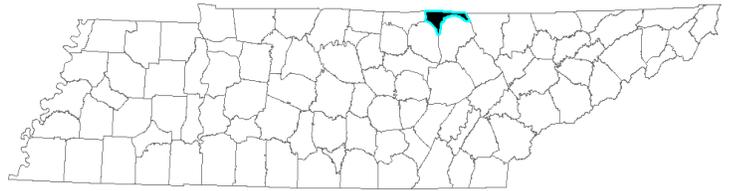
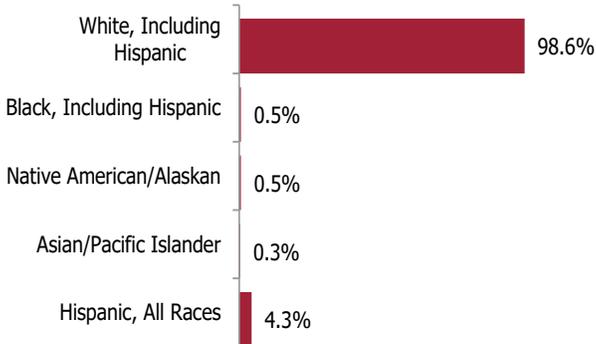


Pickett

TCCY Index Rank 50



Child Population by Race/Ethnicity



HEALTH

- Low birth-weight babies: **10.3%** (Rank: 76)
- Children without health insurance: **5.0%** (Rank: 75)
- Child and teen deaths: **0** per 100,000 (Rank: 1)

ECONOMIC WELL-BEING

Rank: 44

- Child Poverty: **26.2%** (Rank: 64)
- Median Household Income: **\$39,858** (Rank: 67)
- Fair Market Rent: **\$761** (Rank: 1)

FAMILY and COMMUNITY

Rank: 5

- School suspension rate: **0.0%** (Rank: 1)
- Teen pregnancy: **0** per 1,000 (Rank: 1)
- Substantiated Abuse and Neglect: **7.7** per 1,000 (Rank: 77)

EDUCATION

Rank: 81

- Third to eighth grade reading proficiency: **25.3%** (Rank: 81)
- Third to eighth grade math proficiency: **17.5%** (Rank: 93)
- High school graduation rate: **95.2%** (Rank: 25)

Pickett County

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Demographics 	Pickett County		Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
	Number	Rate			
Total population (state comparison is number not rate)	5,060	NA	6,715,862	0.1%	95
Population under 18 years of age	912	18.0%	22.4%	80.6%	90
Economic Well-Being 	Pickett County		Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
	Number	Rate			
Youth unemployment	0	0.0%	12.0%	0.0%	1
Per capita personal income (state is dollars not rate)	\$39,171	NA	\$45,517	86.1%	27
Children receiving Families First grants (TANF)	23	2.5%	3.2%	79.9%	26
Children receiving SNAP	329	36.1%	31.8%	113.7%	48
Children under five receiving WIC	144	61.5%	29.6%	207.9%	92
Education 	Pickett County		Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
	Number	Rate			
School age special education services	90	12.9%	11.9%	108.4%	50
TEIS participation (per 1,000 in age group)	3	20.13	23.4	85.9%	28
Cohort high school dropouts	2	3.2%	5.5%	58.2%	43
Event high school dropouts	2	0.8%	2.6%	30.8%	24
Economically disadvantaged students	202	28.9%	34.7%	83.3%	16
School expulsions (per 1,000 students)	0	0.0	2.0	0.0%	1
Chronic absenteeism	108	15.6%	13.6%	114.7%	68
Health 	Pickett County		Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
	Number	Rate			
Neonatal abstinence syndrome (per 1,000 live births)	0	0.00	13.5	0.0%	1
Births to mothers who smoked during pregnancy	8	20.5%	12.7%	161.4%	49
Children on TennCare (Medicaid)	540	50.5%	48.4%	104.5%	31
Total TennCare (Medicaid) enrollees	1,101	21.8%	21.8%	99.9%	29
Births covered by TennCare (Medicaid)	27	69.2%	52.3%	132.4%	69
Children qualified for Medicaid/CHIP but uninsured	33	5.6%	5.5%	101.8%	73
Infant mortality (per 1,000 live births)	0	0.00	7.4	0.0%	1
Neonatal death (per 1,000 live births)	0	0.00	4.6	0.0%	1
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)	0	0.00	52.5	0.0%	1
Adequate prenatal care	29	74.4%	57.4%	129.6%	3
Children under age six screened for lead poisoning	59	21.4%	17.7%	121.0%	25
Public school students measured as overweight/obese	NA	49.3%	39.2%	125.8%	89
Teens with STDs (per 1,000 children age 15 to 17)	<5	0.0	17.3	0.0%	1
Medical doctors by county (per 100,000 residents)	3	59.3	239.2	24.8%	42
Dentists by county (per 100,000 residents)	0	0.0	49.0	0.0%	92
Family & Community 	Pickett County		Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
	Number	Rate			
Reported child abuse cases	28	3.1%	4.9%	63.3%	3
Commitment to state custody (per 1,000 children)	5	4.9	3.9	125.7%	52
Remaining in state custody (per 1,000 children)	6	5.9	5.1	115.5%	49
Juvenile court referrals	47	5.2%	4.3%	120.9%	57
Recorded marriages (per 1,000 residents)	31	6.1	8.2	74.4%	63
Recorded divorces (per 1,000 residents)	11	2.2	3.6	61.1%	5
Births to unmarried females	14	35.9%	43.6%	82.3%	12
Regulated child care spaces (state is number not rate)	57	NA	307,218	0.0%	95

Pickett County

At 50th, Pickett County is just inside the bottom half of Tennessee counties in child well-being. The county's best rankings include no child and teen deaths and no pregnancies among girls age 15 to 17 in 2017 and no school suspensions in 2017-18. The county's biggest opportunities for improvement are one of the highest percentages of babies born at a low birthweight and among the lowest percentages of 3rd to 8th grade students demonstrating proficiency on TNReady reading and math tests.

Additional strengths include a strong high school graduation rate and low housing costs.

Additional challenges include a high rate of substantiated cases of child abuse and neglect, a relatively high rate of children without health insurance.

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

- 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. When incomes are low and poverty among children is high, it can help to improve outreach to those who may qualify to receive SNAP, WIC and/or TennCare benefits to be sure they are aware of these services. Expanding services through Family Resource Centers can help reach these vulnerable populations.
- Increased access to pre-K can help both math and reading proficiency in later grades. Early assessment of reading skills coupled with appropriate interventions where needed can improve reading proficiency, while increasing STEM opportunities in elementary and middle schools can help improve 3rd to 8th grade math proficiency.
- Two-generation programs such as evidence-based home visiting have been shown to reduce instances of child abuse and neglect.
- 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, Pickett County has over 30 children who qualify for these health insurance programs but who nonetheless lack insurance.