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# New Jersey Kids Count 2023

The State of Our Counties

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# Good Data Drives Smart Decisions

The goal of Advocates for Children of New Jersey's (ACNJ) Kids Count Project is to provide a snapshot of child well-being to policymakers, advocates, grant-makers, and the public to help inform critical decisions for children and families. Effective, relevant data promotes information-driven change from policymakers. Service providers use the data to improve their response to emerging child-related issues in their communities and cities. Grant writers use the data to write proposals and solicit support for programs that help children and families. Concerned residents become better, more informed advocates, using the data to identify and address problems facing children and families in their community.

As the state returns to a new normal after COVID-19, new data regarding children and families are emerging, providing an initial view of the impact of the virus and the statewide shutdown. Though it will be a long time before we can determine the true effect the pandemic has had on the physical and mental health, educational opportunities, and overall stability of children, youth, and families, the New Jersey County Pocket Guide 2023 can offer a baseline to start.

When using the data in this guide, please take into account that some percentages and numbers are based on estimates. Smaller geographies like cities and counties sometimes result in suppressed data or significant margins of error. Additionally, certain indicators represent different points in time such as school years, fiscal years, or calendar years. Many of the data presented are the most recent one-year data instead of five-year data trends as reported in previous County Pocket Guides, as it is difficult to compare pre- and post-pandemic data. Please review the data sources listed at the end of the guide for further information on individual indicators.

# 1 Demographics

## Total Population

2021

Atlantic	274,966
Bergen	953,819
Burlington	464,269
Camden	523,771
Cape May	95,661
Cumberland	153,627
Essex	854,917
Gloucester	304,477
Hudson	702,463
Hunterdon	129,924
Mercer	385,898
Middlesex	860,807
Monmouth	645,354
Morris	510,981
Ocean	648,998
Passaic	518,117
Salem	65,046
Somerset	345,647
Sussex	145,543
Union	572,114
Warren	110,731
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>9,267,130</b>

## Child Population Under Age 18

2021

Atlantic	57,527
Bergen	200,450
Burlington	95,674
Camden	118,921
Cape May	16,529
Cumberland	37,252
Essex	202,467
Gloucester	65,563
Hudson	143,110
Hunterdon	24,433
Mercer	82,001
Middlesex	185,765
Monmouth	133,923
Morris	105,047
Ocean	160,695
Passaic	122,623
Salem	14,177
Somerset	73,586
Sussex	28,107
Union	134,052
Warren	21,226
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>2,023,128</b>

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## Population Under Age 20

2021

	American Indian and Alaska Native, non-Hispanic	Asian, non-Hispanic	Black or African American, non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander, non-Hispanic	White, non-Hispanic	Two or More Races, non-Hispanic	TOTAL
Atlantic	138	4,897	10,457	19,563	32	26,327	2,870	64,284
Bergen	301	36,945	11,657	59,315	42	106,462	7,246	221,968
Burlington	201	6,522	18,281	14,115	72	60,232	5,927	105,350
Camden	203	7,512	26,102	35,617	51	55,314	5,381	130,180
Cape May	42	170	853	3,280	<10	13,151	808	18,309
Cumberland	175	461	7,214	19,220	25	11,974	1,595	40,664
Essex	460	13,000	83,306	65,993	79	53,772	6,383	222,993
Gloucester	80	2,290	8,441	8,210	49	50,151	3,425	72,646
Hudson	391	21,427	18,619	77,336	117	33,832	4,502	156,224
Hunterdon	23	1,456	718	3,356	54	20,818	878	27,303
Mercer	193	12,541	19,182	26,715	88	33,373	3,546	95,638
Middlesex	711	58,612	21,001	62,984	85	60,983	6,221	210,597
Monmouth	150	8,393	10,132	26,630	53	99,152	4,651	149,161
Morris	150	14,261	4,088	21,350	49	73,484	4,318	117,700
Ocean	95	2,782	5,690	23,274	41	137,931	3,886	173,699
Passaic	231	6,977	13,094	71,350	39	42,683	2,627	137,001
Salem	46	129	2,548	2,722	13	9,299	743	15,500
Somerset	192	18,501	7,986	17,244	41	34,427	3,082	81,473
Sussex	38	706	893	4,576	<10	23,923	1,027	31,169
Union	201	8,189	28,380	59,326	58	47,306	3,846	147,306
Warren	26	717	1,869	4,113	<10	16,121	908	23,759
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>4,047</b>	<b>226,488</b>	<b>300,511</b>	<b>626,289</b>	<b>1,004</b>	<b>1,010,715</b>	<b>73,870</b>	<b>2,242,924</b>

# 1 Demographics

## Population Under Age 5

2021

	American Indian and Alaska Native, non-Hispanic	Asian, non-Hispanic	Black or African American, non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander, non-Hispanic	White, non-Hispanic	Two or More Races, non-Hispanic	TOTAL
Atlantic	28	931	2,365	4,717	11	5,438	733	14,223
Bergen	81	8,360	2,565	13,685	18	21,395	1,791	47,895
Burlington	47	1,529	3,969	3,490	19	12,505	1,519	23,078
Camden	40	1,623	5,917	8,997	11	12,863	1,479	30,930
Cape May	10	30	196	840	<10	2,825	171	4,074
Cumberland	30	117	1,609	4,610	<10	2,607	402	9,381
Essex	87	2,898	19,955	17,205	30	11,697	1,725	53,597
Gloucester	20	457	1,786	1,972	12	10,300	811	15,358
Hudson	113	8,868	4,713	18,815	49	11,305	1,685	45,548
Hunterdon	<10	286	158	823	<10	4,028	195	5,505
Mercer	32	2,338	4,244	7,224	22	6,204	818	20,882
Middlesex	118	12,815	4,470	15,143	30	12,227	1,617	46,420
Monmouth	32	1,458	2,248	6,268	12	20,253	1,122	31,393
Morris	36	3,152	870	5,083	15	14,649	970	24,775
Ocean	27	643	1,485	5,495	16	37,619	1,121	46,406
Passaic	45	1,776	2,991	17,854	13	9,377	708	32,764
Salem	11	26	592	659	<10	1,938	208	3,437
Somerset	30	3,598	1,627	4,181	11	6,636	679	16,762
Sussex	11	140	177	1,041	<10	5,076	238	6,683
Union	43	2,049	6,254	15,573	24	10,039	928	34,910
Warren	<10	134	370	977	<10	3,481	205	5,174
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>854</b>	<b>53,228</b>	<b>68,561</b>	<b>154,652</b>	<b>313</b>	<b>222,462</b>	<b>19,125</b>	<b>519,195</b>

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## Languages Spoken in the Home by Percentage of Population 5 and Older

2021

	Only Speaks English	Speaks a Language Other Than English
Atlantic	75%	25%
Bergen	59%	41%
Burlington	87%	13%
Camden	80%	20%
Cape May	N	N
Cumberland	74%	26%
Essex	63%	37%
Gloucester	90%	10%
Hudson	44%	56%
Hunterdon	87%	14%
Mercer	71%	29%
Middlesex	53%	47%
Monmouth	83%	17%
Morris	75%	25%
Ocean	88%	12%
Passaic	52%	48%
Salem	N	N
Somerset	66%	35%
Sussex	88%	12%
Union	54%	46%
Warren	85%	15%
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>68%</b>	<b>32%</b>

*N indicates data not available.*

*Percentages may add to more than 100% due to being estimates.*

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## Percentage of Households with Children by Type

2021

	Married -Couple	Cohabiting Couple	Male Householder, No Spouse/Partner	Female Householder, No Spouse/Partner
Atlantic	63%	10%	8%	19%
Bergen	80%	5%	2%	13%
Burlington	74%	8%	3%	15%
Camden	64%	11%	4%	21%
Cape May	76%	7%	4%	13%
Cumberland	63%	17%	5%	15%
Essex	61%	8%	5%	27%
Gloucester	73%	11%	2%	14%
Hudson	66%	11%	3%	21%
Hunterdon	81%	5%	5%	9%
Mercer	74%	6%	4%	16%
Middlesex	76%	9%	2%	13%
Monmouth	78%	4%	3%	15%
Morris	86%	5%	3%	5%
Ocean	83%	6%	2%	9%
Passaic	62%	13%	2%	23%
Salem	59%	12%	2%	27%
Somerset	87%	2%	2%	9%
Sussex	80%	4%	2%	14%
Union	70%	9%	2%	19%
Warren	68%	11%	2%	19%
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>73%</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>16%</b>



# 2 Family Economic Security

## How is Poverty Defined?

Since 1965, the federal government has used the poverty threshold to determine the number of individuals living in poverty within the United States. The measure is based on the cost of a basic food diet and adjusted for inflation and family size. The same poverty threshold is used for the entire nation and does not account for the higher cost of living in certain states like New Jersey, where 200% of the poverty threshold, or an annual income of roughly \$55,000 for a family of four, is more reflective of the families struggling to make ends meet. While the poverty threshold is produced by the U.S. Census Bureau, federal poverty guidelines — used to determine eligibility for certain federal programs — are released by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and are based on the U.S. Census Bureau's thresholds.

## Federal Poverty Thresholds for a Family of Four

	2021
50%	\$13,740
100%	\$27,479
200%	\$54,958

## Children Living Below the Federal Poverty Level

	2021	
	Number	%
Atlantic	14,038	25%
Bergen	20,313	10%
Burlington	10,919	12%
Camden	19,886	17%
Cape May	1,075	7%
Cumberland	6,909	19%
Essex	39,993	20%
Gloucester	6,596	10%
Hudson	33,032	23%
Hunterdon	534	2%
Mercer	7,641	9%
Middlesex	16,479	9%
Monmouth	11,814	9%
Morris	6,718	6%
Ocean	34,401	22%
Passaic	25,922	21%
Salem	3,116	22%
Somerset	4,229	6%
Sussex	2,204	8%
Union	15,545	12%
Warren	2,786	13%
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>284,150</b>	<b>14%</b>

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### What is the New Jersey Earned Income Tax Credit?

Tax credits are a vital economic support for many low-income working families and an advantage to New Jersey businesses, as many of these dollars are spent in the communities where these families live. The New Jersey State Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) rewards work and increases take-home pay for families by lowering the amount of taxes owed and, in some instances, providing a refund.

### N.J. EITC, Recipients with at Least 1 Dependent Under Age 19\*

2021

	# Credits Issued	Avg. Credit Amount
Atlantic	14,658	\$1,170
Bergen	18,272	\$1,096
Burlington	11,358	\$1,036
Camden	23,126	\$1,132
Cape May	3,023	\$1,135
Cumberland	8,777	\$1,135
Essex	40,179	\$1,145
Gloucester	8,055	\$1,071
Hudson	29,544	\$1,195
Hunterdon	1,398	\$1,086
Mercer	13,331	\$1,132
Middlesex	24,572	\$1,101
Monmouth	11,356	\$1,106
Morris	6,243	\$1,062
Ocean	18,213	\$1,240
Passaic	28,794	\$1,186
Salem	2,607	\$1,113
Somerset	5,205	\$1,081
Sussex	2,951	\$1,019
Union	20,580	\$1,109
Warren	2,935	\$1,100
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>295,567</b>	<b>\$1,137</b>

\*Please note that counties may not add up to N.J. total due to a number of credits where the county of residence was unknown.

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### Federal Earned Income Tax Credit\* (EITC)

2020

	# Credits Issued	Avg. Credit Amount
Atlantic	24,610	\$2,201
Bergen	44,810	\$1,856
Burlington	23,200	\$1,947
Camden	41,400	\$2,242
Cape May	6,110	\$2,006
Cumberland	13,980	\$2,328
Essex	76,930	\$2,309
Gloucester	15,360	\$2,002
Hudson	59,130	\$2,193
Hunterdon	3,520	\$1,548
Mercer	24,570	\$2,197
Middlesex	48,700	\$2,055
Monmouth	26,190	\$1,839
Morris	15,780	\$1,719
Ocean	33,400	\$2,371
Passaic	51,970	\$2,360
Salem	4,830	\$2,174
Somerset	12,740	\$1,905
Sussex	5,880	\$1,719
Union	41,430	\$2,162
Warren	5,580	\$2,007
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>580,090</b>	<b>\$2,138</b>

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## Family Economic Security

## Unemployment Rate

	2021
Atlantic	9.5
Bergen	6.0
Burlington	5.3
Camden	6.8
Cape May	8.9
Cumberland	7.7
Essex	8.0
Gloucester	6.0
Hudson	6.8
Hunterdon	4.6
Mercer	5.2
Middlesex	5.7
Monmouth	5.5
Morris	5.0
Ocean	6.0
Passaic	8.4
Salem	7.3
Somerset	5.1
Sussex	5.9
Union	6.7
Warren	5.5
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>6.6</b>

## Median Family Income with Children Under 18

	2021
Atlantic	\$83,255
Bergen	\$144,655
Burlington	\$116,398
Camden	\$97,798
Cape May	\$82,574
Cumberland	\$59,325
Essex	\$80,220
Gloucester	\$124,982
Hudson	\$76,725
Hunterdon	\$158,504
Mercer	\$120,605
Middlesex	\$114,977
Monmouth	\$153,841
Morris	\$165,800
Ocean	\$99,663
Passaic	\$74,231
Salem	\$71,761
Somerset	\$165,509
Sussex	\$132,143
Union	\$100,910
Warren	\$102,881
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>\$111,913</b>

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### Percentage of Households Spending 30% or More of Income on Rent

2021

Atlantic	50%
Bergen	49%
Burlington	48%
Camden	51%
Cape May	51%
Cumberland	53%
Essex	53%
Gloucester	47%
Hudson	44%
Hunterdon	44%
Mercer	47%
Middlesex	44%
Monmouth	54%
Morris	43%
Ocean	55%
Passaic	55%
Salem	51%
Somerset	45%
Sussex	46%
Union	48%
Warren	56%
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>49%</b>

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## Number of Children Participating in TANF

	2022
Atlantic	1,282
Bergen	477
Burlington	648
Camden	2,807
Cape May	140
Cumberland	594
Essex	2,323
Gloucester	503
Hudson	2,985
Hunterdon	74
Mercer	1,297
Middlesex	1,044
Monmouth	410
Morris	154
Ocean	658
Passaic	2,204
Salem	291
Somerset	359
Sussex	46
Union	1,015
Warren	154
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>19,465</b>

## Estimated Food Insecure Child Population

	#	2020 Rate
Atlantic	13,680	24.3%
Bergen	14,940	7.6%
Burlington	9,060	9.7%
Camden	19,100	16.6%
Cape May	2,780	17.1%
Cumberland	7,380	20.5%
Essex	41,980	22.1%
Gloucester	5,910	9.3%
Hudson	24,940	18.2%
Hunterdon	450	1.9%
Mercer	9,380	11.9%
Middlesex	18,360	10.2%
Monmouth	9,170	7.0%
Morris	4,160	4.0%
Ocean	17,260	11.9%
Passaic	22,770	19.0%
Salem	2,380	17.6%
Somerset	3,340	4.6%
Sussex	2,040	7.3%
Union	17,500	13.4%
Warren	1,890	9.1%
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>175,830</b>	<b>9.0%</b>

*Please note that these are estimated numbers of food insecure children based on other indicators such as poverty, median income, unemployment, homeownership, etc., so county numbers may not add up to the state total.*

## Number of Children Participating in SNAP

2022

Atlantic	15,958
Bergen	12,413
Burlington	8,365
Camden	33,388
Cape May	3,118
Cumberland	12,987
Essex	55,679
Gloucester	6,539
Hudson	43,429
Hunterdon	1,140
Mercer	15,368
Middlesex	23,222
Monmouth	11,976
Morris	4,721
Ocean	31,367
Passaic	39,137
Salem	3,706
Somerset	4,226
Sussex	1,457
Union	20,230
Warren	2,952
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>351,378</b>

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### WIC Enrollment and Participation

	2022		
	Enrolled	Participating	% Participating
Atlantic	4,999	4,055	81%
Bergen	7,966	6,855	86%
Burlington	4,079	3,393	83%
Camden	9,824	8,242	84%
Cape May	1,009	801	79%
Cumberland	4,196	3,394	81%
Essex	22,275	19,226	86%
Gloucester	3,146	2,562	81%
Hudson	18,208	16,998	93%
Hunterdon	411	354	86%
Mercer	8,140	6,725	83%
Middlesex	14,305	13,437	94%
Monmouth	6,725	6,353	94%
Morris	2,956	2,439	83%
Ocean	25,370	23,929	94%
Passaic	16,872	15,049	89%
Salem	961	753	78%
Somerset	2,999	2,716	91%
Sussex	767	696	91%
Union	12,083	10,801	89%
Warren	1,167	990	85%
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>168,458</b>	<b>149,768</b>	<b>89%</b>



## 2 Family Economic Security

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

October 2022

	Average Daily Participation (ADP) Reduced	ADP Free	Total
Atlantic	1,008	8,482	9,490
Bergen	935	4,372	5,307
Burlington	974	3,663	4,637
Camden	1,228	14,873	16,101
Cape May	182	1,517	1,699
Cumberland	749	9,807	10,556
Essex	2,419	28,995	31,414
Gloucester	465	3,442	3,907
Hudson	1,946	21,763	23,709
Hunterdon	21	159	180
Mercer	445	7,107	7,552
Middlesex	2,022	13,820	15,842
Monmouth	643	4,968	5,611
Morris	474	1,787	2,261
Ocean	944	6,405	7,349
Passaic	379	23,897	24,276
Salem	184	1,882	2,066
Somerset	577	2,736	3,313
Sussex	108	558	666
Union	2,071	12,744	14,815
Warren	180	1,120	1,300
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>17,954</b>	<b>174,097</b>	<b>192,051</b>

Note: ADP stands for Average Daily Participation.

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

October 2022

	ADP Reduced	ADP Free	Total
Atlantic	2,026	12,834	14,860
Bergen	3,758	13,345	17,103
Burlington	2,628	9,079	11,707
Camden	2,573	24,976	27,549
Cape May	311	2,464	2,775
Cumberland	1,249	13,180	14,429
Essex	3,874	40,242	44,116
Gloucester	1,212	6,497	7,709
Hudson	3,513	30,410	33,923
Hunterdon	177	950	1,127
Mercer	1,713	13,662	15,375
Middlesex	5,045	26,585	31,630
Monmouth	2,104	12,123	14,227
Morris	1,547	5,109	6,656
Ocean	2,178	12,007	14,185
Passaic	1,876	36,124	38,000
Salem	372	2,999	3,371
Somerset	1,552	5,862	7,414
Sussex	404	1,347	1,751
Union	4,872	26,486	31,358
Warren	462	2,482	2,944
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>43,446</b>	<b>298,763</b>	<b>342,209</b>

Note: ADP stands for Average Daily Participation.

### Free- and Reduced-Price Student Participation in Breakfast per 100 Participating in Lunch

October 2022

	Rate
Atlantic	64
Bergen	31
Burlington	40
Camden	58
Cape May	61
Cumberland	73
Essex	71
Gloucester	51
Hudson	70
Hunterdon	16
Mercer	49
Middlesex	50
Monmouth	39
Morris	34
Ocean	52
Passaic	64
Salem	61
Somerset	45
Sussex	38
Union	47
Warren	44
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>56</b>

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## Total Births

	2021
Atlantic	2,737
Bergen	9,120
Burlington	4,634
Camden	6,230
Cape May	726
Cumberland	1,763
Essex	9,720
Gloucester	3,035
Hudson	9,116
Hunterdon	1,048
Mercer	4,090
Middlesex	8,722
Monmouth	6,124
Morris	4,925
Ocean	10,211
Passaic	6,249
Salem	715
Somerset	3,166
Sussex	1,366
Union	6,594
Warren	1,039
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>101,330</b>

## Births to Foreign-Born Mothers

	2021	
	#	%
Atlantic	683	25%
Bergen	4,190	46%
Burlington	992	21%
Camden	1,546	25%
Cape May	103	14%
Cumberland	436	25%
Essex	4,391	45%
Gloucester	523	17%
Hudson	5,792	64%
Hunterdon	243	23%
Mercer	1,912	47%
Middlesex	4,740	54%
Monmouth	1,506	25%
Morris	1,577	32%
Ocean	1,583	16%
Passaic	2,898	46%
Salem	163	23%
Somerset	1,372	43%
Sussex	161	12%
Union	3,328	50%
Warren	413	40%
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>38,552</b>	<b>38%</b>

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#### Births by Parity (Previous Births)\*

	2021			
	None	One	Two	Three or More
Atlantic	38%	32%	19%	11%
Bergen	42%	36%	16%	6%
Burlington	41%	34%	17%	8%
Camden	38%	34%	16%	12%
Cape May	39%	33%	17%	10%
Cumberland	34%	31%	18%	16%
Essex	40%	34%	16%	9%
Gloucester	39%	35%	16%	10%
Hudson	51%	31%	12%	6%
Hunterdon	39%	37%	17%	7%
Mercer	38%	35%	17%	10%
Middlesex	41%	37%	14%	7%
Monmouth	41%	35%	16%	8%
Morris	43%	37%	14%	5%
Ocean	29%	24%	16%	31%
Passaic	38%	32%	17%	12%
Salem	36%	33%	19%	12%
Somerset	43%	37%	14%	6%
Sussex	44%	35%	15%	7%
Union	39%	36%	16%	9%
Warren	40%	34%	16%	9%
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>33%</b>	<b>16%</b>	<b>11%</b>

\*According to the New Jersey Department of Health, parity is the number of previous live-born children a woman has delivered.

# 3 Child Health

## The Importance of Prenatal Care

Healthy starts for New Jersey's infants begin with quality prenatal care early in a mother's pregnancy. Women who receive late prenatal care — or who do not receive prenatal care at all — expose their babies to a greater chance of health problems later in life.

## Women Receiving Early Prenatal Care

	2021	
	#	%
Atlantic	2,028	74%
Bergen	7,476	82%
Burlington	3,726	80%
Camden	4,666	75%
Cape May	553	76%
Cumberland	1,235	70%
Essex	6,296	65%
Gloucester	2,483	82%
Hudson	6,752	74%
Hunterdon	910	87%
Mercer	2,695	66%
Middlesex	6,579	75%
Monmouth	4,941	81%
Morris	4,069	83%
Ocean	7,572	74%
Passaic	4,186	67%
Salem	538	75%
Somerset	2,505	79%
Sussex	1,160	85%
Union	4,614	70%
Warren	869	84%
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>75,853</b>	<b>75%</b>

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## Women Receiving Early Prenatal Care by Race/Ethnicity

2021

	American Indian/ Alaska Native, non-Hispanic	Asian, non-Hispanic	Black, non-Hispanic	Hispanic (of any race)	Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander, non-Hispanic	White, non-Hispanic	Other Single Race, non-Hispanic	Two or More Races, non-Hispanic	Unknown
Atlantic	**	72%	68%	70%	**	80%	**	67%	71%
Bergen	**	86%	75%	73%	**	88%	70%	83%	78%
Burlington	**	79%	72%	75%	**	85%	66%	72%	75%
Camden	**	76%	64%	66%	**	85%	50%	75%	68%
Cape May	N/A	**	84%	68%	N/A	79%	**	57%	**
Cumberland	**	**	64%	66%	N/A	79%	**	73%	**
Essex	**	79%	59%	57%	**	83%	50%	61%	70%
Gloucester	**	82%	71%	72%	**	86%	**	73%	91%
Hudson	**	82%	64%	66%	**	83%	67%	68%	77%
Hunterdon	N/A	84%	63%	69%	N/A	92%	**	**	**
Mercer	**	84%	59%	51%	**	84%	56%	58%	50%
Middlesex	**	82%	68%	65%	**	85%	67%	75%	72%
Monmouth	**	81%	67%	65%	**	86%	56%	81%	81%
Morris	**	87%	79%	65%	**	89%	71%	67%	73%
Ocean	**	77%	74%	71%	**	75%	70%	66%	66%
Passaic	**	68%	64%	61%	**	80%	58%	64%	59%
Salem	N/A	**	65%	68%	N/A	81%	**	**	**
Somerset	N/A	87%	76%	61%	**	89%	60%	75%	80%
Sussex	**	83%	69%	73%	**	88%	**	**	93%
Union	**	80%	64%	60%	**	86%	63%	76%	74%
Warren	**	77%	68%	76%	N/A	88%	**	**	**
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>61%</b>	<b>82%</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>64%</b>	<b>70%</b>	<b>83%</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>71%</b>	<b>73%</b>

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### Preterm Babies

	2021	
	#	%
Atlantic	272	9.9%
Bergen	903	9.9%
Burlington	429	9.3%
Camden	633	10.2%
Cape May	53	7.3%
Cumberland	212	12.0%
Essex	1,011	10.4%
Gloucester	283	9.3%
Hudson	849	9.3%
Hunterdon	80	7.6%
Mercer	382	9.3%
Middlesex	772	8.9%
Monmouth	483	7.9%
Morris	381	7.7%
Ocean	727	7.1%
Passaic	693	11.1%
Salem	69	9.7%
Somerset	257	8.1%
Sussex	106	7.8%
Union	589	8.9%
Warren	108	10.4%
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>9,292</b>	<b>9.2%</b>



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## Percentage of Preterm Births by Race/Ethnicity

2021

	American Indian and Alaska Native, non-Hispanic	Asian, non-Hispanic	Black or African American, non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander, non-Hispanic	White, non-Hispanic	Other Single Race, non-Hispanic	Two or More Races, non-Hispanic	Unknown
Atlantic	**	8.7%	16.4%	8.2%	**	8.9%	**	**	**
Bergen	**	8.7%	17.8%	10.9%	**	8.9%	8.2%	10.8%	9.8%
Burlington	**	9.5%	12.1%	10.5%	**	8.1%	**	8.2%	10.6%
Camden	**	7.1%	13.7%	10.0%	**	9.0%	25.0%	10.0%	**
Cape May	N/A	**	**	4.9%	N/A	8.1%	**	**	**
Cumberland	**	**	13.2%	12.8%	N/A	9.6%	**	12.5%	**
Essex	**	8.4%	12.2%	10.7%	**	7.0%	12.8%	9.3%	16.5%
Gloucester	**	6.9%	12.2%	9.4%	**	8.7%	**	12.3%	**
Hudson	**	7.4%	14.9%	10.7%	**	7.4%	10.5%	7.1%	**
Hunterdon	N/A	**	**	8.9%	N/A	7.9%	**	**	**
Mercer	**	9.3%	12.0%	9.6%	**	7.4%	**	12.7%	**
Middlesex	**	8.6%	10.8%	8.9%	**	8.5%	6.8%	8.2%	8.5%
Monmouth	**	7.5%	14.9%	9.0%	**	7.1%	**	9.6%	**
Morris	**	6.6%	11.5%	8.5%	**	7.5%	10.4%	**	5.9%
Ocean	**	7.4%	13.4%	8.6%	**	6.8%	**	7.1%	**
Passaic	**	11.3%	15.7%	11.2%	**	9.6%	9.4%	8.5%	11.5%
Salem	N/A	**	15.6%	8.8%	N/A	7.8%	**	**	**
Somerset	N/A	8.6%	13.8%	7.2%	**	7.0%	**	12.5%	12.2%
Sussex	**	**	25.0%	7.3%	**	7.3%	**	**	**
Union	**	9.2%	11.6%	9.2%	**	6.9%	**	9.0%	14.2%
Warren	**	**	13.2%	14.2%	N/A	8.7%	**	**	**
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>10.7%</b>	<b>8.3%</b>	<b>13.1%</b>	<b>10.0%</b>	<b>8.5</b>	<b>7.8%</b>	<b>9.8%</b>	<b>9.2%</b>	<b>9.8%</b>

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# 3 Child Health

## What is a Low Birthweight?

A low birthweight baby is any infant born weighing less than 2,500 grams, or roughly 5.5 pounds. Low birthweight babies may be more likely to develop certain health problems, such as respiratory distress syndrome, than infants born with normal birthweights. Long term, low birthweight babies may be at greater risk of developing chronic conditions such as diabetes.

## Babies Born with Low Birthweights

	2021	
	#	%
Atlantic	235	8.6%
Bergen	689	7.6%
Burlington	351	7.6%
Camden	554	8.9%
Cape May	41	5.6%
Cumberland	163	9.2%
Essex	914	9.4%
Gloucester	230	7.6%
Hudson	774	8.5%
Hunterdon	67	6.4%
Mercer	330	8.1%
Middlesex	723	8.3%
Monmouth	367	6.0%
Morris	329	6.7%
Ocean	604	5.9%
Passaic	547	8.8%
Salem	63	8.8%
Somerset	207	6.5%
Sussex	85	6.2%
Union	492	7.5%
Warren	77	7.4%
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>7,842</b>	<b>7.7%</b>

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## Percentage of Babies Born with Low Birthweights by Race/Ethnicity

2021

	American Indian and Alaska Native, non-Hispanic	Asian, non-Hispanic	Black or African American, non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander, non-Hispanic	White, non-Hispanic	Other Single Race, non-Hispanic	Two or More Races, non-Hispanic	Unknown
Atlantic	**	8.1%	15.0%	7.9%	**	6.7%	**	**	**
Bergen	**	8.8%	14.3%	8.2%	**	5.9%	5.9%	9.8%	10.7%
Burlington	**	9.5%	11.4%	7.7%	**	6.2%	**	8.2%	**
Camden	**	10.1%	13.5%	8.3%	**	6.7%	13.6%	15.0%	10.5%
Cape May	N/A	**	**	4.9%	N/A	6.3%	**	**	**
Cumberland	**	**	11.3%	10.2%	N/A	5.9%	**	12.5%	**
Essex	**	8.3%	12.7%	8.1%	**	6.0%	9.5%	8.5%	13.0%
Gloucester	**	10.3%	10.1%	8.8%	**	6.7%	**	11.0%	**
Hudson	**	9.0%	14.9%	8.3%	**	6.0%	10.5%	6.7%	8.9%
Hunterdon	N/A	9.5%	**	5.1%	N/A	6.6%	**	**	**
Mercer	**	8.0%	12.4%	7.3%	**	5.9%	**	9.1%	**
Middlesex	**	10.0%	11.7%	8.0%	**	5.5%	9.1%	12.3%	8.5%
Monmouth	**	5.8%	14.9%	6.2%	**	5.2%	**	9.6%	**
Morris	**	8.5%	10.8%	7.0%	**	5.6%	14.6%	20.0%	10.6%
Ocean	**	9.5%	15.6%	6.0%	**	5.6%	**	7.1%	**
Passaic	**	10.3%	16.4%	8.1%	**	7.2%	6.7%	10.2%	10.3%
Salem	N/A	**	17.7%	9.6%	N/A	5.4%	**	**	**
Somerset	N/A	9.1%	9.0%	5.9%	**	5.0%	**	**	**
Sussex	**	**	28.1%	4.5%	**	5.6%	**	**	**
Union	**	8.6%	10.8%	7.1%	**	5.4%	10.7%	9.0%	11.3%
Warren	**	**	7.9%	8.6%	N/A	6.7%	**	**	**
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>12.5%</b>	<b>9.1%</b>	<b>12.8%</b>	<b>7.8%</b>	<b>12.7</b>	<b>5.9%</b>	<b>9.0%</b>	<b>9.7%</b>	<b>9.5%</b>

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# 3 Child Health

## What is New Jersey's Child Fatality and Near Fatality Review Board?

The New Jersey Child Fatality and Near Fatality Review Board (CFNFRB) consists of six different teams, each with their own sets of responsibilities and areas of focus. Team members come from a variety of backgrounds, including law enforcement, medicine, education, and the non-profit sector. The board conducts in-depth reviews of select child death cases, such as when the cause of death may be a result of abuse or neglect or if the cause is undetermined. For more information on the CFNFRB and to review their annual reports, visit <https://www.nj.gov/dcf/providers/boards/fatality/>.

## Infant Mortality

	2016–2020	
	#	Rate (per 1,000)
Atlantic	88	6.3
Bergen	134	3.0
Burlington	106	4.8
Camden	205	6.8
Cape May	20	5.1
Cumberland	60	6.6
Essex	284	5.6
Gloucester	73	5.1
Hudson	145	2.9
Hunterdon	16	**
Mercer	99	4.9
Middlesex	159	3.6
Monmouth	102	3.6
Morris	72	3.1
Ocean	141	3.2
Passaic	121	3.7
Salem	24	7.3
Somerset	61	3.9
Sussex	20	3.3
Union	134	4.0
Warren	28	6.0
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>2,092</b>	<b>4.2</b>

*\*\*Indicates data are suppressed.*

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## New Jersey Infant Mortality by Race/Ethnicity

	2016–2020	
	#	Rate (per 1,000)
Asian, non-Hispanic	148	2.6
Black, non-Hispanic	608	9.2
Hispanic, any race	554	4.0
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander, non-Hispanic	<10	**
White, non-Hispanic	561	2.5
Other race, non-Hispanic	53	8.5

*\*\*Indicates data are suppressed.*

### What is Infant Mortality?

Infant mortality is the number of babies who pass away before their first birthday. While the state's infant mortality rate is 4.2 out of every 1,000 live births, there are notable disparities when the data is broken down by race and ethnicity. In particular, Black, non-Hispanic babies have an infant mortality rate of 9.2 — which is more than two times that of New Jersey as a whole. Nurture NJ, led by First Lady Tammy Murphy, recognizes this issue and other concerns related to infant and maternal health. The campaign aims to ensure all women are healthy and have access to care before their pregnancy, build a better system of care for all women during the pre- and post-natal process, and ensure women have access to supportive communities so that opportunities for health are always available. To learn more about Nurture NJ, visit <https://nj.gov/governor/admin/fl/nurturenj.shtml>. ACNJ, along with other public and private sector leaders, are actively working alongside Nurture NJ to improve maternal and infant health outcomes. For more information, visit [www.acnj.org](http://www.acnj.org).

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## Children Ages 6-26 Months with Blood Lead Levels $\geq 5$ Micrograms/Deciliter

	2020	
	#	%
Atlantic	31	1.7%
Bergen	76	1.1%
Burlington	36	1.1%
Camden	52	1.3%
Cape May	11	2.2%
Cumberland	54	3.9%
Essex	288	3.1%
Gloucester	17	1.2%
Hudson	166	2.3%
Hunterdon	10	1.0%
Mercer	96	3.0%
Middlesex	115	1.9%
Monmouth	32	1.0%
Morris	34	0.9%
Ocean	23	0.3%
Passaic	168	2.9%
Salem	17	4.5%
Somerset	30	1.2%
Sussex	<10	0.6%
Union	147	2.3%
Warren	17	2.5%
Unknown Address	0	0%
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>1,424</b>	<b>1.8%</b>

## Children Under Age 6 with Blood Lead Levels $\geq 5$ Micrograms/Deciliter

	2020	
	#	%
Atlantic	60	1.9%
Bergen	129	1.1%
Burlington	59	1.3%
Camden	94	1.7%
Cape May	14	2.1%
Cumberland	100	3.7%
Essex	764	3.5%
Gloucester	32	1.6%
Hudson	324	2.2%
Hunterdon	14	1.3%
Mercer	195	3.6%
Middlesex	254	2.2%
Monmouth	65	1.2%
Morris	55	1.0%
Ocean	47	0.4%
Passaic	355	2.9%
Salem	26	4.6%
Somerset	52	1.4%
Sussex	<10	0.4%
Union	309	2.5%
Warren	28	3.3%
Unknown Address	0	0%
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>2,980</b>	<b>2.1%</b>

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#### Number of Children Ages 6-26 Months Tested for Lead

2020

	#	%
Atlantic	1,847	28%
Bergen	7,105	36%
Burlington	3,313	33%
Camden	4,079	31%
Cape May	490	27%
Cumberland	1,385	32%
Essex	9,397	44%
Gloucester	1,432	21%
Hudson	7,325	42%
Hunterdon	993	43%
Mercer	3,164	37%
Middlesex	6,183	31%
Monmouth	3,342	25%
Morris	3,824	36%
Ocean	6,753	44%
Passaic	5,822	42%
Salem	377	24%
Somerset	2,607	34%
Sussex	687	22%
Union	6,275	44%
Warren	673	28%
Unknown Address	1,774	N/A
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>78,847</b>	<b>37%</b>

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#### Number of Children Under Age 6 Tested for Lead

2020

	#	%
Atlantic	3,100	16%
Bergen	11,728	19%
Burlington	4,523	14%
Camden	5,640	14%
Cape May	679	13%
Cumberland	2,713	21%
Essex	21,759	34%
Gloucester	2,046	10%
Hudson	14,809	30%
Hunterdon	1,111	15%
Mercer	5,390	21%
Middlesex	11,606	19%
Monmouth	5,225	12%
Morris	5,401	16%
Ocean	10,485	23%
Passaic	12,139	30%
Salem	565	12%
Somerset	3,729	16%
Sussex	957	10%
Union	12,118	28%
Warren	850	11%
Unknown Address	3,023	N/A
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>139,596</b>	<b>21%</b>

*N/A indicates data are not available.*



### 3 Child Health

#### NJ FamilyCare, Recipients Under Age 19

	2018	2022	% Change
Atlantic	31,672	34,929	10%
Bergen	46,922	55,060	17%
Burlington	27,438	31,477	15%
Camden	62,004	65,129	5%
Cape May	7,860	8,166	4%
Cumberland	24,160	26,917	11%
Essex	106,534	109,177	2%
Gloucester	20,371	22,553	11%
Hudson	80,353	82,245	2%
Hunterdon	3,974	4,445	12%
Mercer	34,385	39,296	14%
Middlesex	63,210	72,086	14%
Monmouth	37,052	39,740	7%
Morris	18,225	20,185	11%
Ocean	74,266	93,105	25%
Passaic	74,775	79,100	6%
Salem	6,858	7,577	10%
Somerset	15,104	17,524	16%
Sussex	6,152	6,928	13%
Union	55,808	61,526	10%
Warren	6,825	7,733	13%
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>805,080</b>	<b>885,881</b>	<b>10%</b>

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### What is NJ FamilyCare?

NJ FamilyCare is New Jersey's publicly funded health insurance program, supported by federal Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) dollars and state funding, for children in families with a household income up to 355% of the federal poverty level. As of July 1, 2021, premiums are no longer required for NJ FamilyCare coverage. Qualified state residents of any age may be eligible for free or low-cost health insurance, which covers doctor visits, prescriptions, vision, dental care, mental health and substance use services, and hospitalization. For more information, visit <http://www.njfamilycare.org>.

The re-determination process for Medicaid eligibility began April 1st. NJ FamilyCare/Medicaid recipients have been able to maintain health insurance coverage since March 2020 without traditional redetermination periods thanks to the provisions specified under the nationwide public health emergency (PHE) in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. At the end of 2022, President Biden signed into law the Consolidated Appropriations Act — an omnibus package that requires states to begin re-determining eligibility for Medicaid enrollees started April 1, 2023. This means that all members enrolled in an NJ FamilyCare program will be reviewed to see if they still qualify for coverage. It is important that NJ FamilyCare recipients confirm that their most current address and contact information is on file in order to ensure they receive any correspondence regarding their healthcare coverage. **Families on NJ FamilyCare can confirm or update their contact information by calling NJ FamilyCare at 1-800-701-0710.** If a family receives mail from NJ FamilyCare/Medicaid, they should respond promptly. Organizations, healthcare providers, and individuals who work closely with families can help spread the word about this process by sharing materials from NJ FamilyCare's Stay Covered Toolkit. Find the most up-to-date information concerning the re-determining process from the New Jersey Department of Human Services on their StayCoveredNJ website, <https://nj.gov/humanservices/dmahs/staycoverednj/>.

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## Children Under Age 19 Without Health Insurance

	#	2021
		%
Atlantic	2,317	4%
Bergen	6,806	3%
Burlington	2,224	2%
Camden	4,840	4%
Cape May	276	2%
Cumberland	2,154	6%
Essex	10,901	5%
Gloucester	853	1%
Hudson	6,649	4%
Hunterdon	488	2%
Mercer	1,850	2%
Middlesex	5,316	3%
Monmouth	6,506	5%
Morris	4,239	4%
Ocean	2,572	2%
Passaic	5,548	4%
Salem	282	2%
Somerset	1,130	1%
Sussex	1,166	4%
Union	8,119	6%
Warren	1,529	7%
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>75,765</b>	<b>4%</b>

## Cover All Kids Initiative

As of January 1, 2023, children under 19 may now apply for NJ FamilyCare regardless of their immigration status. All other requirements for NJ FamilyCare still apply. Visit [nj.gov/CoverAllKids](https://nj.gov/CoverAllKids) to learn more. Multilingual support is available.

## 4 Child Protection

### What is CP&P?

The Division of Child Protection and Permanency (CP&P), formerly the Division of Youth and Family Services (DYFS), operates within the New Jersey Department of Children and Families (DCF) as the state's child welfare and protection agency. CP&P is responsible for investigating reports of child abuse and neglect and, if necessary, arranging for the child's protection and services for the family. When children cannot remain at home due to safety concerns, CP&P may ask the family court to place the child into foster care and to seek another permanent home for children who cannot be safely re-united with their parent(s) within the timeframes provided by law.

On April 25, 2023, U.S. District Judge Stanley R. Chesler signed a court order to end federal oversight over New Jersey's child welfare system. The federal court monitor acknowledged many of the state's accomplishments, highlighting the significant decline in the number of children living in foster care. The Staffing and Outcomes Review Subcommittee of the New Jersey Task Force on Child Abuse and Neglect will assume responsibility for the oversight role. Visit [www.acnj.org](http://www.acnj.org) and <https://www.nj.gov/dcf/providers/boards/njtfcanc/> for updates.

### The New Jersey Youth Resource Spot

The New Jersey Youth Resource Spot (<https://www.njyrs.org/>) is a website created by members of the DCF Youth Council, specially geared for young people in New Jersey that have been involved with DCF and those who work with them.

# 4 Child Protection

## Children Under Child Protection and Permanency Supervision

	2022
Atlantic	1,426
Bergen	1,447
Burlington	1,368
Camden	3,042
Cape May	463
Cumberland	1,111
Essex	2,839
Gloucester	1,187
Hudson	2,148
Hunterdon	229
Mercer	1,249
Middlesex	2,285
Monmouth	1,435
Morris	841
Ocean	1,603
Passaic	1,922
Salem	429
Somerset	708
Sussex	346
Union	1,618
Warren	604
Other	2,696
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>30,996</b>

Data are as of December 31, 2022.

## Number of Children in Out-of-Home Placements

	2022
Atlantic	190
Bergen	87
Burlington	130
Camden	373
Cape May	91
Cumberland	81
Essex	378
Gloucester	175
Hudson	176
Hunterdon	13
Mercer	218
Middlesex	194
Monmouth	150
Morris	55
Ocean	158
Passaic	169
Salem	58
Somerset	39
Sussex	22
Union	154
Warren	30
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>2,946</b>

Data are as of December 31, 2022.

## Number of Children in Out-of-Home Placements

2022

	Black or African American		Hispanic		White		Another Race	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Atlantic	67	35%	51	27%	53	28%	18	9%
Bergen	18	21%	34	39%	29	33%	<10*	N/A
Burlington	42	32%	28	22%	45	35%	14	11%
Camden	170	46%	63	17%	110	29%	26	N/A
Cape May	13	14%	<10*	N/A	55	60%	17	19%
Cumberland	14	17%	27	33%	33	41%	<10*	N/A
Essex	275	73%	80	21%	18	5%	<10*	N/A
Gloucester	38	22%	40	23%	79	45%	17	10%
Hudson	53	30%	92	52%	24	14%	<10*	N/A
Hunterdon	<10*	N/A	<10*	N/A	<10*	N/A	<10*	N/A
Mercer	120	55%	37	17%	53	24%	<10*	N/A
Middlesex	51	26%	71	37%	52	27%	19	10%
Monmouth	31	21%	35	23%	63	42%	19	13%
Morris	<10*	N/A	14	25%	28	51%	<10*	N/A
Ocean	23	15%	24	15%	96	61%	15	9%
Passaic	55	33%	80	47%	26	15%	<10*	N/A
Salem	20	34%	<10*	N/A	26	45%	<10*	N/A
Somerset	<10*	N/A	11	28%	13	33%	<10*	N/A
Sussex	<10*	N/A	<10*	N/A	12	55%	0	N/A
Union	77	50%	54	35%	16	10%	<10*	N/A
Warren	<10*	N/A	<10*	N/A	17	57%	<10*	N/A
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>1,097</b>	<b>37%</b>	<b>770</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>857</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>7%</b>

When data is less than 10, these values are reported as zero with an asterisk on the chart and are not true zeroes. For suppressed data displayed in the table, these values are displayed as "<10\*". Due to data being suppressed, percentages could not be calculated for some counties resulting in N/A. 0 indicates that no children or cases meet the selected search criteria. Data are as of December 31, 2022.

## Number of Children Receiving In-Home CP&P Supervision

2022

Atlantic	1,236
Bergen	1,360
Burlington	1,238
Camden	2,669
Cape May	372
Cumberland	1,030
Essex	2,461
Gloucester	1,012
Hudson	1,972
Hunterdon	216
Mercer	1,031
Middlesex	2,091
Monmouth	1,285
Morris	786
Ocean	1,445
Passaic	1,753
Salem	371
Somerset	669
Sussex	324
Union	1,464
Warren	574
Other	2,691
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>28,050</b>

*\*Other indicates children in cases where a county of assignment could not be determined at the time of the data extract. Data are as of December 31, 2022.*

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## Children Receiving In-Home CP&P Supervision, by Race/Ethnicity

2022

	Black or African American		Hispanic		White		Another Race		Missing or Undetermined	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Atlantic	391	32%	396	32%	328	27%	59	5%	62	5%
Bergen	202	15%	623	46%	381	28%	74	5%	80	6%
Burlington	443	36%	156	13%	478	39%	68	5%	93	8%
Camden	1,048	39%	739	28%	634	24%	114	4%	134	5%
Cape May	42	11%	76	20%	210	56%	28	8%	16	4%
Cumberland	299	29%	401	39%	244	24%	43	4%	43	4%
Essex	1,506	61%	722	29%	140	6%	33	1%	60	2%
Gloucester	243	24%	168	17%	501	50%	53	5%	47	5%
Hudson	498	25%	1,144	58%	162	8%	58	3%	110	6%
Hunterdon	32	15%	41	19%	128	59%	<10*	N/A	<10*	N/A
Mercer	480	47%	309	30%	155	15%	26	3%	61	6%
Middlesex	451	22%	987	47%	379	18%	139	7%	135	6%
Monmouth	323	25%	377	29%	481	37%	49	4%	55	4%
Morris	97	12%	297	38%	310	39%	47	6%	35	4%
Ocean	198	14%	363	25%	770	53%	43	3%	71	5%
Passaic	446	25%	1,005	57%	203	12%	27	2%	72	4%
Salem	116	31%	64	17%	163	44%	<10*	N/A	22	6%
Somerset	178	27%	287	43%	129	19%	33	5%	42	6%
Sussex	18	6%	65	20%	216	67%	16	5%	<10*	N/A
Union	483	33%	759	52%	119	8%	32	2%	71	5%
Warren	75	13%	115	20%	330	57%	24	4%	30	5%
Other	978	36%	578	21%	770	29%	141	5%	224	8%
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>8,547</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>9,672</b>	<b>34%</b>	<b>7,231</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>1,120</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>1,480</b>	<b>5%</b>

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# 4 Child Protection

## Children with Substantiated/Established Cases of Abuse/Neglect

2022

	Substantiated		Established		Total Substantiated/Established		Total Children Reported for Abuse/Neglect
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#
Atlantic	118	2.9%	140	3.4%	258	6.3%	4,106
Bergen	36	<1.0%	41	<1.0%	77	1.4%	5,400
Burlington	82	1.6%	72	1.4%	154	2.9%	5,226
Camden	202	2.5%	177	2.2%	379	4.6%	8,170
Cape May	39	3.0%	36	2.8%	75	5.8%	1,289
Cumberland	90	2.7%	51	1.5%	141	4.3%	3,311
Essex	200	2.1%	164	1.7%	364	3.8%	9,577
Gloucester	83	2.3%	78	2.1%	161	4.4%	3,632
Hudson	88	1.5%	79	1.3%	167	2.8%	5,922
Hunterdon	<10*	N/A	<10*	N/A	14	1.9%	733
Mercer	40	1.0%	56	1.4%	96	2.4%	4,029
Middlesex	107	1.6%	80	1.2%	187	2.8%	6,793
Monmouth	84	1.6%	109	2.1%	193	3.7%	5,171
Morris	42	1.3%	42	1.3%	84	2.5%	3,322
Ocean	62	1.0%	93	1.5%	155	2.4%	6,364
Passaic	81	1.3%	66	1.1%	147	2.4%	6,115
Salem	21	1.7%	32	2.6%	53	4.4%	1,214
Somerset	23	1.0%	15	<1.0%	38	1.7%	2,224
Sussex	58	3.7%	20	1.3%	78	4.9%	1,577
Union	58	1.1%	71	1.4%	129	2.5%	5,086
Warren	19	1.2%	24	1.5%	43	2.6%	1,623
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>1,540</b>	<b>1.7%</b>	<b>1,453</b>	<b>1.6%</b>	<b>2,993</b>	<b>3.3%</b>	<b>90,884</b>

Data are as of December 31, 2022.

# 5 Child Care

## Licensed Child Care Centers and Registered Family Child Care Providers: How Do They Differ?

Licensed child care centers and registered family child care providers both offer child care to children under the age of 13. However, there are key differences in the number of children they are permitted to serve and the locations in which they operate. Licensed child care centers serve a minimum of six children and must adhere to state licensing requirements. Registered family child care providers care for a maximum of five children at a time in their own homes. Family child care providers who register voluntarily through New Jersey's Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies are required to meet state regulations primarily related to health and safety concerns. Visit <https://reimaginechildcare.org/> to learn more about New Jersey's child care staff crisis.

## Number of Licensed Child Care Centers

	2021
Atlantic	102
Bergen	436
Burlington	141
Camden	221
Cape May	30
Cumberland	68
Essex	494
Gloucester	127
Hudson	393
Hunterdon	67
Mercer	193
Middlesex	329
Monmouth	257
Morris	240
Ocean	155
Passaic	242
Salem	19
Somerset	155
Sussex	56
Union	266
Warren	47
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>4,038</b>

Data are as of December 31, 2021.

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## Capacity of Licensed Child Care Centers

	2021
Atlantic	8,437
Bergen	43,534
Burlington	14,383
Camden	21,941
Cape May	2,308
Cumberland	7,154
Essex	45,779
Gloucester	10,951
Hudson	33,897
Hunterdon	6,486
Mercer	18,546
Middlesex	33,040
Monmouth	24,875
Morris	22,710
Ocean	14,969
Passaic	26,461
Salem	1,245
Somerset	18,512
Sussex	3,657
Union	24,788
Warren	3,002
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>386,675</b>

Data are as of December 31, 2021.

## Registered Family Child Care Providers

	2021
Atlantic	39
Bergen	41
Burlington	54
Camden	135
Cape May	7
Cumberland	26
Essex	190
Gloucester	15
Hudson	110
Hunterdon	4
Mercer	23
Middlesex	81
Monmouth	45
Morris	34
Ocean	27
Passaic	238
Salem	20
Somerset	11
Sussex	9
Union	57
Warren	24
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>1,190</b>

Data are as of December 31, 2021.

# 5 Child Care

## New Jersey's State-Funded Home Visitation Programs

Home visitation is defined as families receiving regularly scheduled visits by either a trained home visitor or a nurse. The state's home visitation programs are designed to help mothers and fathers build healthy environments for their infants and young children by promoting infant and child health, nurturing positive parent-child relationships, and linking parents to resources and support. This is typically provided to families facing poverty and other risk factors, with visits starting before or immediately after birth.

Connecting NJ is a network of partners and agencies dedicated to helping New Jersey families thrive and provides referrals to community resources, programs, and services such as home visiting programs. Learn more at <https://www.nj.gov/connectingnj/>.

## Families Receiving State-Funded Home Visitation Programs

	2022
Atlantic	205
Bergen	197
Burlington	230
Camden	342
Cape May	236
Cumberland	175
Essex	491
Gloucester	337
Hudson	258
Hunterdon	23
Mercer	242
Middlesex	468
Monmouth	376
Morris	144
Ocean	159
Passaic	406
Salem	67
Somerset	22
Sussex	170
Union	220
Warren	155
Unknown	2
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>4,925</b>

*Data are as of June 2022.*

## State-Funded Preschool Enrollment

	2021–22
Atlantic	1,985
Bergen	1,555
Burlington	1,603
Camden	2,876
Cape May	635
Cumberland	2,521
Essex	9,010
Gloucester	621
Hudson	7,780
Hunterdon	67
Mercer	1,882
Middlesex	3,657
Monmouth	2,182
Morris	844
Ocean	1,580
Passaic	4,618
Salem	381
Somerset	762
Sussex	258
Union	4,902
Warren	358
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>50,077</b>

*Note: Numbers are for preschools fully-funded by the state.*

Facilities play an important role in district expansion planning. Frequently, districts do not have enough room in their own buildings to house the “universe” of 3- and 4-year-olds in their community.\* Although receiving state funds to provide preschool, some districts are not serving all the children who could benefit from this high quality program due to a lack of classroom space. The good news is that school districts can collaborate with local child care providers and Head Start to implement the same standard of quality preschool in their classrooms in order to maximize the number of children who can benefit.

*\*Calculating a district’s preschool universe is determined by multiplying the number of students in the district’s first grade by two.*

# 6 Education

## Public Kindergarten Enrollment

2021–22

	Full Day		Half Day		Total Enrollment
	#	%	#	%	#
Atlantic	2,390	97%	68	3%	2,458
Bergen	8,832	100%	0	0%	8,832
Burlington	3,927	91%	397	9%	4,324
Camden	5,108	93%	360	7%	5,468
Cape May	779	100%	0	0%	779
Cumberland	1,692	100%	0	0%	1,692
Essex	9,626	100%	0	0%	9,626
Gloucester	2,911	100%	0	0%	2,911
Hudson	6,046	100%	0	0%	6,046
Hunterdon	1,113	100%	0	0%	1,113
Mercer	3,444	89%	425	11%	3,869
Middlesex	6,290	85%	1,127	15%	7,417
Monmouth	5,566	100%	27	0%	5,593
Morris	4,430	97%	136	3%	4,566
Ocean	4,183	100%	0	0%	4,183
Passaic	5,347	100%	0	0%	5,347
Salem	654	100%	0	0%	654
Somerset	2,177	71%	894	29%	3,071
Sussex	1,242	100%	0	0%	1,242
Union	5,578	92%	472	8%	6,050
Warren	911	95%	50	5%	961
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>82,246</b>	<b>95%</b>	<b>3,956</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>86,202</b>

# 6 Education

## Pre-K -12 Total Enrollment

2021-22

	Total	Asian	Black	Hispanic	White	Native American	Hawaiian Native	Two or More Races
	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#
Atlantic	42,524	3,321	7,867	13,541	16,101	63	114	1,517
Bergen	132,866	21,627	7,241	39,017	60,568	232	393	3,788
Burlington	67,838	4,423	12,851	9,547	37,170	124	167	3,556
Camden	81,748	5,049	18,857	23,445	30,962	150	251	3,034
Cape May	11,912	141	843	2,060	8,576	12	19	261
Cumberland	28,226	329	5,543	14,399	6,959	107	24	865
Essex	143,305	7,600	56,486	46,042	29,432	281	356	3,108
Gloucester	46,059	1,500	6,586	5,495	30,178	53	55	2,192
Hudson	89,648	9,408	11,657	50,840	15,829	178	351	1,385
Hunterdon	17,707	946	489	2,277	13,483	15	37	461
Mercer	62,108	11,296	12,441	20,810	15,550	56	64	1,892
Middlesex	125,551	35,003	12,425	42,944	31,673	485	273	2,748
Monmouth	91,988	5,530	6,655	18,893	57,905	85	105	2,815
Morris	72,336	9,282	2,382	15,759	42,552	90	145	2,126
Ocean	66,794	1,428	3,260	16,278	43,605	58	180	1,985
Passaic	84,629	4,413	8,669	50,085	20,434	172	69	787
Salem	10,979	80	2,102	1,977	6,321	22	<10	470
Somerset	51,606	12,643	5,024	12,824	19,211	156	148	1,600
Sussex	19,252	416	595	2,869	14,899	20	25	429
Union	98,346	5,028	18,559	45,174	27,441	103	185	1,857
Warren	15,499	446	1,416	2,914	10,077	22	25	599
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>1,360,916</b>	<b>139,909</b>	<b>201,946</b>	<b>437,187</b>	<b>538,924</b>	<b>2,484</b>	<b>2,993</b>	<b>37,474</b>

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## Percentage of Pre-K - 12 Total Enrollment

2021-22

	Asian	Black	Hispanic	White	Native American	Hawaiian Native	Two or More Races
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Atlantic	8%	19%	32%	38%	<1%	<1%	4%
Bergen	16%	5%	29%	46%	<1%	<1%	3%
Burlington	7%	19%	14%	55%	<1%	<1%	5%
Camden	6%	23%	29%	38%	<1%	<1%	4%
Cape May	1%	7%	17%	72%	<1%	<1%	2%
Cumberland	1%	20%	51%	25%	<1%	<1%	3%
Essex	5%	39%	32%	21%	<1%	<1%	2%
Gloucester	3%	14%	12%	66%	<1%	<1%	5%
Hudson	10%	13%	57%	18%	<1%	<1%	2%
Hunterdon	5%	3%	13%	76%	<1%	<1%	3%
Mercer	18%	20%	34%	25%	<1%	<1%	3%
Middlesex	28%	10%	34%	25%	<1%	<1%	2%
Monmouth	6%	7%	21%	63%	<1%	<1%	3%
Morris	13%	3%	22%	59%	<1%	<1%	3%
Ocean	2%	5%	24%	65%	<1%	<1%	3%
Passaic	5%	10%	59%	24%	<1%	<1%	1%
Salem	1%	19%	18%	58%	<1%	<1%	4%
Somerset	24%	10%	25%	37%	<1%	<1%	3%
Sussex	2%	3%	15%	77%	<1%	<1%	2%
Union	5%	19%	46%	28%	<1%	<1%	2%
Warren	3%	9%	19%	65%	<1%	<1%	4%
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>32%</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>&lt;1%</b>	<b>&lt;1%</b>	<b>3%</b>



# 6 Education

## Special Education Classification Rates, Ages 3-21

2021-22

	Special Education Enrollment	Classification Rate
Atlantic	7,392	17.27
Bergen	22,677	16.94
Burlington	13,088	19.17
Camden	13,807	16.92
Cape May	2,173	18.25
Cumberland	4,596	16.16
Essex	21,484	14.85
Gloucester	8,784	19.06
Hudson	11,683	12.90
Hunterdon	3,279	18.40
Mercer	9,627	15.26
Middlesex	18,203	14.43
Monmouth	16,770	18.08
Morris	12,802	17.52
Ocean	14,099	20.85
Passaic	13,204	15.67
Salem	1,992	18.29
Somerset	8,538	16.41
Sussex	3,985	20.56
Union	14,349	14.47
Warren	2,893	18.54
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>225,447</b>	<b>17.39</b>

## Percentage of Population Ages 25 and Older with a Bachelor's Degree or Higher

	2021
Atlantic	32.3%
Bergen	53.0%
Burlington	43.2%
Camden	36.1%
Cape May	40.8%
Cumberland	18.3%
Essex	38.5%
Gloucester	36.6%
Hudson	47.6%
Hunterdon	54.3%
Mercer	45.9%
Middlesex	45.1%
Monmouth	50.2%
Morris	57.0%
Ocean	32.4%
Passaic	30.6%
Salem	25.8%
Somerset	58.2%
Sussex	40.3%
Union	38.2%
Warren	36.5%
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>43.1%</b>

## Births to Adolescents and Teens Ages 10-19

	2021	
	#	%
Atlantic	92	3%
Bergen	79	1%
Burlington	88	2%
Camden	218	3%
Cape May	22	3%
Cumberland	106	6%
Essex	329	3%
Gloucester	60	2%
Hudson	167	2%
Hunterdon	12	1%
Mercer	195	5%
Middlesex	171	2%
Monmouth	80	1%
Morris	46	1%
Ocean	104	1%
Passaic	231	4%
Salem	33	5%
Somerset	49	2%
Sussex	11	1%
Union	175	3%
Warren	18	2%
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>2,286</b>	<b>2%</b>

## Juvenile Arrests

	2020	
	#	Rate (per 1,000)
Atlantic	445	7.66
Bergen	617	3.04
Burlington	448	4.65
Camden	1,056	8.84
Cape May	358	21.33
Cumberland	257	6.83
Essex	929	4.50
Gloucester	276	4.20
Hudson	667	4.51
Hunterdon	50	2.03
Mercer	735	8.85
Middlesex	472	2.51
Monmouth	593	4.37
Morris	322	3.03
Ocean	383	2.42
Passaic	852	6.80
Salem	111	7.87
Somerset	303	4.06
Sussex	70	2.50
Union	422	3.11
Warren	114	5.34
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>9,480</b>	<b>4.63</b>

## What is the Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative?

New Jersey's Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative (JDAI) was formed in 2004 with the support and leadership of the Annie E. Casey Foundation and is managed by the state's Juvenile Justice Commission (JJC). Since the program's inception, JDAI has resulted in a dramatic decrease in detention populations throughout New Jersey without risk to public safety. JDAI fosters a fundamental shift in the way law enforcement, prosecutors, judges, and public defenders handle juvenile crime cases by moving the focus from locking kids up to returning them to their communities and addressing the issues that led to criminal behavior. Detention centers are reserved only for more serious youth offenders. JDAI has helped reduce costs considerably, due to the reduction in the daily population in detention and subsequent closure of many county detention centers. In 2018, the Annie E. Casey Foundation recognized New Jersey as the first state to implement JDAI resulting in a decrease in the average daily detention center population by nearly 70% between 2003 (pre-JDAI) and 2017. Find other data and learn more about NJ's Juvenile Justice System at <https://www.njoag.gov/about/divisions-and-offices/juvenile-justice-commission-home/>.

## Number of Youth Admissions to County Detention

	2021
Atlantic	69
Bergen	36
Burlington	54
Camden	234
Cape May	16
Cumberland	38
Essex	338
Gloucester	23
Hudson	167
Hunterdon	<10
Mercer	76
Middlesex	65
Monmouth	36
Morris	23
Ocean	26
Passaic	88
Salem	14
Somerset	19
Sussex	<10
Union	74
Warren	11
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>1,411</b>

## Percentage of Youth Admissions to County Detention by Race/Ethnicity

2021

	Black or African American	White	Hispanic	Other
Atlantic	75%	6%	19%	0%
Bergen	28%	11%	58%	3%
Burlington	70%	30%	0%	0%
Camden	71%	9%	19%	2%
Cape May	25%	44%	31%	0%
Cumberland	66%	16%	18%	0%
Essex	88%	1%	10%	1%
Gloucester	57%	22%	22%	0%
Hudson	60%	6%	33%	1%
Hunterdon	0%	100%	0%	0%
Mercer	87%	0%	13%	0%
Middlesex	35%	18%	43%	3%
Monmouth	86%	3%	11%	0%
Morris	17%	39%	35%	9%
Ocean	38%	46%	15%	0%
Passaic	55%	2%	42%	1%
Salem	86%	14%	0%	0%
Somerset	47%	37%	11%	5%
Sussex	100%	0%	0%	0%
Union	76%	1%	23%	0%
Warren	45%	55%	0%	0%
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>69%</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>1%</b>

## Youth Commitments to County Detention

	2021
Atlantic	2
Bergen	0
Burlington	8
Camden	30
Cape May	0
Cumberland	4
Essex	8
Gloucester	1
Hudson	5
Hunterdon	1
Mercer	6
Middlesex	8
Monmouth	1
Morris	0
Ocean	1
Passaic	21
Salem	0
Somerset	1
Sussex	0
Union	2
Warren	0
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>99</b>

## Teens Not Working and Not in School

	2017–2021	
	#	%
Atlantic	844	6%
Bergen	1,684	4%
Burlington	1,252	6%
Camden	1,932	8%
Cape May	309	8%
Cumberland	1,312	17%
Essex	3,700	9%
Gloucester	773	5%
Hudson	2,157	8%
Hunterdon	502	7%
Mercer	1,182	5%
Middlesex	1,946	4%
Monmouth	1,171	3%
Morris	931	3%
Ocean	1,113	4%
Passaic	1,662	6%
Salem	247	8%
Somerset	848	5%
Sussex	330	5%
Union	2,016	7%
Warren	298	5%
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>26,209</b>	<b>6%</b>

*Data are reflective of teens who are 16 to 19 years old.*



## 1 Demographics

**Total Population, 2021.** As reported by the U.S. Census Bureau, Population Division, Population Estimates Program. Data are as of July 1 for each year.

**Child Population Under Age 18, 2021.** As reported by the U.S. Census Bureau, Population Division, Population Estimates Program. Data are as of July 1 for each year.

**Population Under Age 20, 2021.** As reported by the U.S. Census Bureau, Population Division, Population Estimates Program. Note, counts of less than ten are suppressed in order to retain confidentiality. Data are as of July 1 for each year.

**Population Under Age 5, 2021.** As reported by the U.S. Census Bureau, Population Division, Population Estimates Program. Note, counts of less than ten are suppressed in order to retain confidentiality. Data are as of July 1 for each year.

**Languages Spoken in the Home by Percentage of Population 5 and Older, 2021.** As reported by the U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey chart S1601 using 1-year estimates. Data are for languages spoken in the home for population 5 years and above.

**Percentage of Households with Children by Type, 2021.** As reported by the U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey chart DP02 using 1-year estimates.

## 2 Family Economic Security

**2021 Federal Poverty Thresholds for a Family of Four.** Thresholds for a family of four, two adults and two children living in poverty. As reported by the U.S. Census Bureau.

**Children Living Below the Federal Poverty Level, 2021.** As reported by the U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey chart B17001 using 1-year estimates.

**Federal Earned Income Tax Credits (EITC), 2020.** Number of New Jersey taxpayers claiming a federal EITC and average claim, as reported by the U.S. Internal Revenue Service.

**N.J. EITC, Recipients with at Least 1 Dependent Under Age 19, 2021.** Number of New Jersey taxpayers receiving a state EITC credit, total amount of EITC credits issued, and average credit amount, as reported by the NJ Department of Treasury.

**Unemployment Rate, 2021.** U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Local Area Unemployment Statistics. Rates are not seasonally adjusted and are annual averages.

**Median Family Income with Children Under 18, 2021.** As reported by the U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey chart B19125 using 1-year estimates.

**Percentage of Households Spending 30% or More of Income on Rent, 2021.** As reported by the U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey chart B25070 using 1-year estimates.

**Number of Children Participating in TANF, 2022.** As reported by the NJ Department of Human Services, Division of Family Development. Data are from June 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Estimated Food Insecure Child Population, 2020** Estimated number and rate of children less than 18 years of age by county and state calculated by Feeding America. Estimates are calculated by analyzing state-level relationships between food insecurity and its determinants (i.e. unemployment, poverty, disability, homeownership, and median income) as well as percentage of the population that is Black and percentage of population that is Hispanic. Then, the coefficient estimates from the state analysis are used in conjunction with the same variables for every county. For more information, visit [www.feedingamerica.org](http://www.feedingamerica.org).

**Number of Children Participating in SNAP, 2022.** As reported by the NJ Department of Human Services, Division of Family Development. Data are from June 30<sup>th</sup>.

**WIC Enrollment and Participation, 2022.** Number of women, infants, and children enrolled in the Women, Infants, and Children program, which includes healthcare referrals, immunizations screenings, nutrition counseling, and a monthly food stipend. As reported by the NJ Department of Health for the quarter ending June 30<sup>th</sup>.



**Number of Children Receiving Free- or Reduced-Priced School Breakfast, October 2022.** As reported by the N.J. Department of Agriculture for October. Data represent children attending public schools, including charter schools.

**Number of Children Receiving Free- or Reduced-Priced School Lunch, October 2022.** As reported by the N.J. Department of Agriculture for October. Data represent children attending public schools, including charter schools.

**Free- and Reduced-Price Student Participation in Breakfast per 100 Participating in Lunch, October 2022.** As reported by the N.J. Department of Agriculture for October. Percentages represent the total number of students receiving a free- or reduced-price breakfast out of the total number of students receiving a free- or reduced-price lunch. Data represent children attending public schools, including charter schools.

## 3 Child Health

**Total Births, 2021.** The total number of live births. As reported by the N.J. Department of Health, New Jersey State Health Assessment Data, New Jersey Birth Certificate Database. Data accessed as of April 3, 2023.

**Births to Foreign-Born Women, 2021.** The number of births by mothers born outside of the United States and its territories. As reported by the NJ Department of Health, New Jersey State Health Assessment Data, New Jersey Birth Certificate Database. Data accessed as of April 3, 2023.

**Births by Parity (Previous Births), 2021.** According to the New Jersey Department of Health, parity is the number of previous live-born children a woman has delivered. As reported by the NJ Department of Health, New Jersey State Health Assessment Data, New Jersey Birth Certificate Database. Data accessed as of April 6, 2023.

**Percentage of Women Receiving Early Prenatal Care by Race/Ethnicity, 2021.** Live births for which the mother received prenatal care beginning in the first trimester. As reported by the NJ Department of Health, New Jersey State Health Assessment Data, New Jersey Birth Certificate Database. Data accessed as of April 6, 2023.

**Women Receiving Early Prenatal Care by Race, 2021.** Live births for which the mother received prenatal care beginning in the first trimester. As reported by the NJ Department of Health, New Jersey State Health Assessment Data, New Jersey Birth Certificate Database. Data accessed as of April 6, 2023.

**Preterm Births, 2021.** Percentage and number of total births that were considered preterm. A preterm birth is defined as less than 37 weeks. As reported by the NJ Department of Health, New Jersey State Health Assessment Data, New Jersey Birth Certificate Database. Data accessed as of April 6, 2023.

**Percentage Preterm Births by Race/Ethnicity, 2021.** Percentage of total births that were considered preterm. A preterm birth is defined as less than 37 weeks. As reported by the NJ Department of Health, New Jersey State Health Assessment Data, New Jersey Birth Certificate Database. Data accessed as of April 6, 2023.

**Babies Born with Low Birthweights, 2021.** The percentage and number of babies born weighing less than 2,500-grams as reported by the NJ Department of Health, New Jersey State Health Assessment Data, New Jersey Birth Certificate Database. Data accessed as of April 3, 2023.

**Percentage of Babies Born with Low Birthweight by Race/Ethnicity, 2021.** The percentage of babies born weighing less than 2,500-grams out of the total number of live births. As reported by the NJ Department of Health, New Jersey State Health Assessment Data, New Jersey Birth Certificate Database. Data accessed as of April 14, 2023.

**Infant Mortality, 2016-2020.** The number of infants under one year who died during that year. Rate is the number of infant deaths per 1,000 live births. As reported by the NJ Department of Health, New Jersey State Health Assessment Data, New Jersey Death and Birth Certificate Databases. Data accessed as of March 17, 2023.

**New Jersey Infant Mortality by Race/Ethnicity, 2016-2020.** The number of infants under one year who died during that year. Rate is the number of infant deaths per 1,000 live births. As reported by the NJ Department of Health, New Jersey State Health Assessment Data, New Jersey Death and Birth Certificate Databases. Note, counts of less than ten are suppressed in order to retain confidentiality. Data accessed as of March 17, 2023.





**Children Ages 6–26 Months with Blood Lead Levels  $\geq 5$  Micrograms/Deciliter, 2020.** As reported by the NJ Department of Health, Public Health Services Branch, Division of Family Health Services. Data accessed as of October 27, 2022.

**Children Under Age 6 Years with Blood Lead Levels  $\geq 5$  Micrograms/Deciliter, 2020.** As reported by the NJ Department of Health, Public Health Services Branch, Division of Family Health Services. Data accessed as of October 27, 2022.

**Number of Children Ages 6–26 Months Tested for Lead 2020.** As reported by the NJ Department of Health, Public Health Services Branch, Division of Family Health Services. Data accessed as of October 27, 2022.

**Number of Children Under Age 6 Tested for Lead, 2020.** As reported by the NJ Department of Health, Public Health Services Branch, Division of Family Health Services. Data accessed as of October 27, 2022.

**NJ FamilyCare/Medicaid, Recipients Under Age 19, 2018, 2022.** As reported by the NJ Department of Human Services. Data are from March of each year and are point-in-time snapshots that do not reflect any retroactivity. Includes children under age 18 enrolled in Medicaid, which is available to children living in families earning below 133% of the federal poverty level and children enrolled in the CHIP portion of NJ FamilyCare, which is available to children living in families earning up to 355% of the federal poverty level. Data retrieved September 16, 2022.

**Children Under Age 19 Without Health Insurance, 2021.** As reported by the U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey chart B27001 using 1-year estimates. Data are not comparable to previous years' estimates for children without health insurance due to a change in the included ages.

## 4 Child Protection

**Children Under Child Protection and Permanency Supervision, 2022.** As reported by the NJ Department of Children and Families. Data are as of December 31. Data retrieved April 6, 2023.

**Number of Children in Out-of-Home Placements, 2022.** As reported by the NJ Department of Children and Families. Data are as of December 31. Note, counts of less than ten are suppressed in order to retain confidentiality. Data retrieved April 6, 2023.

**Number of Children in Out-of-Home Placement by Race/Ethnicity, 2022.** As reported by the NJ Department of Children and Families. "Another Race" includes American Indian or Alaska Native, Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander, Asian, and Two or More Races. Data are as of December 31. Data retrieved April 6, 2023.

**Number of Children Receiving In-Home CP&P Supervision, 2022.** As reported by the NJ Department of Children and Families. Data are as of December 31. Data retrieved April 6, 2023.

**Children Receiving In-Home CP&P Supervision, Race/Ethnicity, 2022.** As reported by the NJ Department of Children and Families. "Another Race" includes American Indian or Alaska Native, Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander, Asian, and Two or More Races. Note, counts of less than ten are suppressed in order to retain confidentiality. Data are as of December 31. Data retrieved April 6, 2023.

**Children with Substantiated/Established Cases of Abuse/Neglect, 2022.** The number of children found to be victims of child abuse/neglect. As reported by the NJ Department of Children and Families for each calendar year. Previously, investigators could only determine whether reported abuse/neglect was "substantiated" or "unfounded". Data are as of December 31 of each year. Note, counts of less than ten are suppressed in order to retain confidentiality. Data retrieved April 6, 2023.

## 5 Child Care

**Number of Licensed Child Care Centers, 2021.** The number of state-licensed child care centers. As reported by the NJ Department of Children and Families. Data are as of December for each year.

**Capacity of Licensed Child Care Centers, 2021.** The capacity of state-licensed child care centers. As reported by the NJ Department of Children and Families. Data are as of December for each year.



# Data Sources

**Registered Family Child Care Providers, 2021.** As reported by the NJ Department of Children and Families. Data are as of December for each year. Family child care providers comply with state requirements, but operate as independent small businesses.

**Families Receiving State-Funded Home Visitation Programs, 2022.** As reported by the NJ Department of Children and Families. Data are as of June for each year.

## 6 Education

**State-Funded Preschool Enrollment, 2021-22.** Number of three- and four-year-old students enrolled in half- and full-day New Jersey Department of Education-approved preschools, 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.

**Public Kindergarten Enrollment, 2021-22.** As reported by the NJ Department of Education, October Enrollment Data. Data include students enrolled in full and half-day programs in both traditional district and charter schools.

**Pre-K-12 Total Enrollment, 2021-22.** As reported by the NJ Department of Education, October Enrollment Data. Data include both traditional district and charter schools. Please note that total enrollment figures do not include students enrolled in public preschool programs operating within community-based providers.

**Percentage of Pre-K-12 Total Enrollment, 2021-22.** As reported by the NJ Department of Education, October Enrollment Data. Data include both traditional district and charter schools. Please note that total enrollment figures do not include students enrolled in public preschool programs operating within community-based providers.

**Special Education Classification Rates, Ages 3-21, 2021-22.** As reported by the NJ Department of Education. Number of students who are classified, ages 3-21. Data include both traditional district schools and charter schools and public and non-public students. Charter totals may be higher due to suppression of districts with fewer than 10 students.

**Percentage of Population Ages 25 and Older with a Bachelor's Degree or Higher, 2021.** As reported by the U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey chart S1501 using 1-year estimates.

## 7 Teens

**Births to Adolescents and Teens, Ages 10-19, 2021.** The percentage and number of live births to teenagers as reported by the NJ Department of Health, New Jersey State Health Assessment Data, New Jersey Birth Certificate Database. Data accessed as of April 3, 2023.

**Juvenile Arrests, 2020.** Data as reported by the NJ Department of Law and Public Safety, Division of State Police, Uniform Crime Report.

**Number of Youth Admissions to County Detention, 2021.** The number of youth admitted to detention. As reported by the New Jersey Juvenile Justice Commission. Note, counts of less than ten are suppressed in order to retain confidentiality.

**Percentage of Youth Admissions to County Detention by Race/Ethnicity, 2021.** The number of youth admitted to detention. As reported by the New Jersey Juvenile Justice Commission.

**Youth Commitments to County Detention, 2021.** The number of youth committed to detention. As reported by the New Jersey Juvenile Justice Commission.

**Teens Not Working and Not in School, 2017-2021.** As reported by the U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey chart B14005 using 5-year estimates.



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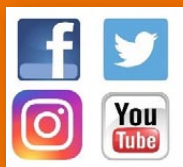


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