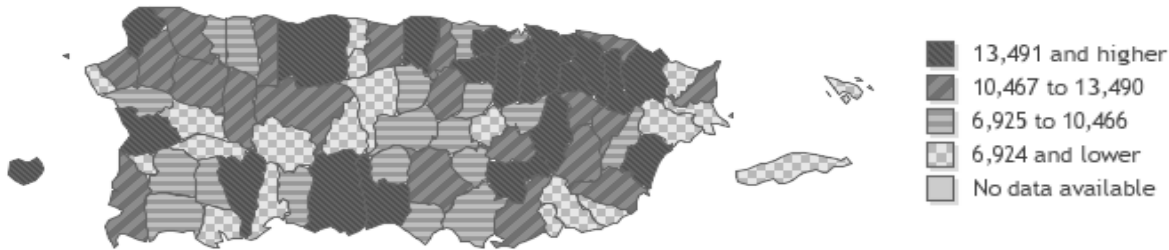


Municipio Snapshot

2006/2007

Characteristics of Children and Youth in Puerto Rico,
by Municipio*

Ponce



Total Population Under Age 18 in Puerto Rico, 2000¹

Socioeconomic Indicators

Total Population²	Number	%
Ponce	180,351	5%
Puerto Rico	3,941,160	100%
Estimated Population Under Age 18²	Number	%
Ponce	45,777	25%
Puerto Rico	1,002,044	25%
Births, by Mother's Place of Residence³	Number	%
Ponce	2,380	5%
Puerto Rico	48,744	100%
Children in Single-Parent Families²	Number	%
Ponce	24,171	57%
Puerto Rico	446,538	49%
Female Headed Households²	Number	%
Ponce	17,736	47%
Puerto Rico	305,813	38%
Children Below the Poverty Line²	Number	%
Ponce	27,808	63%
Puerto Rico	534,892	55%

Definition: Total population is the number of people from all ages, male and female, living in a specific geographical area.

Definition: Estimated population under 18 is the number of people under 18 years of age living in a specific geographical area.

Definition: Births by mother's place of residence is the number of live births from mothers residing in a specific location.

Definition: Children in single-parent families includes the percentage of children under age 18 who live with their own single parent, either in a family or subfamily. In this definition, single-parent families may include cohabiting couples and do not include children living with stepparents.

Definition: The number or share of families with their own children under 18 years of age living in the household, headed by a female without a spouse present in the home. "Own children" includes never-married persons under age 18 who are the sons or daughters of the heads of the household. The heads' stepchildren and adopted children are also counted as "own children."

Definition: The number or share of people under 18 years of age, regardless of marital status, who are related to the head of the household. It does not include the head's spouse or foster children, regardless of age. The federal poverty definition consists of a series of thresholds based on family size and composition. In 2006, the poverty threshold for a family of two adults and two children was \$21,027. Poverty status is not determined for people in military barracks or institutional quarters, or for unrelated individuals under the age of 15 (such as foster children).

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Children's Health

Low Birth Weight Babies, by Mother's Place of Residence ³	Number	%
Ponce	354	14.9%
Puerto Rico	6,355	13.0%
Infant Mortality Rate ³	Number	Rate
Ponce	17	7.1
Puerto Rico	442	9.1
Child Mortality Rate ³	Number	Rate
Ponce	9	24.9
Puerto Rico	104	13.2
Preterm Births ³	Number	Rate
Ponce	537	22.6%
Puerto Rico	9,678	19.9%
Cesarean Births ³	Number	Rate
Ponce	1,047	44.0%
Puerto Rico	23,563	48.3%

Definition: The number or share of live births weighing less than 2,500 grams (5.5 pounds). The data are reported by place of mother's residence, not place of birth. Each year there is a small number of births in which the weight of the newborn is not recorded, and births of unknown weight are not included in these calculations.

Definition: Infant deaths is the number of deaths occurring to infants under one year of age. Infant mortality rate is the number of deaths occurring to infants under one year of age, per 1,000 live births. The data are reported by mother's place of residence, not place of death.

Definition: Child deaths is the number of deaths to children between the ages of 1 and 14, from all causes. Child mortality rate is the number of deaths to children between the ages of 1 and 14, from all causes, per 100,000 children in this age range. The data are reported by place of residence.

Definition: The number or share of live births born to women who had completed less than 37 weeks of pregnancy at the moment of giving birth. The data are reported by place of mother's residence, not place of birth.

Definition: The number or share of live births born to women through surgical incisions (cuts) made in the abdomen and uterus. The data are reported by place of mother's residence, not place of birth.

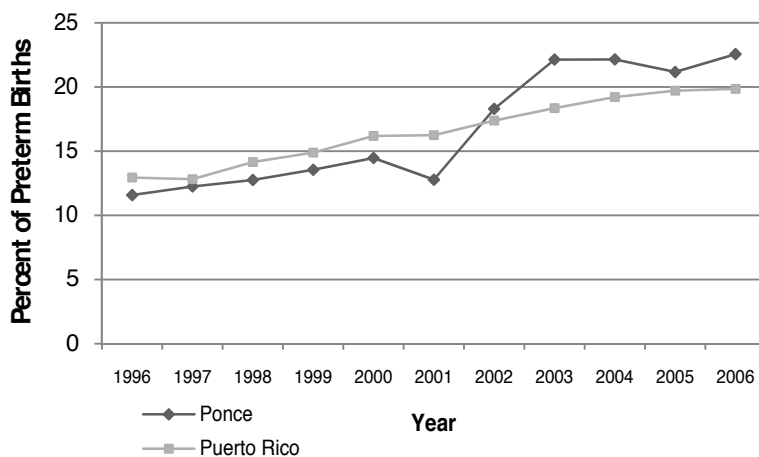
Adolescent Concerns

Teen Birth Rate ³	Number	Rate
Ponce	167	39.6
Puerto Rico	3,433	39.0
Teen Death Rate ³	Number	Rate
Ponce	13	91.0
Puerto Rico	203	68.5

Definition: The number of live births to teenagers between the ages of 15 and 17. Data reflect the mother's place of residence, rather than place of birth. This measure of teenage childbearing focuses on the fertility of all females ages 15 to 17, regardless of marital status. Teen birth rate is the number of births to teenagers between the ages of 15 and 17, per 1,000 females in this age group.

Definition: Teen deaths is the number of deaths from all causes to teens between ages 15 and 19, per 100,000 teens in this age group. The data reported by place of residence, not the place where death occurred.

Percent of Preterm Births (1996-2006)⁴



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