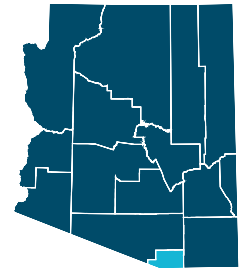


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- Highest percentage of children with at least one foreign born parent
- Highest percentage of children who speak English less than Very Well
- Largest increase in the percentage of households with children in families where all parents are in the labor force
- Lowest percentage of 3 and 4 year olds enrolled in preschool
- Second highest percentage of children living in poverty

DEMOGRAPHICS

	2000	2012
Number of Population Under 18	12,900	13,909
Percent of Population Under 18	34%	29%
Number of Population Under 6	3,793	4,326
Percent of Population Under 6	10%	9%
Percent of Population Under 18 by Race		
Black	0.4%	0.5%
American Indian	1%	0.3%
Asian	0.5%	0.7%
Latino (any race) ¹	90%	95%
White (non Latino)	9%	6%
Two or More Races	3%	3%
Some Other Race	23%	28%
Birth Rate (births per 1,000 people)	20.8	13.8

FAMILY CHARACTERISTICS

	2000	2012
Children Under 6 with at Least One Foreign Born Parent	N/A	49%*
Children Living in Married Couple Families	73%	64%
Children in Families Where All Parents are in the Labor Force	45%	62%
Children 5-17 Years Old Speaking English Less Than Very Well	34%	16%
Children Being Raised by Their Grandparents	N/A	5%

EDUCATION BENCHMARKS

	2000	2012
3 and 4 Year Olds Enrolled in Preschool	36%	18%
4 Year Graduation Rate (#)	78% (524)	79% (582)
16-19 Year Olds Not Enrolled in School and Not Working	14%	7%
	2009	2013
3rd Graders Passing AIMS Reading Test (#)	63% (528)	74% (556)

RISK FACTORS

	1999	2012
Children Living in Poverty	30%	38%
Children Living Below 200% of the Poverty Level	63%	63%
	2000	2012
Births to Mothers without a High School Education (#)	31% (249)	25% (167)
Children without Health Insurance	N/A	17%
	2000	2013
Reports of Abuse and Neglect	141	206
Juveniles Arrested for a Violent Crime (#) rate per 1,000 8-17 year olds	2.6 (19)	1.6 (13)

SAFETY NET ACCESS

Data does not include children receiving assistance through Tribal authorities.

	2000		2013	
	%	#	%	#
Children Participating in SNAP (Food Stamps)²	17%	2,159	45%	6,272
Children Participating in TANF Cash Assistance²	5%	662	1%	200
Children 0-4 Years Old Participating in WIC	47%	1,503	81%	2,892
	2007		2013	
Children 0-12 Years Old Participating in Child Care Subsidy	5%	515	2%	191

¹Since each person must choose whether or not they are Hispanic/Latino (considered an ethnicity by the Census Bureau), in addition to choosing a Race, the percentages in this category total more than 100%. ²As of December 31st.

*Margin of Error Exceeds 10%

