How Do Utah's Kids Shape Up?

Measures of Child Well-Being in Utah

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Utahns are deeply concerned about the future we leave for our children and how we can ensure that children are equipped to lead our state and our nation as they grow into adults. It’s in all of our interest to make kids a state priority the same way good parents make them a family priority. The Utah KIDS COUNT Project is built around the idea that data helps us tell the story of our communities, makes us aware of problems, and brings to the forefront a discussion of the policy solutions that can make a difference in outcomes for kids. Our policy choices reflect our priorities and our priorities should be based on fact -- solid, reliable, accessible data on how kids are doing in our state. Our annual publication, “Measures of Child Well-Being in Utah” is a first step in the process.

Each year as I set out to put together another annual data book I try to figure out what will be most useful for my users as well as cost effective for my organization. Since I’ve been the KIDS COUNT Director at Voices for Utah Children for almost 16 years, coming up with something new and different is increasingly challenging! This year we have tried to present the data in a variety of tables, infographics, charts, and maps which I hope makes the data a bit more palatable! Data is provided in four key areas of child well-being: Demographics, Economics, Health and Safety, and Education. While the data is presented at the state level in print form, county level data for all Utah counties can be found on our website, and trend data is easily accessed at the KIDS COUNT Data Center.

Policymakers should use the data to start conversations about choices and their outcomes, all Utahns can talk about the data with their families at the dinner table and with their coworkers, and together we can make sure all Utah’s children are in the best shape possible.

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To view your county’s data, click on the map of Utah at www.utahchildren.org

To view trend data, create maps, and compare Utah data with other states, visit the KIDS COUNT Data Center at http://datacenter.kidscount.org
DEMOGRAPHICS

19% INCREASE IN CHILD POPULATION

2010 Census

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<td>Total Population</td>
<td>2,763,885</td>
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<td>Under 5 years</td>
<td>263,924</td>
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<td>5-9 years</td>
<td>249,572</td>
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<td>10-14 years</td>
<td>227,951</td>
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<td>15-19 years</td>
<td>221,090</td>
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<td>Total Households</td>
<td>877,692</td>
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<td>Family Households</td>
<td>660,234</td>
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<td>with children under 18</td>
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<td>Husband-Wife Families</td>
<td>535,827</td>
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<td>278,270</td>
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<td>38,858</td>
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<td>19,678</td>
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<td>48,491</td>
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Race

- One Race: 2,688,367 (97.3%)
- White: 2,379,560 (86.1%)
- Black or African American: 29,287 (1.1%)
- American Indian or Alaskan Native: 32,927 (1.2%)
- Asian: 55,285 (2.0%)
- Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander: 24,554 (0.9%)
- Some Other Race: 166,754 (6.0%)
- Two or More Races: 75,518 (2.7%)
- Hispanic or Latino, can be any race: 358,340 (13.0%)

2006-2010 American Community Survey

- Grandparents Living With Their Grandchildren under 18: 50,420
- Grandparents Responsible for Their Grandchildren under 18: 18,005 (35.7%)

Utah Child Population, ages 0-19

Change 2000 to 2010

- 2000: 810,977
- 2010: 962,537

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**ECONOMICS**

**Living Below the Poverty Line**

($22,050 a year for a family of 4 in 2010)

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<td>Under 18</td>
<td>110,852</td>
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<td>5-17</td>
<td>70,243</td>
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<td>under 5</td>
<td>37,628</td>
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**Total Population in Poverty - Percent**

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**Median Household Income**

- $55,183 (2009)
- $54,740 (2010)

**Participation in Work Support Programs**

- **Households Receiving Food Stamps**
  - Dec. 2010: 105,346
  - Dec. 2011: 113,706
  (According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Studies, only 63% of eligible people participated in the Food Stamps program in Utah.)

- **Households Receiving TANF**
  - Dec. 2010: 6,728
  - Dec. 2011: 5,836

**Unemployment Rates**

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<td>Number Unemployed</td>
<td>96,422</td>
<td>75,482</td>
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<td>Percent Unemployed</td>
<td>7.1</td>
<td>5.6</td>
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**Between 2007 and 2009, 56,000 Utah children were affected by foreclosure.**

**Percent of Utah Children Living in Poverty**

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<td>13%</td>
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<td>2010</td>
<td>16%</td>
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MAP: **Percent Children Living in Poverty, 2010**

- 5 to 15
- 16 to 25
- over 25

**ALMOST 50,000 MORE UTAH CHILDREN LIVED IN POVERTY IN 2010 THAN 2007**

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**Health**

**Utah Ranks 45th in the Percent of Uninsured Children**

Since 2000 there has been a 154% increase in the number of teens diagnosed with Chlamydia in Utah.

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**Teen Birth Rate per 1,000 Teens ages 15-17, 2006 - 2010**

- **Receiving Prenatal Care, 2010**
  - Percent: 73.1
  - Number: 38,124

- **Low Birth Weight Babies, 2010 (2,500 grams)**
  - Percent: 7.0
  - Number: 3,650

- **Infant Mortality, 2010 (per 1,000 live births)**
  - Rate: 4.8
  - Number: 251

- **Injury Deaths, 2010 (per 100,000 ages 0-19)**
  - Rate: 12.5
  - Number: 114

- **Teen Birth Rate, 2010 (per 1,000 teens)**
  - Rate: 14.3
  - Number: 876

- **Suicide Hospital Discharge, 2010 (per 10,000 ages 10-19)**
  - Rate: 5.1
  - Number: 225

- **Suicide Rate, 2010 (per 100,000 ages 10-19)**
  - Rate: 7.5
  - Number: 33

- **Abuse Data (7/1/09 - 7/1/10, per 1,000 children)**
  - Rate: 12.0
  - Total number of victims: 11,530

- **Chlamydia Cases, 2010 (per 100,000, ages 15-19)**
  - Rate: 893.2
  - Number: 1,971

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**Percent Uninsured in Utah, 2005 - 2010**

- **% Uninsured Adults**
  - 2005: 17.1%
  - 2010: 11.4%

- **% Uninsured Children**
  - 2005: 31.3%
  - 2010: 18.4%
Utah Public School Statistics

- Fall Enrollment, October 2011: 542,853
- Student/Teacher Ratio, FY 2011: 21.9
- Per Pupil Expenditures, FY 2011: $6,378
- Number of Free/Reduced Lunch Participants, Oct, 2011: 209,991
- Percent Free/Reduced Lunch Participants, Oct, 2011: 38

Criterion-Referenced Tests Scores, 2011

- Language Arts Percentage Proficient
  - All Students: 82
  - 3rd Grade: 78
  - 7th Grade: 82
  - 11th Grade: 85

- Math Percentage Proficient
  - All Students: 69
  - 3rd Grade: 76
  - 7th Grade: 68
  - 11th Grade: 43

We’re Going to Need More Pencils!!

Current and Projected Utah Public School Enrollment

- 2011: 542,853
- 2016: 659,768
- 2021: 709,181

Percent Children Participating in Free and Reduced Lunch, 2011

IN 2011
23% OF UTAH THIRD GRADERS WERE NOT READING AT GRADE LEVEL
Demographics

**Population and Race Data** - 2010 Decennial Census, U. S. Census Bureau

**Grandparent Data** - American Community Survey 2006-2010 Estimates, U. S. Census Bureau

Economics

**Poverty** - The federal poverty threshold for a two parent household with two children was $22,050 in 2010. If a family makes less than this amount they are considered “in poverty”. Source - U.S. Census Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates (SAIPE).

**Median Household Income** - Median income divides the income distribution into two equal groups, one having incomes above the median and the other having incomes below the median. It includes all income for the entire family. Source - SAIPE.

**Unemployment** - Seasonally adjusted unemployment rates. Source - Utah Department of Workforce Services (DWS).

**TANF & Food Stamp Cases** - The number of cases (households) receiving food stamps or TANF at any time during the month indicated. A case is counted once even though there may be several individuals in the household. Source - DWS.

**Children Affected by Foreclosure** - An estimate of the share of children under age 18 who were living in a household that entered foreclosure in 2007, 2008 or 2009. Source - Mortgage Bankers Association, National Delinquency Survey, 2007 to 2009; U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2007 to 2009

Health

Source - All sources are the Utah State Department of Health unless otherwise indicated.

**Prenatal Care** - Number and percent of women receiving prenatal care in the first trimester as a percent of all live births.

**Low Birth Weight Babies** - Number of infants born weighing less that 2,500 grams (about 5.5 pounds) as a percentage of all live births

**Infant Mortality** - An infant death is defined as death of a live-born infant within one year of birth. Rates are per 1,000 live births.

**Injury Deaths** - Child injury deaths are those occurring to individuals ages 1 to 19 due to injuries (accidents, suicides, and homicides). Rates are per 100,000 youth.

**Teen Births** - Live births to married and unmarried females ages 15 to 17. Rates are per 1,000 females in that age range.

**Uninsured Children** - The number and percent of children ages 0-18 with no health coverage. Source - U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey.

**Child Abuse** - The number is a distinct reported victim count. Victim counts across counties may be duplicated as a victim could have been serviced in more than one county. There may be more than one victim per case. Rates are per 1,000 population. Source - Utah Department of Human Services, DCFS.

Education

Source - Utah State Office of Education.

**Enrollment** - Enrollment numbers are for the Fall of each year and represent the number of students enrolled in Kindergarten through 12th grade.

**Pupil/Teacher Ratio** - Pupil/Teacher ratios are based on the total number of students enrolled in Kindergarten through 12th grade and teachers include any person assigned to the school as a “regular classroom teacher”. This excludes preschool teachers and special education teachers, guidance counselors, library specialist, etc.

**Per Pupil Expenditure** - Expenditures include instruction, support services, and nonsupport services (property, equipment, and community service are excluded).

**Free and Reduced Lunch Participation** - Data is for Kindergarten through 12th grade and represents the percent of the state’s students who are receiving free or reduced lunches. Data is for a point in time enrollment number in October of each year.

**Criterion-Referenced Tests Scores** - CRT’s measure and assess the knowledge, skills, and abilities of students in several areas and by grade level. The scores are reported as proficient/not proficient.