



Alliance
for CHILDREN
of San Mateo and Santa Clara Counties

The Status Of Children Fact Sheet

Our Children

Indicator	San Mateo County	Santa Clara County
Number of Children ages 0-17 (2005)	166,421	443,170
Family Income Adequate or More than Enough to Meet Basic Needs (2005)	85.2%	84.8%
Children with Health Insurance (2003)	88.0%	88.9%
Housing Affordability (family could afford to buy a median-priced home in 2004)	18.0%	29.0%
Children in Poverty (2003)	8.3%	11.3%

Source: Kidsdata.org

Our Children's Health & Safety

Indicator	San Mateo County	Santa Clara County
Good or Excellent Overall Health (per parent report in 2005)	96.0%	95.0%
Children with All Required Immunizations (2003)	92.5%	93.3%
Infants Born at Low Birthrate (2003)	6.8%	6.5%
Teen Birth Rate (2003)	22.8%	25.6%
Overweight Children (2004)	25.2 %	24.7%
7 th Graders Meeting All Fitness Standards (2005)	33.0%	32.5%
Substantiated Cases of Child Abuse & Neglect (2003)	5.3%	6.1%
7 th Graders Reporting Being Bullied: Pushed, Slapped, Hit or Kicked (2004)	42.0%	42.0%

Source: Kidsdata.org



Our Children's Behavioral & Emotional Health

Indicator	San Mateo County	Santa Clara County
Good or Excellent Emotional Health (per parent report)	86.4%	83.9%
Fair or Poor Emotional Health (per parent report)	6.2%	5.0%
Very High or High Child Stress Level (per parent rating)	16.7%	15.4%
Very Low or Low Child Stress Level (per parent rating)	38.3%	37.6%
7 th Graders Reporting Symptoms of Depression (2004)	23.0%	23.0%
Juvenile Felony Arrest Rate (Rate per 1,000 in 2003)	12.1	14.0
Juvenile Felony Drug & Alcohol Arrest Rate (Rate per 1,000 in 2003)	1.2	1.5

Source: Kidsdata.org

Our Children at School

Indicator	San Mateo County	Santa Clara County
Public School Enrollment	88,273	253,065
Special Education Enrollment	9,317	25,279
English Learners	22.5%	25.6%
Languages Spoken	50+	50+
Free & Reduced Price Meals	29.3%	33.3%
Ethnicity		
Hispanic (Latino)	33.4%	35.3 %
White (not Hispanic)	35.0%	28.7 %
Asian	11.4%	24.0 %
Filipino	9.7%	5.0 %
African American	4.7%	3.4 %
Pacific Islander	3.0%	0.7 %
American Indian	0.3%	0.6 %
Multiple or no response	2.5%	2.2 %
Dropout Rate	6.1%	8.4%

Source: California Department of Education / Dataquest

