

KIDS COUNT 2015 State and County Fact Sheet Data Definitions and Sources



Adolescents Adjudicated for Felonies (2013)

Definition: The rate per 1,000 children of youths adjudicated for felony-level offenses.

Source: Ohio Department of Youth Services *Profile of Youth Adjudicated or Committed for Felony Offenses: Fiscal Year 2013*. Extracted from

<http://www.dys.ohio.gov/DNN/LinkClick.aspx?fileticket=qax9NI7e6QI%3d&tabid=117&mid=873&forcedownload=true>

Comments: The rate is calculated by dividing the number of youths adjudicated by the child population and multiplying by 1,000. Regional rates are calculated by using the total youth felony adjudications and the total under 18 population for the region.

Babies Born at Low Birth Weight (2013)

Definition: The percentage of babies born weighing less than 5.5 pounds at birth.

Source: Ohio Department of Health, Center for Public Health Statistics and Informatics. County birth weight groups, data run provided June 24, 2015. Prior years available at

<http://www.odh.ohio.gov/healthStats/vitalstats/birthstat.aspx>

Births to Teen Mothers (2012)

Definition: The birth rate for Ohio females between the ages of 15 and 17.

Source: Ohio Department of Health, Office of Vital Statistics. Birth counts and rates for Ohio females by population age group, data run provided May 20, 2014.

<http://www.odh.ohio.gov/healthStats/vitalstats/birthstat.aspx>

Child Maltreatment (2013)

Definition: The number of substantiated reports of child abuse and neglect, including emotional maltreatment, neglect, physical abuse, and sexual abuse during the calendar year.

Source: Ohio Department of Job and Family Services data request.

Comments: The rate is calculated by dividing the number of substantiated reports by the child population and multiplying by 1,000. Regional rates are calculated by dividing the total number of substantiated child maltreatment reports for all counties in the region by the total child population for all counties in the region.

Child Population (2013)

Definition: A count of all persons under the age of 18 within a state or county.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Division. Annual Estimates of the Resident Population: June 2014.

Child Population by Race and Ethnicity (2013)

Definition: A count of all persons of each race or ethnicity under the age of 18 within a state or county.

Source: Puzzanchera, C., Sladky, A. and Kang, W. (2014). "Easy Access to Juvenile Populations: 1990-2013." Online. Available: <http://www.ojjdp.gov/ojstatbb/ezapop/>

National Center for Health Statistics (2014). Vintage 2013 postcensal estimates of the resident population of the United States (April 1, 2010, July 1, 2010-July 1, 2013), by year, county, single-year of age (0, 1, 2, ..., 85 years and over), bridged race, Hispanic origin, and sex. Prepared under a collaborative arrangement with the U.S. Census Bureau. Available online from http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nvss/bridged_race.htm as of June 26, 2014, following release by the U.S. Census Bureau of the unbridged Vintage 2013 postcensal estimates by 5-year age group on June 26, 2014. [Retrieved 7/1/2014]

Comments: Hispanic or Latino is considered an ethnicity, which is measured separately from race. Thus, race and ethnicity numbers may total more than 100 percent. The American Indian/Alaska Native represents less than 1% of the child population in all counties and statewide.

Children Eligible for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) (2013)

Definition: The percent of children eligible for SNAP/Food Stamps.

Sources: Ohio Department of Job and Family Services data request. Child Population: U.S. Census Bureau.

Comments: The percentage is calculated by dividing the total number of children eligible by the total child population of the county or state.

Children Enrolled in Medicaid (2013)

Definition: The percentage of children receiving health insurance through Medicaid or the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP), called Healthy Start and Healthy Families.

Sources: Ohio Department of Medicaid data request. Child Population: U.S. Census Bureau.

Comments: The statewide total is an unduplicated count. County totals are the number of children enrolled through that county; children may be enrolled through more than one county in a year. The percent is calculated by dividing the number of children enrolled in Medicaid by the child population.

Children in Foster/Substitute Care (2013)

Definition: The number of children in substitute care each year. This includes children who were in foster care on January 1 of each year. This number reflects children placed by public agencies only. Children who have been placed with more than one public agency may be double-counted.

Source: Ohio Department of Job and Family Services data request.

Comments: Rates are calculated by dividing the number of children in foster care by the child population and multiplying by 1,000.

Children in Publicly Funded Childcare (2013)

Definition: Total unduplicated children receiving publicly funded child care in Ohio.

Source: Ohio Department of Job and Family Services data request.

Comments: The percentage is calculated by dividing the total number of children in publicly funded childcare by the total child population of the county or state.

Children Living in Poverty (2013)

Definition: An estimate of the percentage of children living below the poverty guideline. This official measure was established by the Office of Management and Budget Statistical Policy Directive No. 14.

Source: U.S. Census, Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates (SAIPE) 2013. Extracted from <http://www.census.gov/did/www/saipe/data/statecounty/data/2013.html>

Comments: Regional rates are averages of all counties in a given region.

County Types/Regions

The four county types used by Ohio KIDS COUNT (Appalachian, Metropolitan, Rural non-Appalachian, and Suburban) originate from the Ohio Department of Health's Family Health Survey, 1998. In charts and graphs, the category "Rural" refers to rural non-Appalachian counties.

Fourth Graders Proficient in Reading and Math (2013-2014)

Definition: The average percentage of students who scored proficient or better on the fourth grade reading and math Ohio Achievement Assessment (OAA) proficiency tests.

Source: Ohio Department of Education, Interactive Local Report Card Power User Reports. Extracted from <http://reportcard.education.ohio.gov/Pages/Power-User-Reports.aspx>.

Graduation Rate (2012-2013)

Definition: The four-year longitudinal high school graduation rate. School districts were assigned to the county where their district office is located.

Source: Ohio Department of Education, Interactive Local Report Card Power User Reports. Extracted from <http://reportcard.education.ohio.gov/Pages/Power-User-Reports.aspx>.

Median Household Income (2013)

Definition: The median divides the income distribution into two equal parts: one-half of the cases falling below the median income and one-half above the median. Median income is based on the distribution of the total number of households and families including those with no income.

Source: U.S. Census, Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates (SAIPE) 2013. Extracted from <http://www.census.gov/did/www/saipe/data/statecounty/data/2013.html>

Comments: Regional median income estimates are averages of all counties in the region.

Students Economically Disadvantaged

Definition: The percent of students in poverty in school districts as defined by the Ohio Department of Education (ODE). It is also referred to as Economic Disadvantage. Full definition

in FY2014 District Profile Report. <http://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Finance-and-Funding/Finance-Related-Data/District-Profile-Reports/FY2014-District-Profile-Report>
Source: Ohio Department of Education, Interactive Local Report Card Power User Reports. Extracted from <http://reportcard.education.ohio.gov/Pages/Power-User-Reports.aspx>.

Total Population (2013)

Definition: A count of all persons living within the state or county.

Source: Annual Estimates of the Resident Population for Selected Age Groups by Sex for the United States, States, Counties, and Puerto Rico Commonwealth and Municipios: April 1, 2010 to July 1, 2013. Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Division, Release Date: June 2014

Unemployment Rate (2013)

Definition: Unemployment refers to persons who were not employed during the reference week, but who were actively seeking work, waiting to be called back to a job from which laid off, or waiting to report within 30 days to a new payroll job. The unemployment rate is unemployment as a percentage of the civilian labor force.

Source: Ohio Department of Job and Family Services, Ohio Labor Market Information, Local Area Unemployment Statistics. Data extracted from Civilian Labor Force Estimates Query tool at <http://ohiolmi.com/asp/laus/vbLaus.htm>

Comments: Rates are not seasonally adjusted.

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