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Well-Being in Nevada

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Overview of KIDS COUNT

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WHAT is KIDS COUNT?

KIDS COUNT is a well-known, well-respected project of the Annie E. Casey Foundation. Its purpose is to track the well-being of children at both the national and the state levels. All 50 states have a KIDS COUNT project, allowing for state-by-state comparisons of child well-being indicators.

In Nevada, the primary activities of the KIDS COUNT project are to:

- ❖ collect, analyze, and distribute the best available data measuring the educational, social, economic, and physical well-being of children and youth in Nevada;
- ❖ educate and inform decision-makers, citizens, service providers, providers of funding, and community partners regarding data, policy, and resource analysis;
- ❖ provide linkages with community efforts to reach decision-makers with information concerning relevant issues for children and youth.

WHAT is the Center for Business and Economic Research (CBER)?

The Center for Business and Economic Research, established in 1975, aids businesses and agencies in achieving the fullest expression of economic potential by providing academic expertise in data collection, business-conditions analysis, and research projects which assist the development and diversification of the Nevada economy. CBER serves Nevadans by making presentations for conferences, task forces, symposiums, and meetings of Nevada organizations. The work of CBER is rather evenly split between data collection and analysis, market analysis, business-conditions analysis, financial-feasibility studies, and econometric modeling. CBER's staff publishes many reports and conducts both basic and applied research. CBER's relationship with KIDS COUNT began in 1996 when it began providing data for the *Nevada KIDS COUNT Data Book*. Since 2000, CBER has been publishing the *Data Book*.

Data Summary

Welcome, to the new, reduced version of the *Nevada KIDS COUNT Data Book*. This year we introduce to you a 42-page, pocket-size book. By omitting reviews of literature, which were featured in previous *Data Books*, we feel that you will more easily be able to find facts on Nevada's children. We plan to produce the reduced size *Data Book* every other year to coincide with sessions of the Nevada Legislature. Nevada KIDS COUNT hopes that this *Data Book* still meets your needs.

Not all the indicators presented in previous years' *Data Books* are reported in this edition. To access additional data on previously reported indicators, such as child abuse and neglect, go to the Nevada KIDS COUNT Web site <<http://kidscount.unlv.edu>> or the CLIKS: County-City-Community Level Information on Kids Web site <<http://www.aecf.org/kidscount/cliks>>.

Comparing the data on the eight child well-being indicators from last year's *Data Book* with this year's, we find that half of the indicators improved and half worsened. Of the indicators that changed for the better, the teen birth rate improved the most, declining from 29.9 to 27.9. Of the indicators that worsened, the teen violent death rate changed the most, from 51.8 to 53.8.

The following is a summary of the data presented in the table on page 4 for each of the eight child well-being indicators.

Percent of Low-Birthweight Babies (babies weighing about 5.5 pounds)

- ❖ The percent of low-birthweight babies (LBW) babies in Nevada for the years 2001-2003 was 7.7, a slight increase from 7.4 percent for 2000-2002.
- ❖ The percent of LBW babies ranged from 0.0 in Esmeralda County to 9.3 in Mineral County.
- ❖ Of the 2,704 LBW babies born in 2003, blacks (African Americans) had the highest percentage of LBW babies (13.6), followed by Asians (9.4).

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Comparison of Child Well-Being Indicators in Nevada: 2004 and 2005 Data Books

<i>Indicator</i>	<i>Nevada 2004 Data Book</i>	<i>Nevada 2005 Data Book</i>	<i>Comparison</i>	
	<i>Rate or Percent</i>	<i>Rate or Percent</i>	<i>Improved</i>	<i>Worsened</i>
Percent low-birthweight babies	7.4% (2000-02)	7.7% (2001-03)		X
Teen birth rate	29.9 (2000-02)	27.9 (2001-03)	X	
Children in poverty	12.5% (2001)*	14.1% (2002)		X
High school dropout rate	6.3% (2001-02)	6.0% (2002-03)	X	
Infant mortality rate	6.0 (2000-02)	5.7 (2001-03)	X	
Child death rate	21.0 (2000-02)	20.5 (2001-03)	X	
Teen violent death rate	51.8 (2000-02)	53.8 (2001-03)		X
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate	242.4 (2000-02)	242.5 (2001-03)		X

*Data for 2000 were presented in the *Nevada KIDS COUNT Data Book 2004*.

Source: Center for Business and Economic Research, University of Nevada Las Vegas.

Data Summary

Teen Birth Rate (births to females ages 15 to 17 per 1,000 females)

- ❖ Nevada's average teen birth rate for 2001-2003 was 27.9, down from 29.9 for 2000-2002.
- ❖ The average teen birth rate ranged from 9.0 in Douglas County to 36.6 in Humboldt County.
- ❖ Six counties' average teen birth rates were considered not meaningful (NM) due to a low number of births for each county. Calculated rates based on very small numbers are not statistically reliable. Rates for counties with less than 10 births were not reported.
- ❖ Hispanics and blacks (African Americans) had the highest average teen birth rates for 2001-2003, 51.1 and 43.1, respectively, followed by Native Americans (24.6), Asians (15.6), and whites (14.3).
- ❖ Nevada's average unmarried teen birth rate for 2001-2003 was 21.8.

Percent of Children in Poverty (children under age 18 who live in families with incomes below the U.S. poverty threshold)

- ❖ Approximately 14.0 percent of Nevada's children were in poverty in 2002, up from 12.5 percent in 2001.
- ❖ The percent of children in poverty ranged from 4.6 in Storey County to 19.9 in Mineral County.

High School Dropout Rate (grades 9-12)

- ❖ Nevada's high school dropout rate decreased from 6.3 percent in 2001-2002 to 6.0 percent in 2002-2003.
- ❖ The dropout rate ranged from 0.0 percent in Eureka, Mineral, and Pershing counties to 8.7 percent in Storey County.

Infant Mortality Rate (deaths during babies' first year of life per 1,000 births)

- ❖ Nevada's average infant mortality rate for 2001-2003 was 5.7, down from 6.0 for 2000-2002.
- ❖ Of the 97,312 babies born during this period, 556 infants died before they reached their first birthday.
- ❖ Among the nine counties for which statistically reliable rates could be calculated, the infant mortality rate ranged from 2.3 in Carson City to 8.3 in Nye County.

Data Summary

Child Death Rate (deaths per 100,000 children ages 1-14)

- ❖ Nevada's 2001-2003 average child death rate was 20.5, down from 21.0 for 2000-2002. Two hundred sixty-seven children died during 2001-2003.
- ❖ Three counties had an age-specific population of 10,000 or more which allowed for calculation of reliable rates: Clark, Washoe, and Carson City. Their respective rates were 20.3, 18.4, and 13.3. Statistically reliable rates were not reported for the remaining 14 counties due to small population numbers for the 1 to 14 age groups. The rate of the combined 14 counties was 26.3.

Teen Violent Death Rate (deaths per 100,000 teens ages 15-19)

- ❖ Nevada's average teen violent death rate for 2001-2003 was 53.8, up from 51.8 for 2000-2002.
- ❖ Two hundred forty-six teens died as a result of homicide, suicide, and accident.
- ❖ In 2003, 96 teens died from violence—60 were accidents, 15 were homicides, and 21 were suicides.
- ❖ Two counties had an age-specific population of 10,000 or more which allowed for calculation of the teen violent death rate. The teen violent death rates per 100,000 teens ages 15 to 19 in Clark and Washoe counties were 51.3 and 45.5, respectively. The rate of the remaining 15 counties, each with a population under 10,000, was 75.4.

Juvenile Violent Crime Rate (arrests per 100,000 youth ages 10-17)

- ❖ Nevada experienced almost no change in its juvenile violent crime rate during a comparative three-year period. The juvenile violent crime arrest rate from 2001-2003 was 242.5 arrests per 100,000 youth ages 10-17. The rate for 2000-2002 was 242.4.
- ❖ There were 1,779 violent crime arrests from 2001-2003.
- ❖ Two counties had an age-specific population of 10,000 or more which allowed for calculation of the juvenile violent crime arrest rate. The juvenile violent crime arrest rates for Washoe and Clark counties were 342.4 and 241.9, respectively. The rate of the combined remaining 15 counties, each with a population under 10,000, was 137.0.

Nevada Demographics

Nevada Demographic Profile: 2003

<i>Population</i>	<i>Number/Percent</i>
State population	2,290,436
Clark County population	1,620,748
Clark County population as a percent of state population	70.8%
Washoe County population	372,813
Washoe County population as a percent of state population	16.3%
Rest of state population	296,875
Rest of state population as a percent of state population	12.9%
Adult (20 and older) population	1,646,919
Adult (20 and older) population as a percent of state population	71.9%
Child (19 and under) population	643,516
Child (19 and under) population as a percent of state population	28.1%

Source: Nevada State Demographer, estimates as of January 2004.

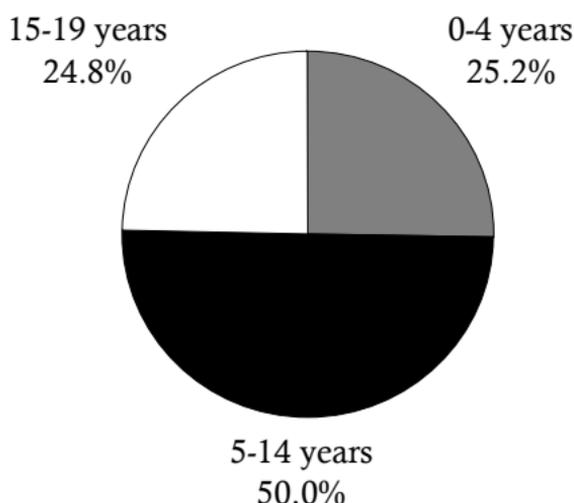
Projected Demographic Change of Children and Youth in Nevada by Age: 2003 to 2008

<i>Age Groups</i>	<i>2003</i>	<i>2008</i>	<i>Percent Change</i>
0-4 years	162,221	189,807	17.0
5-14 years	321,715	360,791	12.1
15-19 years	159,580	185,938	16.5
ALL CHILDREN	643,516	736,536	14.5

Source: Nevada State Demographer, estimates as of January 2004.

Nevada Demographics

Percent of Children and Youth in Nevada by Age: 2003



Source: Nevada State Demographer, estimates as of January 2004.

Age Distribution of Nevada Children and Youth Ages 17 and Under by County: 2003

County	Less Than 5 Years (Number)	5 to 17 Years (Number)	Less Than 18 Years (Percent)	Total All Ages (Number)
Carson City	3,535	9,412	25	52,478
Churchill	1,771	5,392	28	25,808
Clark	120,172	294,069	26	1,620,748
Douglas	2,020	7,002	20	45,603
Elko	2,797	9,728	27	45,805
Esmeralda	32	161	17	1,116
Eureka	89	303	28	1,420
Humboldt	1,168	3,493	28	16,457
Lander	359	1,281	31	5,277
Lincoln	163	626	23	3,419
Lyon	2,422	7,143	23	41,244
Mineral	217	883	23	4,687
Nye	1,664	5,939	21	36,651
Pershing	310	1,167	27	5,564
Storey	68	493	15	3,736
Washoe	24,996	68,118	25	372,813
White Pine	438	1,457	25	7,608
NEVADA*	162,221	416,668	25	2,290,436

*The sum of the counties may not equal the state total due to missing or incomplete county-reference data.

Source: Nevada State Demographer, estimates as of January 2004.

Nevada Demographics

Demographics of Children and Youth Ages 17 and Under in Nevada by Race/Ethnicity: 2003

<i>Race/Ethnicity</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Asian or Pacific Islander	33,532	5.8
Black (African American)	49,949	8.6
Hispanic (All races)	185,736	32.1
NA,* Eskimo, or Aleut	8,465	1.5
White	301,208	52.0
ALL CHILDREN	578,890	100.0

*NA = Native American

Note: The racial/ethnic categories were provided by the state demographer.

Source: Nevada State Demographer, estimates as of January 2004.

Racial/Ethnic Distribution of Nevada Children and Youth Ages 17 and Under by County: 2003

<i>County</i>	<i>Asian/ PI*</i>	<i>Black/ AA**</i>	<i>Hispanic (All races)</i>	<i>NA,*** Eskimo, or Aleut</i>	<i>White</i>	<i>Total</i>
Carson City	286	95	3,334	329	8,904	12,947
Churchill	292	147	984	465	5,275	7,163
Clark	27,332	46,506	144,542	3,559	192,302	414,241
Douglas	172	54	1,116	198	7,482	9,022
Elko	97	67	2,970	651	8,741	12,525
Esmeralda	3	0	31	14	146	193
Eureka	2	0	55	3	331	392
Humboldt	49	8	1,236	231	3,136	4,661
Lander	8	2	444	70	1,115	1,640
Lincoln	2	2	43	19	721	788
Lyon	88	77	1,714	276	7,410	9,565
Mineral	11	50	150	233	657	1,101
Nye	125	110	1,146	192	6,030	7,604
Pershing	9	8	409	68	983	1,476
Storey	7	1	52	10	491	562
Washoe	5,018	2,808	27,252	2,036	56,000	93,114
White Pine	31	14	258	108	1,484	1,895
NEVADA	33,532	49,949	185,736	8,465	301,208	578,890

*PI = Pacific Islander.

**AA = African American.

***NA = Native American.

Note: The sum of the counties may not equal the state total due to missing or incomplete county-reference data. The racial/ethnic categories were provided by the state demographer.

Source: Nevada State Demographer, estimates as of January 2004.

Nevada Households by Type: 2003

<i>Category</i>	<i>Number (Estimate)</i>
Family households (families)*	537,581
With own children under 18 years	261,459
Married-couple families**	398,232
With own children under 18 years	179,485
Female householder, no husband present	93,741
With own children under 18 years	59,924
Nonfamily households	296,098
Total households	833,679
Average household size***	2.65
Average family size***	3.26

*“A family is a group of two people or more (one of whom is the householder) related by birth, marriage, or adoption and residing together; all such people (including related subfamily members) are considered as members of one family.”

“A family household is a household maintained by a householder who is in a family (as defined above), and includes any unrelated people (unrelated subfamily members and/or secondary individuals) who may be residing there. The number of family households is equal to the number of families.”

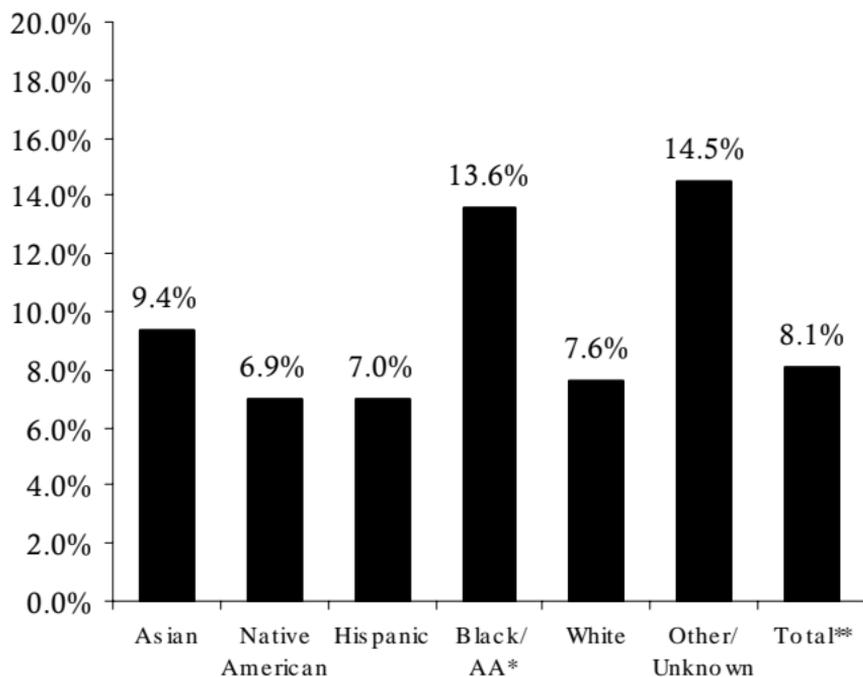
**“A married couple, as defined for census purposes, is a husband and wife enumerated as members of the same household. The married couple may or may not have children living with them. The expression ‘husband-wife’ or ‘married-couple’ before the term ‘household,’ ‘family,’ or ‘subfamily’ indicates that the household, family, or subfamily is maintained by a husband and wife. The number of married couples equals the count of married-couple families plus related and unrelated married-couple subfamilies.”

***“The term ‘size of household’ includes all the people occupying a housing unit. ‘Size of family’ includes the family householder and all other people in the living quarters who are related to the householder by birth, marriage, or adoption.” From U.S. Census Bureau, “Current Population Survey (CPS) - Definitions and Explanations,” available online at: <<http://www.census.gov/population/www/cps/cpsdef.html>> as of 3/14/05.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey Profile 2003, “Nevada,” Table 1. General Demographic Characteristics, available online at: <<http://www.census.gov/acs/www/Products/Profiles/Single/2003/ACS/Tabular/040/04000US321.htm>> as of 1/6/05.

Health Conditions and Health Care

Percent of Low-Birthweight Babies in Nevada by Race/Ethnicity: 2003

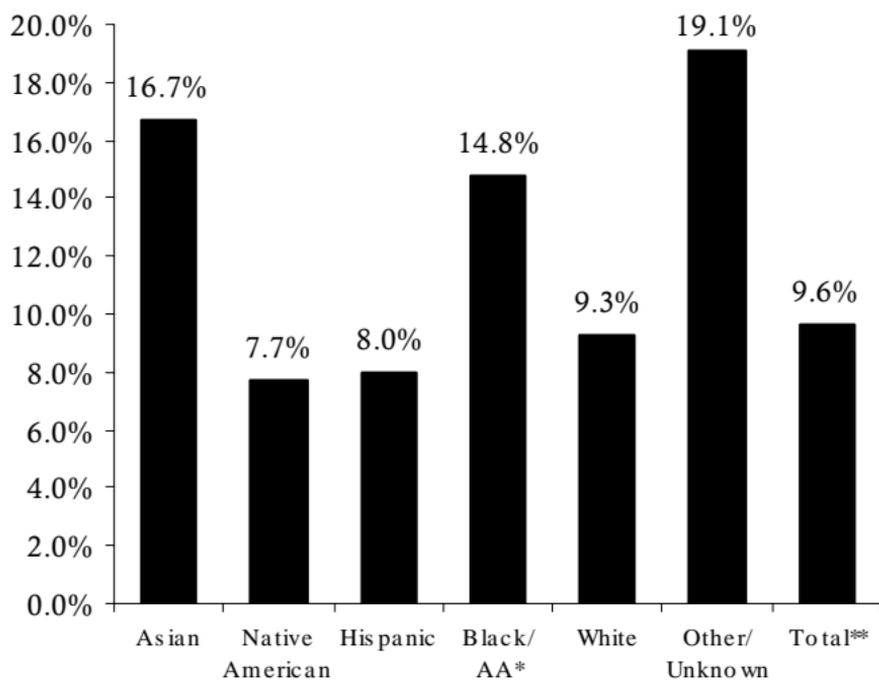


*AA = African American.

**Percent of low-birthweight babies.

Source: Nevada Department of Human Resources, Health Division, Bureau of Health Planning and Statistics, 2004.

Percent of Low-Birthweight Babies for Teen Births (15-17 years) in Nevada by Race/Ethnicity: 2003



*AA = African American.

**Percent of low-birthweight babies.

Source: Nevada Department of Human Resources, Health Division, Bureau of Health Planning and Statistics, 2004.

Health Conditions and Health Care

Number of Prenatal-Care Visits in Nevada by Mother's Age Group: 2003

<i>Mother's Age Group</i>	<i>Number of Prenatal-Care Visits</i>					
	<i>Zero</i>	<i>1-5</i>	<i>6-10</i>	<i>11+</i>	<i>Unknown</i>	<i>Total Births</i>
10-14	5	18	15	19	10	67
15-17	69	168	450	416	154	1,257
18-19	106	243	786	1,005	323	2,463
20-24	264	770	2,466	4,426	981	8,907
25-29	222	597	2,078	5,565	839	9,301
30-34	158	328	1,554	4,668	652	7,360
35-39	77	172	685	2,212	311	3,457
40-44	20	43	140	427	93	723
45+	1	1	10	35	6	53
Unknown	0	1	1	10	5	17
Total	922	2,341	8,185	18,783	3,374	33,605

Source: Nevada Department of Human Resources, Health Division, Bureau of Health Planning and Statistics, 2004.

Trimester Beginning Prenatal Care for Teen Births (19 years and under) in Nevada by Race/Ethnicity: 2003

<i>Mother's Race/ Ethnicity</i>	<i>Trimester Beginning Prenatal Care</i>					
	<i>No Care</i>		<i>First Trimester</i>		<i>Delayed*</i>	
	<i>Births</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Births</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Births</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Asian	9	---	74	56.9	47	36.2
Black/AA**	30	7.2	238	57.2	148	35.6
Hispanic	103	6.3	799	49.2	721	44.4
Native American	2	---	35	56.5	25	40.3
White	40	3.5	754	65.6	356	31.0
Other/Unknown	5	---	14	41.2	15	44.1
Total***	189	5.5	1,914	56.0	1,312	38.4

*Delayed prenatal care is defined as prenatal care started by mothers in the second or third trimesters.

**AA = African American.

***372 births were categorized as "unknown," meaning prenatal care for the births were not established. Total number of teen births 19 years and under = 3,787.

Note: Percentages are adjusted for unknown trimesters. The percentages for those categories where the number of births was less than 10 are not shown.

Source: Nevada Department of Human Resources, Health Division, Bureau of Health Planning and Statistics, 2004.

Health Conditions and Health Care

Number of Children Enrolled in Nevada Check Up by County and Age: 2005

<i>County</i>	<i>Less Than 1 Year</i>	<i>1 to 6 Years</i>	<i>7 to 13 Years</i>	<i>14 to 18 Years</i>	<i>Total Children</i>
Carson City	46	388	427	183	1,044
Churchill	14	103	112	53	282
Clark	768	7,381	7,212	2,670	18,031
Douglas	4	136	196	117	453
Elko	22	245	289	154	710
Esmeralda	0	2	14	2	18
Eureka	0	3	3	0	6
Humboldt	12	94	139	79	324
Lander	4	30	42	25	101
Lincoln	1	11	23	19	54
Lyon	24	274	378	208	884
Mineral	1	10	24	21	56
Nye	10	104	202	114	430
Pershing	1	16	21	18	56
Storey	0	1	8	5	14
Washoe	124	1,652	1,915	800	4,491
White Pine	2	12	43	36	93
NEVADA	1,033	10,462	11,048	4,504	27,047

Source: Nevada Department of Human Resources, January 2005, "Nevada Check Up: Number of Children Receiving Coverage by County and Age," available online at: <<http://www.nevadacheckup.state.nv.us/Statistics/ChildEnrByCountyAge20050101.pdf>> as of 1/6/05.

Economic Well-Being

U.S. Poverty Thresholds by Size of Family and Number of Related Children Under 18 Years: 2002

Size of Family Unit	Weighted Average Thresholds	Related Children Under 18 Years		
		None	One	Two
One person	\$9,183			
Householder under 65 years	9,359	\$9,359		
Householder 65 years and older	8,628	8,628		
Two persons	11,756			
Householder under 65 years	12,110	12,047	\$12,400	
Householder 65 years and older	10,885	10,874	12,353	
Three persons	14,348	14,072	14,480	\$14,494
Four persons	18,392	18,556	18,859	18,244

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2004, "Poverty 2002," available online at: <<http://www.census.gov/hhes/poverty/threshld/thresh02.html>> as of 12/6/04.

Comparison of Economic Well-Being Indicators for Children Under Age 18 Living in Las Vegas, Rural Nevada, Nevada, and the U.S.

Indicator	Las Vegas Percent	Rural Nevada Percent	Nevada Percent	U.S. Percent
Children living in poverty (1999)	16.0	12.0	14.0	17.0
Children living in single-parent families (2000)	29.0	22.0	27.0	26.0
Children living in families where no parent has full-time, year-round employment (2000)	39.0	30.0	35.0	32.0
Children living with a household head who is a high school dropout (2000)	29.0	18.0	25.0	20.0
Of children in low-income families, the share spending 30% or more on housing (1999)	70.0	54.0	67.0	61.0

Note: Table reflects U.S. Census data.

Source: The Annie E. Casey Foundation, 2004, *City & Rural Kids Count Data Book*.

Education and Achievement

Nevada Public-School Enrollment (PK*-12) by School District: 2002-2003 and 2003-2004

<i>School District</i>	<i>Enrollment** Number</i>		<i>Change in Enrollment*** Percent</i>
	<i>2002-2003</i>	<i>2003-2004</i>	<i>2002-2003 to 2003-2004</i>
Carson City	8,834	8,798	-0.4
Churchill	4,610	4,553	-1.2
Clark	256,574	270,529	5.4
Douglas	7,180	7,190	0.1
Elko	9,694	9,582	-1.2
Esmeralda	74	69	-6.8
Eureka	239	220	-7.9
Humboldt	3,504	3,523	0.5
Lander	1,276	1,255	-1.6
Lincoln	992	1,012	2.0
Lyon	7,268	7,678	5.6
Mineral	787	743	-5.6
Nye	5,322	5,471	2.8
Pershing	875	841	-3.9
Storey	450	467	3.8
Washoe	60,384	62,103	2.8
White Pine	1,435	1,380	-3.8
NEVADA	369,498	385,414	4.3

*PK (pre-kindergarten) refers to 3- and 4-year-old children receiving special education.

**End of first school month.

***Change in enrollment is the percentage increase or decrease in total student enrollment from the year prior to the previous school year.

Source: Nevada Department of Education, March 2004, "Student Enrollment and Licensed Personnel Information," *Research Bulletin*, Volume 45.

Education and Achievement

Nevada Public-School Enrollment by Race/Ethnicity and School District: 2003-2004

<i>School District</i>	<i>Total Students</i>				
	<i>NA/ AN*</i>	<i>Asian/ PI**</i>	<i>Hispanic</i>	<i>Black***</i>	<i>White</i>
Carson City	286	232	2,171	106	6,003
Churchill	317	202	512	92	3,430
Clark	2,315	21,147	89,820	38,159	119,088
Douglas	207	167	801	73	5,942
Elko	677	93	2,322	61	6,429
Esmeralda	8	1	20	0	40
Eureka	15	4	18	0	183
Humboldt	170	29	911	13	2,400
Lander	66	6	245	4	934
Lincoln	14	33	73	45	847
Lyon	398	91	1,164	75	5,950
Mineral	121	4	65	55	498
Nye	141	104	840	136	4,250
Pershing	63	10	209	7	552
Storey	8	16	35	3	405
Washoe	1,719	3,697	16,855	2,224	37,608
White Pine	74	12	155	12	1,127
NEVADA	6,599	25,848	116,216	41,065	195,686
PERCENT	1.7	6.7	30.2	10.7	50.8

Note: End of first school month.

*NA/AN = Native American/Alaskan Native.

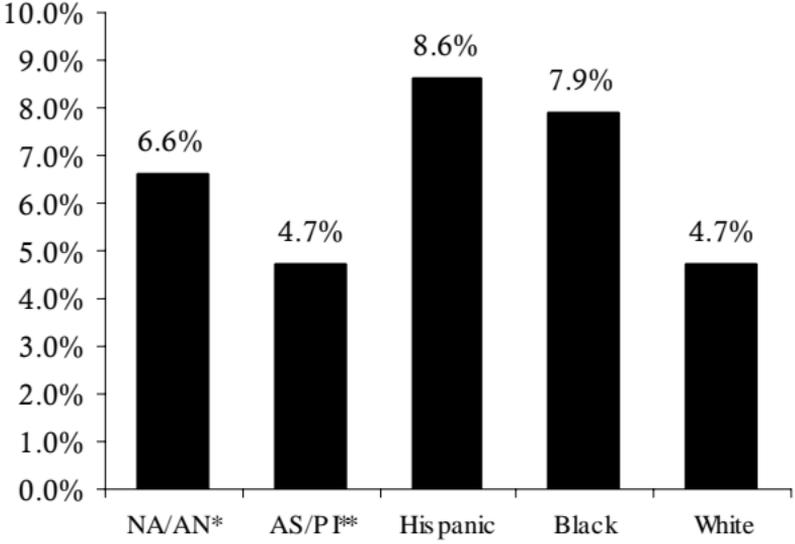
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Nevada Dropout Rates for Grades 9-12 by Race/Ethnicity: 2002-2003

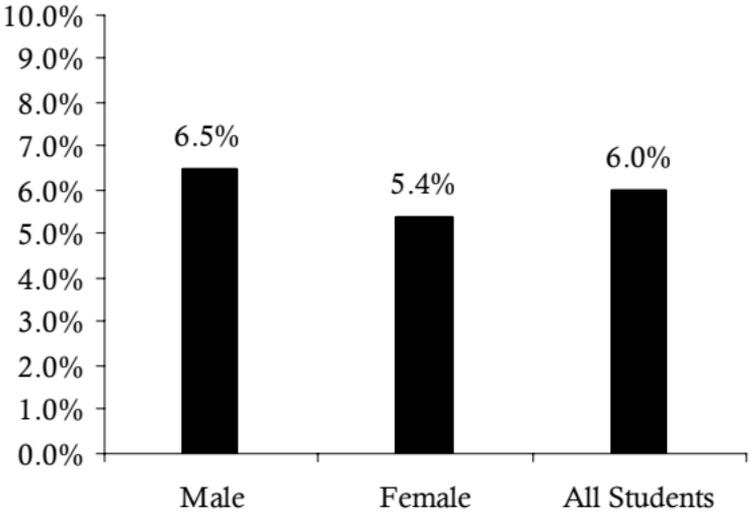


*NA/AN = Native American/Alaskan Native.

**AS/PI = Asian/Pacific Islander.

Source: Nevada Department of Education, 2004, *2003-2004 State Accountability Comprehensive Report*, available online at: <<http://www.nevadareportcard.com/profile/pdf/state-comp-1.pdf>> as of 9/9/04.

Nevada Dropout Rates for Grades 9-12 by Gender: 2002-2003



Source: Nevada Department of Education, 2004, *2003-2004 State Accountability Comprehensive Report*, available online at: <<http://www.nevadareportcard.com/profile/pdf/state-comp-1.pdf>> as of 9/9/04.

Child and Youth Safety/Welfare

Infant Mortality by County/Region of Residence, Nevada Residents: 2003

<i>County of Residence</i>	<i>Neonatal*</i>		<i>Postneonatal**</i>		<i>Infant (Less than 1 year)</i>		<i>Live Births</i>
	<i>Number</i>	<i>Rate</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Rate</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Rate</i>	
Clark	88	3.6	59	2.4	147	5.9	24,766
Washoe	21	3.9	10	1.9	31	5.7	5,398
Rest of State	6	1.7	5	1.5	111	3.2	3,441
NEVADA***	115	3.4	74	2.2	189	5.6	33,605

Note: Infant mortality rates are per 1,000 live births.

*Death occurring to infants in the first 27 days of life.

**Death occurring to infants less than one year of age, but older than 27 days.

***Rates may not be exact due to rounding.

Source: Nevada Department of Human Resources, Health Division, Bureau of Health Planning and Statistics, 2004.

Causes of Child Death (ages 1-14) in Nevada: 2003

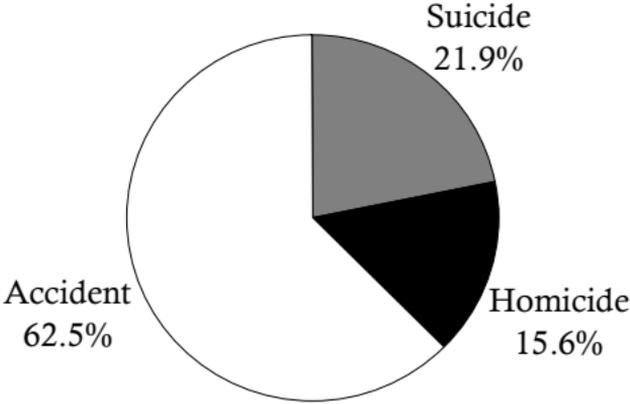
<i>Region</i>	<i>Diseases of Heart</i>	<i>Cancer</i>	<i>Accidents</i>	<i>Suicide</i>	<i>Other*</i>
Clark	4	6	23	3	26
Washoe	0	1	5	0	6
Rest of State	0	1	8	1	4
NEVADA	4	8	36	4	36

*Other category includes stroke (all regions: n = 4), chronic lower respiratory diseases (all regions: n = 1), and influenza and pneumonia (all regions: n = 2).

Source: Nevada Department of Human Resources, Health Division, Bureau of Health Planning and Statistics, 2004, available online at: <<http://health2k.state.nv.us/nihds>> as of 3/17/05.

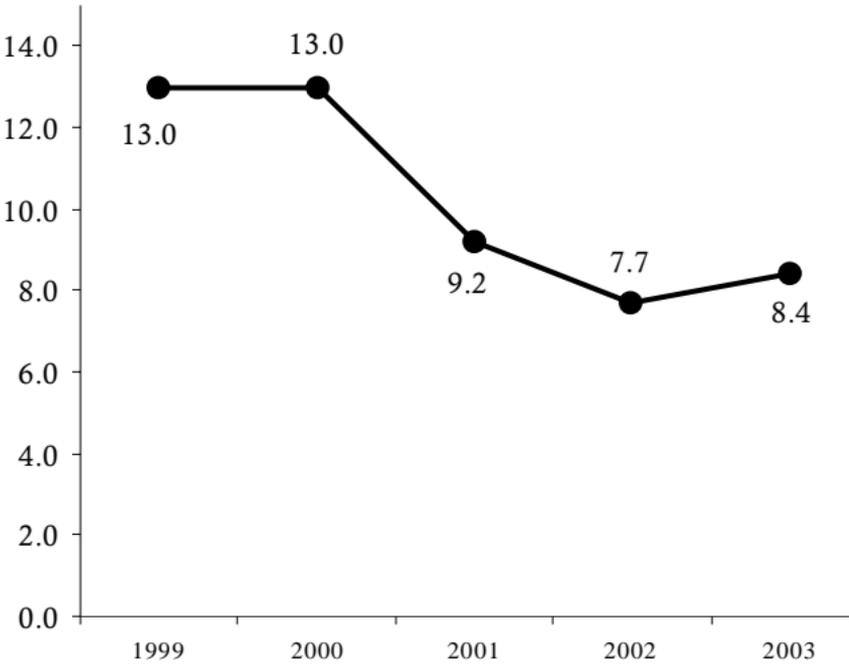
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**Teen Violent Deaths (ages 15-19)
in Nevada by Cause: 2003**



Source: CBER calculations from Nevada Department of Human Resources data, Health Division, Bureau of Health Planning and Statistics, 2004.

**Teen Suicide Rates (per 100,000 teens
ages 15-19) in Nevada: 1999-2003**



Source: CBER calculations from Nevada Department of Human Resources data, Health Division, Bureau of Health Planning and Statistics, 2004.

Juvenile Justice

Statewide Arrests in Nevada by Offense and Age: 2003

<i>Offense</i>	<i>10-12 Years</i>	<i>13-14 Years</i>	<i>15-16 Years</i>	<i>17 Years</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Percent of All Arrests*</i>
Murder	0	1	4	2	7	0.03
Manslaughter by negligence	0	0	1	1	2	0.01
Forcible rape**	5	11	8	6	30	0.1
Robbery	7	48	102	78	235	1.0
Aggravated assault	32	70	148	93	343	1.5
Other assaults	356	700	769	406	2,231	9.9
Burglary	74	212	324	211	821	3.7
Larceny-theft	356	855	1,150	756	3,117	13.9
Motor-vehicle theft	6	65	217	167	455	2.0
Arson	17	25	21	5	68	0.3
Forgery and counterfeiting	2	6	4	11	23	0.1
Fraud	2	13	21	34	70	0.3
Embezzlement	0	1	7	25	33	0.1
Stolen property-buy, possess, receive	14	54	90	56	214	1.0
Vandalism	148	255	321	166	890	4.0
Weapons-carrying, possession	37	96	120	103	356	1.6
Prostitution and commercialized vice	1	10	32	60	103	0.5
Other sex offenses	20	51	47	27	145	0.6
Drug-abuse violations	71	305	542	426	1,344	6.0
Gambling	0	0	3	1	4	0.02
Offenses against family and children	4	12	20	17	53	0.2
Driving under the influence	0	5	16	50	71	0.3
Liquor laws	13	137	582	617	1,349	6.0
Drunkenness	1	2	21	14	38	0.2
Disorderly conduct	102	295	260	94	751	3.3
Vagrancy	0	3	7	1	11	0.05
All other offenses (except traffic)	410	1,418	2,088	872	4,788	21.3
Suspicion***	6	4	20	6	36	0.2
Curfew and loitering law violations	66	582	1,494	1,496	3,638	16.2
Runaway	46	331	603	229	1,209	5.4
TOTAL	1,796	5,567	9,042	6,030	22,435	

*CBER calculations.

**Sexual assault.

***"Arrested for no specific offense and released without formal charges being placed. Although suspicion is not an offense, it is the grounds for many arrests in those jurisdictions where the law permits." For additional information, see *Uniform Crime Reporting Handbook*, 2004, by FBI UCR Staff, Clarksburg, West Virginia, p.153 .

Source: State of Nevada Department of Public Safety, 2004, *Crime and Justice in Nevada 2003*.

Juvenile Justice

Number of Referrals* of Children and Youth Under Age 18 into the Nevada Juvenile Justice System by Racial/Ethnic Group: Fiscal Year 2004

<i>Race/Ethnicity</i>	<i>Clark County</i>	<i>Washoe County</i>	<i>Rest of State</i>
White	10,584	4,712	2,523
Black/AA**	3,934	386	29
American Indian or Native American	40	75	101
Asian or Pacific Islander	444	147	10
TOTAL	15,002	5,320	2,663

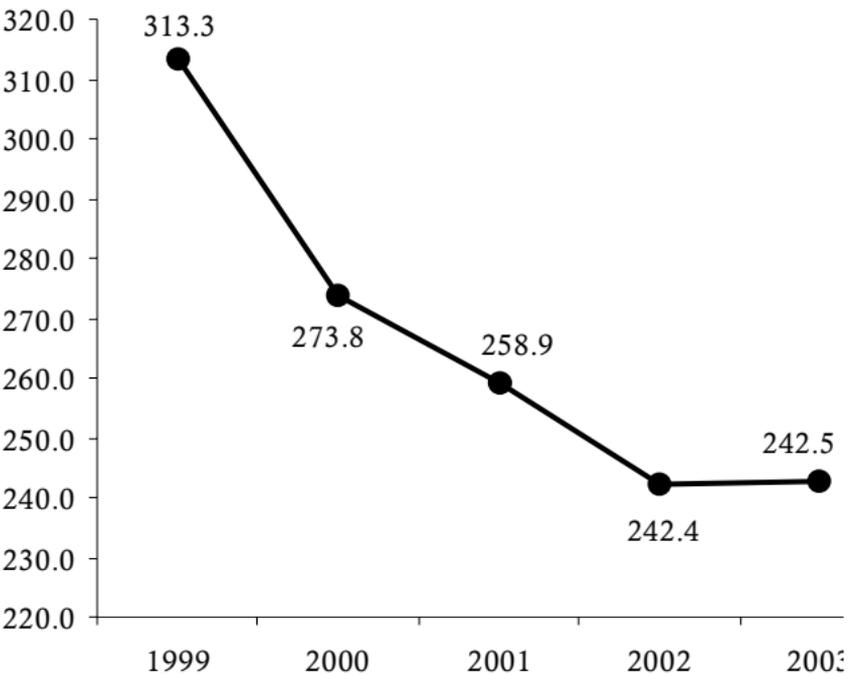
*Includes all juveniles that came in contact with the juvenile justice system and does not just constitute referrals.

**AA = African American.

Note: Hispanics are counted as white.

Source: Division of Child & Family Services, Juvenile Justice Programs Office, 2005.

Nevada Average Juvenile Violent Crime Arrest Rates (arrests per 100,000 youths ages 10-17): 1999-2003



Note: Each year's rate represents a three-year average. For example, the 2003 rate is a three-year average of data from 2001, 2002, and 2003.

Source: CBER calculations from Nevada Department of Motor Vehicles and Public Safety data, Nevada Highway Patrol Records and Identification Services, 2000-2004.

Child Well-Being Indicators by Nevada County: Current Numbers
 (See Definitions and Sources, Pages 24-25, for Definitions of Indicators)

County	Health Conditions and Health Care					Economic Well-Being	Education		Child and Youth Safety/Welfare					Juvenile Justice	
	Total Births	Births Less Than 2,500 Grams (5.5 lbs.)	Births to Teens Ages 15-17	Births to Unmarried Teens Ages 15-17	Female Population Ages 15-17	Number of Children Below Poverty Level Ages 0-17	High School Dropouts Grades 9-12*	Number of Graduates	Infant Mortality Less Than 1 Year Old	Child Deaths Ages 1-14	Population Ages 1-14	Teen Violent Deaths Ages 15-19	Population Ages 15-19	Juvenile Violent Crime Ages 10-17	Population Ages 10-17
NEVADA	33,605	2,704	1,257	997	45,749	80,964	5,957	15,145	189	88	450,331	96	159,580	617	256,193
Carson City	721	58	32	29	1,058	1,606	45	508	1	0	10,081	1	3,517	24	5,769
Churchill	327	14	15	11	578	985	35	285	0	1	5,618	1	2,050	14	3,340
Clark	24,766	1,963	949	747	31,747	60,884	5,046	9,900	147	62	323,922	67	110,780	441	178,469
Douglas	420	34	4	3	910	833	17	432	0	1	6,694	0	3,037	1	4,876
Elko	641	36	29	16	1,119	1,458	81	402	3	3	9,513	4	3,938	6	6,238
Esmeralda	2	0	0	0	25	23	**	**	0	0	140	0	81	0	114
Eureka	16	0	0	0	39	35	0	15	0	0	304	0	103	0	203
Humboldt	209	18	14	11	369	552	58	186	2	2	3,705	3	1,239	4	2,034
Lander	53	5	0	0	131	166	4	69	0	0	1,294	0	480	0	801
Lincoln	43	4	1	0	89	180	2	74	1	1	555	1	308	0	423
Lyon	499	44	14	13	810	1,312	53	369	3	3	7,352	2	2,785	0	4,543
Mineral	40	3	1	1	86	214	0	38	0	1	850	0	339	0	575
Nye	317	22	21	16	713	1,575	82	241	0	2	5,798	4	2,346	11	3,905
Pershing	47	5	4	2	152	225	0	43	1	0	1,118	0	513	0	805
Storey	19	0	0	0	75	27	12	17	0	0	381	0	264	2	397
Washoe	5,398	493	170	145	7,684	10,609	467	2,470	31	12	71,533	13	27,244	112	42,818
White Pine	87	5	3	3	164	280	5	96	0	0	1,473	0	556	2	883

*The state total for high school dropouts is more than the sum of the districts because it also includes charter schools and other schools (such as Independence High in Elko) not included in the district totals.
 **The Esmeralda School District does not provide instruction for grades 9-12.
 Note: Population numbers were provided by the state demographer.

Rate or Percent for Child Well-Being Indicators by Nevada County
(See Definitions and Sources, Pages 24-25, for Definitions of Indicators)

Charts on Key Indicators

County	Teen Birth Rate (Averaged for 2001-2003)	Unmarried Birth Rate (Averaged for 2001-03)	Percent Low- Birthweight Babies (Averaged for 2001-03)	Percent of Children in Poverty (2002)	Percent of High School Dropouts (2002-03)	Infant Mortality Rate (Averaged for 2001-03)	Child Death Rate (Averaged for 2001-03)	Teen Violent Death Rate (Averaged for 2001-03)	Juvenile Violent Crime Rate (Averaged for 2001-03)
NEVADA	27.9	21.8	7.7	14.1	6.0	5.7	20.5	53.8	242.5
Carson City	34.3	27.6	8.5	12.4	1.7	2.3	13.3	NM	NM
Churchill	24.4	18.7	5.9	12.3	2.6	5.9	NM	NM	NM
Clark	29.2	22.8	7.6	14.9	7.6	6.0	20.3	51.3	241.9
Douglas	9.0	7.1	8.0	8.6	1.0	3.5	NM	NM	NM
Elko	19.9	9.5	6.6	10.5	2.9	4.4	NM	NM	NM
Esmeralda	NM	NM	0.0	16.4	*	NM	NM	NM	NM
Eureka	NM	NM	5.7	8.5	0.0	NM	NM	NM	NM
Humboldt	36.6	27.2	6.3	12.1	5.4	4.7	NM	NM	NM
Lander	NM	NM	6.7	10.1	1.1	NM	NM	NM	NM
Lincoln	NM	NM	7.3	17.6	0.7	NM	NM	NM	NM
Lyon	17.2	13.3	7.5	13.1	2.5	5.6	NM	NM	NM
Mineral	NM	NM	9.3	19.9	0.0	NM	NM	NM	NM
Nye	25.1	18.1	7.9	19.4	5.0	8.3	NM	NM	NM
Pershing	33.1	22.5	7.2	14.5	0.0	NM	NM	NM	NM
Storey	NM	NM	3.0	4.6	8.7	NM	NM	NM	NM
Washoe	26.9	22.5	8.2	11.5	2.8	5.0	18.4	45.5	342.4
White Pine	29.1	19.1	8.4	14.7	1.1	NM	NM	NM	NM

*The Esmeralda School District does not provide instruction for grades 9-12.
 Note: See Data Summary for an explanation of not meaningful (NM) for each indicator.

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.

Definitions and Sources of Data

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.

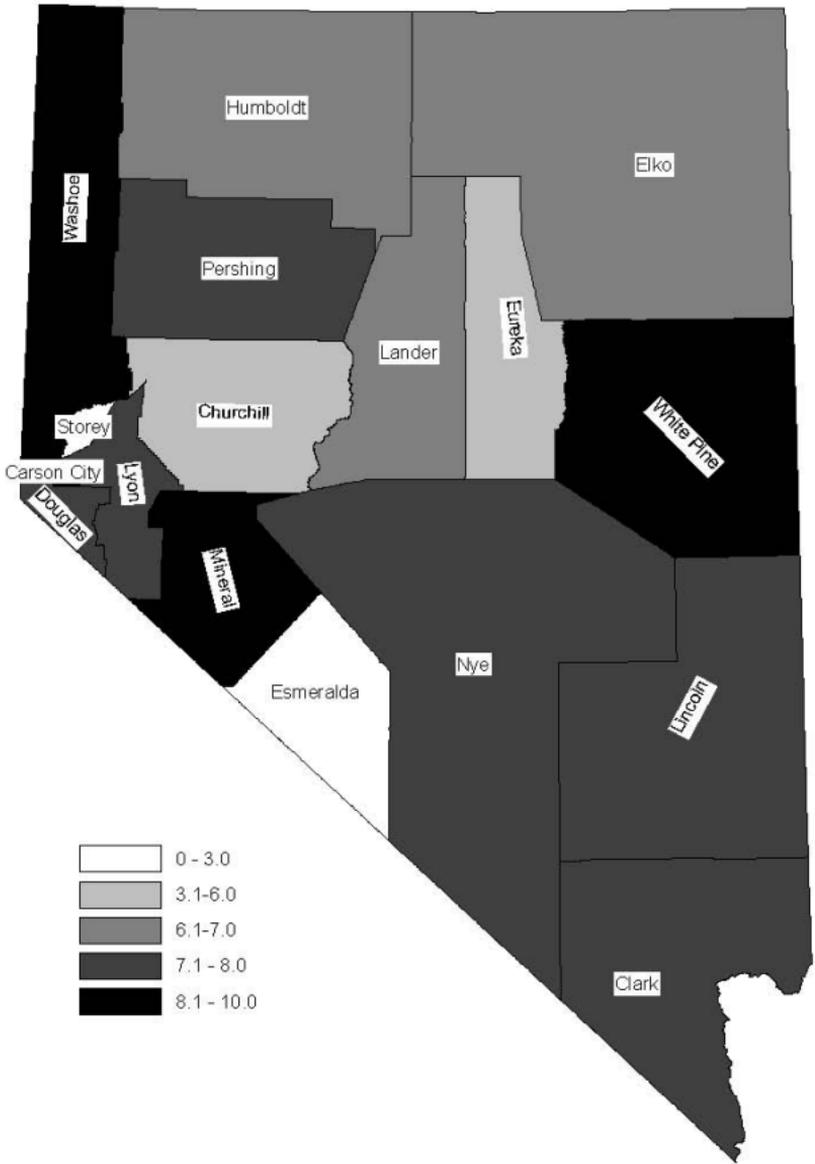
Teen Violent Death Rate

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.

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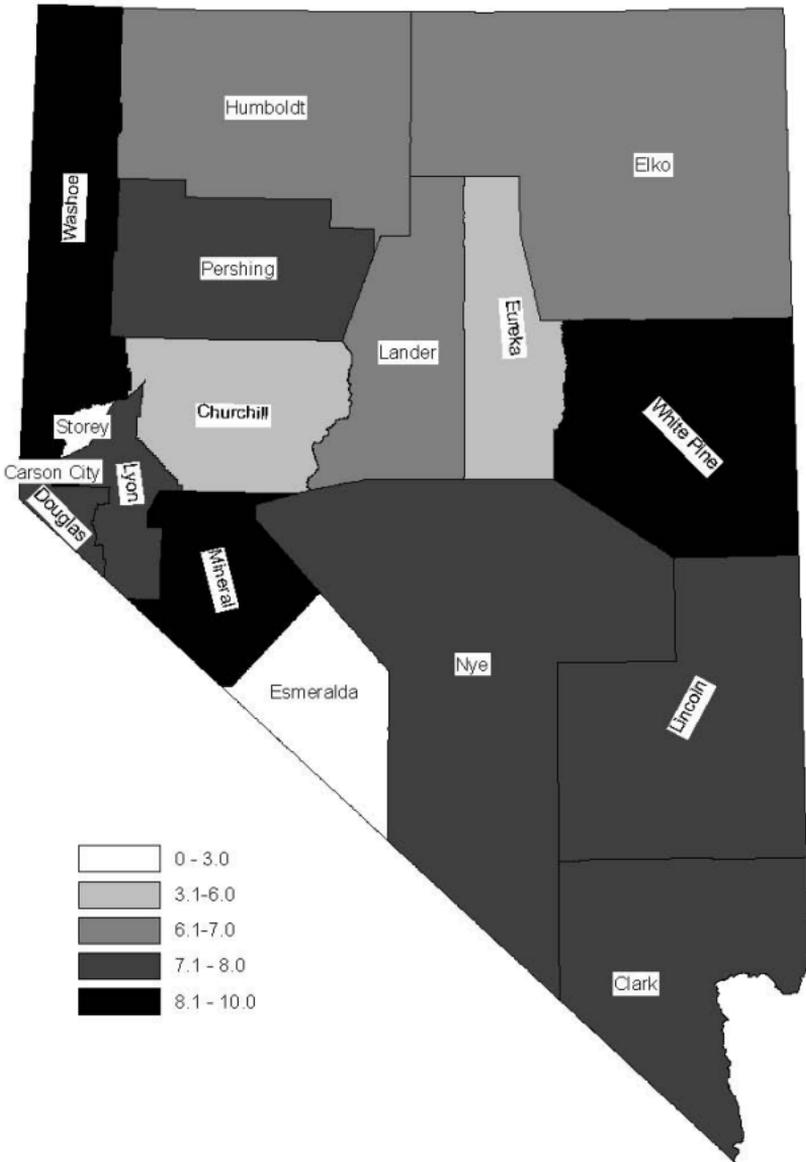
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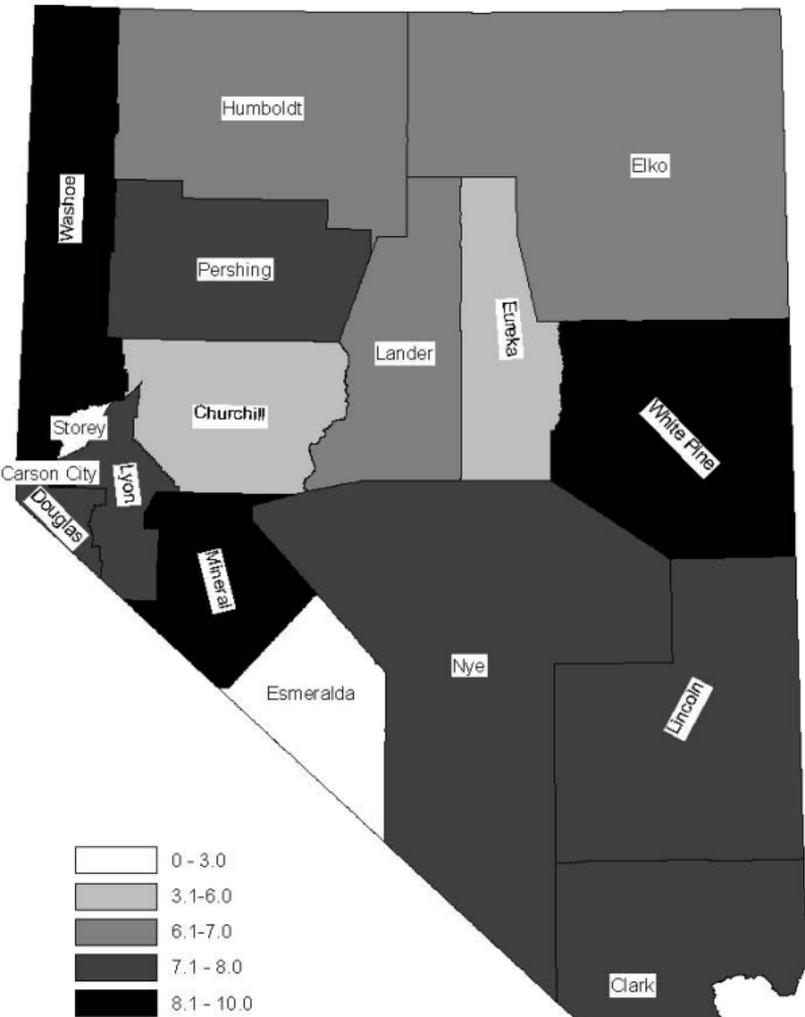
Nevada Average Teen Birth Rate: 2001-2003 (per 1,000 females ages 15-17)



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Estimated* Percent of Children Under Age 18 in Poverty by Nevada County: 2002



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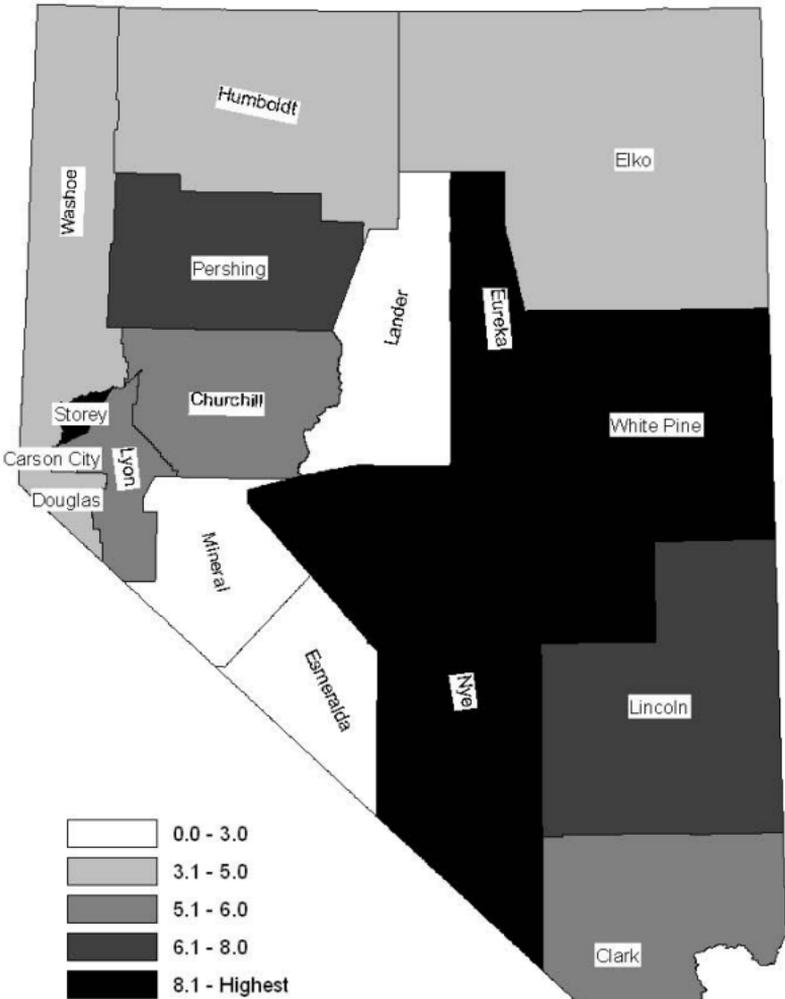
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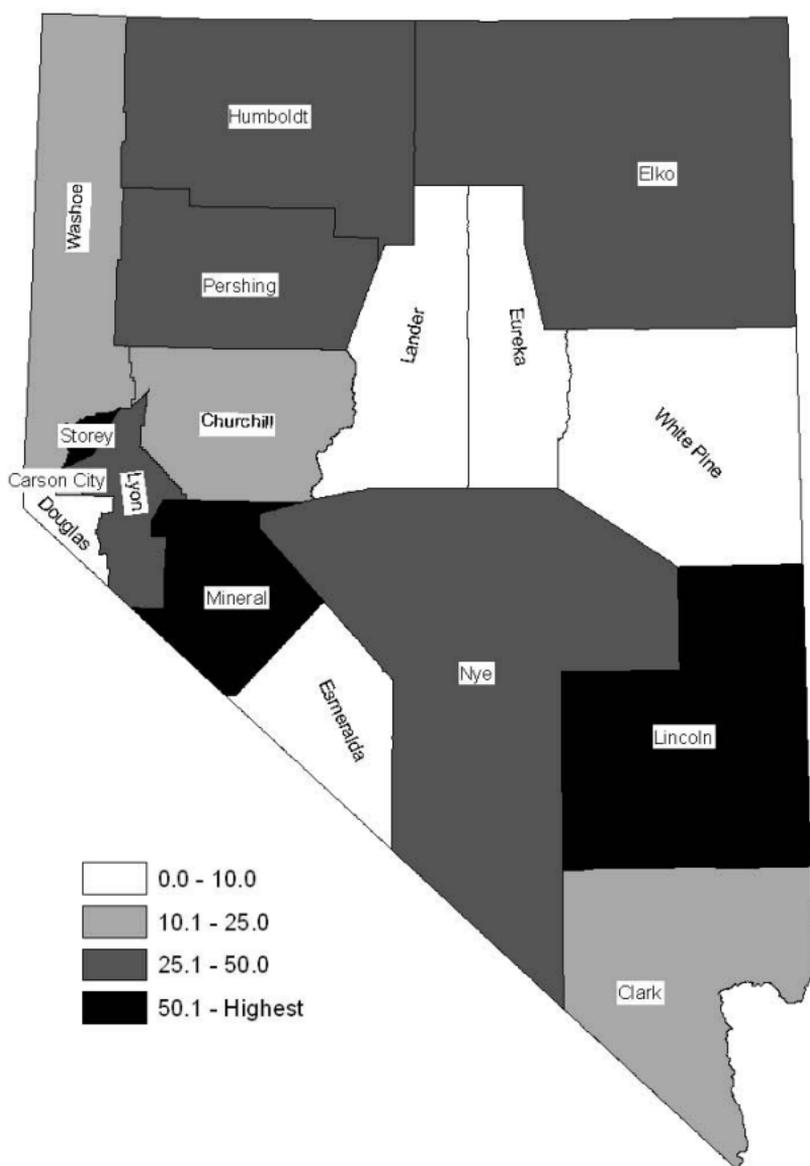
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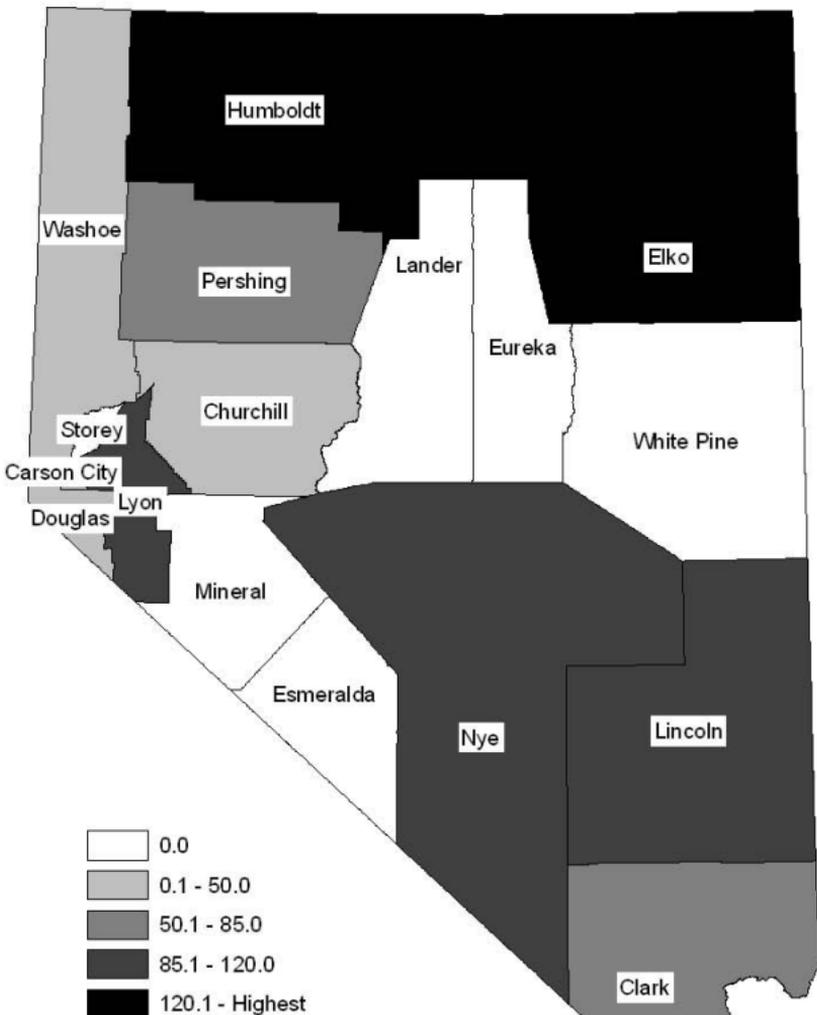
Nevada Average Child Death Rate: 2001-2003 (deaths per 100,000 children ages 1-14)



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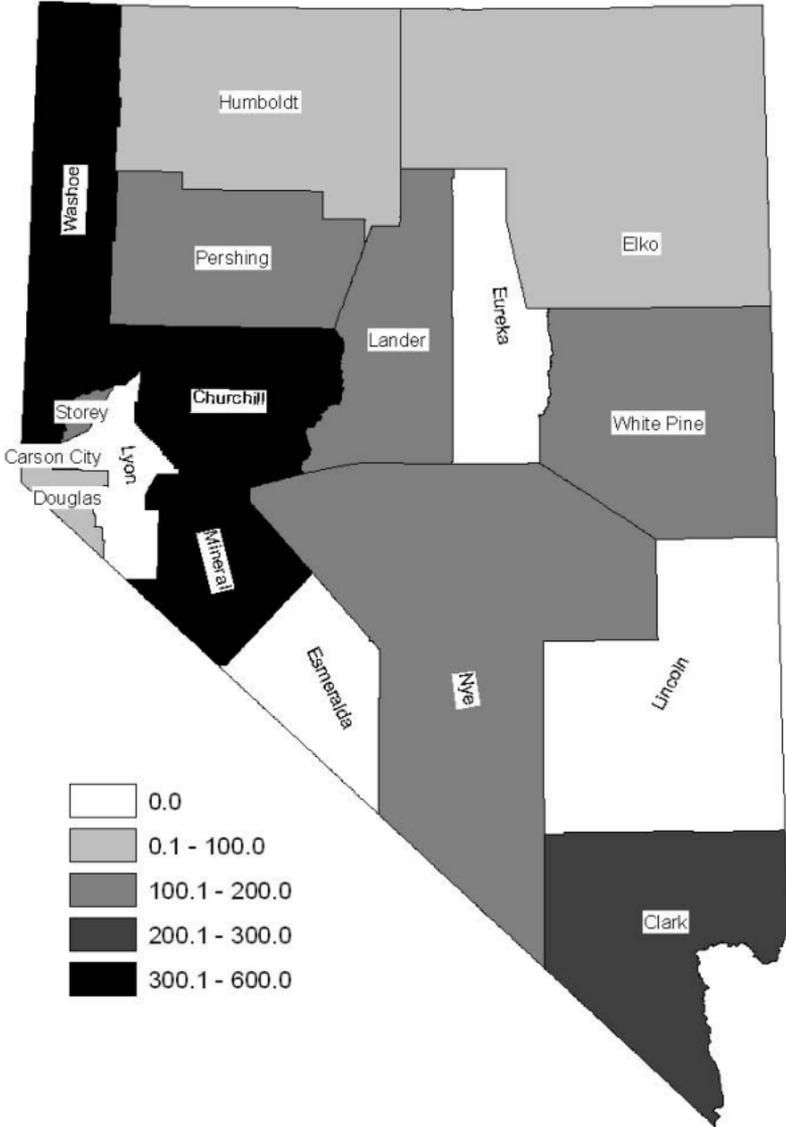
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Nevada Average Teen Violent Death Rate: 2001-2003 (deaths per 100,000 teens ages 15-19)



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Nevada Average Juvenile Violent Crime Arrest Rate: 2001-2003 (arrests per 100,000 youths ages 10-17)



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Princeton University

Wallace Hall

Princeton, NJ 08544

(609) 258-5894

<http://crcw.princeton.edu/fragilefamilies>

Mathematica Policy Research, Inc.

P.O. Box 2393

Princeton, NJ 08543-2393

(609) 799-0005

<http://www.mathematica-mpr.com>

National Center for Children in Poverty (NCCP)

215 W. 125th St., Third Floor

New York, NY 10027

(646) 284-9600

<http://www.nccp.org>

National Center on Fathers and Families

University of Pennsylvania

3440 Market St., Suite 450

Philadelphia, PA 19104-3325

(215) 573-5500

<http://www.ncoff.gse.upenn.edu>

National Child Care Association

1016 Rosser St.

Conyers, GA 30012

(800) 543-7161

<http://www.nccanet.org>

National Fatherhood Initiative

101 Lake Forest Blvd., Suite 360

Gaithersburg, MD 20877

(301) 948-0599

<http://www.fatherhood.org>

National Resource Center for Health and Safety in Child
Care

UCHSC at Fitsimons

Campus Mail Stop F541

Aurora, CO 80045-0508

(800) 598-5437

<http://nrc.uchsc.edu>

National School Lunch Program

USDA Food and Nutrition Service

3101 Park Center Dr., Room 926

Alexandria, VA 22302

(703) 305-2062

<http://www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/lunch>

Resources

Nevada Welfare Division
1470 E. College Pkwy.
Carson City, NV 89706
(775) 684-0500
<http://welfare.state.nv.us>

TANF: Office of Family Assistance
<http://www.acf.dhhs.gov/programs/ofa>
Carson City, NV 89701-5096
(775) 684-0500

Education and Achievement

Head Start Bureau
Administration on Children and Families
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
330 C. St., SW
Washington, DC 20447
(202) 205-8572
<http://www2.acf.dhhs.gov/programs/hsb>

National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC)
1509 16th St., NW
Washington, DC 20036-1426
(202) 232-8777
<http://www.naeyc.org/naeyc>

National Dropout Prevention Center (NDPC)
Clemson University
209 Martin St.
Clemson, SC 29631-1555
(864) 656-2599
<http://www.dropoutprevention.org>

National Education Association (NEA)
1201 16th St., NW
Washington, DC 20036-3290
(202) 833-4000
<http://www.nea.org>

Nevada Department of Education
700 E. Fifth St.
Carson City, NV 89701-5096
(775) 687-9200
<http://www.nde.state.nv.us>

Nevada Head Start State - State Collaboration Office
Nevada Welfare Division
680 S. Rock Blvd.
Reno, NV 89502
(775) 448-5254
<http://www.nvhhsa.org/sco.shtml>

Resources

U.S. Department of Education
Federal Office Building 6
400 Maryland Ave.
Washington, DC 20202
(800) 872-5327
<http://www.ed.gov>

Child and Youth Safety/Welfare

The American Academy of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry
3615 Wisconsin Ave., NW
Washington, DC 20016-3007
(202) 966-7300
<http://www.aacap.org>

American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP)
120 Wall St., 22nd Floor
New York, NY 10005
(888) 333-AFSP
<http://www.afsp.org>

Center for the Prevention of School Violence
1801 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-1801
(800)299-6054
<http://www.ncdjjdp.org/cpsv>

Childhelp USA
National Child Abuse Hotline
15757 N. 78th St.
Scottsdale, AZ 85620
(800) 422-4453
<http://www.childhelpusa.org>

Child Welfare League of America (CWLA)
440 First Street, NW, Third Floor
Washington, DC 20001-2085
(202) 638-2952
<http://www.cwla.org>

Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA)
100 W. Harrison, North Tower Suite 500
Seattle, WA 98119
(800) 628-3233
<http://www.nationalcasa.org>

Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD)
P.O. Box 541688
Dallas, TX 75354-1688
(800) GET-MADD
<http://www.madd.org>

MADD Humboldt County Chapter
(702) 625-3500

MADD Lyon County Chapter
(775) 246-3687

MADD Washoe County Chapter
(775) 322-8852

Resources

National Center for Injury Prevention and Control
4770 Buford Highway, NE
Atlanta, GA 30341-3724
(770) 488-1506
<http://www.cdc.gov/ncipc>

National Runaway Switchboard
30810 N. Lincoln Ave.
Chicago, IL 60657
(800) 621-4000
<http://www.nrscrisisline.org>

The National SAFE KIDS Campaign
1301 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Suite 1000
Washington, DC 20004-1707
(202) 662-0600
<http://www.safekids.org>

National School Safety Center
141 Duensenberg Dr., Suite 11
Westlake Village, CA 91362
(805) 373-9977
<http://www.nsscl.org>

Nevada Division of Child & Family Services
711 E. Fifth St.
Carson City, NV 89710
(775) 684-4400
<http://dcfs.state.nv.us>

Nevada Domestic Violence Hotline
Call 911 or (800) 500-1556

Nevada Network Against Domestic Violence (NNADV)
(800) 230-1955
<http://www.nnadv.org>

Nevada Toll-Free Suicide Hotline
(877) 885-4673

Prevent Child Abuse America
<http://www.preventchildabuse.org>

Suicide Awareness Voices of Education (SAVE)
9001 E. Bloomington Fwy., Suite 150
Bloomington, MN 55420
(952) 946-7998
<http://www.save.org>

Juvenile Justice

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Uniform Crime Reports
<http://www.fbi.gov>

Juvenile Justice Programs Office
400 W. King St., Room 230
Carson City, NV 89703
(775) 684-7290
http://dcfs.state.nv.us/juvenile_index.htm

Resources

Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention
810 Seventh St., NW
Washington, DC 20531
(202) 307-5911
<http://www.ojjdp.ncjrs.org>

Multi-Issue

Administration on Children, Youth, and Families
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
<http://www.acf.dhhs.gov/programs/acyf>

The Annie E. Casey Foundation
701 St. Paul St.
Baltimore, MD 21202
(410) 547-6600
<http://www.aecf.org>

Center on Budget and Policy Priorities
<http://www.cbpp.org>

Children's Defense Fund
(202) 628-8787
<http://www.childrensdefense.org>

Federal Interagency Forum on Child and Family Statistics
<http://www.childstats.gov>

Forum on Child and Family Statistics
<http://www.childstats.gov>

The Future of Children
<http://www.futureofchildren.org>

Nevada's Official Web Site
<http://www.nv.gov>

Parents Action for Children
<http://www.parentsaction.org>

Population Reference Bureau (PRB)
<http://www.prb.org>

United Way of America
<http://national.unitedway.org>

University of Nevada Cooperative Extension
<http://www.unce.unr.edu>

The Urban Institute
<http://www.urban.org>

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services
<http://www.hhs.gov>

Voices for America's Children
<http://www.childadvocacy.org>

