



BENTON COUNTY

Minnesota

DEMOGRAPHICS

Major communities: St. Cloud, Sauk Rapids
Est. Total Population, 2007: 39,504
Est. Child (0-17) Population, 2007: 9,852
Median Household Income, 2007: \$48,939

HIGHLIGHTED COUNTY INDICATORS

- 1. Average monthly enrollment of children in health care programs, 2007**
 - Medical Assistance 1,691
 - Minnesota Care 273
- 2. Average Annual Cost of Full-Time Child Care for One Preschooler, 2008:**
 - Family-based \$5,577
- 3. Average Annual Cost of Full-Time Child Care for One Infant, 2008:**
 - Family-based \$6,086
- 4. Tax Households Who Claimed the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC), 2007 (TY06): 2,216**
 - Total value of the EITC: \$3,705,400

10 COUNTY LEVEL INDICATORS OF CHILD WELL-BEING

	Benton		Benton, 2000		Statewide	
	Number	Rate*	Number	Rate*	Number	Rate
1. Children Living in Poverty	992	10.2%	734	8.0%	148,294	12%
2. Children Receiving Food Support, (2008)	826	8.4%	453	5.0%	142,885	11.3%
3. Children Receiving Free or Reduced Price Lunch, (2008)	1,536	28.7%	1,077	22.0%	270,247	32.9%
4. Children Abused and Neglected	32	3.5	94	10.0	6,277	4.9
5. Children in Out-of-Home Placement	83	9.0	138	15.0	14,800	11.5
6. Children with Limited English Proficiency, (2008)	19	0.4%	25**	0.4%**	63,194	7.7%
7. Children Enrolled in Special Education, (2008)	853	16%	815**	15%**	107,168	13%
8. Children Born to Teenage Mothers	7	14.6	19	20.0	1,519	13.4
9. Children Born with Low Birth Weight	27	5%	39	7%	3,542	5%
10. Children Arrested for a Serious Crime	22	5.3	58	13.0	10,895	19

* Rate is per 1,000 or percent of children.

**2006 is when KIDS COUNT started collecting these indicators. Data is from 2007 unless otherwise noted.



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KIDS COUNT DATA CENTER

The KIDS COUNT Data Center contains more than 100 measures of child well-being at the national, state, county, and city level. Three to five years of trend data is currently available for most indicators. This wide-ranging database allows users to generate custom reports for a geographic area or to compare geographic areas on a topic (using Ranking, Maps, and Line Graphs).

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