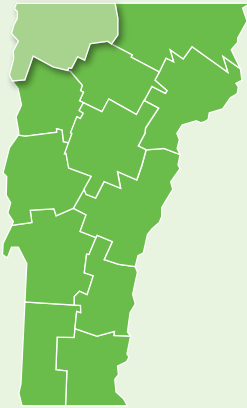


Franklin Grand Isle Region

About the Region



Franklin and Grand Isle counties' rolling hills contain both isolated poverty and wealthier communities. The level of commitment to improve outcomes for children and families is robust across the region. The BBF council, and other tables where stakeholders gather, are consistently gathering data to inform the direction of their efforts. A wide range of variables contribute to a significantly higher number of children in DCF custody than in past years, which is why the region takes a multi-pronged approach to supporting vulnerable populations.

REGIONAL PRIORITIES

The Franklin and Grand Isle Council has been focused on:

- Continuing to increase the number of early care and learning programs in the STARS program
- Promoting kindergarten readiness
- Identifying and providing concrete supports to families in areas of food insecurity and affordable, stable housing, and working to mitigate the risks and reduce the likelihood of families experiencing homelessness

Current Status

CHILD POPULATION

under age 9

The percent^{*} of children under 9 years old **increased** from 46.5% (6,145) in 2010 to **48.5%** (6,048) in 2016.

INCREASED TO
48.5%

**Denominator is children under 18 years old.*

CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY

under age 6

The percent of children under 6 years old living in poverty^{**} **decreased** from 39.9% (1,421) in 2010 to **36.9%** (1,382) in 2016.

DECREASED TO
36.9%

***Living below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level*

CHILDREN IN DCF CUSTODY

under age 9 (rate per 1,000)

The rate[†] of children under 9 years old (per 1,000) in DCF custody **increased** from 10.3 (62) in 2012 to **20.3** (123) in 2016.

INCREASED TO
20.3

†As of September 30th each year.

STARS PARTICIPATION

The percent of regulated child care, early learning, and afterschool programs with 1-5 STARS[‡] **increased** from 27.9% (56) in 2010 to **79.7%** (106) in 2018.

INCREASED TO
79.7%

‡As of June each year.

Percent of All Students Ready for Kindergarten

SUPERVISORY UNION/DISTRICT

SCHOOL YEAR
2015-16

SCHOOL YEAR
2016-17

SCHOOL YEAR
2017-18

Franklin
Northeast SU

85.2%

85.9%

97.4%

Franklin
Northwest SU

77.3%

81.3%

76.4%

Franklin West SU

84.2%

92.2%

89.0%

Grand Isle SU

83.1%

92.9%

97.0%

Maple Run SD

Unavailable

Unavailable

80.3%