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Age and Gender Characteristics of U.S. Foster Care Population Remain Consistent

The age and gender distributions of kids in the U.S. foster care system have not changed much over the years, and the latest data on these two characteristics deliver no surprises.

April 13, 2020
Black Children Continue to Be Disproportionately Represented in Foster Care

The share of children who are black in foster care remains much smaller than it was nearly a decade ago. Even so, black children are still overrepresented among youth in care.

April 9, 2020
Latest Figures Released as the Coronavirus Crisis Took Hold Show More Than 400,000 Kids in Foster Care

As the coronavirus crisis began, the most recently available data indicates that there were 424,663 children in foster care in 2018.

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Delaware Population by Age
Then and Now

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THE CHANGING FACE OF DELAWARE’S CHILDREN
Children under 18 by Race/Hispanic Origin, Delaware

Note: Persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race.
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey

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NEW CASTLE COUNTY POPULATION
by Race/Hispanic Origin, Children 19 and under

1995
- White Non-Hispanic: 76.4%
- Black Non-Hispanic: 21.2%
- Other: 2.4%

2019
- White Non-Hispanic: 46.7%
- Black Non-Hispanic: 28.7%
- Hispanic: 14.6%
- Other: 9.9%

SUSSEX COUNTY POPULATION
by Race/Hispanic Origin, Children 19 and under

1995
- White Non-Hispanic: 76.4%
- Black Non-Hispanic: 22.4%
- Other: 1.1%

2019
- White Non-Hispanic: 56.1%
- Black Non-Hispanic: 16.5%
- Hispanic: 19.2%
- Other: 8.2%

KENT COUNTY POPULATION
by Race/Hispanic Origin, Children 19 and under

1995
- White Non-Hispanic: 76.0%
- Black Non-Hispanic: 22.6%
- Other: 1.4%

2019
- White Non-Hispanic: 58.8%
- Black Non-Hispanic: 25.2%
- Hispanic: 9.5%
- Other: 8.5%

WILMINGTON CHILD POPULATION
by Race/Hispanic Origin, Children 19 and under

1995
- White Non-Hispanic: 66.2%
- Black Non-Hispanic: 15.4%
- Other: 7.1%

2019
- White Non-Hispanic: 65.5%
- Black Non-Hispanic: 16.5%
- Hispanic: 15.4%
- Other: 4.1%

Note: Persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race.
Where Are the Kids?
Percentage of Children Under Age 18
Census County Divisions
2014-2018

Key
- No Data
- 10% to 20%
- 20.1% to 23%
- 23.1% to 25%
- 25.1% to 30%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey.
## Overview

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- Better: ✓
- Worse: ×
- Similar: =
- Data Not Available: □
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INFANT MORTALITY TIMELINE

1990
- Delaware’s infant mortality rate begins to increase while the national trend is decreasing

2004
- Delaware ranks LAST in nation for infant mortality in the Annie E. Casey Foundation’s KIDS COUNT Data Book; Governor breaks Data Book’s press embargo to lay out a plan for addressing infant mortality in Delaware, including the creation of an Infant Mortality Task Force

2005
- Infant Mortality Task Force issues a 3-year plan with 20 recommendations

2006
- Delaware’s state budget includes $1 million in new funding to support key task force recommendations; legislation passes to create Healthy Mothers and Infants Consortium as successor to the task force; legislation passes to generate funding for a comprehensive Fetal Infant Death Review Board

2009
- Reduce health disparities – infant mortality specifically – by addressing social determinants of health

next
- Delaware’s infant mortality rate trend line decreases for first time since work began

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INFANT MORTALITY
Delaware by Race/Ethnicity

Deaths of Infants Less than 1 year old per 1,000 Live Births

- Non-Hispanic Black 12.2
- Hispanic* 8.4
- Non-Hispanic White 4.5
- Delaware: 7.3

Five-Year Periods

* Persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race. Hispanic rates prior to 1996-2000 do not meet standard of reliability or precision; based on fewer than 20 deaths in the numerator.

Source: Delaware Health Statistics Center

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INFANT MORTALITY
Delaware, Counties and Wilmington

Note: Infant Mortality Rate - number of deaths occurring in the first year of life per 1,000 live births
Source: Delaware Health Statistics Center
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HEALTH COVERAGE TIMELINE

1965
MEDICAID
Title XIX of the Social Security Act establishes Medicaid, ensuring low-income families with children are insured

1997
CHIP
The State Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) is initiated as part of the Balanced Budget Act of 1997, expanding coverage to children in low-income families who do not qualify for Medicaid

2010
ACA
The Affordable Care Act (ACA) passes, providing states the authority to expand Medicaid eligibility and standardizing the rules for determining eligibility and providing benefits through Medicaid, CHIP and the health insurance Marketplace; Delaware Insurance Code made compliant with ACA in 2013; major provisions of the ACA went into effect in 2014

2017
FUNDING
CHIP funding lapses for 114 days during a federal Congressional standoff before the federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 passes, funding CHIP for 10 additional years

2019
ACA IN DELAWARE
Legislation passes to codify various ACA consumer protections into Delaware state law, ensuring that if the ACA is ever repealed or changed, its consumer protections will remain in effect in Delaware

Goals
Health coverage for 100% of Delaware's children

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CHILDREN WITHOUT HEALTH INSURANCE
Delaware Compared to U.S.

Source: Current Population Survey, provided by Center for Applied Demography and Survey Research, University of Delaware
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LEAD POISONING TIMELINE

HISTORY
Dr. John Lockhard Gibson first describes lead toxicity in children

1892

PAINT
Sale of lead-based residential paint is banned in the U.S.

1978

SCREENING
Delaware General Assembly passes the Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Act, mandating screening children at 12 months of age

1995

GASOLINE
Lead in on-road gasoline phases out when it is banned by the Environmental Protection Agency

1996

2ND SCREENING
Delaware legislates expansion of formal lead screening process to include a second screening at 24 months for children at high risk for exposure

2010

GOALS
Continue primary prevention & increase screening rate to identify children with elevated blood levels early

next

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Lead Poisoning
Young Children Tested in Delaware

Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program
Elevated Blood Lead Levels
Children under age 6 and under with blood lead levels at or exceeding 5 µg/dL
2010-2017

Key
- No Data
- 10 to 35
- 36 to 111
- 112 to 205
- 206 to 405

Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program
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EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION TIMELINE

HEAD START
A federally funded school readiness program – Head Start – is created rooted in the idea that parents are their child’s most important teachers; in Delaware ECAP expanded the state’s capacity to serve low-income children in 1994.

DELWARE EARLY CHILDHOOD COUNCIL
Delaware Early Childhood Council is established by executive order and codified into law six years later.

DELAWARE STARS
Delaware Stars for Early Success (STARS) – the state’s voluntary quality rating and improvement system (QRIS) – is codified into law.

QRIS
State funding for the QRIS is first approved, linking purchase of care (POC) reimbursement rate to STARS rating and providing financial incentive to providers with higher quality ratings.

OEL
Office of Early Learning (OEL) is established to coordinate work of multiple departments in Delaware involved with early care and education system.

GOALS
Implementation of next steps toward a comprehensive, sustainable early childhood system that serves all Delaware children based on strategic plan.


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KIDS COUNT in Delaware
Early childhood education programs capacity in Delaware
Licensed Child Care Capacity in Delaware Zip Codes
2019

Key
- No Data
- 9 to 315
- 316 to 934
- 935 to 1,884
- 1,885 to 3,629

Source: Delaware Department of Services for Children, Youth and Their Families

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Stars Participation Delaware

Source: The Delaware Institute for Excellence in Early Childhood, University of Delaware
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STUDENT ASSESSMENT TIMELINE

1997
DSTP
DSTP is designed when a state testing program is legislatively mandated

2009
DCAS
DCAS replaces DSTP as new assessment tool

2010
COMMON CORE
State Board of Education adopts Common Core State Standards

2012
KINDERGARTEN
Kindergarten readiness tool legislatively established

2014
DeSSA
DeSSA – aligned with Common Core – replaces DCAS as new assessment tool

next
DATA
Delaware can utilize assessment data to target resources in order to narrow disparities among student groups

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A Timeline of Delaware’s Statewide Assessments

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Reading Proficiency by Family Income

Delaware System of Student Assessments (DeSSA)

Source: Delaware Department of Education
Grade 11 Math Proficiency by Race

Delaware System of Student Assessments (DeSSA) Results

- White: 39.8%
- All Students: 28.3%
- Hispanic: 16.8%
- Black: 12.7%

Source: Delaware Department of Education
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HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION/DROPOUTS TIMELINE

**DROPOUTS**
- Delaware starts to report dropout rates in compliance with the National Center for Educational Statistics requirements

**COLLEGE**
- Delaware's Department of Education (DOE) implements the Dropout Verification System which increases the accuracy of student placement and enrollment data

**PARENT CONSENT**
- DOE introduces Delaware's College Success Report which provides data related to students' college and career readiness

**RESILIENCE**
- Delaware legislatively mandates that any student over the age of 16 who wishes to leave school prior to graduation must obtain written consent from a parent or guardian and attend an exit interview to discuss the negative impacts associated with dropping out of school

**GRADUATION**
- Delaware's graduation rate reaches a record high of 86.7%

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Delaware Graduation Rates

Source: Delaware Department of Education
Note: Delaware uses the four-year adjusted cohort graduation rate, which measures the number and percentage of cohort members who earned a regular high school diploma within four years or less.
Public High School Dropouts
Grades 9–12, Delaware by Race and Ethnicity

Note: Dropout – A 2014–15 dropout is an individual who was enrolled at the end of the 2013–14 school year; or at any time during the 2014–15 school year; and is no longer in school, has not graduated from high school or completed a state- or district-approved educational program and does not meet any of the following exclusionary conditions:

Documentation proving transfer to another public school district, private school, or state- or district-approved education program or temporary absence due to suspension or school-approved illness; or Death.

Source: Delaware Department of Education
## Economic Security

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Children in Poverty Timeline

Research
The poverty measure is established based on research indicating that families spend about one third of their income on food; this is updated for inflation annually but otherwise unchanged despite differences in the typical family’s budget.

Task Force
Delaware’s Child Poverty Task Force is created by executive order with the goal of reducing the state’s child poverty rate in half within ten years.

Recession
Delaware feels impact of the Great Recession; while the recession officially lasted from December 2007 to June 2009, it takes many years for the economy to recover to pre-crisis levels of employment and output.

Measure Poverty
The Supplemental Poverty Measure is created and data show that government interventions reduce economic hardship for children.

Inventory
Delaware Policy Inventory is created, detailing over 200 pieces of legislation enacted to address needs of Delaware children and families since 2009, when the child poverty task force released their recommendations.

Create Plan
Delaware needs to create a comprehensive and integrated plan, backed by substantial and sustainable funding, that addresses the overall challenges of poverty for Delaware children and families.

1964  2007  2008  2011  2016  next

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Children in Poverty
Delaware and Counties

Percentage of Children (0-17) in Poverty

Kent & Sussex: 13.9
New Castle: 12.2
Delaware: 12.8

Three-Year Periods

Source: Current Population Survey-Provided by the Center for Applied Demography and Survey Research, University of Delaware
Children in Poverty by Age
Delaware and Counties

- **Delaware**
  - Ages 0–5
  - Ages 6–18

Source: Current Population Survey—Provided by the Center for Applied Demography and Survey Research, University of Delaware

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Percentage of Children in Poverty
Census County Divisions
2014-2018

Key
- 0-4.9%
- 5-9.9%
- 10-14.9%
- 15-19.9
- 20-24.9%
- 25-29.9%
- 30-40.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey
Mortgage Foreclosures
Delaware

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FOOD INSECURITY TIMELINE

1946
SCHOOL LUNCH
The National School Lunch Program is established by President Truman

1964
SNAP
President Johnson calls for a permanent food stamps program (now called SNAP) as part of his “War on Poverty”

1972
WIC
WIC is created as a 2-year pilot program by an amendment to the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 and is made permanent in 1975. The program is established during a time of growing public concern about malnutrition among low-income mothers and children.

2008
RECESSION
America’s Great Recession causes dramatic increases in SNAP participation in Delaware

2010
BREAKFAST
The Community Eligibility Provision is authorized by Congress (available nationwide in 2014), allowing schools in low-income areas to provide free breakfast and lunch to all students

next
SAFETY NET
Protect and enhance safety net programs such as SNAP, WIC and school meals, so they may serve our most vulnerable populations during times of need

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Child Participation in Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
Zip Codes
2019

Key
- No Data
- 7 to 578
- 579 to 1,386
- 1,387 to 2,664
- 2,665 to 5,616

Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services

Source: Delaware Health and Social Services
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
Delaware

Average Monthly Number of Households Receiving Supplemental Nutrition Assistance

Source: Delaware Health and Social Services

Note: The 2019 monthly average is depressed due to a federal government shutdown in February 2019, which severely impacted the number of households served by SNAP during that time period.
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## Teen Births

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**Description:** Live births to 15-19 year-old females per 1,000 15-19 year-old females.

## Children in One-Parent Families

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**Description:** Percentage of children (0-17) in one-parent families.

## Child Abuse/Neglect

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**Description:** Number of accepted reports & substantiated claims.

## Births to Single Mothers

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**Description:** Percentage of live births to single mothers.

## Juvenile Violent Crime Arrests

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NOW & THEN

ADVERSE CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCES TIMELINE

RISKS
The CDC's Adverse Childhood Experience Study reveals that experiencing multiple types of adversity during childhood is associated with higher risk of both physical and mental health issues.

SURVEY
The National Survey of Children's Health asks adults about adverse experiences of children currently in their household.

TRAUMA MATTERS
Trauma Matters Delaware hosts first annual Delaware Trauma Matters conference.

SURVEY
The Delaware Household Survey asks adults about their own adverse experiences as a child.

INFORMED
Delaware becomes a Trauma-Informed State by executive order.

POLICIES
Advance trauma-informed policies and resilience building practices throughout Delaware’s child serving community.

1998 2011/12 2013 2015 2018 next

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Prevalence of ACES
Adults 18+ years – Delaware & US

- U.S. adults one or more ACEs: 60%
- U.S. children one or more ACEs: 46%
- Delaware children one or more ACEs: 48%

Source: 2015 Delaware Household Health Survey,
The Delaware Public Health Institute
Child Abuse and Neglect
Number of Substantiated Cases, Delaware

Source: Delaware Department of Services for Children, Youth and Their Families

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BIRTHS TO TEENS TIMELINE

THE PILL
The pill is approved for use as a contraceptive in the U.S. and becomes legal nationwide five years later with the U.S. Supreme Court's ruling on Griswold v Connecticut which rolls back state and local laws outlawing contraception use by married couples.

1960

PRIVACY
U.S. Supreme Court ruling in Carey v Population Services International affirms the constitutional right to privacy for a minor to obtain contraceptives in all states.

1977

PREVENTION
Delaware establishes the Alliance for Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention; 1992-1997 data shows first decrease in the state's teen pregnancy rate since 1982-1986

1995

COVERAGE
Delaware law codifies the ACA's contraceptive-coverage policy by requiring that insurers cover without cost-sharing at least one prescription contraceptive drug, device, or product within each method identified by the Food and Drug Administration to prevent pregnancy.

2018

EDUCATION
Delaware law mandates comprehensive sex education in public schools, covering abstinence, HIV prevention and different methods of contraception.

2000

ACCESS
Increase access to effective birth control options for teens

next

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Births to Teens 15-19
Delaware, Counties, and Wilmington

Source: Delaware Health Statistics Center

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CHILDREN IN ONE-PARENT FAMILIES TIMELINE

WWII
Women take up jobs to support their family and keep local economy on track while male soldiers are away during World War II followed by the feminist movement of the 1960s when women entered the workforce in great numbers.

EQUAL PAY ACT
Pay discrimination becomes illegal in the U.S. under the federal Equal Pay Act.

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Women earn about 71 cents for each dollar a man earns.

LAW
Gender pay gap law signed in Delaware, prohibiting prospective employers from asking job applicants about their salary history.

EQUAL PAY
Eliminate the gender wage gap in order to reduce the number of children with working mothers living in poverty.


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Median Income of Families with Children by Family Type
Delaware and U.S.

Source: Current Population Survey Provided by the Center for Applied Demography and Survey Research, University of Delaware
Female-Headed Families in Poverty
Delaware Compared to U.S.

Percentage Families in Poverty with Single Female Head and Children Under 18

U.S.

Delaware

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KIDS COUNT in Delaware joins Voices for America's Children (now Partnership for America's Children) with renewed commitment to provide high-quality data and nonpartisan leadership to advocate for sound public policies.

Delaware's Child Poverty Task Force kicks off work with supports from KIDS COUNT in Delaware.

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25 YEARS

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