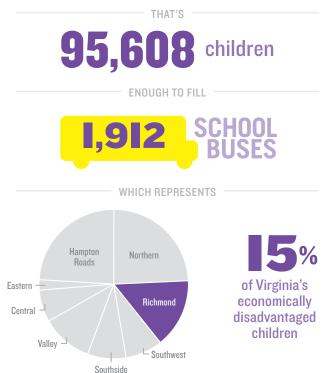
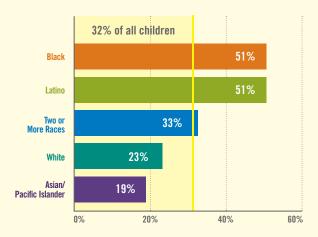


Children living below 200% of the poverty level are economically disadvantaged and live in families that struggle to meet basic needs: food, housing, utilities, child care, and transportation.



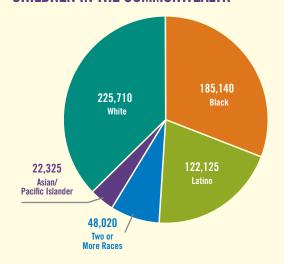
Virginia children of every race and ethnicity face hardship

BLACK AND LATINO CHILDREN ARE MORE LIKELY TO GROW UP IN FAMILIES THAT STRUGGLE TO MEET BASIC NEEDS



Percent of Children Living Below 200% of Poverty by Race and Ethnicity

WHITE CHILDREN MAKE UP THE LARGEST NUMBER OF ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED CHILDREN IN THE COMMONWEALTH



Number of Children Living Below 200% of Poverty by Race and Ethnicity

Over time, a variety of federal, state, and local policy choices have had disproportionate impacts on families living in certain regions or belonging to certain races and ethnicities. Those effects are still felt today. To improve economic opportunity, we must recognize children have different starting points, which may require different policy solutions.

DEMOGRAPHIC		ECONOMIC WELL-BEING		EDUCATION			HEALTH		SAFETY
Locale	Total Child Population (Ages 0-17)	Number of Children Economically Disadvantaged (Below 200% FPL*)	Percent of Children Economically Disadvantaged (Below 200% FPL*)	Pass Rate of Kindergarteners on PALS-K Exam (Fall Kindergarten Readiness Exam)	Pass Rate of Third Graders on SOL Reading Exam		Number of Low- Income Children without Health	Percent of Prenatal Care	Rate of Children Entering
					Economically Disadvantaged	Not Economically Disadvantaged	Insurance (Below 200% FPL*)	Beginning in 1st Trimester	Foster Care (Per 1,000 Children)
Caroline	6,792	2,993	44%	79%	62%	80%	176	87%	2
Charles City	1,152	574	50%	85%	54%	80%	39	81%	0
Chesterfield	81,395	21,916	27%	86%	69%	86%	1,273	94%	0.6
Colonial Heights	3,900	1,722	44%	86%	64%	80%	95	93%	included in Chesterfield
Dinwiddie	5,885	2513	43%	79%	72%	85%	168	91%	1.2
Goochland	4,270	706	17%	88%	53%	86%	85	90%	0.7
Hanover	23,406	4,588	20%	89%	64%	86%	361	90%	0.4
Henrico	75,625	24,041	32%	82%	62%	89%	2,097	94%	0.5
Hopewell	5,690	3,250	57%	80%	58%	77%	145	99%	1.4
New Kent	4,272	662	15%	88%	68%	84%	118	94%	1.6
Petersburg	6,580	4,648	71%	84%	60%	72%	151	89%	1.6
Powhatan	5,536	2,983	54%	90%	57%	82%	137	87%	0.8
Prince George	8,211	965	12%	73%	81%	88%	200	79%	0.7
Richmond City	39,481	24,047	61%	73%	53%	70%	1,024	86%	4.1
Regional Total	272,195	95,608	35%	-	-	-	6,069	90%	1.3
State Total	1,865,556	620,201	33%	84%	62%	75%	48,166	85%	1.5

^{*}FPL stands for Federal Poverty Level. The federal poverty definition consists of a series of thresholds based on family size and composition. In 2016, a 200% poverty threshold for a family of two adults and two children was \$48,600.





Data helps us ask more questions about what is happening in a community and often does not provide any direct answers. To learn more about the data, sources, or child well-being in your community, please contact KIDS COUNT Director Beth Nolan at beth@vakids.org.

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The data reflects the most recently available information, which results in some variation of years by indicator.

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