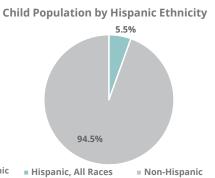
# 26th TROUSDALE

Population Under 18: 19.6%







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ECONOMIC WELL-BEING 86TH	Rank	Previous Percent/Rate	Previous Rank
Children living in poverty 18.5%	<b>22nd</b>	16.0%	15th
Severe housing cost burden 17.6%	94th	11.5%	80th
Child care cost burden 23.9%	48th	19.2%	17th
EDUCATION 3RD	Rank	Previous Percent/Rate	Previous Rank
3rd to 8th grade reading proficiency 43.6%	6th	32.2%	16th
3rd to 8th grade math proficiency 49.7%	3rd	31.5%	36th
Youth graduating high school on time 98.8%	2nd	98.8%	1st
HEALTH 54TH	Rank	Previous Percent/Rate	Previous Rank
HEALTH 54TH  Children who are food insecure 10.1%	Rank 16th		
		Percent/Rate	Rank
Children who are food insecure 10.1%	16th	Percent/Rate 12.4%	Rank 10th
Children who are food insecure 10.1%  Children who lack health insurance 7.1%	16th 72nd	12.4% 5.9%	10th 83rd
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Children who are food insecure 10.1%  Children who lack health insurance 7.1%  Babies born at a low birthweight 8.7%  FAMILY & COMMUNITY 20TH  Children living in single parent families 32.0%	16th 72nd 49th  Rank 45th	12.4% 5.9% 7.2% Previous Percent/Rate 37.6%	10th 83rd 15th Previous Rank 90th

Trousdale County	Number	Rate	Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
Dem	ographic		Rate	State Rate	Karik
otal population (state value is number not rate)	12,029	NA	6,975,170	0.2%	85
opulation under 18 years of age (percent of total population)	2,354	19.6%	22.0%	89.0%	71
Econom	ic Well-B	eing			
outh unemployment	0	0.0%	12.9%	0.0%	1
er capita personal income (state value is dollars not rate)	\$36,454	NA	\$56,560	64.5%	90
Median home sales price (state value is dollars not rate)	\$269,900	NA	\$283,410	95.2%	16
hildren receiving Families First grants (TANF)	25	1.1%	1.5%	72.2%	16
hildren receiving Supplemental Nutrition Assistance (SNAP)	488	20.7%	24.0%	86.2%	20
air market rent (percent of monthly median household income)	\$1,587	38.9%	21.1%	184.4%	95
Ed	ucation				
school age special education services	147	10.7%	12.2%	87.9%	8
EIS participation (percent of children age 0 to 2)	7	1.9%	3.8%	51.7%	25
Cohort high school dropouts (percent of class cohort)	1	1.2%	6.7%	18.0%	7
vent high school dropouts (percent of students grade 9 to 12)	3	0.8%	4.0%	20.4%	16
conomically disadvantaged students	495	36.0%	30.0%	120.0%	68
chool suspensions	*	1.0%	5.1%	20.1%	9
iraduating seniors scoring 21 or better on the ACT at least once	33	40.7%	35.3%	115.2%	12
oung adult college enrollment (percent of graduating seniors)	335	53.7%	52.8%	101.7%	28
F	lealth				
Neonatal abstinence syndrome (per 1,000 live births)	*	*	6.6	*	*
Births to mothers who smoked during pregnancy	15	13.4%	9.1%	147.2%	33
Children on TennCare (Medicaid)	1,303	45.9%	55.3%	82.9%	9
otal TennCare (Medicaid) enrollees	2,334	19.4%	24.9%	77.9%	10
irths covered by TennCare (Medicaid)	70	61.9%	55.1%	112.5%	37
Children qualified for Medicaid/CHIP but uninsured	93	8.1%	7.6%	106.6%	72
nfant mortality (per 1,000 live births)	0	0.00	6.2	0.0%	1
Jeonatal death (per 1,000 live births)	0	0.00	3.2	0.0%	1
Child deaths (per 100,000 children age 1 to 14)	0	0.00	20.7	0.0%	1
een violent deaths (per 100,000 youth age 15 to 19)	0	0.0	69.7	0.0%	1
dequate prenatal care	81	73.0%	73.9%	98.7%	71
Pediatric physicians (per 100,000 children)	0	0.0	76.5	0.0%	57
Public school students measured as overweight/obese	NA	41.0%	42.8%	95.8%	20
eens with STDs (per 1,000 youth age 15 to 17)	<5	*	16.6	*	*
VIC participation (percent of children under 5)	156	25.8%	31.7%	81.5%	12
Pentists by county (per 100,000 residents)	1	8.3	41.4	20.1%	86
Family 8	« Commi	unity			
eported child abuse cases	95	4.0%	4.6%	87.9%	13
Commitment to state custody (per 1,000 children)	5	1.9	2.8	66.3%	23
emaining in state custody (per 1,000 children)	8	3.0	5.3	56.2%	17
ernalling in state custody (per 1,000 children)  uvenile court referrals	35				40
decorded marriages (per 1,000 residents)	70	1.5% 6.1	1.8% 6.6	83.0% 92.7%	
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Recorded divorces (per 1,000 residents)	32 88	2.8 10.9%	3.2 12.3%	87.4% 88.9%	25
		111 40%	1 / 3 %	XX 9%	79
Young driver accidents (percent of age 15-24 driver's licenses) Regulated child care spaces (percent of children age 0 to 12) Child care assistance (per 1,000 children age 0 to 12)	392 4	24.5%	28.9%	84.8%	38 13

## **Trousdale**

#### **Overall**

At 26th, Trousdale County is in the top half of Tennessee counties in child well-being. The county's strongest area was Education.

### **Strengths**

Trousdale's strongest indicator is the percent of high school students graduating on time, where the county ranks 2nd. The county also performs well in the percent of students who scored "On Track" or "Mastered" in TCAP Math at 49.7%.

### **Opportunities**

The county's biggest challenge is the percent of households in the county experiencing a severe housing cost burden, where it ranks 94th. There are opportunities for improvement in the percent of children without health insurance as well.

#### **Policy/Practice/Program Options to Improve Outcomes**

Many of these policies have multiple models for delivery, including public-private partnership, non-profit partners and community engagement.

Pro-active housing policy that helps ensure affordable housing is available for people to live where they work can improve negative outcomes related to high housing costs. These policies might include approving more apartment construction and allowing rental of accessory dwelling units, creating a standard zoning approval process and applying for affordable housing trust fund competitive grants. Improving ease of usage and communication with landlords and renters using Housing Choice Vouchers can increase the number of landlords willing to accept vouchers.

Most uninsured children in Tennessee qualify for either TennCare or CoverKids, so high rates of uninsured children can be improved with outreach to make sure families are aware of these insurance opportunities. According to Census Bureau estimates, Trousdale County has almost 100 children who qualify for these health insurance programs but who nonetheless lack insurance. Communities can utilize free outreach resources from the Connecting Kids to Coverage National Campaign at InsureKidsNow.Gov. Those insured by TennCare or CoverKids must keep current contact information with TennCare to prevent unnecessary breaks in coverage. Members can update information at tenncareconnect.tn.gov or by calling 855-259-0701.

#### **Indicator Definitions and History**

**Children living in poverty -** Percent of children living in a household below the federal poverty line. Source: US Census Bureau Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates (2021).

**Severe housing cost burden -** Percent of households spending 50% or more of their income on housing. Source: American Community Survey, 5-year estimates (2017-2021). New to the county profiles, it replaces Fair Market Rent. It is more closely aligned to a KIDS COUNT national indicator, does not apply only to rental housing, and is a rate rather than a dollar value.

Child care cost burden - Child care costs for a household with two children as a percent of median household income. Source: Produced by the University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute using The Living Wage Calculator (2022) and Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates (2021). This is new to the rankings and replaces Median Household Income (MHI). We wanted an indicator expressed as a percentage rather than a dollar amount as well as one that related to a common family expense. Income is already somewhat measured in poverty estimates. In addition, this indicator uses MHI in its calculation.

**3rd to 8th grade reading proficiency -** Percent of third- to eighth-grade students who scored "ontrack" or "mastered" on the Tennessee Comprehensive Assessment Program (TCAP) reading and language test. Source: Tennessee Department of Education (2021-22).

**3rd to 8th grade math proficiency -** Percent of third- to eighth-grade students who scored "on-track" or "mastered" on the Tennessee Comprehensive Assessment program (TCAP) math test. Source: Tennessee Department of Education (2021-22).

**Youth graduating high school on time -** Percent of ninth-grade cohort that graduates in four years. Source: Tennessee Department of Education (2021-22).

Children who are food insecure - Percent of children who sometimes lack access to adequate food. Source: Map the Meal Gap (2021). This is new to the rankings and replaces child and teen death rates, which, because the Department of Health has tightened its data suppression rules, is no longer available for all counties. We did not have an indicator for all counties to line up with overweight/obesity data in the national ranking, so we searched for an one related to nutrition and healthy eating.

**Children who lack health insurance -** Percent of children who lack health insurance. Source: US Census Bureau Small Area Health Insurance Estimates (2020).

**Babies born at a low birthweight -** Percent of live births where baby weighs less than 2,500 grams (5.5 pounds), averaged over three years. Source: Tennessee Department of Health (2019-21), with three counties estimated using American Community Survey 5-year data (2015-19, 2016-20, 2017-21). It has been in our county profiles from the beginning, though it was previously just one-year data. The Department of Health has tightened its data suppression rules, and dozens of counties' data were unavailable with one-year numbers. Three-year numbers still left three counties suppressed. Those were estimated from 5-year American Community Survey data.

Children living in single parent families - Single-parent households as a percent of all households with children. Source: American Community Survey, 5-year estimates (2017-2021). New to the county profiles, it replaces births to unmarried females, which in turn replaced teen births. As the Tennessee Department of Health tightened its data suppression rules, teen birth data was no longer available for all counties. Children born to unmarried females was always an attempt to roughly estimate teen births using different data. In moving from actual counts to ACS 5-year estimates, we decided to use this indicator over teen births as it affects families with parents of all ages.

Children who are chronically absent - Children who are absent 10 percent or more of school days for any reason, including excused/unexcused absences and out-of-school suspensions. Source: Tennessee Department of Education (2021-22). New to the county profiles, it replaces school suspensions, which have suppressed data for many counties.

Victims of abuse or neglect per 1,000 - Child victims of abuse or neglect. In cases with multiple children each child is counted individually. The total is the number of children associated with substantiated cases of severe abuse and of determinations of "Services Court Ordered" or "Services Needed" in cases of non-severe abuse or neglect. Children with multiple cases during the year are counted only once. The rate is per 1,000 children. Source: Tennessee Department of Children's Services (2021). This has been in our county rankings from the beginning, but we have moved to counting children rather than cases.