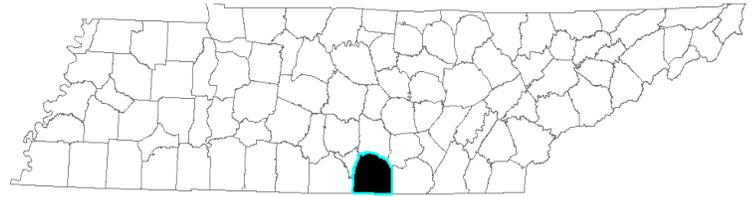
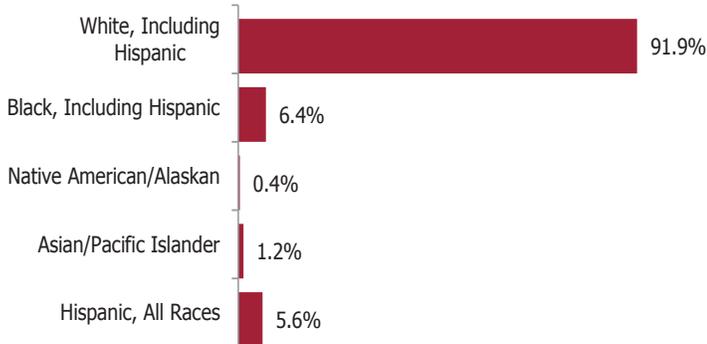


Franklin

TCCY Index Rank 51



Child Population by Race/Ethnicity



HEALTH

- Low birth-weight babies: 10.40% (Rank: 71)
- Children without health insurance: 3.90% (Rank: 52)
- Child and teen deaths: 48.5 per 100,000 (Rank: 83)

ECONOMIC WELL-BEING

Rank: 6

- Child Poverty: 20.60% (Rank: 18)
- Median Household Income: \$47,562 (Rank: 21)
- Fair Market Rent: \$808 (Rank: 39)

FAMILY and COMMUNITY

Rank: 28

- School suspension rate: 3.90% (Rank: 59)
- Teen pregnancy: 7.9 per 1,000 (Rank: 21)
- Substantiated Abuse and Neglect: 5.4 per 1,000 (Rank: 43)

EDUCATION

Rank: 69

- Third to eighth grade reading proficiency: 28.70% (Rank: 65)
- Third to eighth grade math proficiency: 30.30% (Rank: 72)
- High school graduation rate: 90.90% (Rank: 68)

Franklin County

Demographics 	Franklin County		Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
	Number	Rate			
Total population (state comparison is number not rate)	41,686	NA	6,651,120	0.6%	36
Population under 18 years of age	8,673	20.8%	22.5%	92.7%	57
Economic Well-Being 	Franklin County		Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
	Number	Rate			
Youth unemployment	130	11.9%	15.5%	76.8%	26
Per capita personal income (state is dollars not rate)	\$36,366	NA	\$43,326	83.9%	35
Children receiving Families First grants (TANF)	392	4.5%	3.8%	119.2%	69
Children receiving SNAP	2,082	23.9%	32.3%	73.9%	7
Children under five receiving WIC	730	35.3%	33.7%	104.8%	25
Education 	Franklin County		Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
	Number	Rate			
School age special education services	740	13.6%	11.9%	114.4%	62
TEIS participation (per 1,000 in age group)	13	10.44	20.6	50.7%	7
Cohort high school dropouts	20	4.9%	5.6%	87.5%	69
Event high school dropouts	32	1.7%	2.7%	63.0%	70
Economically disadvantaged students	1,734	32.0%	35.7%	89.8%	34
School expulsions (per 1,000 students)	0	0.0	2.0	0.0%	1
Chronic absenteeism	897	15.1%	15.8%	95.6%	43
Health 	Franklin County		Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
	Number	Rate			
Neonatal abstinence syndrome (per 1,000 live births)	1	2.48	13.2	18.7%	12
Births to mothers who smoked during pregnancy	96	23.8%	13.4%	177.6%	56
Children on TennCare (Medicaid)	4,751	44.7%	51.7%	86.5%	9
Total TennCare (Medicaid) enrollees	8,472	20.3%	23.4%	86.7%	13
Births covered by TennCare (Medicaid)	247	61.1%	52.9%	115.6%	29
Children qualified for Medicaid/CHIP but uninsured	242	4.7%	4.7%	100.0%	54
Infant mortality (per 1,000 live births)	5	12.40	7.4	167.6%	80
Neonatal death (per 1,000 live births)	1	2.50	4.2	59.5%	34
Child deaths (per 100,000 children age 1 to 14)	4	62.50	21.8	286.7%	90
Teen violent deaths (per 100,000 children age 15 to 19)	0	0.00	50.5	0.0%	1
Adequate prenatal care	202	50.0%	52.4%	95.4%	80
Children under age six screened for lead poisoning	382	15.4%	18.5%	82.9%	69
Public school students measured as overweight/obese	NA	33.7%	38.4%	87.8%	5
Teens with STDs (per 1,000 children age 15 to 17)	8	4.3	16.0	26.9%	4
Medical doctors by county (per 100,000 residents)	34	81.6	240.0	34.0%	22
Dentists by county (per 100,000 residents)	12	28.8	49.3	58.4%	38
Family & Community 	Franklin County		Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
	Number	Rate			
Reported child abuse cases	452	5.2%	4.9%	106.1%	36
Commitment to state custody (per 1,000 children)	63	6.3	3.8	165.8%	68
Remaining in state custody (per 1,000 children)	59	5.9	4.8	122.9%	52
Juvenile court referrals	398	4.6%	4.5%	102.2%	44
Recorded marriages (per 1,000 residents)	355	8.5	8.6	98.8%	14
Recorded divorces (per 1,000 residents)	142	3.4	3.8	89.5%	26
Births to unmarried females	177	43.8%	43.6%	100.5%	48
Regulated child care spaces (state is number not rate)	1,197	NA	381,686	0.3%	50

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At 51st, Franklin County is in the bottom half of Tennessee counties in child well-being. The county's highest ranking reflects a relatively low rate of children who live in poverty. Though it is still a higher number than one would hope, Franklin County's 20.6 percent child poverty rate is better than most counties in Tennessee. Franklin County also has high rankings from a high median household income and from a relatively low rate of pregnancy among girls age 15 to 17. The county's biggest challenges are a high rate of child and teen deaths and a low percentage of 3rd to 8th grade students rated as proficient in math on TNReady tests.

An additional strength is low housing costs.

Additional opportunities for improvement include relatively high rates of babies born at a low birthweight and a low high school graduation rate.

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

- Child and teen deaths can be reduced with consistent enforcement of safety measures like proper car seat and seat belt use, bicycle helmet use and life preserver use around water. Most child and teen deaths are the result of accidents, especially motor vehicle accidents.
- Expanding pre-K access and increasing STEM opportunities in elementary and middle schools can help improve 3rd to 8th grade math proficiency.
- Low birthweight is a persistent and difficult problem, but improvements can occur when care is made available for chronic physical and mental health and substance abuse conditions for women of childbearing age as well as improving outreach to those who may qualify to receive SNAP, WIC and/or TennCare benefits to be sure they are aware of these services. Expanding services through Family Resource Centers can help reach these vulnerable populations.
- Making high school students aware of the community college and technical school benefits available to them through Tennessee Promise can encourage on-time high school graduation.