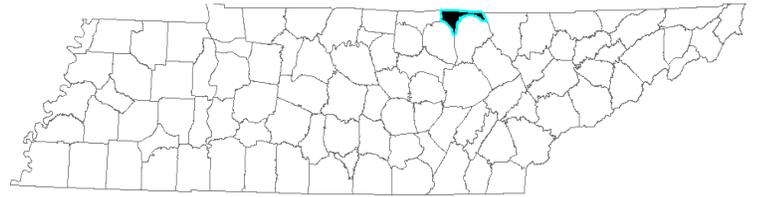
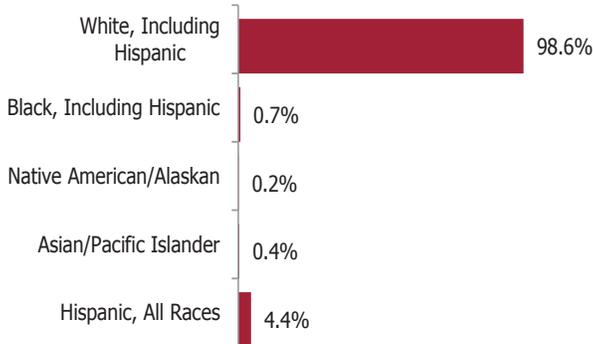


Pickett



TCCY Index Rank 64

Child Population by Race/Ethnicity



HEALTH



Low birth-weight babies

14.30%

Rank: 83 Rank: 92

Children without health insurance
3.90%

Rank: 57

Child and teen deaths

0 per 100,000

Rank: 1

ECONOMIC WELL-BEING

Rank: 52

Child Poverty

27.30%

Rank: 58

Median Household Income

\$36,595

Rank: 78

Fair Market Rent

\$770

Rank: 20

FAMILY and COMMUNITY

Rank: 10

School suspension rate

0.00%

Rank: 1

Teen pregnancy

0 per 1,000

Rank: 1

Substantiated Abuse and Neglect

7.4 per 1,000

Rank: 78

EDUCATION

Rank: 81



20.70%

Third to eighth grade reading proficiency

Rank: 92

20.00%

Third to eighth grade math proficiency

Rank: 92

96.50%

High school graduation rate

Rank: 10

Pickett County

Demographics 	Pickett County		Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
	Number	Rate			
Total population (state comparison is number not rate)	5,129	NA	6,651,120	0.1%	95
Population under 18 years of age	944	18.4%	22.5%	82.0%	89
Economic Well-Being 	Pickett County		Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
	Number	Rate			
Youth unemployment	0	0.0%	15.5%	0.0%	1
Per capita personal income (state is dollars not rate)	\$37,567	NA	\$43,326	86.7%	27
Children receiving Families First grants (TANF)	24	2.6%	3.8%	67.9%	12
Children receiving SNAP	304	32.3%	32.3%	99.9%	33
Children under five receiving WIC	139	60.4%	33.7%	179.5%	90
Education 	Pickett County		Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
	Number	Rate			
School age special education services	90	12.3%	11.9%	103.2%	38
TEIS participation (per 1,000 in age group)	1	7.04	20.6	34.2%	1
Cohort high school dropouts	0	0.0%	5.6%	0.0%	1
Event high school dropouts	0	0.0%	2.7%	0.0%	1
Economically disadvantaged students	245	33.9%	35.7%	95.1%	37
School expulsions (per 1,000 students)	0	0.0	2.0	0.0%	1
Chronic absenteeism	134	17.4%	15.8%	110.1%	66
Health 	Pickett County		Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
	Number	Rate			
Neonatal abstinence syndrome (per 1,000 live births)	1	23.81	13.2	180.0%	70
Births to mothers who smoked during pregnancy	10	23.8%	13.4%	177.6%	56
Children on TennCare (Medicaid)	598	54.4%	51.7%	105.2%	31
Total TennCare (Medicaid) enrollees	1,201	23.4%	23.4%	99.9%	30
Births covered by TennCare (Medicaid)	30	71.4%	52.9%	135.0%	71
Children qualified for Medicaid/CHIP but uninsured	29	4.5%	4.7%	95.7%	42
Infant mortality (per 1,000 live births)	0	0.00	7.4	0.0%	1
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)	0	0.00	21.8	0.0%	1
Teen violent deaths (per 100,000 children age 15 to 19)	0	0.00	50.5	0.0%	1
Adequate prenatal care	32	76.2%	52.4%	145.4%	2
Children under age six screened for lead poisoning	54	19.6%	18.5%	105.9%	39
Public school students measured as overweight/obese	NA	55.5%	38.4%	144.5%	95
Teens with STDs (per 1,000 children age 15 to 17)	0	0.0	16.0	0.0%	1
Medical doctors by county (per 100,000 residents)	3	58.5	240.0	24.4%	36
Dentists by county (per 100,000 residents)	0	0.0	49.3	0.0%	91
Family & Community 	Pickett County		Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
	Number	Rate			
Reported child abuse cases	40	4.3%	4.9%	87.8%	12
Commitment to state custody (per 1,000 children)	6	5.7	3.8	150.0%	62
Remaining in state custody (per 1,000 children)	7	6.6	4.8	137.5%	60
Juvenile court referrals	29	3.1%	4.5%	68.9%	26
Recorded marriages (per 1,000 residents)	30	5.8	8.6	67.4%	77
Recorded divorces (per 1,000 residents)	14	2.7	3.8	71.1%	10
Births to unmarried females	13	31.0%	43.6%	71.1%	5
Regulated child care spaces (state is number not rate)	57	NA	381,686	0.0%	95

Pickett County

At 64th, Pickett County is just inside the bottom third of Tennessee counties in child wellbeing. The county's best rankings include no child and teen deaths, no pregnancies among girls age 15 to 17 and no school suspensions. The county's biggest opportunities for improvement are one of the highest percentages of babies born at a low birthweight and among the lowest percentages of 3rd to 8th grade students demonstrating proficiency on TNReady reading and math tests.

Additional strengths include ranking among the top 10 counties in high school graduation rates and low housing costs.

Additional challenges include a high rate of substantiated cases of child abuse and neglect, a low median household income and the fact that over 1 in 4 of the county's children live in poverty.

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

- 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. When incomes are low and poverty among children is high, it can help to improve 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.
- 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.
- Two-generation programs such as evidence-based home visiting have been shown to reduce instances of child abuse and neglect.