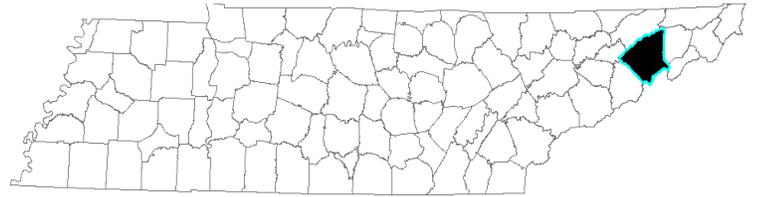
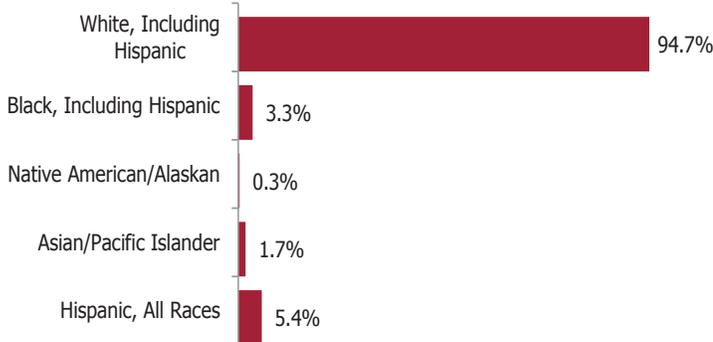


# Greene



## TCCY Index Rank 32

### Child Population by Race/Ethnicity



### HEALTH



Low birth-weight babies

9.40%

Rank: 41 Rank: 54

Children without health insurance  
3.50%

Rank: 29

Child and teen deaths

31.3 per 100,000

Rank: 63

### ECONOMIC WELL-BEING

Rank: 22



Child Poverty

24.50%

Rank: 38

Median Household Income

\$40,855

Rank: 51

Fair Market Rent

\$757

Rank: 18



### FAMILY and COMMUNITY

Rank: 71

School suspension rate

5.40%

Rank: 80

Teen pregnancy

10.8 per 1,000

Rank: 34

Substantiated Abuse and Neglect

7.1 per 1,000

Rank: 74

### EDUCATION

Rank: 25



32.90%

Third to eighth grade reading proficiency

Rank: 37

40.30%

Third to eighth grade math proficiency

Rank: 28

95.80%

High school graduation rate

Rank: 14

# Greene County

Demographics 	Greene County		Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
	Number	Rate			
Total population (state comparison is number not rate)	68,612	NA	6,651,120	1.0%	20
Population under 18 years of age	13,413	19.5%	22.5%	87.1%	78
Economic Well-Being 	Greene County		Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
	Number	Rate			
Youth unemployment	210	15.3%	15.5%	98.7%	43
Per capita personal income (state is dollars not rate)	\$38,067	NA	\$43,326	87.9%	23
Children receiving Families First grants (TANF)	547	4.0%	3.8%	106.8%	58
Children receiving SNAP	3,952	29.1%	32.3%	90.0%	17
Children under five receiving WIC	1,636	50.0%	33.7%	148.4%	72
Education 	Greene County		Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
	Number	Rate			
School age special education services	1,440	15.2%	11.9%	127.9%	84
TEIS participation (per 1,000 in age group)	57	29.64	20.6	143.9%	81
Cohort high school dropouts	7	0.9%	5.6%	16.1%	9
Event high school dropouts	13	0.5%	2.7%	17.4%	11
Economically disadvantaged students	3,229	34.2%	35.7%	95.8%	39
School expulsions (per 1,000 students)	0	0.0	2.0	0.0%	1
Chronic absenteeism	1,224	11.8%	15.8%	74.7%	16
Health 	Greene County		Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
	Number	Rate			
Neonatal abstinence syndrome (per 1,000 live births)	29	42.03	13.2	317.8%	81
Births to mothers who smoked during pregnancy	192	27.8%	13.4%	207.5%	84
Children on TennCare (Medicaid)	8,657	54.5%	51.7%	105.4%	33
Total TennCare (Medicaid) enrollees	16,477	24.0%	23.4%	102.4%	37
Births covered by TennCare (Medicaid)	494	71.6%	52.9%	135.3%	72
Children qualified for Medicaid/CHIP but uninsured	339	3.8%	4.7%	80.9%	15
Infant mortality (per 1,000 live births)	2	2.90	7.4	39.2%	16
Neonatal death (per 1,000 live births)	0	0.00	4.2	0.0%	1
Child deaths (per 100,000 children age 1 to 14)	3	29.10	21.8	133.5%	69
Teen violent deaths (per 100,000 children age 15 to 19)	2	48.30	50.5	95.6%	59
Adequate prenatal care	352	51.0%	52.4%	97.3%	75
Children under age six screened for lead poisoning	1,016	25.6%	18.5%	138.1%	14
Public school students measured as overweight/obese	NA	43.2%	38.4%	112.5%	52
Teens with STDs (per 1,000 children age 15 to 17)	42	16.9	16.0	105.6%	61
Medical doctors by county (per 100,000 residents)	71	103.5	240.0	43.1%	15
Dentists by county (per 100,000 residents)	20	29.1	49.3	59.0%	36
Family & Community 	Greene County		Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
	Number	Rate			
Reported child abuse cases	949	7.0%	4.9%	142.9%	75
Commitment to state custody (per 1,000 children)	112	7.3	3.8	192.1%	76
Remaining in state custody (per 1,000 children)	129	8.4	4.8	175.0%	74
Juvenile court referrals	479	3.6%	4.5%	80.0%	31
Recorded marriages (per 1,000 residents)	449	6.5	8.6	75.6%	53
Recorded divorces (per 1,000 residents)	362	5.3	3.8	139.5%	87
Births to unmarried females	334	48.4%	43.6%	111.0%	78
Regulated child care spaces (state is number not rate)	2,485	NA	381,686	0.7%	27

## Greene County

At 32<sup>nd</sup>, Greene County is just at the top third of Tennessee counties in child well-being. The county's best rankings come from a one of the better high school graduation rates and from low housing costs. The county's biggest challenges are high rates of school suspensions and of substantiated cases of child abuse and neglect.

Additional strengths include relatively high rates of 3<sup>rd</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> grade students rated proficient in math on TNReady tests and a low rate of children without health insurance.

Additional opportunities for improvement include a relatively high rate of child and teen deaths and an above average rate of babies born at a low birthweight.

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

- Suspension rates can be reduced through clear definitions of what constitutes suspendable behavior and a focus on restorative discipline practices that aim to improve behavior while keeping children in school.
- Two-generation programs such as evidence-based home visiting have been shown to reduce instances of child abuse and neglect.
- 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.
- 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.