



2006 County Fact Sheet: Youth Development Indicators

Cherokee County

| POPULATION DATA | COUNTY | STATE |
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| Total Population (2006) | 12,094 | 2,982,085 |
| Population Under Age 18 (2006) | 2,579 | 710,194 |
| Percent of the Population Under Age 18 (2006) | 21.3 | 23.8 |
| Percent of the Population that is Non-White (2006) | 3.3 | 9.0 |
| SAFE AND SUPPORTIVE FAMILY INDICATORS | | |
| Percent of Youth Who Feel They Have Family Involvement and Support (2005) | 67.8 | 68.9 |
| Percent of Youth Who Feel Their Parents/Guardians Set Boundaries (2005) | 79.4 | 81.0 |
| Rate of Total Child Abuse per 1,000 Youth (2006) | 30.2 | 28.8 |
| Rate of Physical Child Abuse per 1,000 Youth (2006) | 4.7 | 2.9 |
| Rate of Denial of Critical Care Child Abuse per 1,000 Youth (2006) | 22.9 | 22.2 |
| SAFE AND SUPPORTIVE SCHOOL INDICATORS | | |
| Percent of Youth Who Feel Safe at School (2005) | 93.3 | 96.1 |
| Percent of Youth Who Feel Their Peers Promote Positive Norms (2005) | 74.1 | 73.8 |
| Percent of Youth Who Feel They Get Support at School from Students and Staff (2005) | 38.5 | 43.2 |
| Rate of Out-of-School Suspensions per 1,000 Students (2006-2007) | 26.4 | 60.5 |
| SAFE AND SUPPORTIVE NEIGHBORHOOD/COMMUNITY INDICATORS | | |
| Percent of People in Poverty (2005) | 10.4 | 10.8 |
| Percent of Youth in Poverty (2005) | 11.5 | 13.9 |
| Percent of Adults Unemployed (2006) | 4.2 | 3.7 |
| Percent of Youth Who Feel Their Neighborhood is Safe (2005) | 78.1 | 78.1 |
| Percent of Youth Who Feel Their Neighborhood is Supportive (2005) | 45.5 | 44.6 |
| Rate of Adult Arrests per 1,000 Adults (2005) | 36.5 | 45.1 |
| HEALTHY INDICATORS | | |
| Percent of Youth Who Have Used Alcohol in the Past 30 Days (2005) | 19.1 | 19.0 |
| Percent of Youth Who Have Used Tobacco in the Past 30 Days (2005) | 10.4 | 10.0 |
| Percent of Youth Who Have Tried to Kill Themselves (2005) | 9.0 | 11.0 |
| Percent of Youth Who Are Physically Active 5+ Days a Week (2005) | 63.1 | 58.0 |
| Percent of Youth Who Feel They are Either Overweight or Underweight (2005) | 43.2 | 42.0 |
| SOCIALLY COMPETENT INDICATORS | | |
| Percent of Youth Who Have Displayed Violent or Aggressive Behavior (2005) | 79.7 | 85.3 |
| Percent of Youth Who Feel They are Empathetic (2005) | 86.7 | 87.4 |
| Percent of Youth Who Feel They Have Self Confidence (2005) | 61.9 | 65.9 |
| Rate of Juveniles Complaints per 1,000 Youth (2006) | 41.5 | 41.2 |
| SUCCESSFUL IN SCHOOL INDICATORS | | |
| Percent of 8th Graders Proficient in Reading Comprehension (2006-2007) | 80.5 | 73.4 |
| Percent of 8th Graders Proficient in Math (2006-2007) | 81.4 | 76.1 |
| Percent of Students Who Drop Out of High School (2006-2007) | 0.8 | 2.3 |
| Percent of Youth Who Feel Committed to School and Learning (2005) | 76.0 | 76.6 |
| PREPARED FOR PRODUCTIVE ADULTHOOD INDICATORS | | |
| Percent of Students Who Graduate from High School (2006-2007) | 96.4 | 90.5 |
| Percent of 11th Graders Who Spend 6+ Hrs/Week Working (2005) | 47.8 | 48.0 |
| Percent of 11th Graders Who Spend 1+ Hrs/Week at Extra-Curricular Activities (2005) | 78.3 | 71.0 |
| Percent of 11th Graders Who Spend 1+ Hrs/Week at Non-School Structured Activities (2005) | 63.3 | 62.0 |
| Percent of Youth Age 16-19 Who Are Not in School and Not Working (2000) | 2.3 | 1.9 |
| Rate of Teen Births per 1,000 Females Age 15-19 (2006) | 36.3 | 32.9 |

Please refer to the data dictionary for detailed information about each indicator.

Data up-to-date as of 1/08.