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The New Jersey Kids Count 2016 Pocket Guide documents key measures of child well being on the county and state levels. This handy pocket guide provides a quick glimpse at trends in major indicators of child well being. Data for additional indicators are available on our website at www.acnj.org and at datacenter.kidscount.org.

In addition to the **Pocket Guide**, ACNJ releases an annual state level data report, **New Jersey Kids Count: The State of Our Children**. Please visit www.acnj.org to access the report.

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Advocates for Children of New Jersey each year publishes **New Jersey Kids Count**, a report about the well being of children across the state. While statewide data are helpful in tracking overall trends, it is also useful to go beyond state averages and look closer at the range of experiences of children living in different parts of the state. The **New Jersey Kids Count Pocket Guide** measures how children are faring in each of New Jersey's 21 counties.

This year's data once again reveal different conditions for child well being in each county. Child poverty rates rose for the state as a whole, as well as for the majority of counties from 2010 to 2014. Five counties were the exception to this trend: Mercer, Morris, Somerset, Sussex and Union. Somerset County experienced the steepest decline in child poverty rates at 39 percent, followed by Sussex at 35 percent, Morris at 23 percent, Union at 7 percent, and Mercer at 2 percent.

For other counties, the increase in the number of children living in families earning too little to meet their children's needs was significant. Gloucester County had the single highest increase in percentage of children living below the federal poverty line at 43 percent. Seven additional counties experienced a growth of more than 20 percent of children living in poverty Atlantic, Bergen, Burlington, Monmouth, Passaic, Salem and Warren. Statewide, there was an increase of 12 percent in the percentage of children living below the federal poverty level.

Other key trends:

- **Unemployment:** Each of New Jersey's 21 counties experienced a decline in the number and percentage of unemployed residents. Mercer, Middlesex, and Monmouth Counties lead with the greatest decreases from 2011 to 2015 in percent unemployment. In fact, the majority of counties saw similar decreases of more than 50 percent; Atlantic, Cape May, Cumberland, Essex, Hunterdon, Passaic and Union counties were the exceptions.
- **Uninsured Children:** Despite a reduction in the number of uninsured children living in the state overall, several counties experienced troubling increases in the number of children without health insurance. Atlantic County saw its percentage of children living without insurance surge

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upwards in 2014, more than double its 2010 figure. Somerset, Monmouth and Gloucester counties also saw their numbers of uninsured children rise, though not as steeply as Atlantic County. Despite the growing quantity of uninsured children in select counties, children receiving insurance through NJ FamilyCare or Medicaid continued to increase for the state as a whole *and* for each county. Increases in the number of NJ FamilyCare/Medicaid recipients ranged from a 30 percent increase in Ocean County to a 4 percent increase in Essex County.

- **Child Abuse:** The number of victims of abuse or neglect increased by 24 percent from 2011 to 2014 in New Jersey. This may be due to a 2013 revision in the standards used by the state in reporting instances of abuse. Previously, investigators were limited to substantiating an instance of abuse – a label now given to more serious cases of abuse or neglect. Investigators may now also utilize the “established” category to describe an abuse that did occur but, for examples, did not involve serious harm to the child. The majority of counties saw a growing number of children reported as victims of abuse or neglect from 2010 to 2014, with the exceptions of Bergen, Cape May, Hudson, Morris, Somerset and Union counties.
- **Child Care Options:** Quality, affordable child care is a necessity for many of New Jersey’s working parents, yet 2015 saw a reduction in the number of licensed child care centers in all but three counties (Bergen, Hudson and Salem). Hudson saw a 5 percent increase in the number of centers, while Bergen saw a mere one percent increase, and Salem maintained its number of licensed centers. Many counties also experienced a decrease in the capacity of their licensed child care centers, indicating that the remaining centers serve even fewer children than before.

Each year, Advocates for Children of New Jersey ranks each county on a set of 13 indicators of child well being. This year, PARCC test scores were omitted from the county rankings, due to a high frequency of untested students across several school districts. Chronic absenteeism was substituted as a new, 13th indicator. This year seven counties improved in the Kids Count rankings, six worsened, and eight remained unchanged. A breakdown of the change and the overall rankings for each county follows.

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Better

Bergen
Burlington
Gloucester
Hudson
Passaic
Salem
Union

Worse

Cape May
Essex
Mercer
Middlesex
Ocean
Warren

Unchanged

Atlantic
Camden
Cumberland
Hunterdon
Monmouth
Morris
Somerset
Sussex

New Jersey Kids Count Overall County Ranks

	2015	2016
Atlantic	20	20
Bergen	5	4
Burlington	9	8
Camden	17	17
Cape May	14	19
Cumberland	21	21
Essex	16	18
Gloucester	10	9
Hudson	15	13
Hunterdon	2	2
Mercer	13	14
Middlesex	4	5
Monmouth	7	7
Morris	1	1
Ocean	11	12
Passaic	18	15
Salem	19	16
Somerset	3	3
Sussex	6	6
Union	12	11
Warren	8	10

New Jersey Kids Count Overall Rank – 2016

Morris	1	Hudson	13
Hunterdon	2	Mercer	14
Somerset	3	Passaic	15
Bergen	4	Salem	16
Middlesex	5	Camden	17
Sussex	6	Essex	18
Monmouth	7	Cape May	19
Burlington	8	Atlantic	20
Gloucester	9	Cumberland	21
Warren	10		
Union	11		
Ocean	12		

1 Demographics

Total Population

	2010	2014	% Change
Atlantic	274,762	275,209	0
Bergen	906,748	933,572	3
Burlington	449,174	449,722	0
Camden	513,630	511,038	-1
Cape May	97,278	95,344	-2
Cumberland	157,200	157,389	0
Essex	784,608	795,723	1
Gloucester	288,602	290,951	1
Hudson	636,294	669,115	5
Hunterdon	127,343	126,067	-1
Mercer	368,043	371,537	1
Middlesex	811,272	836,197	3
Monmouth	630,649	629,279	0
Morris	492,706	499,727	1
Ocean	577,651	586,301	1
Passaic	502,201	508,856	1
Salem	65,992	64,715	-2
Somerset	324,171	332,568	3
Sussex	148,770	144,909	-3
Union	537,810	552,939	3
Warren	108,676	106,917	-2
New Jersey	8,803,580	8,938,175	2

Child Population

	2010	2014	% Change
Atlantic	63,702	60,845	-4
Bergen	204,291	202,136	-1
Burlington	103,903	97,552	-6
Camden	124,715	119,156	-4
Cape May	18,279	17,005	-7
Cumberland	37,742	37,409	-1
Essex	194,564	192,202	-1
Gloucester	70,018	66,762	-5
Hudson	131,500	136,106	4
Hunterdon	29,998	26,673	-11
Mercer	82,945	81,321	-2
Middlesex	185,406	184,214	-1
Monmouth	149,667	140,241	-6
Morris	117,267	111,252	-5
Ocean	135,223	137,822	2
Passaic	124,701	124,026	-1
Salem	15,442	14,357	-7
Somerset	80,679	77,143	-4
Sussex	35,406	31,249	-12
Union	131,331	131,992	1
Warren	25,456	22,618	-11
New Jersey	2,062,235	2,012,081	-2

2 Child and Family Economics

Children Living Below the Poverty Line

	2010		2014		% Change	
	#	%	#	%	#	%
Atlantic	12,673	20	15,250	25	20	25
Bergen	14,546	7	17,559	9	21	24
Burlington	7,365	7	8,816	9	20	29
Camden	23,518	19	22,787	19	-3	1
Cape May	3,371	18	3,219	19	-5	5
Cumberland	9,492	25	10,972	29	16	17
Essex	44,524	23	44,471	23	0	1
Gloucester	4,687	7	6,697	10	43	43
Hudson	30,207	23	35,963	27	19	16
Hunterdon	1,583	5	1,462	5	-8	10
Mercer	14,308	17	13,547	17	-5	-2
Middlesex	17,805	10	19,040	10	7	3
Monmouth	12,410	8	14,773	11	19	32
Morris	7,031	6	5,145	5	-27	-23
Ocean	27,757	21	29,442	21	6	2
Passaic	29,099	23	34,723	28	19	22
Salem	2,796	18	3,294	23	18	27
Somerset	5,295	7	3,300	4	-38	-39
Sussex	3,119	9	1,821	6	-42	-35
Union	21,801	17	20,949	16	-4	-7
Warren	1,959	8	2,333	10	19	29
New Jersey	295,346	14	313,563	16	7	12

Median Income of Families with Children

	2010	2014	% Change
Atlantic	\$55,913	\$55,345	-1
Bergen	\$108,133	\$110,304	2
Burlington	\$96,368	\$102,288	6
Camden	\$64,758	\$71,911	11
Cape May	\$81,375	\$64,065	-21
Cumberland	\$59,203	\$44,606	-25
Essex	\$60,237	\$64,127	6
Gloucester	\$84,575	\$109,125	29
Hudson	\$50,513	\$54,083	7
Hunterdon	\$123,825	\$146,665	18
Mercer	\$88,874	\$95,795	8
Middlesex	\$92,467	\$97,494	5
Monmouth	\$110,661	\$118,564	7
Morris	\$114,754	\$136,268	19
Ocean	\$73,324	\$76,405	4
Passaic	\$57,250	\$56,723	-1
Salem	\$69,001	\$75,821	10
Somerset	\$126,776	\$119,546	-6
Sussex	\$96,474	\$101,854	6
Union	\$73,906	\$71,140	-4
Warren	\$88,652	\$97,395	10
New Jersey	\$83,208	\$89,020	7

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Percentage Unemployed

	2011	2015	% Change
Atlantic	12.6	7.4	-41
Bergen	7.1	3.4	-52
Burlington	8.3	3.9	-53
Camden	10.3	4.9	-52
Cape May	19.0	11.9	-37
Cumberland	12.8	7.1	-45
Essex	10.2	5.2	-49
Gloucester	9.6	4.6	-52
Hudson	8.5	4	-53
Hunterdon	6.3	3.2	-49
Mercer	7.8	3.6	-54
Middlesex	8.2	3.8	-54
Monmouth	8.3	3.8	-54
Morris	6.5	3.2	-51
Ocean	10.2	4.8	-53
Passaic	10.4	5.3	-49
Salem	11.3	5.6	-50
Somerset	6.9	3.4	-51
Sussex	8.6	4	-53
Union	8.9	4.5	-49
Warren	8.3	4.1	-51
New Jersey	8.9	4.3	-52

Percentage of Households Spending More than 30% of Income on Rent

	2010	2014	% Change
Atlantic	61	60	-2
Bergen	49	46	-6
Burlington	52	51	-2
Camden	57	51	-10
Cape May	53	54	2
Cumberland	60	57	-5
Essex	53	53	0
Gloucester	50	55	9
Hudson	46	46	0
Hunterdon	57	46	-19
Mercer	51	52	2
Middlesex	44	45	2
Monmouth	55	51	-7
Morris	45	40	-11
Ocean	63	56	-10
Passaic	60	56	-7
Salem	52	62	19
Somerset	48	44	-8
Sussex	59	52	-12
Union	50	54	8
Warren	52	47	-9
New Jersey	51	50	-2

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Children Receiving Welfare (TANF)

	2011	2015	% Change
Atlantic	4,128	3,454	-16
Bergen	2,118	1,319	-38
Burlington	2,173	1,886	-13
Camden	8,039	5,287	-34
Cape May	834	519	-38
Cumberland	2,670	2,213	-17
Essex	14,508	9,668	-33
Gloucester	2,119	1,323	-38
Hudson	7,891	5,090	-35
Hunterdon	200	100	-50
Mercer	4,283	2,907	-32
Middlesex	2,900	2,124	-27
Monmouth	2,066	935	-55
Morris	572	358	-37
Ocean	2,634	1,826	-31
Passaic	7,550	5,773	-24
Salem	925	533	-42
Somerset	854	671	-21
Sussex	318	222	-30
Union	3,526	2,348	-33
Warren	523	343	-34
New Jersey	70,831	48,899	-31

Children Receiving NJ SNAP (formerly Food Stamps)

	2011	2015	% Change
Atlantic	16,800	20,193	20
Bergen	13,555	15,192	12
Burlington	11,283	12,036	7
Camden	30,596	32,494	6
Cape May	4,194	3,919	-7
Cumberland	14,680	15,360	5
Essex	58,414	62,064	6
Gloucester	9,535	9,873	4
Hudson	45,801	50,631	11
Hunterdon	1,171	1,231	5
Mercer	14,373	15,547	8
Middlesex	21,379	27,364	28
Monmouth	13,645	17,013	25
Morris	5,865	6,236	6
Ocean	26,320	34,860	32
Passaic	45,892	51,738	13
Salem	4,135	4,255	3
Somerset	5,268	6,366	21
Sussex	2,173	1,778	-18
Union	20,051	24,516	22
Warren	3,043	3,261	7
New Jersey	368,173	415,927	13

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Number of Children Receiving Free- or Reduced-Price School Breakfast

	2011-2012	2015-2016	% Change
Atlantic	8,970	11,805	32
Bergen	5,609	5,966	6
Burlington	3,538	4,858	37
Camden	10,678	18,528	74
Cape May	2,119	2,340	10
Cumberland	9,411	10,656	13
Essex	33,185	35,132	6
Gloucester	3,069	5,048	64
Hudson	11,925	32,178	170
Hunterdon	194	215	11
Mercer	4,726	7,590	61
Middlesex	11,914	19,112	60
Monmouth	5,491	7,631	39
Morris	1,505	1,960	30
Ocean	4,903	8,723	78
Passaic	11,462	29,443	157
Salem	1,248	2,020	62
Somerset	1,321	3,933	198
Sussex	382	561	47
Union	15,122	19,620	30
Warren	1,074	1,356	26
New Jersey	147,846	228,675	55

Percentage of Eligible Children Receiving Free- or Reduced-Price School Breakfast

	2011-2012	2015-2016*	% Change
Atlantic	38	49	28
Bergen	22	21	-7
Burlington	21	27	30
Camden	29	47	66
Cape May	49	48	-2
Cumberland*	51	54	6
Essex	53	51	-4
Gloucester	25	37	48
Hudson	21	51	146
Hunterdon	13	12	-9
Mercer	23	34	45
Middlesex	31	43	37
Monmouth	27	31	16
Morris	17	18	8
Ocean	24	36	53
Passaic	25	67	166
Salem	26	43	62
Somerset	14	37	156
Sussex	11	15	39
Union	37	45	20
Warren	27	31	16
New Jersey	31	44	42

*Please note that the 2015-16 percentage data are preliminary and based upon the most recent data, which include school meal eligibility data as of 2014-15 school year and receiving data as of October 2015. Due to inconsistencies in Cumberland county 2014-15 eligibility data, 2013-14 eligibility data used to calculate percentage data.

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Number of Children Receiving Free- or Reduced-Price School Lunch

	2011-2012	2015-2016	% Change
Atlantic	19,455	20,071	3
Bergen	19,749	20,155	2
Burlington	14,098	14,371	2
Camden	29,485	32,131	9
Cape May	3,738	3,579	-4
Cumberland	15,820	16,263	3
Essex	51,550	52,039	1
Gloucester	9,892	10,076	2
Hudson	40,661	41,691	3
Hunterdon	1,187	1,266	7
Mercer	15,368	17,841	16
Middlesex	30,475	34,838	14
Monmouth	16,597	18,782	13
Morris	6,749	7,059	5
Ocean	16,152	17,142	6
Passaic	38,932	43,503	12
Salem	3,881	4,049	4
Somerset	7,527	8,197	9
Sussex	2,604	2,350	-10
Union	33,379	34,156	2
Warren	3,189	3,385	6
New Jersey	380,488	402,944	6

Percentage of Eligible Children Receiving Free- or Reduced-Price School Lunch

	2011-2012	2015-2016*	% Change
Atlantic	83	83	1
Bergen	78	70	-11
Burlington	83	80	-4
Camden	79	82	4
Cape May	86	73	-15
Cumberland*	86	83	-4
Essex	82	75	-8
Gloucester	81	75	-8
Hudson	70	66	-6
Hunterdon	79	69	-13
Mercer	76	79	5
Middlesex	80	78	-2
Monmouth	81	77	-5
Morris	75	65	-13
Ocean	78	71	-9
Passaic	85	99	16
Salem	82	85	4
Somerset	82	76	-6
Sussex	75	64	-14
Union	82	78	-5
Warren	79	77	-2
New Jersey	80	77	-3

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NJ Earned Income Tax Credits Issued, Recipients with at Least 1 Dependent Under Age 19

	2013		2014		% Change	
	# Cr.	Ave. Cr. Amt	# Cr.	Ave. Cr. Amt	# Cr.	Ave. Cr. Amt
Atlantic	17,225	\$586	17,217	\$603	0	3
Bergen	20,718	\$550	20,948	\$565	1	3
Burlington	12,951	\$523	13,164	\$538	2	3
Camden	25,062	\$569	25,424	\$590	1	4
Cape May	3,801	\$562	3,835	\$576	1	2
Cumberland	9,705	\$567	9,910	\$586	2	3
Essex	43,862	\$582	44,192	\$603	1	4
Gloucester	9,027	\$537	9,228	\$553	2	3
Hudson	35,728	\$605	35,887	\$625	0	3
Hunterdon	1,597	\$509	1,561	\$520	-2	2
Mercer	14,319	\$557	14,456	\$573	1	3
Middlesex	26,955	\$562	27,384	\$580	2	3
Monmouth	14,061	\$549	14,182	\$571	1	4
Morris	7,529	\$534	7,719	\$546	3	2
Ocean	18,883	\$615	19,387	\$628	3	2
Passaic	31,036	\$598	31,345	\$616	1	3
Salem	2,736	\$559	2,788	\$569	2	2
Somerset	6,054	\$538	6,147	\$550	2	2
Sussex	3,057	\$517	3,104	\$529	2	2
Union	23,962	\$560	24,372	\$582	2	4
Warren	3,115	\$535	3,111	\$555	0	4
New Jersey	333,726	\$572	337,388	\$590	1	3

Federal Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)

	2010		2014		% Change	
	Claims	Avg. Claim Amt.	Claims	Avg. Claim Amt.	Claims	Avg. Claim Amt.
Atlantic	25,406	\$2,239	26,907	\$2,454	6	10
Bergen	38,900	\$1,886	43,505	\$2,030	12	8
Burlington	21,352	\$1,907	23,918	\$2,073	12	9
Camden	40,927	\$2,169	42,941	\$2,387	5	10
Cape May	6,483	\$1,975	6,960	\$2,118	7	7
Cumberland	14,876	\$2,278	15,173	\$2,504	2	10
Essex	75,674	\$2,345	79,799	\$2,585	5	10
Gloucester	13,565	\$1,961	15,199	\$2,156	12	10
Hudson	62,720	\$2,229	65,860	\$2,436	5	9
Hunterdon	2,851	\$1,508	3,171	\$1,671	11	11
Mercer	21,862	\$2,076	23,939	\$2,295	10	11
Middlesex	43,357	\$2,067	48,595	\$2,223	12	8
Monmouth	25,159	\$1,840	27,886	\$2,010	11	9
Morris	13,757	\$1,702	15,102	\$1,868	10	10
Ocean	28,143	\$2,184	31,810	\$2,350	13	8
Passaic	48,537	\$2,327	52,707	\$2,528	9	9
Salem	4,641	\$2,023	4,861	\$2,339	5	16
Somerset	8,964	\$1,817	10,392	\$1,980	16	9
Sussex	5,137	\$1,722	5,791	\$1,877	13	9
Union	40,629	\$2,161	44,764	\$2,359	10	9
Warren	5,064	\$1,891	5,443	\$2,074	7	10
New Jersey	548,004	\$2,127	594,723	\$2,318	9	9

Number of Infant Deaths

	2008	2012	% Change
Atlantic	26	30	15
Bergen	36	35	-3
Burlington	33	25	-24
Camden	61	57	-7
Cape May	6	5	-17
Cumberland	22	10	-55
Essex	100	50	-50
Gloucester	10	14	40
Hudson	52	36	-31
Hunterdon	4	2	-50
Mercer	36	28	-22
Middlesex	41	24	-41
Monmouth	25	18	-28
Morris	25	13	-48
Ocean	22	27	23
Passaic	33	24	-27
Salem	3	0	-100
Somerset	9	15	67
Sussex	6	3	-50
Union	34	33	-3
Warren	7	5	-29
New Jersey	591	454	-23

Infant Mortality Rate (deaths per 1,000 live births)

	2008	2012	% Change
Atlantic	7.1	9.1	29
Bergen	3.7	3.8	3
Burlington	6.5	5.5	-14
Camden	8.6	9.0	4
Cape May	6.6	5.4	-18
Cumberland	8.7	4.8	-45
Essex	8.5	4.8	-43
Gloucester	3.1	4.6	49
Hudson	5.4	3.5	-35
Hunterdon	3.4	2.2	-34
Mercer	7.8	6.6	-15
Middlesex	3.9	2.4	-37
Monmouth	3.6	2.9	-19
Morris	4.7	2.8	-40
Ocean	2.8	3.4	22
Passaic	4.4	3.5	-21
Salem	3.8	0.0	-100
Somerset	2.3	4.3	86
Sussex	3.9	2.5	-37
Union	4.6	4.9	7
Warren	6.3	5.1	-19
New Jersey	5.3	4.4	-17

3 Child Health

Percentage of Babies Born with Low-Birth Weight

	2008	2012	% Change
Atlantic	8.9	8.1	-9
Bergen	7.1	7.9	12
Burlington	8.1	8.3	3
Camden	9.6	9.4	-1
Cape May	6.8	6.1	-11
Cumberland	9.1	9.4	4
Essex	10.0	9.3	-7
Gloucester	7.8	8.6	10
Hudson	7.5	8.9	18
Hunterdon	7.1	6.0	-16
Mercer	9.2	9.0	-3
Middlesex	7.7	8.2	6
Monmouth	7.2	8.0	11
Morris	7.7	7.0	-9
Ocean	6.0	6.2	4
Passaic	8.5	7.7	-9
Salem	8.1	7.5	-8
Somerset	8.8	8.3	-6
Sussex	6.4	5.6	-12
Union	8.4	7.8	-7
Warren	6.8	7.5	11
New Jersey	8.1	8.1	1

Percentage of Women Receiving Early Prenatal Care

	2008	2012	% Change
Atlantic	65.4	77.5	19
Bergen	77.6	81.6	5
Burlington	78.4	82.7	5
Camden	72.2	77.2	7
Cape May	79.6	73.4	-8
Cumberland	63.6	69.6	9
Essex	67.4	67.7	0
Gloucester	79.3	78.0	-2
Hudson	66.4	66.2	0
Hunterdon	86.7	86.6	0
Mercer	76.1	74.9	-2
Middlesex	83.3	84.3	1
Monmouth	81.9	82.8	1
Morris	86.8	91.0	5
Ocean	78.3	80.3	3
Passaic	69.5	77.9	12
Salem	67.7	76.7	13
Somerset	88.4	90.1	2
Sussex	86.3	88.1	2
Union	73.4	79.7	9
Warren	80.9	64.7	-20
New Jersey	75.6	78.1	3

3 Child Health

Children Receiving NJ FamilyCare/Medicaid

	2011	2015	% Change
Atlantic	26,445	33,385	26
Bergen	38,952	46,397	19
Burlington	23,507	28,200	20
Camden	50,935	56,533	11
Cape May	7,702	8,068	5
Cumberland	21,489	24,322	13
Essex	96,781	101,096	4
Gloucester	18,237	20,594	13
Hudson	76,503	83,026	9
Hunterdon	2,837	3,509	24
Mercer	28,213	33,396	18
Middlesex	53,834	61,798	15
Monmouth	32,095	37,306	16
Morris	15,796	17,485	11
Ocean	51,547	67,215	30
Passaic	66,347	73,757	11
Salem	6,166	6,616	7
Somerset	12,167	15,179	25
Sussex	5,641	5,979	6
Union	49,358	58,176	18
Warren	5,503	6,818	24
New Jersey	690,055	788,855	14

Children Under 18 Without Health Insurance

	2010		2014		% Change	
	#	%	#	%	#	%
Atlantic	2,550	4.0	5,474	9.0	115	126
Bergen	14,841	7.3	12,141	6.0	-18	-17
Burlington	3,958	3.8	2,904	3.0	-27	-21
Camden	6,612	5.3	4,196	3.5	-37	-34
Cape May	1,771	9.8	585	3.4	-67	-65
Cumberland	3,561	9.6	1,875	5.0	-47	-48
Essex	14,783	7.7	10,131	5.3	-31	-31
Gloucester	2,071	2.9	2,092	3.1	1	6
Hudson	11,953	9.1	8,687	6.4	-27	-30
Hunterdon	1,033	3.4	391	1.5	-62	-56
Mercer	5,449	6.6	3,468	4.3	-36	-35
Middlesex	12,533	6.8	7,498	4.1	-40	-40
Monmouth	5,530	3.7	5,735	4.1	4	11
Morris	4,881	4.2	3,481	3.7	-29	-12
Ocean	5,822	4.3	6,491	4.7	11	10
Passaic	8,665	7.0	5,974	4.8	-31	-31
Salem	531	3.4	346	2.4	-35	-29
Somerset	2,215	2.8	2,297	3.0	4	8
Sussex	1,929	5.4	601	1.9	-69	-64
Union	11,337	8.6	7,018	5.3	-38	-38
Warren	1,431	5.6	457	2.0	-68	-64
New Jersey	123,456	6.0	91,842	4.6	-26	-24

4 Child Protection

Child Abuse/Neglect Investigations, Number of Children

	2010	2014	% Change
Atlantic	4,197	3,922	-7
Bergen	5,297	4,565	-14
Burlington	4,949	4,769	-4
Camden	9,184	8,288	-10
Cape May	1,553	1,391	-10
Cumberland	3,664	3,535	-4
Essex	9,699	9,627	-1
Gloucester	3,974	4,026	1
Hudson	6,694	6,595	-1
Hunterdon	845	787	-7
Mercer	4,054	4,133	2
Middlesex	6,440	6,130	-5
Monmouth	5,250	5,700	9
Morris	3,612	3,001	-17
Ocean	6,736	6,165	-8
Passaic	6,030	6,267	4
Salem	1,315	1,255	-5
Somerset	2,434	2,435	0
Sussex	1,679	1,490	-11
Union	4,477	4,467	0
Warren	1,541	1,503	-2
New Jersey	93,699	90,135	-4

*Please note that total for counties may not equal state total due to a small number of children where the county of residence is unknown or other.

Child Abuse/Neglect Substantiation/Established Rate*

	2010	2014	% Change
Atlantic	9	16	74
Bergen	12	14	15
Burlington	7	17	144
Camden	13	15	16
Cape May	12	12	-3
Cumberland	9	17	79
Essex	11	14	22
Gloucester	10	15	48
Hudson	14	14	-3
Hunterdon	16	20	24
Mercer	10	14	44
Middlesex	8	10	17
Monmouth	8	10	22
Morris	11	11	2
Ocean	4	8	85
Passaic	7	12	74
Salem	8	10	23
Somerset	12	9	-22
Sussex	6	13	111
Union	13	11	-19
Warren	8	12	52
New Jersey	10	13	29

*In 2013, the NJ Department of Children and Families added two possible findings of child abuse neglect investigations—established and not stabled. Previously, investigators could only determine whether reported abuse/neglect was substantiated or unfounded. The 2014 statistics in this chart represent investigations in which the investigator determined that the reported abuse/neglect was “substantiated” or “established,” meaning abuse or neglect did occur.

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Number of Children Where Abuse/Neglect was Substantiated or Established*

	2010	2014	% Change
Atlantic	381	620	63
Bergen	631	626	-1
Burlington	345	811	135
Camden	1,205	1,259	4
Cape May	192	166	-14
Cumberland	341	588	72
Essex	1,080	1,305	21
Gloucester	405	608	50
Hudson	946	907	-4
Hunterdon	134	155	16
Mercer	390	571	46
Middlesex	527	586	11
Monmouth	438	581	33
Morris	389	329	-15
Ocean	301	509	69
Passaic	409	739	81
Salem	102	120	18
Somerset	293	229	-22
Sussex	100	187	87
Union	588	473	-20
Warren	117	173	48
New Jersey	9,326	11,556	24

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Number of Children in Out-of-Home Placements

	2011	2015	% Change
Atlantic	376	425	13
Bergen	333	285	-14
Burlington	370	416	12
Camden	672	611	-9
Cape May	150	168	12
Cumberland	223	246	10
Essex	1,211	1,131	-7
Gloucester	286	454	59
Hudson	631	524	-17
Hunterdon	56	40	-29
Mercer	279	367	32
Middlesex	319	332	4
Monmouth	304	307	1
Morris	188	155	-18
Ocean	319	436	37
Passaic	402	299	-26
Salem	96	77	-20
Somerset	142	151	6
Sussex	68	52	-24
Union	421	359	-15
Warren	143	96	-33
New Jersey	7,018	6,955	-1

*Please note that total for counties may not equal state total due to a small number of children where the county of residence is unknown or where children are assigned to adoption subsidy programs or an Area Office.

5 Early Care and Education

Children Enrolled in State-Funded Preschool

	2010-2011	2014-2015	% Change
Atlantic	1,546	1,515	-2
Bergen	1,301	1,400	8
Burlington	1,291	1,142	-12
Camden	3,113	3,208	3
Cape May	479	489	2
Cumberland	3,256	3,106	-5
Essex	9,678	9,850	2
Gloucester	661	636	-4
Hudson	9,299	9,726	5
Hunterdon	12	18	50
Mercer	2,101	2,082	-1
Middlesex	3,082	3,316	8
Monmouth	2,545	2,314	-9
Morris	263	236	-10
Ocean	678	617	-9
Passaic	5,279	5,198	-2
Salem	415	442	7
Somerset	533	448	-16
Sussex	0	0	0
Union	5,459	5,463	0
Warren	342	319	-7
New Jersey	51,333	51,525	0

Children Enrolled in Public School Kindergarten (Full Day and Half Day)

	2010-2011	2014-2015	% Change
Atlantic	3,152	3,055	-3
Bergen	8,217	8,965	9
Burlington	4,657	4,537	-3
Camden	5,814	5,793	0
Cape May	879	895	2
Cumberland	2,234	2,236	0
Essex	8,798	8,876	1
Gloucester	3,198	2,988	-7
Hudson	6,234	7,056	13
Hunterdon	1,194	1,142	-4
Mercer	3,124	4,171	34
Middlesex	7,996	8,181	2
Monmouth	6,349	6,134	-3
Morris	5,010	4,686	-6
Ocean	4,915	4,397	-11
Passaic	5,990	5,969	0
Salem	783	731	-7
Somerset	3,390	3,164	-7
Sussex	1,415	1,309	-7
Union	6,161	6,212	1
Warren	1,153	1,073	-7
New Jersey	90,663	91,570	1

5 Early Care and Education

Licensed Child Care Centers

	2011	2015	% Change
Atlantic	103	85	-17
Bergen	416	421	1
Burlington	153	137	-10
Camden	237	222	-6
Cape May	28	26	-7
Cumberland	69	57	-17
Essex	532	480	-10
Gloucester	129	124	-4
Hudson	302	317	5
Hunterdon	77	68	-12
Mercer	218	202	-7
Middlesex	317	309	-3
Monmouth	294	279	-5
Morris	269	244	-9
Ocean	162	145	-10
Passaic	239	233	-3
Salem	23	23	0
Somerset	181	170	-6
Sussex	75	67	-11
Union	286	278	-3
Warren	50	47	-6
New Jersey	4,160	3,934	-5

Capacity of Licensed Child Care Centers

	2011	2015	% Change
Atlantic	6,053	5,817	-4
Bergen	37,548	39,627	6
Burlington	13,261	12,655	-5
Camden	20,799	20,186	-3
Cape May	1,388	1,313	-5
Cumberland	7,541	6,806	-10
Essex	44,605	44,405	0
Gloucester	9,293	9,203	-1
Hudson	21,255	24,276	14
Hunterdon	6,959	6,353	-9
Mercer	19,707	19,052	-3
Middlesex	29,041	29,231	1
Monmouth	24,312	25,397	4
Morris	21,783	20,671	-5
Ocean	12,901	11,530	-11
Passaic	24,052	22,129	-8
Salem	1,479	1,537	4
Somerset	19,078	19,132	0
Sussex	4,396	3,805	-13
Union	24,169	24,228	0
Warren	2,893	2,732	-6
New Jersey	352,513	350,085	-1

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Young Children with Working Parents — 2014

	# Children 0 - 5 w/All Parents Working	% of Children 0 - 5 w/All Parents Working
Atlantic	14,809	76
Bergen	36,758	63
Burlington	19,383	69
Camden	29,426	79
Cape May	3,791	75
Cumberland	8,079	71
Essex	49,724	78
Gloucester	13,736	76
Hudson	33,788	65
Hunterdon	N/A	N/A
Mercer	16,058	64
Middlesex	38,663	66
Monmouth	23,228	60
Morris	19,951	64
Ocean	25,408	54
Passaic	22,720	56
Salem	2,528	65
Somerset	12,824	60
Sussex	4,745	60
Union	28,814	69
Warren	4,721	77
New Jersey	412,031	66

*Includes children in families where both parents work and children in single parent households where that parent works. Data not available for Hunterdon County due to small sample size.

Licensed Child Care Annual Costs — 2014

	Infant Care/Age 18 Months & Under		Preschooler Child Care	
	Avg. Full-Time Center-Based Annual Costs	As a % of Med. Income	Avg. Full-Time Center-Based Annual Costs	As a % Med. Income
Atlantic	\$9,776	18	\$8,666	16
Bergen	\$13,581	12	\$11,256	10
Burlington	\$12,471	12	\$9,935	10
Camden	\$10,357	14	\$8,719	12
Cape May	\$10,410	16	\$8,614	13
Cumberland	\$9,036	20	\$7,715	17
Essex	\$9,935	15	\$8,561	13
Gloucester	\$10,463	10	\$8,772	8
Hudson	\$9,142	17	\$7,874	15
Hunterdon	\$14,532	10	\$11,890	8
Mercer	\$14,162	15	\$11,361	12
Middlesex	\$12,841	13	\$10,357	11
Monmouth	\$12,418	10	\$9,882	8
Morris	\$15,377	11	\$11,573	8
Ocean	\$11,203	15	\$9,406	12
Passaic	\$11,309	20	\$9,300	16
Salem	\$9,459	12	\$8,138	11
Somerset	\$14,849	12	\$12,841	11
Sussex	\$11,520	11	\$9,723	10
Union	\$12,365	17	\$9,776	14
Warren	\$10,939	11	\$9,353	10
New Jersey	\$11,721	13	\$9,701	11

*Please note, 2014 figures are preliminary and are based upon 2013 cost of child care figures, adjusted for inflation using Bureau of Labor Statistics inflation calculator and 2014 median income US Census data.

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Registered Family Child Care Costs — 2014

	Infant Care/Age 18 Months & Under		Preschooler Child Care	
	Avg. Full-Time Child Care Annual Costs	As a % of Med. Income	Avg. Full-Time Child Care Annual Costs	As a % Med. Income
Atlantic	\$7,768	14	\$6,975	13
Bergen	\$9,987	9	\$8,825	8
Burlington	\$8,296	8	\$7,398	7
Camden	\$7,715	11	\$6,658	9
Cape May	\$8,772	14	\$8,244	13
Cumberland	\$8,614	19	\$7,345	16
Essex	\$7,715	12	\$7,345	11
Gloucester	\$8,349	8	\$7,292	7
Hudson	\$7,874	15	\$6,447	12
Hunterdon	\$12,154	8	\$11,837	8
Mercer	\$8,296	9	\$6,975	7
Middlesex	\$8,931	9	\$8,244	8
Monmouth	\$8,138	7	\$7,292	6
Morris	\$9,512	7	\$8,508	6
Ocean	\$10,252	13	\$8,983	12
Passaic	\$7,345	13	\$6,183	11
Salem	\$8,032	11	\$7,028	9
Somerset	\$11,784	10	\$11,467	10
Sussex	\$9,406	9	\$9,089	9
Union	\$8,349	12	\$7,134	10
Warren	\$8,349	9	\$6,975	7
New Jersey	\$8,840	10	\$7,916	9

**Please note, 2014 figures are preliminary and are based upon 2013 cost of child care figures and 2014 median income US Census data.*

% of Family Income Spent on Licensed Child Care for a Family with One Infant and One Preschooler, 2014

Atlantic	33
Bergen	23
Burlington	22
Camden	27
Cape May	30
Cumberland	38
Essex	29
Gloucester	18
Hudson	31
Hunterdon	18
Mercer	27
Middlesex	24
Monmouth	19
Morris	20
Ocean	27
Passaic	36
Salem	23
Somerset	23
Sussex	21
Union	31
Warren	21
New Jersey	24

**Please note, 2014 figures are preliminary and are based upon 2013 cost of child care figures, adjusted for inflation using Bureau of Labor Statistics inflation calculator and 2014 median income US Census data.*

Percentage of Students Enrolled in Special Education

	2010-2011	2014-2015	% Change
Atlantic	14	15	3
Bergen	14	15	4
Burlington	16	17	1
Camden	16	17	2
Cape May	19	19	0
Cumberland	16	17	4
Essex	14	14	2
Gloucester	16	16	6
Hudson	12	12	0
Hunterdon	16	16	5
Mercer	15	16	2
Middlesex	12	12	0
Monmouth	15	16	6
Morris	15	16	4
Ocean	16	17	5
Passaic	14	15	6
Salem	15	16	1
Somerset	15	15	3
Sussex	16	17	7
Union	12	13	3
Warren	16	16	0
New Jersey	14	15	3

3rd Grade English Language Arts PARCC Results (14-15)*

	% Met/Exceeded Expectations	# Valid Scores
Atlantic	38.63	2,896
Bergen	57.82	9,274
Burlington	42.26	4,680
Camden	37.16	5,621
Cape May	40.80	794
Cumberland	23.17	2,060
Essex	46.78	9,575
Gloucester	41.13	3,300
Hudson	40.28	6,064
Hunterdon	56.64	1,298
Mercer	48.17	4,107
Middlesex	49.35	8,931
Monmouth	49.69	6,683
Morris	58.64	5,134
Ocean	42.63	4,788
Passaic	40.50	6,157
Salem	40.18	688
Somerset	53.45	3,677
Sussex	44.17	1,310
Union	47.00	6,742
Warren	47.73	1,161
New Jersey	43.50	95,227

*Data from Beach Haven Boro, Roosevelt Boro, Avon Boro, Bloomsbury Boro, Califon Boro, Frenchtown Boro, Hampton Boro, Milford Boro, Stow Creek Twp, Greenwich Twp, West Cape May Boro, and Washington Twp suppressed to protect student confidentiality.

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3rd Grade Math PARCC Results (14-15)*

	% Met/Exceeded Expectations	# Valid Scores
Atlantic	40.99	2,980
Bergen	57.98	9,349
Burlington	42.68	4,687
Camden	37.28	5,630
Cape May	39.09	797
Cumberland	23.93	2,076
Essex	49.81	9,655
Gloucester	43.00	3,300
Hudson	42.92	6,193
Hunterdon	52.86	1,298
Mercer	52.27	4,143
Middlesex	50.39	9,033
Monmouth	48.53	6,697
Morris	59.32	5,163
Ocean	41.70	4,796
Passaic	38.27	6,233
Salem	42.33	699
Somerset	56.25	3,701
Sussex	45.16	1,312
Union	48.95	6,828
Warren	43.06	1,163
New Jersey	44.90	95,932

*Data from Washington TWP, West Cape May Boro, Greenwich Twp, Stow Creek Twp, Bloomsbury Boro, Califon Boro, Frenchtown Boro, Hampton Boro, Milford Boro, Avon Boro, Beach Haven Boro suppressed to protect student confidentiality.

7th Grade English Language Arts PARCC Results (14-15)*

	% Met/Exceeded Expectations	# Valid Scores
Atlantic	47.78	3,030
Bergen	65.69	9,131
Burlington	46.73	4,579
Camden	42.60	4,867
Cape May	55.56	784
Cumberland	34.82	1,819
Essex	53.94	5,612
Gloucester	42.57	2,995
Hudson	46.60	5,336
Hunterdon	66.63	1,507
Mercer	54.12	3,914
Middlesex	48.68	4,772
Monmouth	58.27	6,735
Morris	70.05	2,872
Ocean	47.84	4,351
Passaic	52.57	5,565
Salem	49.41	763
Somerset	62.35	3,720
Sussex	57.90	1,396
Union	51.87	6,169
Warren	56.71	1,171
New Jersey	51.60	90,227

*Data for Port Republic City, Stow Creek Twp, Greenwich Twp, Hampton Boro, Bloomsbury Boro suppressed to protect student confidentiality.

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7th Grade Math PARCC Results (14-15)*

	% Met/Exceeded Expectations	# Valid Scores
Atlantic	35.93	3,006
Bergen	49.53	8,794
Burlington	32.98	4,480
Camden	32.10	4,783
Cape May	35.69	781
Cumberland	20.58	1,798
Essex	37.02	8,212
Gloucester	29.49	2,861
Hudson	33.69	5,373
Hunterdon	46.32	1,392
Mercer	37.28	3,581
Middlesex	40.62	7,881
Monmouth	41.05	6,406
Morris	50.92	5,351
Ocean	37.26	4,223
Passaic	34.13	5,641
Salem	37.38	758
Somerset	46.05	1,671
Sussex	35.82	1,346
Union	34.89	5,913
Warren	38.31	1,175
New Jersey	36.80	87,300

*Data suppressed for Port Republic City, Stow Creek Twp, Greenwich Twp, Hampton Boro, Bloomsbury Boro suppressed to protect student confidentiality.

11th Grade English Language Arts PARCC Results (14-15)*

	% Met/Exceeded Expectations	# Valid Scores
Atlantic	31.38	3,085
Bergen	53.01	6,501
Burlington	33.51	3,255
Camden	31.43	2,730
Cape May	30.78	675
Cumberland	34.55	1,173
Essex	37.87	4,656
Gloucester	31.37	2,121
Hudson	38.76	3,758
Hunterdon	48.78	1,350
Mercer	51.35	2,539
Middlesex	41.08	5,499
Monmouth	40.72	4,512
Morris	52.18	3,407
Ocean	38.56	2,932
Passaic	32.59	4,220
Salem	51.50	495
Somerset	46.72	2,929
Sussex	34.66	1,213
Union	43.44	4,452
Warren	51.53	822
New Jersey	41.00	61,768

*Data for Cumberland County Vocational School District suppressed to protect student confidentiality.

6 School Children

Algebra I All Grades (14-15)*

	% Met/Exceeded Expectations	# Valid Scores
Atlantic	47.44	2,929
Bergen	56.48	8,912
Burlington	52.05	4,782
Camden	42.39	4,718
Cape May	38.86	770
Cumberland	43.26	1,784
Essex	36.20	7,408
Gloucester	37.18	3,237
Hudson	28.58	5,407
Hunterdon	75.00	1,864
Mercer	45.95	3,959
Middlesex	39.62	8,674
Monmouth	55.82	6,274
Morris	63.82	5,373
Ocean	28.03	4,298
Passaic	47.66	6,158
Salem	35.60	772
Somerset	50.44	3,894
Sussex	38.50	1,549
Union	36.31	7,076
Warren	49.91	1,141
New Jersey	36.00	91,740

*Data for Weymouth Twp, Mullica Twp, Margate City, Absecon City, South Hackensack Twp, Carlstadt Boro, Alpine Boro, Woodland Twp, Delanco Twp, Lawnside Boro, Stow Creek Twp, Greenwich Twp, Commercial Twp, Milford Boro, Frenchtown Boro, Bloomsbury Boro, Califon Boro, Red Bank Charter School, Sea Girt Boro, Farmingdale Boro, Deal Boro, Avon Boro, Unity Charter School, Lakehurst Boro, Bayhead Boro, Prospect Park Boro, Lafayette Twp, Hardystown Twp, and Harmony Twp suppressed to protect student confidentiality.

Geometry All Grades (14-15)*

	% Met/Exceeded Expectations	# Valid Scores
Atlantic	17.64	2,269
Bergen	33.44	7,106
Burlington	19.16	3,237
Camden	15.83	3,558
Cape May	24.00	632
Cumberland	10.90	1,204
Essex	22.64	5,122
Gloucester	16.28	2,231
Hudson	10.86	4,422
Hunterdon	34.45	1,364
Mercer	30.49	2,872
Middlesex	24.78	7,577
Monmouth	36.24	5,581
Morris	38.07	4,006
Ocean	19.36	3,247
Passaic	12.74	4,675
Salem	12.22	494
Somerset	45.76	3,532
Sussex	19.05	1,351
Union	26.05	5,458
Warren	18.28	825
New Jersey	22.40	71,137

*Data for Linwood City, Old Tappan Boro, Montvale Boro, Haworth Boro, Hillsdale Boro, Allendale Boro, Tabernacle Twp, Medford Twp, Lumberton Twp, Oaklyn Boro, City of Orange Twp, Woodbury City, Tewksbury Twp, Lebanon Twp, Kingwood Twp, Clinton Town, Bethlehem Twp, Academy Charter High School, Tinton Falls, Spring Lake Heights Boro, Little Silver Boro, Freehold Twp, Rockaway Boro, Mendham Twp, Denville Twp, Ringwood Boro, Watchung Boro suppressed to protect student confidentiality.

6 School Children

Algebra II All Grades (14-15)*

	% Met/Exceeded Expectations	# Valid Scores
Atlantic	13.66	2,087
Bergen	31.93	5,965
Burlington	16.55	3,008
Camden	16.54	2,690
Cape May	17.56	555
Cumberland	10.05	853
Essex	23.72	4,766
Gloucester	14.52	1,843
Hudson	11.43	3,469
Hunterdon	46.46	229
Mercer	35.04	2,414
Middlesex	25.07	5,402
Monmouth	20.53	4,174
Morris	32.65	3,370
Ocean	17.17	2,578
Passaic	14.19	3,747
Salem	9.47	512
Somerset	32.04	3,110
Sussex	26.13	927
Union	22.17	4,521
Warren	20.72	636
New Jersey	23.90	58,026

*Data for Wyckoff Twp, Montvale Boro, Franklin Lakes Boro, Woodbury City, Delaware Twp, Flemington-Raritan Regional, Colts Neck Twp, Mendham Twp, Branchburg Twp, Mountainside Boro suppressed to protect student confidentiality.

2013-2014 New Jersey Chronic Absenteeism

	Total # of Students Chronically Absent	% of Students Chronically Absent
Atlantic	5,742	13
Bergen	8,084	6
Burlington	6,036	9
Camden	9,556	12
Cape May	1,321	13
Cumberland	3,769	15
Essex	13,375	14
Gloucester	3,216	8
Hudson	9,310	12
Hunterdon	761	4
Mercer	6,845	12
Middlesex	8,775	7
Monmouth	9,206	9
Morris	4,266	6
Ocean	8,483	13
Passaic	10,576	13
Salem	1,231	12
Somerset	2,691	5
Sussex	2,150	10
Union	8,579	10
Warren	1,069	8
New Jersey	125,040	10

7 Teens and Young Adults

Percentage of Births to Females 10-19

	2008	2012	% Change
Atlantic	9.3	8.1	-14
Bergen	2.0	1.7	-18
Burlington	4.8	3.7	-22
Camden	9.4	7.8	-17
Cape May	10.3	7.0	-31
Cumberland	15.5	10.7	-31
Essex	9.1	6.8	-25
Gloucester	5.4	4.3	-20
Hudson	7.2	4.4	-39
Hunterdon	2.0	1.8	-9
Mercer	8.2	5.6	-32
Middlesex	4.4	3.8	-14
Monmouth	4.5	2.9	-36
Morris	2.0	1.5	-25
Ocean	4.1	2.9	-29
Passaic	9.6	7.3	-24
Salem	14.7	7.4	-50
Somerset	3.1	2.2	-28
Sussex	2.9	2.9	0
Union	6.2	4.7	-25
Warren	4.1	3.7	-9
New Jersey	6.2	4.6	-26

Juvenile Arrests

	2009	2013	% Change
Atlantic	2,156	1,036	-52
Bergen	3,581	1,982	-45
Burlington	2,143	1,449	-32
Camden	7,271	2,612	-64
Cape May	842	540	-36
Cumberland	1,457	865	-41
Essex	3,977	2,622	-34
Gloucester	1,492	775	-48
Hudson	2,413	1,318	-45
Hunterdon	344	173	-50
Mercer	3,601	1,621	-55
Middlesex	2,781	1,163	-58
Monmouth	3,921	1,519	-61
Morris	1,754	904	-48
Ocean	2,096	1,034	-51
Passaic	3,153	2,184	-31
Salem	578	370	-36
Somerset	1,695	735	-57
Sussex	566	199	-65
Union	2,439	1,232	-51
Warren	368	221	-40
New Jersey	48,628	24,554	-50

7 Teens and Young Adults

Juvenile Commitments to State Detention Centers

	2010	2014	% Change
Atlantic	28	20	-29
Bergen	15	7	-53
Burlington	6	11	83
Camden	116	69	-41
Cape May	1	7	600
Cumberland	20	9	-55
Essex	41	32	-22
Gloucester	11	6	-45
Hudson	54	11	-80
Hunterdon	1	0	-100
Mercer	28	27	-4
Middlesex	38	21	-45
Monmouth	26	4	-85
Morris	6	5	-17
Ocean	15	10	-33
Passaic	46	14	-70
Salem	1	0	-100
Somerset	4	2	-50
Sussex	0	1	n/a
Union	26	18	-31
Warren	2	0	-100
New Jersey	485	274	-44

Average Daily Juvenile Population in County Detention as % of Approved Capacity

	2010	2014	% Change
Atlantic	72	65	-9
Bergen	19	47	147
Burlington	68	64	-6
Camden	80	85	6
Cape May	0	0	N/A
Cumberland	72	27	-62
Essex	59	43	-27
Gloucester	0	0	N/A
Hudson	50	39	-23
Hunterdon	0	0	N/A
Mercer	39	0	N/A
Middlesex	56	55	-3
Monmouth	28	0	N/A
Morris	44	31	-30
Ocean	68	40	-41
Passaic	0	0	N/A
Salem	0	0	N/A
Somerset	0	0	N/A
Sussex	0	0	N/A
Union	50	41	-18
Warren	0	0	N/A
New Jersey	55	47	-14

1 Demographics

Total Population, 2010, 2014. As reported by the US Census Bureau, Population Division, Population Estimates Program. Data are as of July 1 for each year.

Child Population, 2010, 2014. As reported by the US Census Bureau, Population Division, Population Estimates Program and are as of July 1.

2 Child and Family Economics

Children Living Below the Poverty Line, 2010, 2014. The percentage of children under 18 living in families earning below 100 percent of the federal poverty line, as reported by the US Census Bureau, American Community Survey, chart C17001.

Median Income of Families with Children, 2010, 2014. Includes families with children, as reported by the US Census Bureau, American Community Survey chart B19125.

Percentage Unemployed, 2011, 2015. As reported by the US Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Local Area Unemployment Statistics. Data are not seasonally adjusted and are as of December for each year.

Percentage of Households Spending More Than 30% Percent of Income on Rent, 2010, 2014. As reported by the US Census Bureau, American Community Survey chart B25070.

Children Receiving Welfare (TANF), 2011, 2015. As reported by the NJ Department of Human Services, Division of Family Development. The number of children living in families receiving Temporary Aid for Needy Families (TANF). Data are from June of each year.

Children Receiving NJ SNAP (formerly Food Stamps), 2011, 2015. As reported by the NJ Department of Human Services, Division of Family Development. Data are from June of each year.

Number of Children Receiving Free or Reduced Price School Breakfast, 2010 11, 2015 16. As reported by the NJ Department of Agriculture. Includes children attending traditional public schools and charter schools. Data are as of October of each year.

Percentage of Eligible Children Receiving Free/Reduced Price School Breakfast, 2010 11, 2015 16. Rates calculated using eligibility data from the NJ Department of Education and participation data from the NJ Department of Agriculture. Includes children attending traditional public schools and charter schools. Please note that the 2015 16 percent of eligible students receiving free and reduced price meals are based upon the most recent eligibility data as of October 2014, while the number of students receiving free and reduced price meals is as of October 2015. Cumberland county eligibility data as of 2013 14 school year. Some variation in eligibility may occur.

Number of Children Receiving Free or Reduced Price School Lunch, 2010 11, 2015 16. As reported by the NJ Department of Agriculture. Includes children attending traditional public schools and charter schools. Data are as of October of each year.

Percentage of Eligible Children Receiving Free/Reduced Price School Lunch, 2010 11, 2015 16. Rates calculated using eligibility data from the NJ Department of Education and participation data from the NJ Department of Agriculture. Includes children attending traditional public schools and charter schools. Please note that the 2015 16 percent of eligible students receiving free and reduced price meals are based upon the most recent eligibility data as of October 2014, while the number of students receiving free and reduced price meals is as of October 2015. Cumberland county eligibility data as of 2013 14 school year. Some variation in eligibility may occur.

NJ Earned Income Tax Credits, Recipients with at Least 1 Dependent Under Age 19 2013, 2014. Number of New Jersey taxpayers with at least one dependent under the age of 19 receiving a state EITC credit, total amount of EITC credits issued and average credit amount, as reported by the NJ Department of Treasury. Data prior to 2012 are not available.

Federal Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) Claims, 2010, 2014. Number of New Jersey taxpayers claiming a federal EITC, as reported by the US Internal Revenue Service.

3 Child Health

Number of Infant Deaths, 2008, 2012. Counts infants who die within the first year of life. As reported by the NJ Department of Health and Senior Services, Center for Health Statistics, New Jersey State Health Assessment Data. For 2012, Salem County reported 0 infant deaths.

Percentage of Babies Born with Low Birth Weight, 2008, 2012. The percentage of babies weighing less than 2,500 grams, as reported by the NJ Department of Health and Senior Services, Center for Health Statistics, New Jersey State Health Assessment Data.

Percentage of Women Receiving Early Prenatal Care, 2008, 2012 Percentage of live births for which the mother received prenatal care during the first trimester, as reported by the NJ Department of Health and Senior Services, Center for Health Statistics, New Jersey State Health Assessment Data.

Children Receiving NJ FamilyCare/Medicaid, 2011, 2015. As reported by the NJ Department of Human Services as of March of each year. Includes children enrolled in Medicaid, which is available to children living in families earning below 133% of the federal poverty level and children enrolled in the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP) portion of NJ FamilyCare, which is available to children living in families earning between 134% and 350% of the federal poverty level.

Children Under 18 Without Health Insurance, 2010, 2014. Number and percentage of uninsured children. As reported by the US Census Bureau, American Community Survey chart B27001. Data prior to 2009 are not available by county.

4 Child Protection

Child Abuse/Neglect Investigations, Number of Children, 2010, 2014. Children who were investigated for suspected abuse or neglect to the New Jersey Department of Children and Families.

Child Abuse/Neglect Substantiation/Established Number, Rate, 2010, 2014. As reported by the NJ Department of Children and Families. In 2013, the NJ Department of Children and Families added two possible findings of child abuse neglect investigations – established and not established. Previously, investigators could only determine whether reported abuse/neglect was substantiated or unfounded. The 2014 statistics in this chart represent investigations in which the investigator determined that the reported abuse/neglect was “substantiated” or “established, meaning abuse or neglect did occur.

Number of Children in Out of Home Placements, 2011, 2015. Includes children under age 18 in all placements, including foster care, relative care, group homes, residential treatment and institutions, as reported by the NJ Department of Children and Families. 2015 Data as of December 30.

5 Early Care and Education

Children Enrolled in Public Preschool, 2010 2011, 2014 2015. Number of students enrolled in half- and full day NJ Department of Education programs, operated both in district and in community centers, as reported by the NJ Department of Education. Excludes children enrolled in Head Start or other federally funded programs that do not receive any state aid.

Children Enrolled in Public School Kindergarten (Full Day and Half Day), 2010 11, 2014 15. The number of students enrolled in half- and full day public kindergarten, as reported by the NJ Department of Education, October enrollment counts of each year. Includes children enrolled in traditional public schools as well as charter schools.

Percentage of Public Kindergarten Children Enrolled in Full Day Program, 2010 11, 2014 15. The percentage of public kindergarten children enrolled in a full day kindergarten program. Includes children attending traditional public schools as well as charter schools. As reported by the NJ Department of Education, October enrollment counts of each year.

Licensed Child Care Centers, 2011, 2015. The number of state licensed child care centers as reported by the NJ Department of Children and Families.

Capacity of Licensed Child Care Centers, 2011, 2015. The capacity of state licensed child care centers as reported by the NJ Department of Children and Families.

Young Children with Working Parents, 2014. Includes children in families where both parents work and children in single parent households where that parent works. Data not available for Hunterdon County due to small sample size. As reported by the US Census Bureau, American Community Survey, chart b23008.

Data Sources and Technical Notes

Licensed Child Care Costs, 2014. Median income data are as reported by the US Census Bureau, American Community Survey, chart B19125, and are as of 2014. Cost data are as reported by the NJ Association of Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies (NJACCRRRA), *The State of Child Care in New Jersey: A Profile of Key Child Care Indicators 2013* and are adjusted for inflation using BLS inflation calculator. Percentage data are preliminary.

Registered Family Child Care Costs, 2014. Median income data are as reported by the US Census Bureau, American Community Survey, chart B19125, and are as of 2014. Cost data are as reported by the NJ Association of Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies (NJACCRRRA), *The State of Child Care in New Jersey: A Profile of Key Child Care Indicators 2013* and are adjusted for inflation using BLS inflation calculator. Percentage data are preliminary.

Percentage of Family Income Spent on Licensed Child Care for a Family with One Infant and One Preschooler, 2014.

Median income data are as reported by the US Census Bureau, American Community Survey, chart B19125, and are as of 2014. Cost data are as reported by the NJ Association of Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies (NJACCRRRA), *The State of Child Care in New Jersey: A Profile of Key Child Care Indicators 2013* and are adjusted for inflation using BLS inflation calculator. Percentage calculated based upon the average annual cost for a family with both an infant and a preschooler in licensed child care, and the median income for families for each county. Percentage data are preliminary.

6 School Children

Percentage of Students Enrolled in Special Education, 2010 11, 2014 15. The percentage of students ages 6 – 21 enrolled in special education. Includes traditional public schools as well as charter schools. As reported by the NJ Department of Education, Special Education Data.

Percentage of Children Passing 3rd Grade PARCC Tests, 2014 15. As reported by the NJ Department of Education. Includes children enrolled in traditional public schools as well as charter schools. Scores for 2014 15 incomparable to previous test years due to inaugural year of PARCC exams.

Percentage of Children Passing 4th Grade PARCC Tests, 2014 15. As reported by the NJ Department of Education. Includes children enrolled in traditional public schools as well as charter schools. Scores for 2014 15 incomparable to previous test years due to inaugural year of PARCC exams.

Percentage of Children Passing 7th Grade PARCC Tests, 2014 15. As reported by the NJ Department of Education. Includes children enrolled in traditional public schools as well as charter schools. Scores for 2014 15 incomparable to previous test years due to inaugural year of PARCC exams.

Percentage of Children Passing 11th Grade English Language Arts PARCC Tests, 2014 15. As reported by the NJ Department of Education. Includes children enrolled in traditional public schools as well as charter schools. Scores for 2014 15 incomparable to previous test years due to inaugural year of PARCC exams.

Percentage of Children Passing Algebra 1, Geometry, and Algebra 2 PARCC Tests, 2014 15. As reported by the NJ Department of Education. Includes children enrolled in traditional public schools as well as charter schools. Scores for 2014 15 incomparable to previous test years due to inaugural year of PARCC exams.

Number and Percentage of Chronically Absent Students, 2013 14. As reported by the New Jersey Department of Education. Data as of October 2014 and include students K 12. Data for certain districts incomplete or unavailable.

7 Teens and Young Adults

Percentage of Births to Girls 10 19, 2008, 2012. The percent age of babies born to girls ages 10 19 as a percentage of all births in each county, as reported by the NJ Department of Health and Senior Services, Center for Health Statistics, New Jersey State Health Assessment Data.

Juvenile Arrests, 2009, 2013. Number of juveniles under 18 arrested, as reported by the NJ Department of Law and Public Safety, Division of State Police, Uniform Crime Reports. Please note that updated 2013 data were not available at the time of release of this report.

Juvenile Commitments, 2010, 2014. Children committed to Juvenile Justice Facilities. As reported by the NJ Juvenile Justice Commission.

Average Daily Population in Detention as % of Approved Capacity, 2010, 2014. As reported by the NJ Juvenile Justice Commission, Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative Report for each year.

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