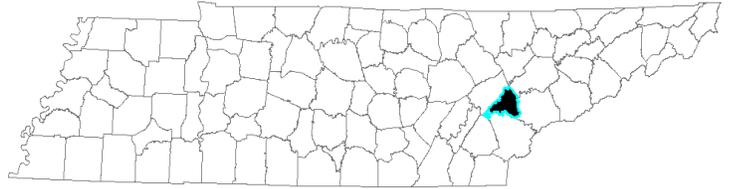
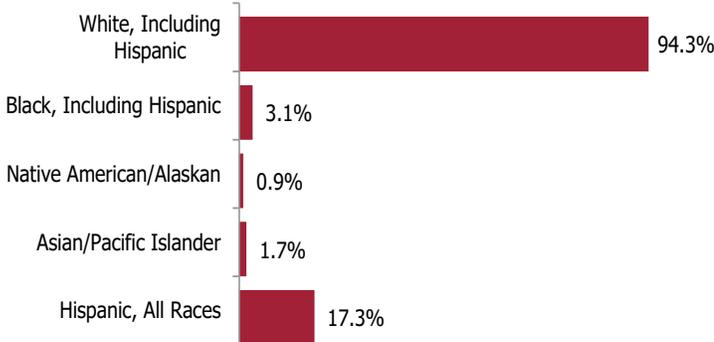


Loudon

TCCY Index Rank 33



Child Population by Race/Ethnicity



HEALTH



Low birth-weight babies

10.6%

Rank: 86 Rank: 78

Children without health insurance

5.7%

Rank: 94

Child and teen deaths

18.7 per 100,000

Rank: 25

ECONOMIC WELL-BEING

Rank: 16

Child Poverty

19.2%

Rank: 18

Median Household Income

\$57,641

Rank: 9

Fair Market Rent

\$1,057

Rank: 74

FAMILY and COMMUNITY

Rank: 44

School suspension rate

3.0%

Rank: 54

Teen pregnancy

8.7 per 1,000

Rank: 22

Substantiated Abuse and Neglect

6.7 per 1,000

Rank: 59

EDUCATION

Rank: 15



38.8%

Third to eighth grade reading proficiency

Rank: 10

46.6%

Third to eighth grade math proficiency

Rank: 10

93.2%

High school graduation rate

Rank: 45

Loudon County

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Demographics 	Loudon County		Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
	Number	Rate			
Total population (state comparison is number not rate)	52,158	NA	6,715,862	0.8%	31
Population under 18 years of age	10,139	19.4%	22.4%	86.9%	76
Economic Well-Being 	Loudon County		Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
	Number	Rate			
Youth unemployment	80	13.8%	12.0%	115.0%	49
Per capita personal income (state is dollars not rate)	\$46,183	NA	\$45,517	101.5%	9
Children receiving Families First grants (TANF)	180	1.8%	3.2%	55.7%	8
Children receiving SNAP	2,636	26.0%	31.8%	81.8%	12
Children under five receiving WIC	876	31.8%	29.6%	107.2%	30
Education 	Loudon County		Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
	Number	Rate			
School age special education services	781	11.5%	11.9%	96.6%	17
TEIS participation (per 1,000 in age group)	37	22.26	23.4	95.0%	40
Cohort high school dropouts	29	5.6%	5.5%	102.3%	75
Event high school dropouts	38	1.6%	2.6%	61.5%	62
Economically disadvantaged students	1,822	27.4%	34.7%	79.0%	11
School expulsions (per 1,000 students)	0	0.0	2.0	0.0%	1
Chronic absenteeism	818	13.4%	13.6%	98.5%	50
Health 	Loudon County		Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
	Number	Rate			
Neonatal abstinence syndrome (per 1,000 live births)	12	23.95	13.5	177.2%	66
Births to mothers who smoked during pregnancy	71	14.2%	12.7%	111.8%	15
Children on TennCare (Medicaid)	5,625	47.8%	48.4%	99.0%	24
Total TennCare (Medicaid) enrollees	9,416	18.1%	21.8%	82.8%	10
Births covered by TennCare (Medicaid)	286	57.1%	52.3%	109.2%	22
Children qualified for Medicaid/CHIP but uninsured	427	7.5%	5.5%	136.4%	93
Infant mortality (per 1,000 live births)	3	6.00	7.4	81.1%	44
Neonatal death (per 1,000 live births)	2	4.00	4.6	87.0%	52
Child deaths (per 100,000 children age 1 to 14)	0	0.00	22.4	0.0%	1
Teen violent deaths (per 100,000 children age 15 to 19)	1	35.70	52.5	68.0%	45
Adequate prenatal care	314	62.7%	57.4%	109.2%	38
Children under age six screened for lead poisoning	391	11.8%	17.7%	66.9%	82
Public school students measured as overweight/obese	NA	43.4%	39.2%	110.7%	54
Teens with STDs (per 1,000 children age 15 to 17)	12	7.0	17.3	40.5%	23
Medical doctors by county (per 100,000 residents)	46	88.2	239.2	36.9%	24
Dentists by county (per 100,000 residents)	20	38.3	49.0	78.2%	22
Family & Community 	Loudon County		Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
	Number	Rate			
Reported child abuse cases	502	5.0%	4.9%	102.0%	25
Commitment to state custody (per 1,000 children)	29	2.6	3.9	66.3%	14
Remaining in state custody (per 1,000 children)	43	3.8	5.1	75.2%	21
Juvenile court referrals	368	3.6%	4.3%	85.2%	33
Recorded marriages (per 1,000 residents)	266	5.1	8.2	62.2%	85
Recorded divorces (per 1,000 residents)	148	2.8	3.6	77.8%	14
Births to unmarried females	206	41.1%	43.6%	94.3%	33
Regulated child care spaces (state is number not rate)	1,728	NA	307,218	0.6%	32

Loudon County

At 33rd, Loudon County ranks just outside the top third of Tennessee counties in child well-being. The county's best rankings include a high median household income and above average percentages of 3rd to 8th grade students demonstrating proficiency on TNReady reading and math tests. The county's biggest opportunities for improvement include having relatively high rates of children who lack health insurance and of babies born at a low birthweight.

Additional strengths include a comparatively low rate of children living in poverty (19.2 percent is still too high, but better than most Tennessee counties) and of pregnancy among girls age 15 to 17.

Additional challenges include high housing costs and an above average rate of substantiated cases of abuse and neglect.

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

- Most uninsured children in Tennessee qualify for either TennCare or CoverKids, so high rates of uninsured children can be improved with outreach to make sure that families are aware of these insurance opportunities. According to Census Bureau estimates, Loudon County has over 425 children who qualify for these health insurance programs but who nonetheless lack insurance.
- Low birthweight is a persistent and difficult problem, but improvements can occur when care is made available for chronic physical and mental health and substance abuse conditions for women of childbearing age, as well as improving outreach to those who may qualify to receive SNAP, WIC and/or TennCare benefits to be sure they are aware of these services. Additionally, nutrition programs that provide food for school-age children to take home can contribute to nutritionally sound diets for women in their childbearing years. Expanding services through Family Resource Centers can help reach these vulnerable populations.
- Pro-active housing policy that helps ensure affordable housing is available for people to live where they work can improve negative outcomes related to high housing costs.
- Two-generation programs such as evidence-based home visiting have been shown to reduce instances of child abuse and neglect.