



Imperial County

Demographics

Children Ages 0-17	2000
Total Population (ages 0-17)	44,746
African American	1.5%
Asian	1.4%
Latino	81.9%
Multiracial	1.0%
Native American	1.4%
Other	0.1%
Pacific Islander	0.1%
White	12.7%

Health

Mothers Receiving Early Prenatal Care	1999	2000	2001
All	77.0%	76.5%	76.0%
African American	73.1%	LNE	68.0%
Asian	76.7%	82.4%	73.9%
Latino	75.9%	75.1%	75.1%
Multiracial	N/A	LNE	LNE
Native American	LNE	LNE	LNE
Pacific Islander	N/A	LNE	LNE
White	81.0%	89.7%	87.2%

Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000 births)	1999	2000	2001
All infants (0-12 months)	4.9	4.7	5.4

Low Birthweight Infants	1999-2001 average
All	5.0%
African American	17.6%
Asian	LNE
Latino	4.7%
Multiracial	LNE
Native American	LNE
Pacific Islander	LNE
White	5.8%

Teen Births (per 1,000 females ages 15-19)	1999-2001 average
All	69
African American	71
Asian	LNE
Latino	76
Multiracial	LNE
Native American	LNE
Pacific Islander	LNE
White	47

Children Lacking Health Insurance (ages 0-17)	2001
All children	18.4%
Low-income children	25.8%
Higher income children	6.6%

Children Lacking Dental Insurance (ages 2-11)	2001
All children	28.8%
Low-income children	38.3%
Higher income children	13.8%

Mental Health Service Utilization (ages 0-17)	2000
Children utilizing county services	1,060
Rate per 1,000	23.7

Air Pollution	1999	2000	2001
Ozone: days per year exceeding state standard	45	65	20
Particulate matter: days per year exceeding state standard	234	264	312

Asthma (ages 0-17)	2001
Children diagnosed	15.5%

Physical Fitness (7th grade)	2000-2001	2001-2002
Physically fit students	17.3%	13.3%
Aerobically fit students	59.1%	52.4%

Motor Vehicle Injuries and Deaths (ages 0-17)	1999	2000	2001
Motor vehicle injuries	220	182	230
Pedestrian injuries	19	24	18
Motor vehicle deaths	LNE	LNE	LNE

Gun Injuries and Deaths (ages 0-17)	1998-2000 average
Gun injuries	LNE
	1999-2001 average
Gun deaths	LNE

Definitions

LNE - Low Number Event

FPL - Federal Poverty Level (\$15,260 for a family of three in 2003)

N/A - Not Available

Low-income - 0 to 199% FPL

NPR - National Percentile Ranking

Higher Income - 200% FPL and above

Citation

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For complete notes and sources, please visit: <http://www.childrennow.org>.

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Family Economics

Children (ages 0-17) Living in Poor Households (0-99% FPL)		1999
Number of children		12,769
Percentage of children		28.9%

Children (ages 0-17) Living in Low-Income Households (0-199% FPL)		1999
Number of children		26,270
Percentage of children		59.5%

Median Household Income (per year)	1997	1998	1999
Income	\$23,359	\$24,430	\$28,712

Schooling and Employment Status of Young People (ages 16-19)		2000
Total population (ages 16-19)		9,576
Percentage in school		81.7%
Percentage employed and not in school		5.9%
Percentage not employed and not in school		12.4%

Fair Market Rent	2001	2002	2003
Per month	\$539	\$555	\$577
As a percentage of income for a family earning 200% of FPL	22%	22%	23%

Average Cost of Full-Time Child Care (per year)		2001
Cost of center care (infant)		\$5,773
Cost of family care (infant)		\$4,693
Cost of center care (toddler)		\$4,678
Cost of family care (toddler)		\$4,419

Food Insecurity		2001
Percentage of low-income parents experiencing food insecurity (0-199% FPL)		25.9%

Child Welfare

Child Abuse (ages 0-17)	1999	2000	2001
Reports of abuse	2,992	3,013	3,479
Rate per 1,000	62	67	77

Foster Care (ages 0-18)	2000	2001	2002
Children in foster care	312	393	375
Rate per 1,000	7	8	8

Education

New Parents with Fewer Than 12 Years of Education (as a percentage of all births)	1999	2000	2001
Mothers	32.8%	31.3%	31.1%
Fathers	30.7%	30.0%	28.8%

Children Enrolled in Preschool (ages 3 and up)		2000
Total number of children in preschool		2,293
Number of children in private preschool		571
Number of children in public preschool		1,722
Estimated percentage of children in pre-school		52%

English Learner Students (grades K-12)	1999-2000	2000-2001	2001-2002
Number of English Learners	16,044	15,931	16,550
As a percentage of total enrollment	49%	48%	49%

4th Grade Reading Scores (percent scoring at or above 50th NPR on STAR test)		2000	2001	2002
All Students		31%	35%	36%
Disadvantaged students		24%	27%	31%
Other students		62%	57%	61%

8th Grade Math Scores (percent scoring at or above 50th NPR on STAR test)		2000	2001	2002
All Students		52%	35%	34%
Disadvantaged students		25%	30%	29%
Other students		53%	45%	48%

High School Performance (1998-2001 average)	meet UC/CSU requirements	annual dropout rate
All	18.9%	1.6%
African American	13.0%	2.5%
Asian	60.9%	LNE
Filipino	LNE	LNE
Latino	17.0%	1.6%
Native American	LNE	LNE
Pacific Islander	LNE	LNE
White	24.9%	1.0%