

PINELLAS COUNTY CHILD WELL-BEING

DATA SOURCE GUIDE

Demographics & Economic Well-Being Sections: Information in these two sections was sourced from the American Community Survey (ACS) conducted by the US Census Bureau. The ACS is an annual survey. The estimates are for a five-year period. The ACS estimates were averaged over the 2014-2018 time period. Unless noted otherwise, “children” and “grandchildren” refer to those under age 18. Numbers in parentheses are percentages of the number shown for the indicator. For example, an estimated 51,403 children under 6 years old were living in Pinellas County for the period 2014-2018. This number represents 32.2% of children under 18 in Pinellas County. This information is based on the number of children in households for whom poverty status could be determined. Currently responsible for most of the basic needs of any grandchildren under the age of 18 who live in this house or apartment U.S. Department of Commerce, U.S. Census Bureau, 2014-2018 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, Tables B10001, B10051, B11004, B25106, B27001, DP05, S0901. Retrieved from <https://data.census.gov/>. For various technical reasons, the estimates produced by the Census Bureau for sub-groups do not always sum to the total for a given characteristic. Children’s race is an example. The number of children under 18 years who define themselves as being one race (white only, Black or African-American only, etc.) is estimated by the Census Bureau as 3,872,481. However, when all the racial groups are added together, the total of children who are white, Black or African-American, Asian, and all other races is 3,659,495. In addition, the “Children in Households Below ALICE Threshold” was sourced from [United Way Florida’s ALICE](#) site [American Community Survey, 2016, and the ALICE Threshold, 2016]

Education Section: Information in this section was sourced from the Florida Department of Education’s PK-12 Education Information Portal with exception of “Young Children Not Enrolled in School” which was sourced from [Pinellas Kids Count](#) [Source: Population Reference Bureau, analysis of data from the U.S. Census Bureau, pooled 2007-09 to 2016-18 one-year American Community Survey]. These data were derived from ACS table B14003.

Health Well-Being Section: “Children with No Health Insurance” was sourced from the American Community Survey (ACS) conducted by the US Census Bureau. “Children with Low Food Security” was sourced from [Feeding America’s 2019 Map the Meal Gap](#). “Teens Who Considered Suicide and/or Have a Plan” was sourced from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; [Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance System](#) [data tool]; “Teens Who Used Alcohol/Drugs (past 30 days)” was sourced from the [Pinellas Kids Count](#) [Source: 2014 Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey Substance Abuse and Mental Health Program Office, Florida Department of Children and Families]; Children (ages 11 to 17) Who Tried Vaping” and “Children (ages 11 to 17) Who Currently Vape” was sourced from the Florida Department of Health – Pinellas County.

Family & Community Section: “Children Living in Single-Parent Families” and “Grandparents Raising Grandchildren” was sourced from the American Community Survey (ACS) conducted by the US Census Bureau. “Children Living in High Poverty Areas” was sourced from the [Pinellas Kids Count](#) [Source: Population Reference Bureau analysis of data from the U.S. Census Bureau]; “Child Abuse & Neglect Removal Rate (per 100 intakes)” which was sourced from the Florida Department of Children and Families and Eckerd Connects Community-Based Care in Pinellas County; and “Youth Contacts in Juvenile Justice System (per 1,000)” was sourced from the [Pinellas Kids Count](#) [Source: Bureau of Research & Data Integrity, Florida Department of Juvenile Justice].