

Definitions and Sources of Data

Child Death Rate

The Child Death Rate is the number of deaths (from all causes) of children between the ages of 1 and 14 per 100,000 children. The data are reported by the child's county of residence, rather than by place of death.

Source: Nevada Department of Human Resources, Health Division, Bureau of Health Planning and Statistics.

Percent of High School Dropouts

“Dropouts are students who had withdrawn from school after the first day of fall enrollment, or who had completed the previous school year, but did not return for the start of the new school year.”

The overall dropout rate computed for grades 9-12 is as follows: Total dropouts in grades 9-12 (plus nonreturns) divided by fall enrollment and nonreturns for grades 9-12. From Nevada Department of Education, *Nevada Public School Dropouts School Year 2001-2002*, May 2003, by Orval K. Nutting, pp. 4-5.

Source: Nevada Department of Education.

Infant Mortality Rate

The Infant Mortality Rate measures the number of babies who die during their first year of life per 1,000 live births. The data are reported by county of residence, rather than place of death.

Source: Nevada Department of Human Resources, Health Division, Bureau of Health Planning and Statistics.

Juvenile Violent Crime Arrest Rate

The Juvenile Violent Crime Arrest Rate measures the rate at which youths (per 100,000) between the ages of 10 and 17 are arrested for violent crimes. In Nevada, juvenile violent crime includes murder, nonnegligent manslaughter, rape, robbery, and aggravated assault and battery.

Source: Nevada Department of Motor Vehicles and Public Safety.

Percent of Low-Birthweight Babies

Low-Birthweight Babies are those weighing less than 2,500 grams (about 5 pounds 8 ounces) at birth. Low-birthweight data, reported by mother's county of residence rather than infant's place of birth, measure the percentage of live births in which babies weigh less than 2,500 grams.

Source: Nevada Department of Human Resources, Health Division, Bureau of Health Planning and Statistics.

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Percent of Children in Poverty

The Percent of Children in Poverty is the percentage of children under the age of 18 who live in families with incomes below the U.S. poverty threshold. In 2002, the U.S. poverty threshold for a family of 4, 2 adults and 2 children, was \$18,244.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Housing and Household Economic Statistics Division, Small Area Estimates Branch.

Teen Birth Rate

The Teen Birth Rate is the number of births to teenage females between the ages of 15 and 17 per 1,000 females.

Source: Nevada Department of Human Resources, Health Division, Bureau of Health Planning and Statistics.

Teen Violent Death Rate

The Teen Violent Death Rate is the number of deaths from suicide, homicide, accident, and unclassified death per 100,000 teens, ages 15 to 19. The data are reported by the youth's county of residence, rather than by place of death.

Source: Nevada Department of Human Resources, Health Division, Bureau of Health Planning and Statistics.