,020	10
Warren	\$8,216	10	\$6,864	8
New Jersey	\$8,699	10	\$7,790	9

# % of Family Income Spent on Licensed Child Care for a Family with One Infant and One Preschooler, 2013

Atlantic	38	
Bergen	22	
Burlington	24	
Camden	27	
Cape May	23	
Cumberland	33	
Essex	30	
Gloucester	20	
Hudson	33	
Hunterdon	18	
Mercer	28	
Middlesex	24	
Monmouth	21	
Morris	20	
Ocean	27	
Passaic	36	
Salem	29	
Somerset	21	
Sussex	20	
Union	31	
Warren	24	
New Jersey	25	

## School Children

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Percentage of Students Enrolled in Special Education			
	2009-10	2013-14	% Change
Atlantic	15	14	-2
Bergen	14	15	7
Burlington	16	16	1
Camden	16	17	4
Cape May	18	18	3
Cumberland	16	16	-1
Essex	13	14	6
Gloucester	15	16	9
Hudson	13	12	-3
Hunterdon	14	16	9
Mercer	15	15	1
Middlesex	13	12	-1
Monmouth	14	15	6
Morris	15	15	3
Ocean	16	16	2
Passaic	13	14	8
Salem	14	15	8
Somerset	14	15	8
Sussex	16	17	6
Union	12	12	4
Warren	15	15	-3
New Jersey	14	15	3

#### Percentage of Students Enrolled in Special Education

#### Percentage of Students Passing 4th Grade State Tests

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	2009-10		2013-14			I % Change			
	LA	Math	Science	LA	Math	Science	LA	Math	Science
Atlantic	50	70	92	48	63	83	-5	-10	-10
Bergen	72	86	97	73	84	94	1	-2	-3
Burlington	60	79	96	63	77	92	5	-3	-4
Camden	51	68	90	50	65	81	-3	-5	-10
Cape May	54	77	95	57	76	90	6	-2	-6
Cumberland	39	62	86	39	59	78	0	-4	-10
Essex	54	70	89	53	66	83	-1	-6	-7
Gloucester	62	80	96	58	78	92	-6	-2	-4
Hudson	44	71	91	48	68	84	9	-5	-7
Hunterdon	73	88	99	73	85	96	0	-3	-3
Mercer	58	71	91	59	72	86	2	1	-6
Middlesex	64	82	95	64	78	90	0	-5	-5
Monmouth	66	82	96	66	80	92	0	-2	-4
Morris	74	87	98	75	86	95	2	-1	-2
Ocean	64	82	96	59	77	91	-7	-6	-6
Passaic	45	66	87	45	68	82	2	3	-6
Salem	48	67	90	53	70	84	10	5	-7
Somerset	70	86	97	72	83	93	3	-3	-4
Sussex	67	83	98	69	81	95	3	-2	-3
Union	58	75	91	58	75	88	0	1	-4
Warren	62	79	96	63	81	94	1	2	-2
New Jersey	60	77	94	60	75	89	0	-3	-5

## School Children

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Percentage	Percentage of Students Passing oth Grade State Tests								
	2009-10			2013-14			M Change		
	LA	Math	Science	LA	Math	Science	LA	Math	Science
Atlantic	78	66	80	76	67	74	-4	3	-8
Bergen	90	78	90	88	79	87	-2	1	-4
Burlington	85	70	86	83	73	82	-3	6	-4
Camden	77	61	69	72	64	73	-6	4	5
Cape May	87	72	87	79	70	76	-9	-3	-13
Cumberland	70	51	67	63	55	61	-10	8	-9
Essex	75	59	74	71	61	69	-4	5	-7
Gloucester	85	69	86	83	74	83	-2	6	-4
Hudson	74	60	72	72	62	68	-3	3	-6
Hunterdon	94	84	95	91	85	97	-2	2	2
Mercer	80	66	81	79	69	76	-2	5	-6
Middlesex	83	69	84	81	73	81	-3	5	-4
Monmouth	89	77	90	86	79	86	-3	3	-4
Morris	93	83	93	90	85	91	-3	2	-3
Ocean	85	73	88	81	74	83	-6	2	-6
Passaic	72	56	72	68	57	67	-6	2	-8
Salem	80	61	84	73	66	75	-9	9	-11
Somerset	91	81	90	88	84	88	-3	4	-2
Sussex	92	76	93	84	75	88	-8	-2	-6
Union	79	64	80	78	69	76	-2	8	-4
Warren	88	69	89	85	69	85	-3	1	-5
New Jersey	83	69	83	80	72	79	-4	4	-5

#### Percentage of Students Passing 8th Grade State Tests

#### Percentage of Students Passing 11th Grade State Tests

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2009-010		2013-14		% Change	
LA	Math	LA	Math	LA	Math
83	66	91	74	10	11
93	83	96	86	4	3
90	76	94	81	4	6
84	67	91	73	7	9
90	76	94	81	5	7
75	57	85	63	14	10
78	64	89	69	14	8
91	80	94	82	4	2
81	64	91	72	12	13
97	90	98	93	2	3
88	72	93	77	5	7
90	79	94	82	4	3
93	82	96	84	3	2
95	86	94	89	0	4
90	73	94	80	5	9
81	66	89	70	10	5
87	69	91	70	5	2
94	86	97	87	3	2
93	79	96	83	3	4
84	70	92	74	10	6
90	76	95	81	5	7
88	75	93	79	6	5
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2007	2011	% Change
		-14
		-22
5.0		-18
10.1	8.7	-14
9.1	7.1	-22
15.9	12.2	-23
9.1	7.3	-20
5.4	4.9	-9
7.4	4.8	-35
1.4	1.9	38
8.5	6.5	-23
4.1	3.4	-18
4.3	3.5	-19
2.0	1.5	-24
4.3	3.2	-25
9.2	8.3	-9
12.2	11.2	-8
3.2	2.1	-34
3.3	3.7	11
6.8	5.3	-22
5.2	2.9	-45
6.3	5.1	-20
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#### **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

Teens and Young Adults

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Suvernite Committinents to State Detention Centers					
	2009	2013	% Change		
Atlantic	30	14	-53		
Bergen	23	14	-39		
Burlington	4	11	175		
Camden	137	71	-48		
Cape May	5	2	-60		
Cumberland	24	12	-50		
Essex	56	22	-61		
Gloucester	5	4	-20		
Hudson	69	16	-77		
Hunterdon	3	0	-100		
Mercer	39	18	-54		
Middlesex	51	22	-57		
Monmouth	21	5	-76		
Morris	2	3	50		
Ocean	20	17	-15		
Passaic	41	19	-54		
Salem	6	8	33		
Somerset	3	5	67		
Sussex	1	0	-100		
Union	39	51	31		
Warren	2	0	-100		
New Jersey	581	314	-46		

#### **Juvenile Commitments to State Detention Centers**

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

	2009	2013	% Change
Atlantic	60	59	-2
Bergen	19	57	195
Burlington	82	61	-26
Camden	83	82	-2
Cape May	0	0	N/A
Cumberland	82	40	-51
Essex	61	41	-33
Gloucester	71	0	N/A
Hudson	79	39	-50
Hunterdon	0	0	N/A
Mercer	47	0	N/A
Middlesex	60	59	-2
Monmouth	64	0	N/A
Morris	43	29	-31
Ocean	81	62	-24
Passaic	75	0	N/A
Salem	0	0	N/A
Somerset	0	0	N/A
Sussex	48	0	N/A
Union	53	49	-8
Warren	0	0	N/A
New Jersey	63	49	-22

#### 1 Demographics

**Total Population, 2009, 2013.** As reported by the US Census Bureau, Population Division, Population Estimates Program. Data are as of July 1 for each year.

**Child Population, 2009, 2013.** 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, 2009, 2013.** 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, 2009, 2013.** Includes families with children, as reported by the US Census Bureau, American Community Survey chart B19125.

**Percentage Unemployed, 2010, 2014.** 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, 2009, 2013. As reported by the US Census Bureau, American Community Survey chart B25070.

**Children Receiving Welfare (TANF), 2010, 2014.** 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), 2010, 2014. 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, 2010-11, 2014-15. As reported by the NJ Department of Agriculture. Includes children attending traditional public schools and charter schools. Data are as of October of each year.

Percentage of Eligible Children Receiving Free/Reduced-Price School Breakfast, 2010-11, 2014-15. 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. Please note that the 2014-15 percent of eligible students receiving free- and reduced-price meals are based upon the most recent eligibility data as of October 2013, while the number of students receiving free- and reduced-price meals is as of October 2014. Some variation in eligibility may occur.

Number of Children Receiving Free- or Reduced-Price School Lunch, 2010-11, 2014-15. As reported by the NJ Department of Agriculture. Includes children attending traditional public schools and charter schools. Data are as of October of each year.

Percentage of Eligible Children Receiving Free/Reduced-Price School Lunch, 2010-11, 2014-15. 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. Please note that the 2014-15 percent of eligible students receiving free-

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and reduced-price meals are based upon the most recent eligibility data as of October 2013, while the number of students receiving free- and reduced-price meals is as of October 2014. Some variation in eligibility may occur.

NJ Earned Income Tax Credits, Recipients with at Least 1 Dependent Under Age 19 – 2012, 2013. 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, 2009, 2013.** Number of New Jersey taxpayers claiming a federal EITC, as reported by the US Internal Revenue Service.

#### 3 Child Health

**Number of Infant Deaths, 2007, 2011.** 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.

**Percentage of Babies Born with Low Birth-Weight, 2007, 2011.** 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, 2007, 2011** 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, 2010, 2014. 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, 2013. 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, 2009, 2013. 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/Established Number, Rate, 2009, 2013. As reported by the NJ Department of Children and Families. In 2013, the NJ Department of Children and Families added two possible findings of child abuse neglect investigations — established and not established. Previously, investigators could only determine whether reported abuse/ neglect was substantiated or unfounded. The 2013 statistics in

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this chart represent investigations in which the investigator determined that the reported abuse/neglect was "substantiated" or "established," meaning abuse or neglect did occur.

**Number of Children in Out-of-Home Placements, 2010, 2014.** 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, 2009-10, 2013-14.** 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 federallyfunded programs that do not receive any state aid.

Children Enrolled in Public School Kindergarten (Full Day and Half Day), 2009-10, 2013-14. 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 year. Includes children enrolled in traditional public schools as well as charter schools.

Percentage of Public Kindergarten Children Enrolled in Full-Day Program, 2009-10, 2013-14. 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 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, 2013. 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, 2013. 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 2013.

**Registered Family Child Care Costs, 2013.** 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 2013.

Percentage of Family Income Spent on Licensed Child Care for a Family with One Infant and One Preschooler, 2013. 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

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New Jersey: A Profile of Key Child Care Indicators 2013. 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, 2009-10, 2013-14.** 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, 2009-10, 2013-14.** 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, 2009-10, 2013-14.** 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, 2009-10, 2013-14. 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, 2007, 2011.** 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. Please note that updated 2013 data were not available at the time of release of this report.

**Juvenile Commitments, 2009, 2013.** Children committed to Juvenile Justice facilities. As reported by the NJ Juvenile Justice Commission.

Average Daily Population in Detention as % of Approved Capacity, 2009, 2013. As reported by the NJ Juvenile Justice Commission, Detention Statistics Report for each year.

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