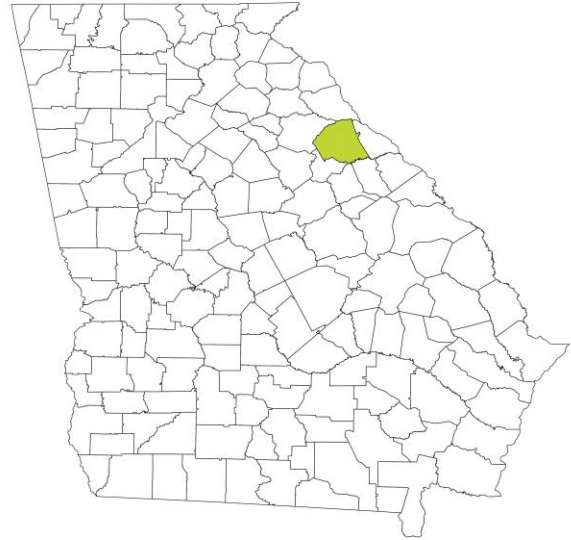




Wilkes County

Profile of Child, Family, and Community Well-Being

Demographics	Wilkes	Georgia
Total Population	9,844	10,403,847
Children Under 18 (%)	21.4%	24.1%
Population by Race/Ethnicity (%)		
White, Non-Hispanic (%)	50.9%	52.7%
Black, Non-Hispanic (%)	42.6%	31.2%
Asian and Pacific Islander (%)	0.4%	4.0%
American Indian (%)	0.0%	0.2%
Multi-racial (%)	0.9%	2.0%
Hispanic, of any race (%)	5.1%	9.5%
Median Household Income	\$39,716	\$61,950
Individuals In Poverty (%)	19.6%	13.5%



Data from the U.S. Census American Community Survey, 2015-2019 estimates and SAPE



Healthy Children

Indicator	Year	Wilkes		Georgia
		Number	Rate	Rate
Low-birthweight babies	2019	12	12.5%	10.0%
Infant mortality (per 1,000)	2019	0	*	7.0
Children enrolled in Medicaid or Peachcare	2020	1,508	-	-
Children without health insurance*	2019	307	13.5%	7.2%
Children enrolled in the WIC program, birth through 4	2018	198	-	-
Child deaths, ages 1-14 (per 100,000)	2019	0	*	19.9
Teen pregnancies, ages 15-17 (per 1,000)	2019	4	*	11.1
Teen births, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	2019	7	22.9	19.6
Teen mothers giving birth to another child before age 20, ages 15-19	2019	0	*	14.6%
9th grade students reporting alcohol use in the past 30 days	2020	3	4.8%	8.2%
9th grade students reporting perception of negative risk with alcohol consumption	2020	47	74.6%	76.8%
STD incidence for youth, ages 15-19 (per 1,000)	2019	25	43.0	31.7
Teen deaths, ages 15-19 (per 100,000)	2019	0	*	52.2
Teen deaths, by homicide, suicide and accident, ages 15-19 (per 100,000)	2019	0	*	38.0



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Children Primed for School

Indicator	Year	Wilkes		Georgia Rate
		Number	Rate	
Children enrolled in the Georgia Pre-K program	2020	86	73.5%	58.9%
Children enrolled in the Georgia Pre-K program from low-income families	2020	70	81.4%	47.4%
Children not attending pre-school, ages 3 to 4+	2019	93	30.1%	49.7%
Centers and family child care homes rated in Quality Rated	2020	4	50.0%	48.6%
Babies born to mothers with less than 12 years of education	2019	8	8.4%	12.6%



Children Succeeding in School

Indicator	Year	Wilkes		Georgia Rate
		Number	Rate	
Children absent more than 15 days from school	2020	61	4.4%	8.0%
3 rd grade students achieving Developing Learner or above on Milestones ELA assessment	2019	91	77.7%	73.7%
3 rd grade students achieving Proficient Learner or above on Milestones ELA assessment	2019	49	41.8%	42.0%
5 th grade students achieving Developing Learner or above on Milestones ELA assessment	2019	90	77.6%	80.2%
5 th grade students achieving Developing Learner or above on Milestones Math assessment	2019	94	81.1%	80.6%
5 th grade students achieving Proficient Learner or above on Milestones ELA assessment	2019	36	31.0%	45.4%
5 th grade students achieving Proficient Learner or above on Milestones Math assessment	2019	30	25.9%	40.8%
8 th grade students achieving Developing Learner or above on Milestones ELA assessment	2019	90	92.8%	82.1%
8 th grade students achieving Developing Learner or above on Milestones Math assessment	2019	89	92.8%	78.2%
8 th grade students achieving Proficient Learner or above on Milestones ELA assessment	2019	48	49.5%	47.3%
8 th grade students achieving Proficient Learner or above on Milestones Math assessment	2019	54	56.3%	35.1%
Students who graduate from high school on time	2020	82	82.0%	83.8%
Teens who are high-school dropouts, ages 16-19+	2019	128	21.7%	4.6%
Teens not in school and not working, ages 16-19+	2019	123	20.9%	7.9%



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Stable, Self-Sufficient, and Productive Families

Indicator	Year	Wilkes		Georgia Rate
		Number	Rate	
First birth to mother age 20 or older with 12 years of education	2019	26	78.8%	82.9%
Children living in single-parent families ⁺	2019	870	52.2%	33.8%
Children with a substantiated incident of abuse and/or neglect (per 1,000)	2019	15	7.2	3.9
Children with a substantiated incident of abuse (per 1,000)	2019	10	4.8	2.2
Children with a substantiated incident of neglect (per 1,000)	2019	7	3.4	2.0
Children leaving foster care who are reunified with their families or placed with a relative within 12 months of entering foster care	2019	1	*	31.2%
Households, with children, receiving Food Stamps	2019	373	-	-
Children whose parents lack secure employment ⁺	2019	249	13.3%	7.7%



Thriving Communities

Indicator	Year	Wilkes		Georgia Rate
		Number	Rate	
Adult educational attainment: High-school graduate or higher ⁺	2019	5,798	83.7%	87.1%
Adult educational attainment: Bachelor's degree or higher ⁺	2019	954	13.8%	31.3%
GED graduates	2020	9	-	-
Unemployment	2019	173	4.5%	3.4%
Children living in poverty	2019	628	31.2%	19.5%
Families, with children, with annual incomes less than 150% of the federal poverty threshold ⁺	2019	437	49.0%	28.1%
Homeownership ⁺	2019	2,684	67.5%	63.3%
Crime rate, violent crimes, age 17 or older (per 1,000)	2018	31	3.9	4.8
Crime rate, other crimes (burglaries, etc.), age 17 or older (per 1,000)	2018	233	29.5	27.8
Voter participation	2020	5,029	73.6%	69.1%

* Low number of events; <=5 for DPH indicators and <=10 for DOE indicators

- Not available

⁺ Data from the U.S. Census, American Community Survey, 2015-2019 estimates

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