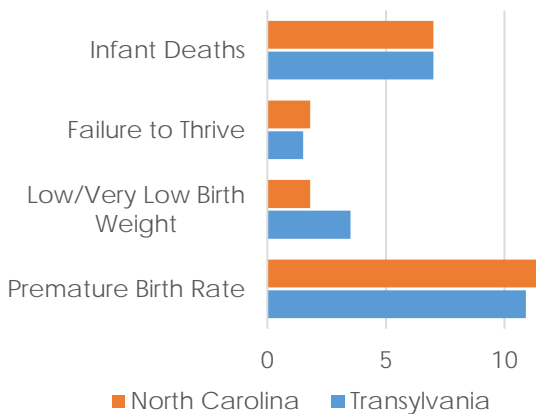




# State of the Young Child in Transylvania County

December 2015

Birth and Infant Health  
Outcomes, per 1,000 births

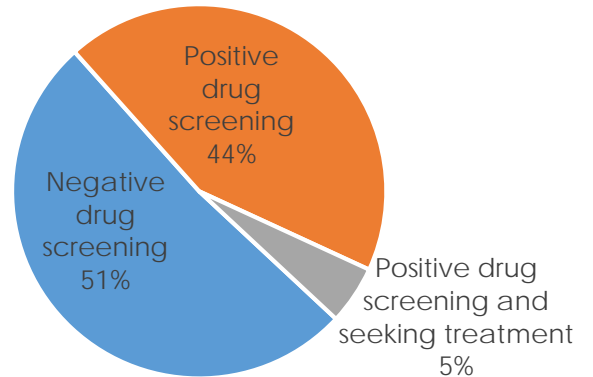


**51%** of children ages 1-5 with Medicaid **do not use any dental services.**

**Typical wait time** for dental care at Brevard Health Center is **90 days.**

*17 of 35 infants enrolled in Care Coordination for Children were undergoing treatment for opiate withdrawal symptoms. That's a rate of 4,560 per 100,000, or more than 7 times the statewide rate of 620 per 100,000 births.*

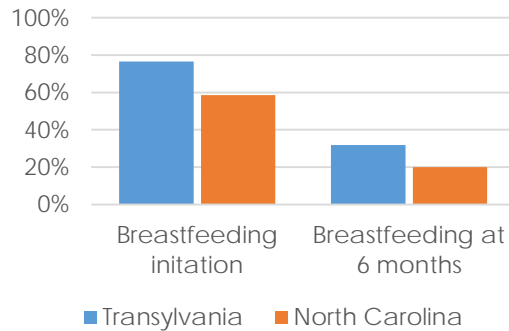
Drug Screening Results Among  
Pregnancy Care Management  
Clients



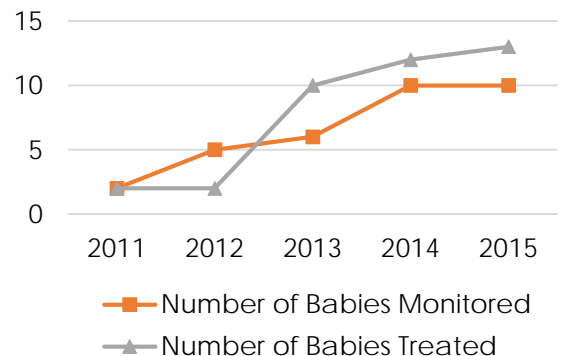
- 43 children in foster care; 10 are 0-5 years old (2015)
- 9 children removed from homes for abuse or neglect (2013-2014)
- 25 incarcerated parents among children with open cases

**8.8% of children had no health insurance in 2013, compared to 7.4% of children statewide**

Breastfeeding Rates  
Among WIC Participants



Babies Monitored and Treated  
for Neonatal Substance  
Addiction by Year, 2011-2015

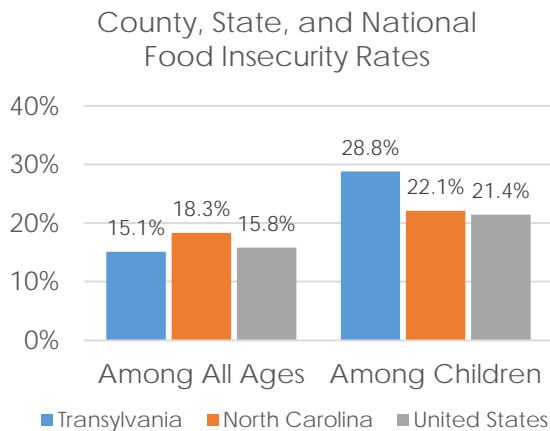
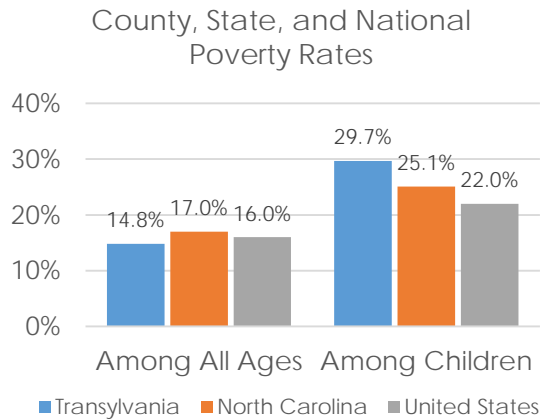


**83% of children up to date on vaccinations (or in compliance but late receiving some) exceeding state goal of 76% for 2015**

A household with two adults and two children would need **both adults** to earn an **hourly rate of \$13.96** (almost 300% the poverty rate) to live without assistance.

County median income: \$22,034  
State median income: \$27,425

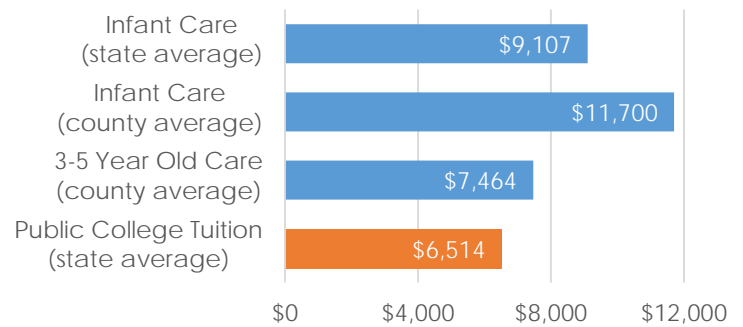
County median household income: \$46,556  
State median household income: \$41,952



**18 homeless children under age 18**

- 42 children ages 0-5 served in Haven’s shelter since 2012
- 45 children ages 0-18 served in Haven’s Family House since 2014
- 10 families currently on waiting list

Annual Child Care Costs



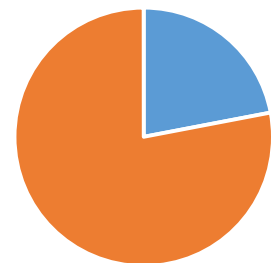
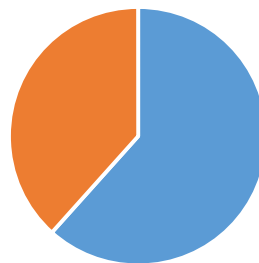
**6<sup>th</sup> highest county statewide for child care costs**

**Child Care by the Numbers:**

- 274 children in 9 full-time regulated child care centers/preschools and 1 family child care home
- 20 developmental day slots for children with special needs
- 50 children with special needs served by teacher/provider
- 255 children at 4 part-time church-based preschool programs and 1 non-traditional drop-in center
- 47 children in Head Start at county child care centers
- 18 children in Early Head Start + 15 children in Early Head Start at EHS childcare partners
- 24 children in NC Pre-K kindergarten readiness program

38% of students entering kindergarten in 2015 had not attended any child care or preschool program

78% of kindergarteners tested below or far below proficiency at the beginning of the 2015 school year



The Preschool Task Force hopes that you will take the time to read this report and understand the lives of our youngest citizens. If you are inspired to get involved after seeing this report, please contact Transylvania County Administration and ask to be added to the Preschool Task Force mailing list: (828) 884-3100 or trisha.hogan@transylvaniacounty.org.