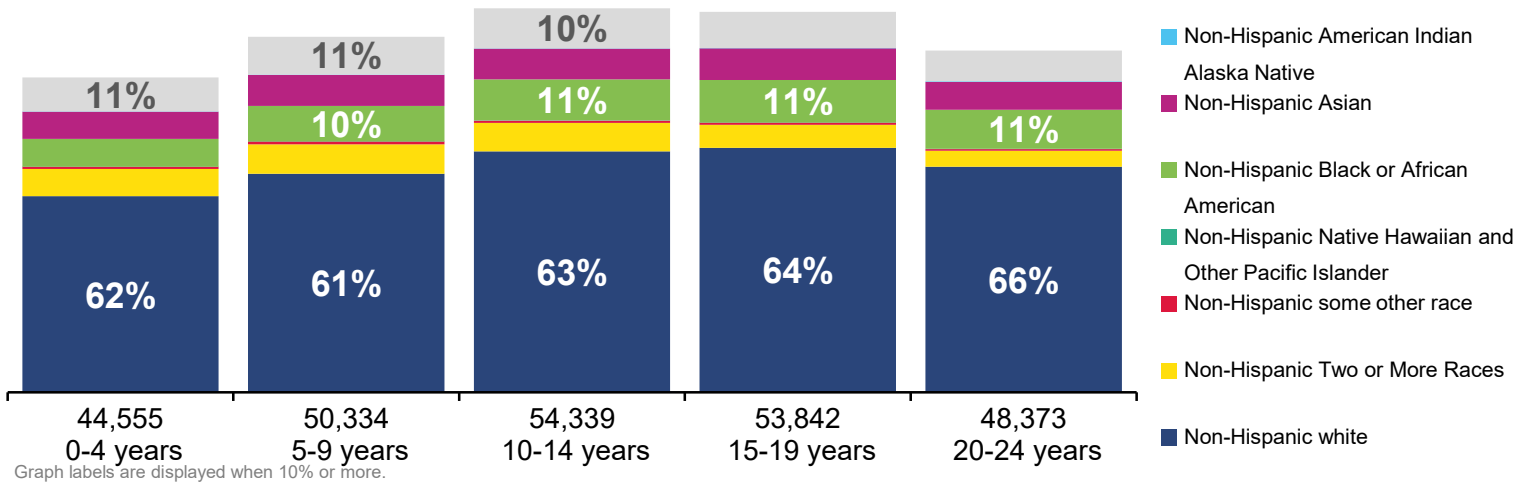


2026 STATE OF THE CHILD - MONTGOMERY

Population Diversity (2020 Census)



21%
of the county's population is
CHILDREN

182,529
citizens are
CHILDREN UNDER 18 YEARS

68,914
citizens are
18-24 YEARS

Children Living in Poverty (<100% FPL)



1 IN 13 (14,220)
CHILDREN
under 18 live in **POVERTY**

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

10%
YOUNG ADULTS
18-24 live in **POVERTY**

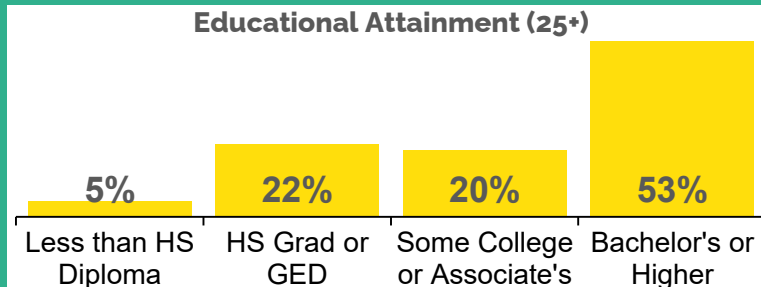
1 IN 5 (12,840)
YOUNG ADULTS
18-24 are **LOW-INCOME**

Households with Children
30%

Median Income of Households with Children
MARRIED COUPLE \$183,600
SINGLE FATHER \$83,100
SINGLE MOTHER \$58,900

Unemployment Rate
3.5%

Children Experiencing Homelessness
2,248
Children Under 6 with All Caregivers in Labor Force
76%



Children in Households Receiving Public Assistance
14%
Households with High Housing Cost Burden
28%

CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT

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

BLACK CHILDREN AND HISPANIC CHILDREN have disproportionately higher substantiation rates

BLACK CHILDREN, HISPANIC CHILDREN AND CHILDREN OF MULTIPLE RACES have disproportionately higher rates of valid GPS allegations

3 IN 4
GPS reports screened-out

10%
of assessed GPS reports were valid

EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION

1,950
children enrolled in publicly funded, high-quality pre-k; yet
2,886
eligible children remain unserved

289
more educators are needed to serve all eligible pre-k children

69%
of infants and toddlers eligible for the subsidized Child Care Works program remain unserved

61%
of children under age 5 in Child Care Works are in high-quality care

42%
of child care licensed capacity for children under 5 is high-quality

HOME VISITING

4,201
families are most likely to benefit from evidence-based home visiting services

663
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

103
members served in the Medical Assistance Maternal Home Visiting Program

K-12 EDUCATION

More than
113,950
enrolled students in
22 school district(s) within the county

35%
of school district students are economically disadvantaged

58%
of 3rd graders score proficient or advanced in English Language Arts as measured by the Pennsylvania System of School Assessment (PSSA)

60%
of 8th graders score proficient or advanced in math as measured by the PSSA

3,611
students enrolled in career and technical education

PERINATAL AND CHILDREN'S HEALTH

3%
of children under 19 have no health insurance

36%
of all children in the county are enrolled in Medicaid or CHIP coverage

4,044
children in the county enrolled in health coverage through Pennie™, the state's health insurance marketplace

2,947
infants and toddlers receive services through Early Intervention Part C

63%
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