

2010 Statistics for Marion County's Children

Health Department

- 1) Percentages of low birth weight babies:
3584 live births in the county; (2009)
*LBW 278 (7.8% of total births) Decrease from 11.2% from year 2008.
*LBW 1500-2500 GM
- 2) Number of infant deaths (0-1 year):
16 (2010) Decrease of 23 from year 2008.
- 3) Number of child deaths (1-14 years):
5 (2010) Decrease of 3 from year 2008.
- 4) Number of teenager deaths (15-19 years):
14 (2009) An increase of 3 from year 2008.
- 5) Number of teen births to 17 years:
122 (2010) A decrease of 25 from year 2008.
- 6) Percentage receiving prenatal care:
99% (2010) Increase of 4% from year 2008.
- 7) Number of suicides (1-19 years):
1 (2010) Same as year 2008.

Public School System

- 8) Number of school dropouts (high school):
96 (2010) A decrease of 448 due to a new approach by MCPS in dealing with the problem.
- 9) Number of nonpromotions:
471 (2010) A decrease of 142 from last year.
- 10) Number of serious school disciplinary offenses:
899 (2010) A decrease of 24 from last year.
- 11) Number in free and reduced lunch program:
32,672 (2010) An increase of 9289 from last year.

Department of Children & Families

- 12) Number of investigative reports for child abuse:
4264 (2009/2010) A decrease of 150 from last year.
- 13) Number of verified child abuse cases:
764 (2009-2010) An increase of 115 from last year.
- 14) Number of children in out-of-home care:
388 (December 31, 2010) A decrease of 81 from October, 2009.
- 15) Number of child abuse homicides:
0 (2009-2010) A decrease of 2 from last year.

Department of Juvenile Justice

- 16) Number of youth referred :
1495 (2009-2010) A decrease of 6% from last year.
- 17) Percent ratio of male/female offenders:
68% vs. 32% (2009-2010)
Males were up 4% from last year.
- 18) Ages of offenders:
20% are 13 years or less (2009-2010)
An increase of 2.1% from last year.
- 19) Number of felony referrals to DJJ:
618 (2009-2010) 29 less than last year.
- 20) Number placed on supervised probation:
407 (2009-2010) A decrease 54 from last year.
- 21) Number of youth incarcerated:
152 (2009-2010) Decrease of 52 from last year.

Community Council Against Substance Abuse

- 22) Alcohol (current use-past 30 days):
29% (2010) Sample survey of local youth:
Increase of 1% from 2008.
- 23) Marijuana (current use - past 30 days):
11.6% (2010) Increase of 1.6% from 2008.
- 24) Cigarettes (current use - past 30 days):
11.5% (2010) Increase of .5% from 2008.
- 25) Other illicit drugs (current use - past 30 days):
9.5% (2010) Decrease of .6% from 2008.

Early Learning Coalition

- 26) Percent of students ready for kindergarten:
70% (Fall, 2010) Increase of 3% from previous year. **State avg. (Fall 2010) was 68%.**

FL Dept. Law Enforcement

- 27) Number of cases of domestic violence:
2,895 (2010)
A decrease of 79 from 2009.
- 28) Number of cases of domestic violence homicides. **3 (2010)**
A decrease of 5 from 2009.