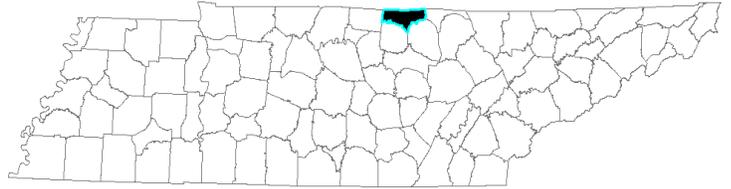
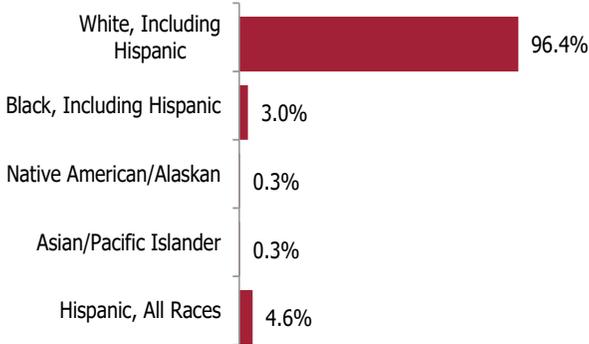


Clay

TCCY Index Rank 93



Child Population by Race/Ethnicity



HEALTH



Low birth-weight babies

13.2%

Rank: 94

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Children without health insurance

5.0%

Rank: 75

Child and teen deaths

62.4 per 100,000

Rank: 83

ECONOMIC WELL-BEING

Rank: 88

Child Poverty

32.8%

Rank: 91

Median Household Income

\$34,035

Rank: 92

Fair Market Rent

\$793

Rank: 20

FAMILY and COMMUNITY

Rank: 92

School suspension rate

0.3%

Rank: 10

Teen pregnancy

17.7 per 1,000

Rank: 80

Substantiated Abuse and Neglect

15 per 1,000

Rank: 93

EDUCATION

Rank: 47



26.4%

Third to eighth grade reading proficiency

Rank: 76

32.6%

Third to eighth grade math proficiency

Rank: 61

97.0%

High school graduation rate

Rank: 11

Clay County

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Demographics 	Clay County		Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
	Number	Rate			
Total population (state comparison is number not rate)	7,714	NA	6,715,862	0.1%	90
Population under 18 years of age	1,532	19.9%	22.4%	88.8%	73
Economic Well-Being 	Clay County		Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
	Number	Rate			
Youth unemployment	40	57.1%	12.0%	475.8%	95
Per capita personal income (state is dollars not rate)	\$31,134	NA	\$45,517	68.4%	83
Children receiving Families First grants (TANF)	67	4.4%	3.2%	136.4%	81
Children receiving SNAP	664	43.4%	31.8%	136.4%	77
Children under five receiving WIC	280	68.6%	29.6%	231.8%	94
Education 	Clay County		Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
	Number	Rate			
School age special education services	139	13.5%	11.9%	113.4%	60
TEIS participation (per 1,000 in age group)	12	49.38	23.4	210.8%	93
Cohort high school dropouts	0	0.0%	5.5%	0.0%	1
Event high school dropouts	1	0.3%	2.6%	11.5%	5
Economically disadvantaged students	402	38.6%	34.7%	111.2%	60
School expulsions (per 1,000 students)	0	0.0	2.0	0.0%	1
Chronic absenteeism	92	9.0%	13.6%	66.2%	14
Health 	Clay 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	13	19.1%	12.7%	150.4%	40
Children on TennCare (Medicaid)	1,121	63.9%	48.4%	132.1%	86
Total TennCare (Medicaid) enrollees	2,155	27.9%	21.8%	128.2%	80
Births covered by TennCare (Medicaid)	51	75.0%	52.3%	143.5%	84
Children qualified for Medicaid/CHIP but uninsured	60	5.4%	5.5%	98.2%	65
Infant mortality (per 1,000 live births)	1	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)	1	258.40	52.5	492.2%	94
Adequate prenatal care	46	67.6%	57.4%	117.8%	19
Children under age six screened for lead poisoning	60	12.2%	17.7%	69.2%	79
Public school students measured as overweight/obese	NA	39.2%	39.2%	100.0%	26
Teens with STDs (per 1,000 children age 15 to 17)	0	0.0	17.3	0.0%	1
Medical doctors by county (per 100,000 residents)	3	38.9	239.2	16.3%	65
Dentists by county (per 100,000 residents)	2	25.9	49.0	52.9%	47
Family & Community 	Clay County		Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
	Number	Rate			
Reported child abuse cases	122	8.0%	4.9%	164.1%	91
Commitment to state custody (per 1,000 children)	31	18.4	3.9	473.0%	95
Remaining in state custody (per 1,000 children)	32	19.0	5.1	373.8%	95
Juvenile court referrals	114	7.4%	4.3%	174.6%	75
Recorded marriages (per 1,000 residents)	45	5.8	8.2	70.7%	72
Recorded divorces (per 1,000 residents)	16	2.1	3.6	58.3%	4
Births to unmarried females	25	36.8%	43.6%	84.4%	14
Regulated child care spaces (state is number not rate)	122	NA	307,218	0.0%	94

Clay County

At 93rd, Clay County ranks near the bottom of Tennessee counties in child well-being. Some of the county's strongest rankings are for its low rate of school suspensions and a strong high school graduation rate. The county's biggest challenges are a high rate of substantiated cases of child abuse and neglect and of babies born at a low birthweight.

An additional strength is Clay County's low housing costs.

Additional opportunities for improvement include a low median household income and the fact that almost a third of its children live in poverty.

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

- Two-generation programs such as evidence-based home visiting have been shown to reduce instances of child abuse and neglect.
- 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.
- With a high rate of child poverty and a relatively low median household income, improving outreach to those who may qualify to receive SNAP, WIC and TennCare benefits to be sure they are aware of these services can help ensure basic needs are met. Additionally, nutrition programs that provide food for school-age children to take home can contribute to food security. Expanding services through Family Resource Centers can also help reach these vulnerable populations.