



STEARNS COUNTY

Minnesota

DEMOGRAPHICS

Major communities: St. Cloud, Paynesville
Est. Total Population, 2007: 146,051
Est. Child (0-17) Population, 2007: 33,475
Median Household Income, 2007: \$51,489

HIGHLIGHTED COUNTY INDICATORS

- 1. Average monthly enrollment of children in health care programs, 2007**
 - Medical Assistance 6,286
 - Minnesota Care 992
- 2. Average Annual Cost of Full-Time Child Care for One Preschooler, 2008:**
 - Family-based \$5,576
- 3. Average Annual Cost of Full-Time Child Care for One Infant, 2008:**
 - Family-based \$5,979
- 4. Tax Households Who Claimed the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC), 2007 (TY06): 7,513**
 - Total value of the EITC: \$12,345,005

10 COUNTY LEVEL INDICATORS OF CHILD WELL-BEING

| | Stearns | | Stearns, 2000 | | Statewide | |
|--|---------|-------|---------------|--------|-----------|-------|
| | Number | Rate* | Number | Rate* | Number | Rate |
| 1. Children Living in Poverty | 3,532 | 10.7% | 2,487 | 8.0% | 148,294 | 12% |
| 2. Children Receiving Food Support, (2008) | 3,362 | 10.0% | 1,682 | 5.0% | 142,885 | 11.3% |
| 3. Children Receiving Free or Reduced Price Lunch, (2008) | 7,520 | 33.3% | 5,479 | 23.0% | 270,247 | 32.9% |
| 4. Children Abused and Neglected | 72 | 2.1 | 122 | 4.0 | 6,277 | 4.9 |
| 5. Children in Out-of-Home Placement | 325 | 9.5 | 389 | 11.0 | 14,800 | 11.5 |
| 6. Children with Limited English Proficiency, (2008) | 1,304 | 5.8% | 1,163** | 5.1%** | 63,194 | 7.7% |
| 7. Children Enrolled in Special Education, (2008) | 3,319 | 15% | 3,242** | 14%** | 107,168 | 13% |
| 8. Children Born to Teenage Mothers | 30 | N/A | 32 | 10.0 | 1,519 | 13.4 |
| 9. Children Born with Low Birth Weight | 102 | 5% | 112 | 6% | 3,542 | 5% |
| 10. Children Arrested for a Serious Crime | 492 | 32.6 | 535 | 32.0 | 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.

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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