

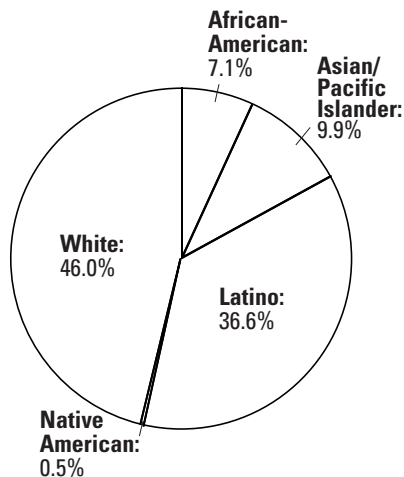
The children of San Diego County

County Location



County Demographics, 2001

Total Children 0-17: 832,240



Education

A child's success in school is influenced by his early care environments as well as the K-12 school setting.

Test Scores

STAR 4th grade reading (2001)*	54%
STAR 8th grade math (2001)*	54%
Median base API (2000)**	710

* Percent scoring at or above national average.

** Scale of 200 to 1000.

High School Dropout	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00
All	2.7%	2.4%	2.2%
African-American	3.8%	3.7%	4.2%
Asian/Pacific Islander	1.7%	1.6%	1.6%
Latino	4.1%	3.4%	3.2%
Native American	5.1%	4.6%	2.5%
White	1.8%	1.5%	1.3%

High School Grads Who Completed UC/CSU Req.

	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00
All	39.4%	37.3%	37.1%
African-American	23.2%	21.9%	22.4%
Asian/Pacific Islander	50.6%	49.1%	50.4%
Latino	22.4%	21.5%	21.2%
Native American	29.4%	25.7%	27.6%
White	48.2%	45.2%	44.9%

Professional Resources

Student/teacher ratio (K-3) (2000)	19:1
Student/teacher ratio (4-6) (2000)	29:1
Student/counselor ratio (2000-2001)	796:1

Fully Credentialed Teachers	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00
Percent	88%	95%	95%

English Language Skills

English learning students	22.6%
English proficient students*	10.8%

* Previous English learners who become proficient.

Babies Born to Mothers with <12 Years of Education

	1997	1998	1999
Number	42,971	43,129	42,907
Percent	26.1%	25.1%	24.3%

Head Start

	1999
Number of children served	7,229
Est. number of children (ages 3-4) in poverty	21,824

Child Care

	1999	2000	2001
Cost/month-infant	\$599	\$622	\$726
Cost/month-pre-school	\$421	\$422	\$491
Cost/month-school-age	\$367	\$321	\$382

Family Economics

A child's academic achievement is shaped by her family's economic circumstances and the community resources available to her.

Children Living in Poverty

	1997
Percent (Ages 0-4)	24.3%
Percent (Ages 0-17)	22.0%

Low Income Children (K-12)

	1999-00
185% of poverty or below	43.9%

Median Household Income

	2000
Median income	\$42,292

Fair Market Rent

	2000
Two bedroom	\$805
As percent of minimum wage	77%

Children & Infants Receiving WIC

	1999
Number of participants	75,710
Percent of eligible served	68.5%

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Health

A child's health and access to health care plays an important role in his ability to concentrate in the classroom, complete school work and not be absent from school.

Prenatal Care (in the first trimester)	1997	1998	1999
All	78.9%	80.1%	82.0%
African-American	76.6%	78.0%	80.7%
Asian/Pacific Islander	82.4%	84.0%	83.7%
Latino	69.2%	70.9%	74.0%
Native American	75.6%	78.3%	79.4%
White	87.9%	88.8%	90.2%

Low Birthweight Infants	1997	1998	1999
All	5.8%	6.0%	5.9%
African-American	10.6%	10.3%	11.3%
Asian/Pacific Islander	6.7%	7.7%	7.1%
Latino	5.3%	5.1%	5.2%
Native American	2.8%	6.3%	6.0%
White	5.4%	5.8%	5.6%

Teen Births (Rate per 1,000)	1997	1998	1999
All	49.3	48.2	46.4
African-American	76.5	68.3	64.0
Asian/Pacific Islander	29.6	24.2	26.0
Latino	102.1	100.2	98.1
Native American	91.9	63.7	74.2
White	20.9	22.2	19.8

Infant Mortality (Rate per 1,000)	1997	1998	1999
All	5.5	5.2	5.2
African-American	14.5	12.3	10.6
Asian/Pacific Islander	3.4	4.2	2.8
Latino	5.5	4.7	5.0
Native American	4.1	13.5	0.0
White	4.5	4.6	5.2

Safety

A child's sense of safety at home and in her neighborhood affects her readiness to learn in the classroom and during non-school hours.

Child Abuse	2000
Number of reports	75,093
Rate (per 1,000)	92.3

Foster Care (Rate per 1,000)	2000
Number of children	7,411
Rate (per 1,000)	8.9

Incarcerated Juveniles in CYA (Rate per 100,000)	2001
All	20.0
African-American	70.6
Asian/Pacific Islander	6.1
Latino	33.7
White/Other	6.9

Gun Injuries & Deaths (Ages 0-17)	1999
Injuries	31
Deaths	4

Motor Vehicle Injuries & Deaths	2000
Injuries (Ages 0-17)	3,820
Injuries (Ages 0-5)	520
Deaths (Ages 0-17)	27
Deaths (Ages 0-5)	6

Education

% of 4th graders reading at or above national average	24 / 58
% of 8th graders scoring (math) at or above national average	31 / 58
Median base API	22 / 58
High school dropout	31 / 57
High school graduates who complete UC/CSU requirements	15 / 57
Student/teacher ratio (K-3)	4 / 35
Student/teacher ratio (4-6)	21 / 34
Student/counselor ratio	13 / 57
Fully credentialed teachers	31 / 58
Babies born to mothers with <12 years of education	25 / 56
Child care cost/month—infant	24 / 34
Child care cost/month—pre-school	36 / 52
Child care cost/month—school-age	21 / 44

Family Economics

Children living in poverty (0-4)	31 / 58
Children living in poverty (0-17)	24 / 58
Low income children	33 / 58
Median income	19 / 58
Fair market rent (two bedroom)	45 / 58
Children & infants receiving WIC	21 / 48

Health

Prenatal care	28 / 52
Low birthweight infants	27 / 45
Teen births	28 / 50
Infant mortality	19 / 39

Safety

Child abuse	30 / 47
Foster care	24 / 47
Incarcerated juveniles	12 / 30
Motor vehicle injuries	11 / 51
Motor vehicle deaths	16 / 41

DEFINITIONS GUIDE

NA=Not Available *Please see Data Explanations section for more information*
 NR=Not Ranked