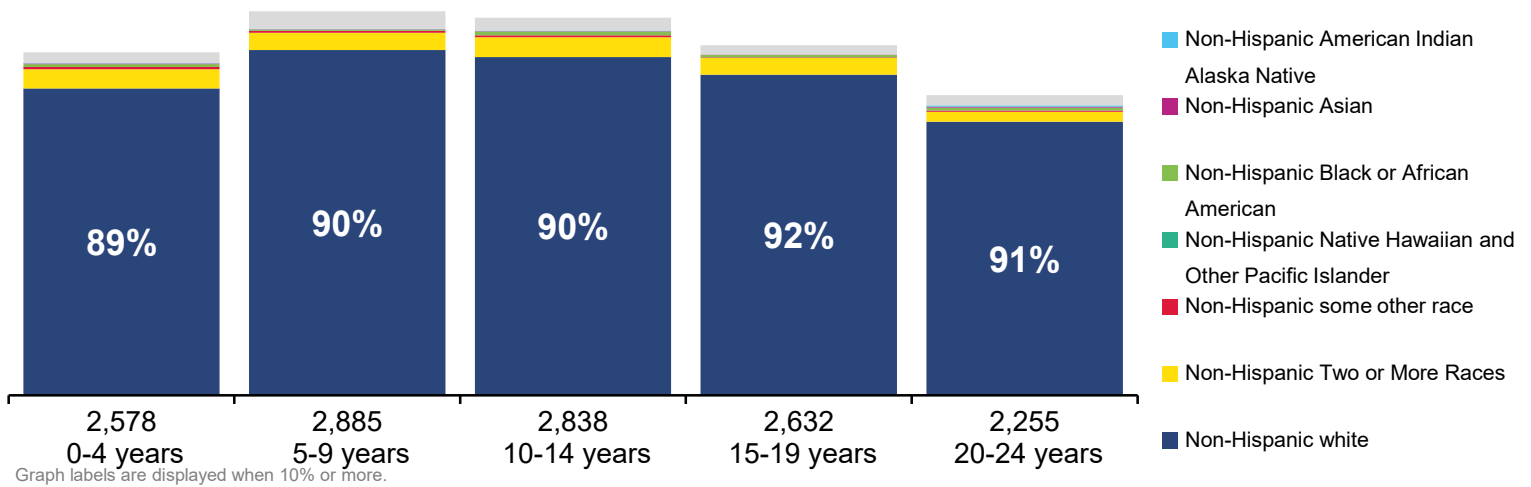


2026 STATE OF THE CHILD - PERRY

Population Diversity (2020 Census)



22%
of the county's population is
CHILDREN

9,925
citizens are
CHILDREN UNDER 18 YEARS

3,263
citizens are
18-24 YEARS

Children Living in Poverty (<100% FPL)



** No child population of this race exists in the county.

1 IN 8 (1,090)
CHILDREN
under 18 live in **POVERTY**

34%
CHILDREN
under 18 are **LOW-INCOME** (<200%)

9%
YOUNG ADULTS
18-24 live in **POVERTY**

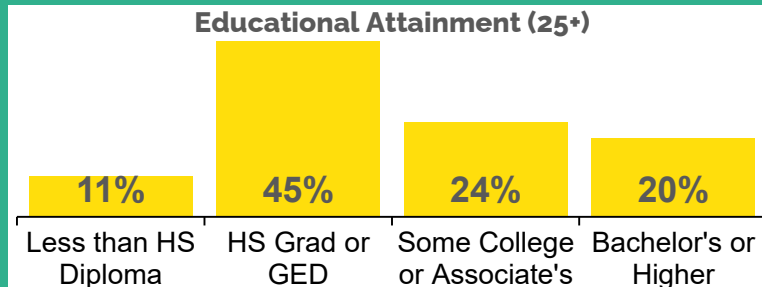
1 IN 6 (520)
YOUNG ADULTS
18-24 are **LOW-INCOME**

Households with Children
28%

Median Income of Households with Children
MARRIED COUPLE \$119,900
SINGLE FATHER \$64,200
SINGLE MOTHER \$37,400

Unemployment Rate
3.8%

Children Experiencing Homelessness
119
Children Under 6 with All Caregivers in Labor Force
48%



Children in Households Receiving Public Assistance
19%
Households with High Housing Cost Burden
23%

CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT

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

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

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

1 IN 2
GPS reports screened-out

37%
of assessed GPS reports were valid

EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION

109
children enrolled in publicly funded, high-quality pre-k; yet
462
eligible children remain unserved

46
more educators are needed to serve all eligible pre-k children

90%
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

52%
of child care licensed capacity for children under 5 is high-quality

HOME VISITING

513
families are most likely to benefit from evidence-based home visiting services

102
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
- ✓ Early Head Start
- ✓ Family Connects
- Nurse-Family Partnership
- Parents as Teachers
- Safecare Augmented®

<11
members served in the Medical Assistance Maternal Home Visiting Program

K-12 EDUCATION

More than
5,890
enrolled students in
5 school district(s) within the county

43%
of school district students are economically disadvantaged

43%
of 3rd graders score proficient or advanced in English Language Arts as measured by the Pennsylvania System of School Assessment (PSSA)

52%
of 8th graders score proficient or advanced in math as measured by the PSSA

571
students enrolled in career and technical education

PERINATAL AND CHILDREN'S HEALTH

16%
of children under 19 have no health insurance

42%
of all children in the county are enrolled in Medicaid or CHIP coverage

149
children in the county enrolled in health coverage through Pennie™, the state's health insurance marketplace

115
infants and toddlers receive services through Early Intervention Part C

46%
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