

St. Lucie County Children:
Indicators of Wellbeing
2011 Year to Year Comparison

Population		
2010		
Total	277,789	
Ages 0-17	62,008	
White	58.4%	
Black	26.8%	
Other	14.7%	
Family Management		
Child Maltreatment 2009-2010		
Rate/1000 Ages 0-17	17.0/1000	↔
Divorce Rate	3.5/1000	↔
Economic Well-Being		
Free & Reduced Lunch	60.5%	↑
Children Living Below Poverty (Federal Poverty Guidelines)	25.4%	↑
Unemployment	14.9%	↑
Health		
Infant Mortality	7.0/1000	↔
Low Birth Weight	8.1%	↔
Prenatal Care (Late or no prenatal care)	5.2%	↓
Immunization (% of Kindergarteners fully immunized)	89%	↓
HIV Cases	31/100,000	↔
AIDS Cases	30.6/100,000	↑
HIV/AIDS Deaths	7.1/100,000	↓

School Success		
2009-2010		
Graduation Rate	79.1%	↑
Drop Out Rate	2.3%	↑
Absences 21+ Days (2008-09)	14.3%	↓
FCAT Scores 2010		
Reading (mean)	300 = on grade level	
5th Grade	297	↓
8th Grade	307	↑
10th Grade	303	↑
Math (mean)	300 = on grade level	
5th Grade	324	↔
8th Grade	317	↔
10th Grade	324	↑
Early Risk Behavior		
Juvenile Justice Referrals 2009-2010		
Total Ages 10-17	83/1000	↓
Drug	7.1/1000	↓
Alcohol	.8/1000	↓
Violent Felony Offenses	6.8/1000	↓
Assault & Battery	12.6/1000	↓
Teen Birth Rate Ages 10-17	9.2/1000	↓
Substance Abuse (Past 30 day Use) 2010		
Alcohol	29.5%	↓
Marijuana	13.4%	↑
Cigarettes	8.8%	↓
Binge Drinking	12.9%	↓

Key:

Red arrow indicates regression from prior year
Green arrow indicates improvement from prior year
Black arrow indicates neutral change