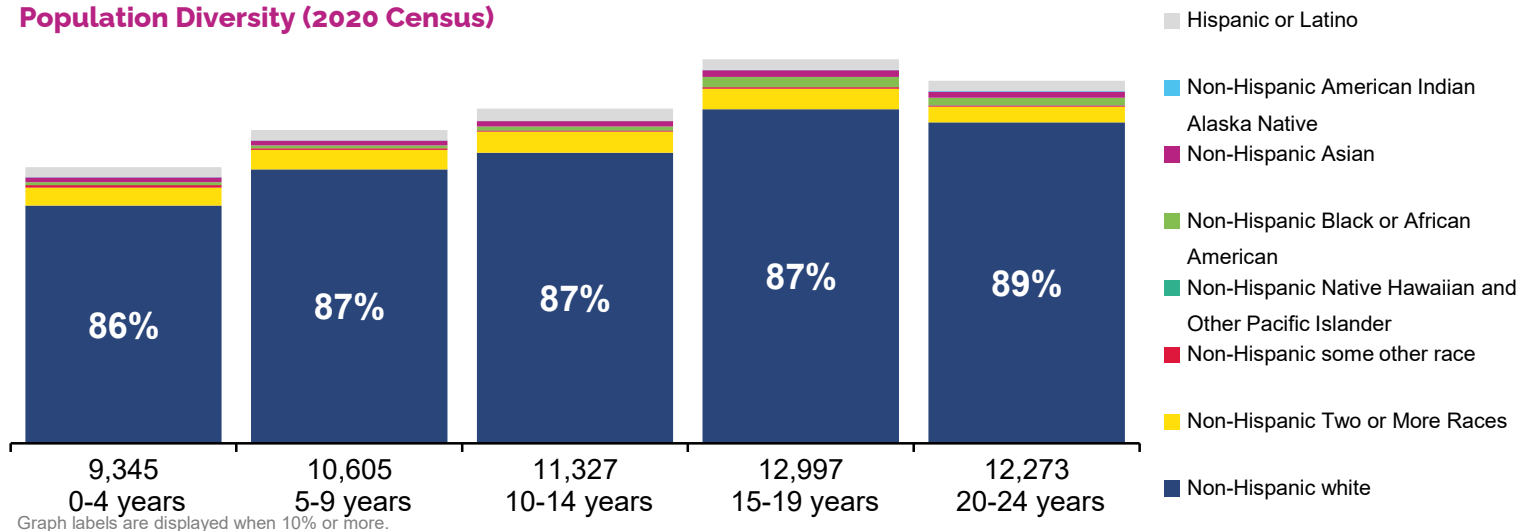


2026 STATE OF THE CHILD - BUTLER

Population Diversity (2020 Census)

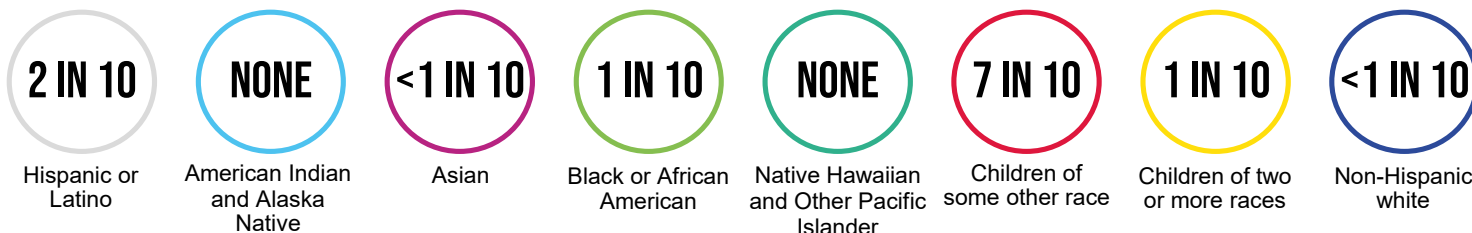


20%
of the county's population is
CHILDREN

38,438
citizens are
CHILDREN UNDER 18 YEARS

18,109
citizens are
18-24 YEARS

Children Living in Poverty (<100% FPL)



1 IN 14 (2,740)
CHILDREN
under 18 live in **POVERTY**

18%
CHILDREN
under 18 are **LOW-INCOME** (<200%)

22%
YOUNG ADULTS
18-24 live in **POVERTY**

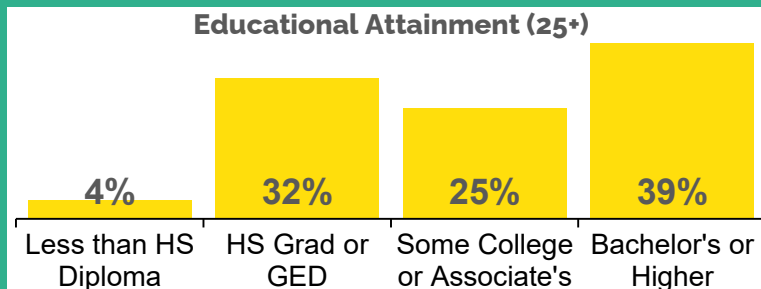
1 IN 3 (4,850)
YOUNG ADULTS
18-24 are **LOW-INCOME**

Households with Children
26%

Median Income of Households with Children
MARRIED COUPLE \$157,000
SINGLE FATHER \$66,800
SINGLE MOTHER \$44,600

Unemployment Rate
3.8%

Children Experiencing Homelessness
571
Children Under 6 with All Caregivers in Labor Force
73%



Children in Households Receiving Public Assistance
12%
Households with High Housing Cost Burden
22%

CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT

WHITE CHILDREN AND BLACK CHILDREN have disproportionately higher rates of CPS referrals

WHITE CHILDREN, BLACK CHILDREN AND CHILDREN OF MULTIPLE RACES have disproportionately higher substantiation rates

WHITE CHILDREN AND BLACK CHILDREN have disproportionately higher rates of valid GPS allegations

3 IN 5
GPS reports screened-out

21%
of assessed GPS reports were valid

EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION

333
children enrolled in publicly funded, high-quality pre-k; yet
940
eligible children remain unserved

94
more educators are needed to serve all eligible pre-k children

87%
of infants and toddlers eligible for the subsidized Child Care Works program remain unserved

42%
of children under age 5 in Child Care Works are in high-quality care

32%
of child care licensed capacity for children under 5 is high-quality

HOME VISITING

879
families are most likely to benefit from evidence-based home visiting services

72
families receive evidence-based home visiting services

Evidence-based home visiting models in this county receiving state funds:

- ✓ Child First
- ✓ Family Check-Up®
- ✓ Healthy Families America
- ✓ Nurse-Family Partnership
- ✓ Parents as Teachers
- ✓ Safecare Augmented®
- ✓ Early Head Start
- ✓ Family Connects

23
members served in the Medical Assistance Maternal Home Visiting Program

K-12 EDUCATION

More than
25,640
enrolled students in
9 school district(s) within the county

31%
of school district students are economically disadvantaged

62%
of 3rd graders score proficient or advanced in English Language Arts as measured by the Pennsylvania System of School Assessment (PSSA)

64%
of 8th graders score proficient or advanced in math as measured by the PSSA

1,207
students enrolled in career and technical education

PERINATAL AND CHILDREN'S HEALTH

3%
of children under 19 have no health insurance

33%
of all children in the county are enrolled in Medicaid or CHIP coverage

913
children in the county enrolled in health coverage through Pennie™, the state's health insurance marketplace

878
infants and toddlers receive services through Early Intervention Part C

57%
of eligible infants, young children and women participate in the Pennsylvania WIC program

Definitions and data sources can be found at papartnerships.org/report/state-of-the-child-2026