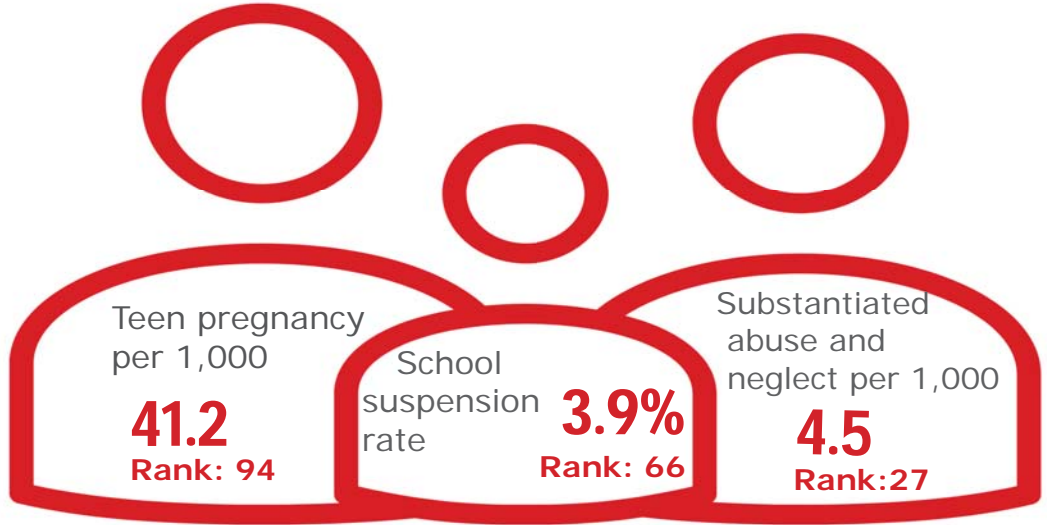


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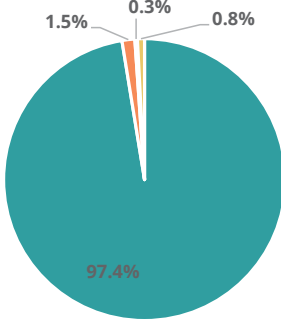
Rank: 94

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Rank: 90



Child Population by Race

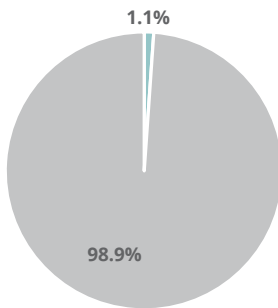


- White, Including Hispanic
- Black, Including Hispanic
- Native American/Alaskan
- Asian/Pacific Islander

Economic Well-Being

Rank: 95

Child Population by Hispanic Ethnicity

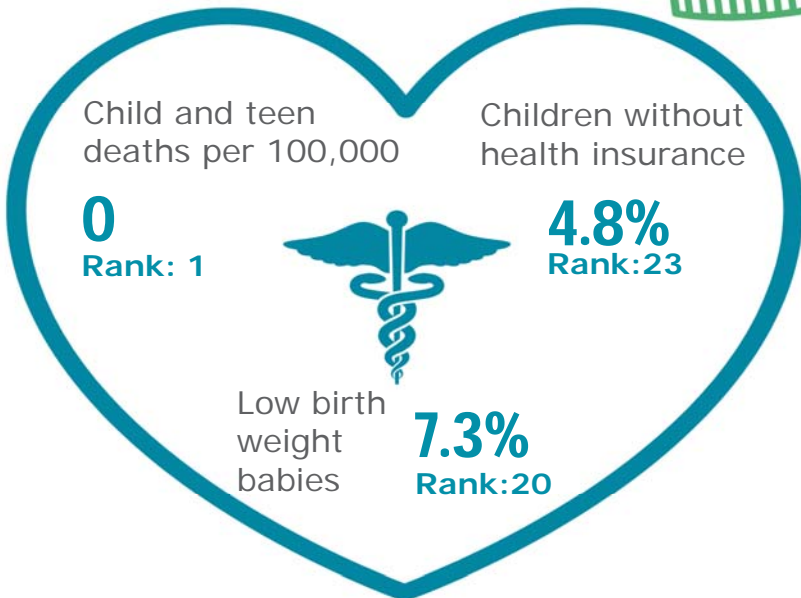


- Hispanic, All Races
- Non-Hispanic



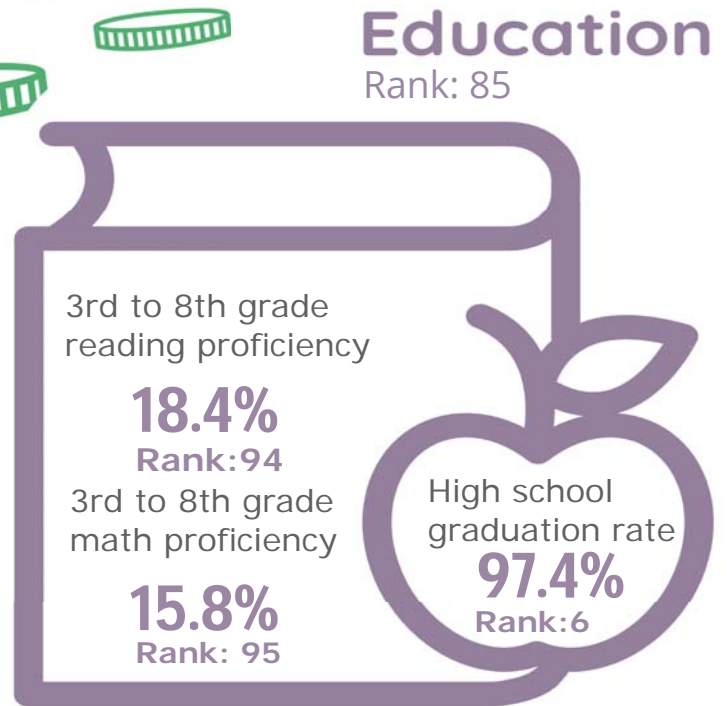
Health

Rank: 6








Education

Rank: 85



Hancock County

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Demographics 	Hancock County		Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
	Number	Rate			
Total population (state comparison is number not rate)	6,532	NA	6,769,975	0.1%	92
Population under 18 years of age	1,328	20.3%	22.2%	91.6%	61
Economic Well-Being 	Hancock County		Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
	Number	Rate			
Youth unemployment	8	10.7%	11.2%	95.5%	39
Per capita personal income (state is dollars not rate)	\$27,042	NA	\$46,900	57.7%	93
Median home sales price (state is dollars not rate)	\$70,759	NA	\$146,000	48.5%	95
Children receiving Families First grants (TANF)	154	11.6%	2.7%	427.5%	95
Children receiving SNAP	750	56.4%	28.2%	200.4%	94
Children under five receiving WIC	251	71.7%	30.6%	234.2%	94
Education 	Hancock County		Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
	Number	Rate			
School age special education services	189	19.7%	12.3%	160.2%	94
TEIS participation (per 1,000 in age group)	24	113.21	27.9	406.0%	95
Cohort high school dropouts	0	0.0%	8.3%	0.0%	1
Event high school dropouts	0	0.0%	2.2%	0.0%	1
Economically disadvantaged students	976	101.3%	65.1%	155.7%	93
School expulsions (per 1,000 students)	0	0.0	2.0	0.0%	1
Chronic absenteeism	173	17.8%	13.3%	133.8%	84
Young adult college enrollment/completion rate	NA	50.0%	62.5%	80.0%	89
Health 	Hancock County		Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
	Number	Rate			
Neonatal abstinence syndrome (per 1,000 live births)	5	60.98	11.5	531.1%	62
Births to mothers who smoked during pregnancy	31	37.8%	12.1%	312.4%	95
Children on TennCare (Medicaid)	1,121	73.0%	44.7%	163.3%	94
Total TennCare (Medicaid) enrollees	2,234	34.2%	19.9%	171.9%	95
Births covered by TennCare (Medicaid)	72	87.8%	65.5%	134.1%	83
Children qualified for Medicaid/CHIP but uninsured	52	5.1%	6.5%	78.5%	13
Infant mortality (per 1,000 live births)	0	0.00	6.9	0.0%	1
Neonatal death (per 1,000 live births)	0	0.00	4.4	0.0%	1
Child deaths (per 100,000 children age 1 to 14)	0	0.00	20.5	0.0%	1
Teen violent deaths (per 100,000 children age 15 to 19)	1	276.20	55.7	495.9%	94
Adequate prenatal care	52	63.4%	58.8%	107.8%	43
Children under age six screened for lead poisoning	97	23.0%	17.1%	134.6%	16
Public school students measured as overweight/obese	NA	72.7%	39.3%	185.0%	95
Teens with STDs (per 1,000 children age 15 to 17)	<5	*	19.0	#VALUE!	*
Medical doctors by county (per 100,000 residents)	2	30.6	229.1	13.4%	75
Dentists by county (per 100,000 residents)	0	0.0	50.1	0.0%	93
Family & Community 	Hancock County		Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
	Number	Rate			
Reported child abuse cases	85	6.4%	4.7%	137.2%	79
Commitment to state custody (per 1,000 children)	8	5.4	4.1	134.0%	55
Remaining in state custody (per 1,000 children)	13	8.8	5.2	170.4%	73
Juvenile court referrals	0	0.0%	3.5%	0.0%	1
Recorded marriages (per 1,000 residents)	39	6.0	8.0	75.0%	57
Recorded divorces (per 1,000 residents)	33	5.1	3.5	145.7%	87

Hancock County

At 90th, Hancock County is near the bottom of Tennessee counties in child well-being. The county's strongest rankings come from having no child and teen deaths in 2018 and strong high school graduation rate. The county's biggest challenges include having the lowest median household income in the state and—at 41.1 percent—the second-highest rate of child poverty among Tennessee counties. Hancock had the second-highest rate of pregnancy among girls age 15-17.

Additional strengths include a low rate of children without health insurance and a low percentage of babies born at a low birth weight.

Additional opportunities for improvement include the fact that Hancock County had the lowest percentage of 3rd to 8th grade students rated as proficient on TNReady tests in math and the second lowest in the state in reading.

Policy/Practice/Program Options to Improve Outcomes. Many of these policies have multiple models for delivery, including public-private partnership and non-profit leadership.

- Counties can support children who live in poverty by improving outreach to those who may qualify to receive SNAP, WIC and/or TennCare benefits to be sure they are aware of these services. Additionally, especially with low incomes, nutrition programs that provide food for school-age children to take home can contribute to nutritionally sound diets. Expanding services through Family Resource Centers can also help reach these vulnerable populations.
- Comprehensive sex education classes that include both encouragement of abstinence and information on birth control have been shown to reduce the number of teen pregnancies.
- Increased access to pre-K can help both math and reading proficiency in later grades. Early assessment of reading skills coupled with appropriate interventions where needed can improve reading proficiency, while increasing STEM opportunities in elementary and middle schools can help improve 3rd to 8th grade math proficiency.