CHILD ABUSE & NEGLECT Prevention Board

Opportunity Index

Link: https://opportunityindex.org

The Opportunity Index is an interactive data tool that focuses on malleable factors that change over time and vary from place to place in response to personal, institutional, and policy changes, such as family income and individual health, access to civic engagement in neighborhoods, educational attainment, and inclusiveness of one's community. It combines these indicators into four dimensions of opportunity – economy, education, health, and community - to provide a snapshot of societal conditions at the county, state, and national levels and identify opportunities to improve access.

Indicators and Types of Data					
Unit of Comparison	**Opportunity Score***	**Economy Score**	**Educator Score**	**Community Score**	**Health Score**
National Average **State Average** **County Average**	• overall national opportunity index for comparison to states and counties • overall state opportunity index • combines all 16 indicators • overall county opportunity index • combines 14 of 16 indicators (Volunteering and Voter Registration not included at county level)	• unemployment • median income • # inds. below poverty line • availability of banking institutions • affordable housing • subscriptions to broadband internet	• % ages 3 & 4 in preschool • on-time high school graduation rates • post-secondary education rate	• % adults who volunteered the previous year • % adults who are registered to vote • % teens not working and not in school • Incidents of violent crime reported • access to primary care • incarceration rates • access to healthy foods (# grocery stores and produce vendors)	• low birth rate • health insurance coverage • deaths from suicide or drug or alcohol poisoning

*Scores equal number out of a total of 100.