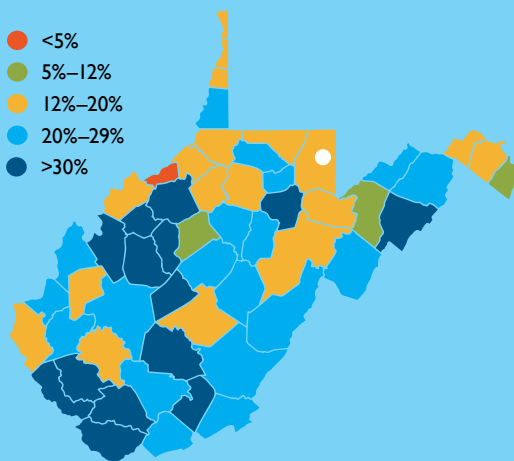


2024 KIDS COUNT Data Book

KIDS COUNT provides an annual snapshot of the well-being of West Virginia children statewide and on a county-by-county basis to inform policymakers, advocates, and the general public. For more West Virginia data, visit datacenter.kidscount.org.

PERCENTAGE OF KIDS UNDER THE POVERTY LINE



Percentage of children in each county that live in households with an income less than 100 percent of the Federal Poverty Level, which is \$23,030 annually for a family of three. *Current data from 2022*

DEMOGRAPHICS

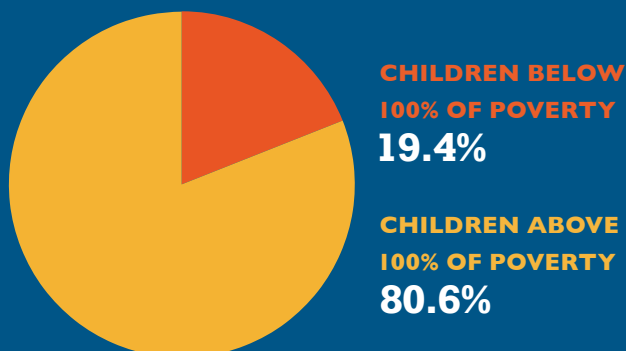
Current data from 2023

| | PRESTON COUNTY | WEST VIRGINIA |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|---------------|
| Total Population of County (all ages) | 34,172 | 1,775,156 |
| Population of County (under 18) | 6,243 | 351,543 |
| White | 96.3% | 91.3% |
| Black | 0.7% | 4.2% |
| Hispanic | 2.5% | 3.4% |
| Other | 0.5% | 1.0% |

COUNTY LEVEL DATA PRESTON COUNTY

POVERTY

Percent of children in Preston County living in poverty. *Current data from 2022*



UNINSURED KIDS

Current data from 2022



of kids under 6 in Preston County do not have health insurance.

FOOD INSECURITY

Current data from 2022



kids under 18 in Preston County do not have enough to eat.

MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME

Current data from 2022





EDUCATION

Public School Enrollment

Total headcount enrollment, 2023-24

3,951

245,047

Fourth Grade Reading Proficiency

Percentage of fourth graders proficient in reading, 2023-24

47.5%

46.6%

Eighth Grade Math Proficiency

Percentage of eighth graders proficient in math, 2023-24

27.6%

28.7%

Graduation Rate

2023 four year cohort

87.3%

92.6%

Students With Special Needs

Percentage of students with a disability, 2023-24

21.2%

19.7%



HEALTH

Children Under Age Six Without Health Insurance

As a percentage, 2022

2.6%

2.6%

Children Insured Through Medicaid

Percentage of children insured by Medicaid, 2022

42.2%

47.4%

Live Births

2021

298

17,189

Pre-Term Births

Percentage of live births born before 37 weeks of pregnancy, 2021

13.8%

12.8%



ECONOMIC

Children Participating in SNAP

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, 2023

1,641

99,912

Households With Children Who Receive TANF

Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, 2023

110

8,654

Children Under Age Six With All Available Parents in Workforce

2022

1,147

62,000



FAMILY & COMMUNITY

Children Receiving Child Care Assistance

Average number of children receiving child care assistance monthly, 2023

87

11,991

Child Care Gap

Additional child care slots needed for children under six with working parents

735

24,855

Rate of Children With Juvenile Criminal System Involvement

Rate per 1,000, 2022

1.60

5.78

Children in Child Welfare System

Children in state custody, 2024

101

5,967