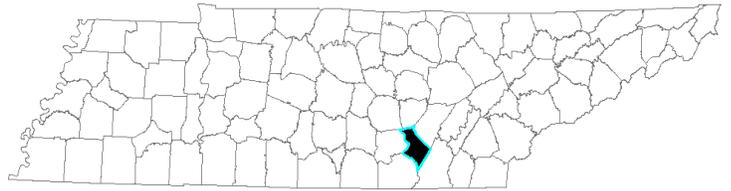
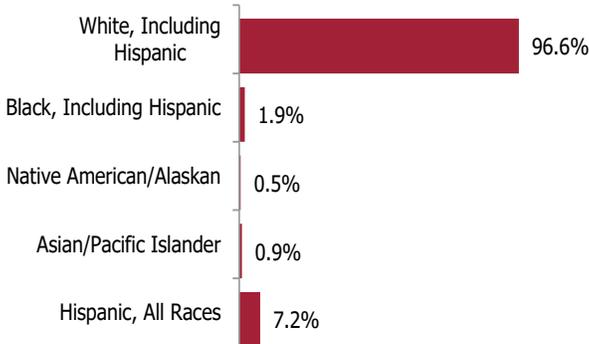


Sequatchie

TCCY Index Rank 83



Child Population by Race/Ethnicity



HEALTH

- Low birth-weight babies: **12.4%** (Rank: 91)
- Children without health insurance: **4.2%** (Rank: 37)
- Child and teen deaths: **30.8** per 100,000 (Rank: 46)

ECONOMIC WELL-BEING

Rank: 86

- Child Poverty: **26.3%** (Rank: 65)
- Median Household Income: **\$45,100** (Rank: 41)
- Fair Market Rent: **\$1,084** (Rank: 79)

FAMILY and COMMUNITY

Rank: 85

- School suspension rate: **1.2%** (Rank: 25)
- Teen pregnancy: **33.6** per 1,000 (Rank: 95)
- Substantiated Abuse and Neglect: **5.6** per 1,000 (Rank: 42)

EDUCATION

Rank: 65

- Third to eighth grade reading proficiency: **29.3%** (Rank: 61)
- Third to eighth grade math proficiency: **29.1%** (Rank: 71)
- High school graduation rate: **94.0%** (Rank: 39)

Sequatchie County

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Demographics 	Sequatchie County		Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
	Number	Rate			
Total population (state comparison is number not rate)	14,736	NA	6,715,862	0.2%	77
Population under 18 years of age	3,052	20.7%	22.4%	92.6%	57
Economic Well-Being 	Sequatchie County		Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
	Number	Rate			
Youth unemployment	30	10.3%	12.0%	85.8%	33
Per capita personal income (state is dollars not rate)	\$36,691	NA	\$45,517	80.6%	46
Children receiving Families First grants (TANF)	132	4.3%	3.2%	135.1%	78
Children receiving SNAP	1,379	45.2%	31.8%	142.2%	80
Children under five receiving WIC	367	50.3%	29.6%	169.8%	76
Education 	Sequatchie County		Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
	Number	Rate			
School age special education services	299	13.6%	11.9%	114.3%	62
TEIS participation (per 1,000 in age group)	7	16.17	23.4	69.0%	16
Cohort high school dropouts	12	7.4%	5.5%	134.5%	85
Event high school dropouts	11	1.5%	2.6%	57.7%	59
Economically disadvantaged students	884	39.8%	34.7%	114.7%	67
School expulsions (per 1,000 students)	0	0.0	2.0	0.0%	1
Chronic absenteeism	424	19.2%	13.6%	141.2%	82
Health 	Sequatchie County		Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
	Number	Rate			
Neonatal abstinence syndrome (per 1,000 live births)	1	5.92	13.5	43.8%	23
Births to mothers who smoked during pregnancy	30	17.8%	12.7%	140.2%	29
Children on TennCare (Medicaid)	2,099	58.9%	48.4%	121.9%	69
Total TennCare (Medicaid) enrollees	3,834	26.0%	21.8%	119.4%	63
Births covered by TennCare (Medicaid)	114	67.5%	52.3%	129.0%	63
Children qualified for Medicaid/CHIP but uninsured	92	4.6%	5.5%	83.6%	25
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)	1	113.00	52.5	215.2%	85
Adequate prenatal care	76	45.0%	57.4%	78.4%	90
Children under age six screened for lead poisoning	182	20.6%	17.7%	116.7%	31
Public school students measured as overweight/obese	NA	46.2%	39.2%	117.9%	78
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)	7	47.5	239.2	19.9%	52
Dentists by county (per 100,000 residents)	3	20.4	49.0	41.5%	59
Family & Community 	Sequatchie County		Tennessee Rate	County Rate as a percentage of State Rate	County Rank
	Number	Rate			
Reported child abuse cases	185	6.1%	4.9%	124.9%	60
Commitment to state custody (per 1,000 children)	23	6.8	3.9	173.8%	73
Remaining in state custody (per 1,000 children)	25	7.4	5.1	144.6%	64
Juvenile court referrals	165	5.4%	4.3%	126.8%	60
Recorded marriages (per 1,000 residents)	105	7.1	8.2	86.6%	34
Recorded divorces (per 1,000 residents)	65	4.4	3.6	122.2%	80
Births to unmarried females	71	42.0%	43.6%	96.3%	37
Regulated child care spaces (state is number not rate)	466	NA	307,218	0.2%	71

Sequatchie County

At 83rd, Sequatchie County is in the bottom fifth of Tennessee counties in child well-being. The county's best rankings include low percentages of students suspended from school and of children who lack health insurance. The county's biggest opportunities for improvement are high rates of pregnancy among girls age 15 to 17 and of babies born at a low birthweight.

Additional strengths include a strong high school graduation rate and a below average rate of substantiated cases of abuse and neglect.

Additional challenges include high housing costs and the fact that more than 1 in 4 of the county's 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.

- Comprehensive sex education classes that include both encouragement of abstinence and information on birth control have been shown to reduce the number of teen pregnancies.
- 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.
- Pro-active housing policy that helps ensure affordable housing is available for people to live where they work can improve negative outcomes related to high housing costs.
- With a high rate of child poverty, improving outreach to those who may qualify to receive SNAP and WIC 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.