

YUBA COUNTY YOUTH CHALLENGES & BARRIERS

Understanding the status of youth in Yuba County requires a broad grasp of the challenges impacting their lives. It is critical that important information surrounding their lives be disseminated, not only to parents, but to all citizens of Yuba County. This approach must be transparent and candid. After all, as taxpayers, we all have a stake in the education of our youth.

-Dr. Francisco Reveles
Yuba County Superintendent of Schools

Educational Indicators

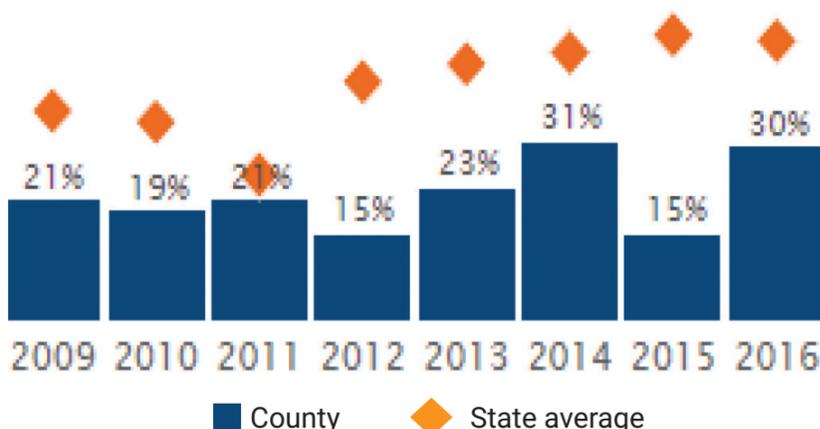
	Yuba County*	California
CTE/Vocational Ed. Participation	46%	45%
Truancy Rate	18.86%	34.07%
Expulsion Rate	.045%	.085%
Chronic Absenteeism Rate	11.7%	11.1%
Graduation Rate	75%	83%

*Data above is based on total countywide student enrollment. All data represented is collectively averaged. Data sources can be accessed through the Yuba County Office of Education website (<https://www.yubacoe.org/>). Contact Brendon Messina, Youth Advocate Coordinator, (530) 749-4861.

- ✓ Students enrolled in special education classes who had autism rose from 119 in 2014 to 203 in 2018
- ✓ Yuba County's suspension rate in 2018 was **6.4%** compared to a 3.5% statewide average
- ✓ Yuba County had 447 SARB (Student Attendance Review Board hearing) referrals

Juvenile Justice

Yuba County Incarcerated youth with open mental health cases



- ✓ 77 youth were arrested for felony crimes in 2015
- ✓ In 2016, 30% of juvenile justice involved youth had open mental health cases
- ✓ During the 2018/19 school year, 136 youth were incarcerated (housed and received educational and social services) in Yuba County detention facilities

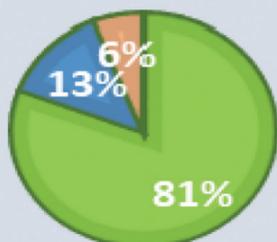
* Beginning 2019, YCOE has secured funding to develop a comprehensive transition and aftercare for area incarcerated youth.

Issue: Students who become incarcerated are more likely to offend again.

Human Services

Child & Adult Protective Services 4th Qtr Reporting 2019

- Referral Rates
- Referrals with follow up
- Foster Care Entry



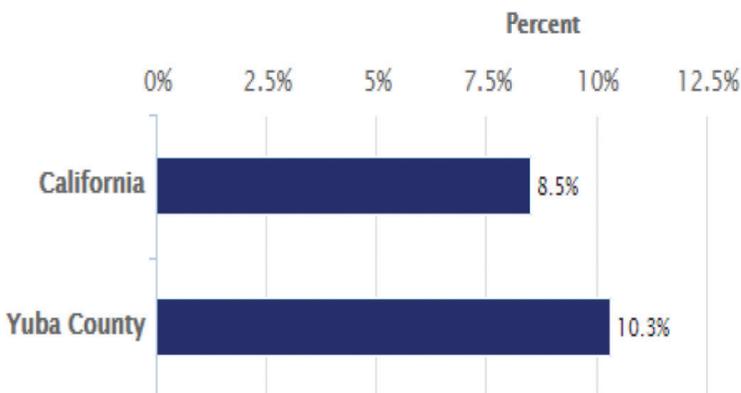
- ✓ 145 foster youth in Yuba County
- ✓ 321 homeless youth living in Yuba County
- ✓ 29 children identified at risk for Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children (CSEC) in 2018
- ✓ In 2019, there have been 1,340 referrals to Children and Adult Protection Services (CAPS)

"80% of health is determined by social environment."
- Rick Rawson, President
Adventist Health and Rideout Hospital

Socio-Economic

Children in Deep Poverty

Year(s): 2013-2017



- ✓ In 2014, 29% of children were living in food insecure households
- ✓ In 2017, 10.3% of Yuba County youth lived below the federal poverty threshold
- ✓ Yuba County has a 6.0% unemployment rate compared to 4.1% in California

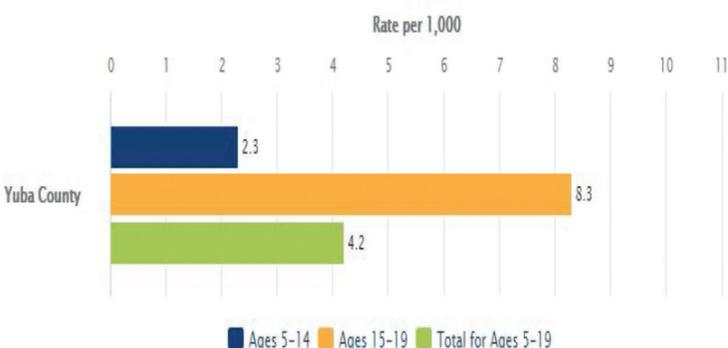
"By age 3, a child's brain is 80% developed. Raising a child in a home filled with books positively impacts their future academic growth."

Ericka Summers, Executive Director
First 5 Yuba

Issue: Students who are unable to have their basic needs met have a harder time becoming successful in school.

Mental Health

Hospitalizations for Mental Health Issues, by Age Group: 2016 (Age Group: All)



Definition: Number of hospital discharges for mental health issues per 1,000 children and youth ages 5-19, by age group (e.g., in 2016, there were 9.8 hospital discharges for mental health issues per 1,000 California youth ages 15-19).

- ✓ 8.3 per 1000 youth ages 5-19 were hospitalized for mental health issues
- ✓ 57.7% of surveyed LGBTQ youth seriously considered suicide in 2015
- ✓ Mental health issues amongst students are priority within local educational settings to ensure the safety and welfare of all students enrolled in area schools

Issue: Students with untreated mental health issues are two times more likely to struggle with substance abuse.