

# Pickens County Family Connection, Inc.

Pickens County Consolidated Data Report on  
Children, Families, and Neighborhoods

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The data in this Report creates a picture of life and relationships in the Domains of the Community, Family, School, and the Youth Peer Group. Each indicator helps to create the picture within each category or phase of life within each Domain.

Each indicator will contain numbers, percentages, and/or population rates that will quantify the aspect or life condition that is being measured. The indicator will contain

data over a five year period, so that trends can be observed. The indicator will also have Georgia and national data, so we can measure our community in comparison to other communities. Data has yet to be procured for many of the indicators, and will be included in subsequent drafts of this Report.

With this comprehensive, measurable community picture, citizens can then decide exactly what conditions need to be changed, and will have the data to measure the change. The next challenge is to design and implement strategies to change conditions.

## I. Neighborhood and Community

### 1. Availability of Drugs (student survey, 10/06, 10/09)

Percentage of Pickens High students who say it is easy to obtain drugs						
		6 <sup>th</sup> grade	8 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup>	
Alcohol – Pickens	2006	14.8%	43.9%	71.0%	90.9%	
	2009	21.1	46.9	66.4	76.5	
	Georgia	2006				
		2009	24.3	44.0	63.8	74.0
Marijuana	2006	4.5%	26.3%	60.5%	75.8%	
	2009	6.8	22.1	54.2	68.2	
	Georgia	2006				
		2009	12.2	19.1	55.1	68.1
Cocaine	2006	4.0%	16.4%	37.2%	56.1%	
	2009	6.0	13.7	25.3	37.4	
	Georgia	2006				
		2009	10.7	18.1	28.8	34.1

### 2. Crime

#### a) Adult Crime (Summary Reports – UCR Program)

Indicator	Number of Crimes Rate/ 100,000 Population County Rank						
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Violent Crimes	Pickens	6 20.4		66 211.7	56 179.1	25 75.8	
	Georgia	440.4		470.0	409.6	389.9	
Property Crimes	Pickens	154 524.6		397 1273.4	401 1282.6	380 1151.5	
	Georgia	3573.9		3845.9	3530.8	3549.1	

Total Index Crimes	Pickens Georgia	160 545.0 4014.3	551	463 1485.1 30 rank 360425 4082.1	457 1467.7 33 (rank) 386641 4,371.9	405 1227.3 3939.1	
DUI	Pickens Georgia			118 35548	130 415.8 33576		
Possession of cocaine, methamphetamine, marijuana – # of cases	Pickens Georgia		136	80	114	103	116
Methamphetamine labs/Manufacturing - # of cases	Pickens Georgia		10	10	10	2	2
Distributing cocaine, meth, and marijuana	Pickens Georgia		60	63	36	34	58

During 2002-2004, Pickens County ranked 158 out of 159 in the rate of methamphetamine items reported by crime laboratories per 100,000 population

b) Adults on Probation

Indicator	Number Number/100,000 Population Number and Percentage by Crime Type						
		2002	2003	2004	2005	Aug, 2006	2007
Number of Active Probationers	Pickens					364	
	Georgia					141210	
Violent/sex Crimes - Number and %	Pickens					101 27.7%	
	Georgia					20.4%	
Property – Number and %	Pickens					110 30.2%	
	Georgia					35.1%	
Drug/Dui – Number and %	Pickens					128 35.2%	
	Georgia					37.3%	

b) Juvenile Crime

		Juvenile Offenses Charged – Number and Rate/1,000 Population Ages 10-17					
Crime/Year		2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
All Crimes	Pickens	253	390	252	207	242	
	Dawson	267	192	130	121	179	
	Gilmer	205	296	311	303	309	
	Gordon	340	104	140	120	107	
	Georgia	9120 2	92017	83005	75933	68001	
Drugs	Pickens	23	78	40	26	35	
	Dawson	41	21	19	40	15	
	Gilmer	23	41	31	59	46	
	Gordon	57	10	23	4	11	
	Georgia	6027	6167	5019	4742	4135	
Violent/Violent Sex	Pickens	31	30	35	17	25	
	Dawson	35	33	7	4	12	
	Gilmer	25	41	42	33	31	
	Gordon	49	10	11	16	16	
	Georgia	1162 1	13013	11438	10997	10039	


e) Juveniles charged with offenses

Indicator	Number of Juveniles Charged with Offenses, FY 2007 – FY 2011						
		2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
All Crimes	Pickens	157	172	128	112	115	
	Georgia	38524	37123	33251	30667	27344	
	Gilmer	134	126	112	127	117	

f) Number of convicted sex offenders living in Pickens County

Number of Sex Offenders Living in Identified Counties, as of 10-30-07	
Pickens (pop. 28,442)	52
Dawson (pop. 19,731)	33
Gilmer (pop. 27,335)	75
Gordon (50,279)	93

3. Transitions and Mobility

a) School transiency rate (percent of students who attend a complete school year at one school)

b) Vacancy rate & per cent renter occupied

Number and Percentage of Housing Units Occupied				
Number and Percentage of Housing Units Renter Occupied				
		2000 Census	2005 (estimate)	2010 (estimate)
Total Housing Units	Pickens	10687	13073	13692
	Georgia	3281866	3771466	4,088,801
	U.S.			
Units Vacant - #	Pickens	1727		2401
		16.1%		17.5%

and %	Georgia	8.4%		12.3%
	U.S.			
Renter Occupied - # and % of occupied units	Pickens	17.9%		2469 18.0%
	Georgia	32.5%		30.1%
	U.S.			

c) Annual Migration/Transiency Rate

Indicator	Number & Percentage of Population Migrating To or Away from Pickens County (Transiency Rate)						
		2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
% of population migrating away from Pickens to another GA County	Pickens						
	Georgia						
% of population moving away from Pickens to another state	Pickens						
	Georgia						
TOTAL # and % of population migrating away from Pickens County	Pickens				1415 6.2%		
	Georgia						
% of population moving to Pickens from another GA County	Pickens						
	Georgia						
% of population moving to Pickens from another state	Pickens						
	Georgia						
TOTAL # and % of population migrating into Pickens	Pickens				1,815 8.0%		
	Georgia						
TOTAL # and % of population migrating to or away from Pickens	Pickens				3230 14.2%		
	Georgia				11.7%		
TOTAL % of GA population migrating county-to-county or state-to state					11.7%		

4. Voter Participation

Indicator	Voter Participation in each Presidential/Congressional Election, 1996-2006						
		1996	1998	2000	2002	2004	2006

Voting Age Population	Pickens						
	Georgia						
Registered Voters - # and % of voting age population	Pickens					13816 49.8%	14732
	Georgia					4248837 50.8%	4407118
Voters (# and % of registered voters)	Pickens	6566	4910	8192	6382	10639 76.9%	7417 50.0%
	Georgia	2298899	1792808	2583208	2029991	3298798 77.6%	2122185 48.1%
Voters (# and % of voting population)	Pickens						
	Georgia						

### 5. Educational Attainment

Indicator	Educational Attainment of Adults 25 Years Old and Over						
		2000	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
High School Graduate or Above	Pickens	70.2%					79.0%
	Georgia	78.6%					84.0%
Bachelors Degree of Higher	Pickens	15.6%					20.3%
	Georgia	24.3%					23.5%
Graduate/Professional Degree	Pickens	5.7%					6.1%
	Georgia	8.3%					8.3%
Number of Adults Who Received the High School General Equivalency Diploma	Pickens					66	131
	Georgia						

### 6. Economics

#### a) Students receiving free or reduced lunches

Indicator	Number and Percentage of Students Receiving Free or Reduced Lunches							
		2004	2005	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Number and Percentage	Pickens			1773 41.1%	1766 40.6%	2041 45.1%	2253 50.3%	2257 50.4%
	Georgia			50.3%	51.0%	53.0%	56.1%	57.4%
	Pickens							
	Georgia							

#### b) Income

Indicator	Number, State Rank						
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Per Capita Income	Pickens	31371	34162 13	33764 19			
	Gordon						
	Georgia		33499	34849			
	U.S.		38615	40166			
Median Household Income	Pickens			52222 25	50790 21		
	Gordon						
	Georgia			50834	47469		
	U.S.						
	Pickens						
	Georgia						
	Pickens						
	Georgia						

c) Poverty

Indicator	Poverty						
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
# and % and rank of Population below Poverty Guidelines	Pickens			3732 12.1% 23	3704 12% 14		
	Georgia			14.7%	16.6%		
# and % families with children with annual incomes below 150% of poverty guidelines	Pickens	639 20.8%					
	Georgia	23.4%					
# and % of Children living in Poverty (age 0-17)	Pickens	1202 18.8%	1265 18.1%	1435 20.4%	1468 21.9%		
	Georgia	20.3%	19.8%	20.2%	22.7%		
# and % of Children living in Poverty (age 0-5)	Pickens			551 23.8%	499 22.6%		
	Georgia						

d) Unemployment (Kids Count)

Indicator	Unemployment Rate – Annual Average						
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Unemployment Rate & # unemployed	Pickens	3.4% 512	3.9% 601	7.2% 1117	11.3% 1698	9.9% 1444	
	Georgia	4.5%	4.7%	6.9%	10.2%	10.1%	
Exhausted unemployment	Pickens						
	Georgia						

benefits							
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## II. Status of Family Life

### 1. Family Management

#### a) Rate of substantiated incidents of child abuse/neglect

Indicator	Child Abuse and Neglect						
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
# Substantiated Incidents of Child Abuse and/or Neglect: rate per 1,000 population	Pickens	278 43.5	239 34.3	136 19.3	94 13.9	152 22.4	
	Georgia	16.1	13.7	10.8	9.5	8.0	
# Substantiated Incidents of Child Abuse and Neglect involving Drugs and Alcohol – Pickens Rank out of 159 Counties	Pickens				County Rank: 150 out of 159		
	Georgia						
# and rate of children in foster care	Pickens						
	Georgia						

#### b) Births to Parents 19 years Old and Under; Induced Terminations, All Ages

Indicator	Number, Percentage, and/or Rate							
		2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011

# Teen Births, ages 15-19: Rate/1,000 population	Pickens	41 50.0	63 75.7	65 77.2	42 49.9	37 45.4		
	Georgia	52.3	54.1	54.8	51.7	47.5		
# Teen Pregnancies, ages 15-17; Rate/1,000 population	Pickens	16 31.8	12 23.4	20 38.5	9 17.3	13 25.8		
	Georgia	36.8	37.7	38.0	36.2	31.3		
Teen Mothers, age 15-19, Giving Birth to Another Child before age 20	Pickens	6 15.0%	10 16.1%	13 20.0%	10 23.8%	8 21.6%		
	Georgia	21.3%	20.6%	20.7%	20.6%	20.7%		

c) Education Level of Parents

Indicator	Education Level of Parents							
		2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	
# and % of babies born to mothers with less than 12 years of education	Pickens	95 28.6%	106 28.6%	95 27.2%	83 24.5%	67 20.2%		
	Georgia	24.6%	24.7%	24.2%	22.8	22.9		
	Pickens							
	Georgia							
	Pickens							
	Georgia							

d) Percent of parents who assist with child's homework (community survey)

e) Percent of parents who establish and enforce clear, healthy standards (student survey)

f) Percent of parents who talk to their children about the dangers of drugs and alcohol (community survey)

2. Family Relations

a) Divorce rate

b) Domestic violence (adult to adult)

Indicator	Number, Percentage, and/or Rate						
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
# and rate of incidents of adult-to adult family violence	Pickens	384	321	56	96	164	
	Georgia						

# of domestic violence victims served by No. Ga. Mountain Crisis Center, Pickens County	Pickens	45	72	103	30	39	39 (11/19/07)
	Georgia						

c) Single parent households

Indicator	Single Parent Households						
		2000	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
# and % of children living with single parent	Pickens	989 18.3%					
	Georgia	25.6%					
# and % of children living outside the immediate family	Pickens						
	Georgia						

III. Status of Children in School

1. Academic Achievement

a) Students in 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grades who did not meet state standards on the Georgia Criterion-Referenced Competency Test (CRCT)

		Percentage and Numbers of Students Who Did Not Meet State Standards on CRCT:						
		2005-2006	2006-2007	2007-2008	2008-2009	2009-2010	2010-2011	2012
Reading - 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	Pickens – did not meet	11%	13%	5%	4%	6%		
	Pickens - Exceed	35	46	19	13	24		
		31%	40%	42%	36%	43%		
		100	140	156	119	175		
Math – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	GA – not meet	17%	15%	7%	7%	6%		
	GA - exceed	26%	32%	35%	31%	36%		
	Pickens – did not meet	5%	7%	24%	12%	16%		
	Pickens - Exceed	16	25	89	40	65		
Reading - 5 <sup>th</sup> grade	Pickens - Exceed	34%	41%	35%	52%	43%		
		110	132	130	171	171		
	GA – not meet	9%	10%	29%	22%	20%		
	GA - exceed	30%	32%	31%	37%	36%		
Math – 5 <sup>th</sup> grade	Pickens – did not meet	10%	11%	4%	7%	4%		
	Pickens - Exceed	27	35	13	26	15		
		27%	28%	26%	22%	30%		
		73	90	82	82	110		
Reading –	GA – not meet	19%	15%	7%	7%	6%		
	GA - exceed	17%	23%	22%	21%	24%		
	Pickens – did not meet	8%	12%	15%	21%	15%		
	Pickens - Exceed	26	39	47	78	55		
Reading –	Pickens - Exceed	50%	37%	21%	26%	37%		
		135	119	67	96	137		
	GA – not meet	11%	12%	16%	13%	12%		
	GA - exceed	34%	32%	27%	36%	39%		
Reading –	Pickens – did	10%	8%	5%	3%	3%		

8 <sup>th</sup> grade	not meet Pickens - Exceed	33 1% 3	26 19% 62	17 26% 88	10 37% 119	10 38% 120		
	GA – not meet GA - exceed	10% 13%	11% 18%	6% 22%	4% 31%	3% 31%		
Math – 8 <sup>th</sup> grade	Pickens – did not meet Pickens – Exceed	20% 67 27% 90	13% 42 29% 95	16% 54 26% 88	14% 45 25% 80	12% 40 27% 90		
	GA – not meet GA - exceed	23% 24%	19% 25%	22% 16%	20% 23%	17% 24%		
Writing 8 <sup>th</sup> grade	Pickens – did not meet Pickens - Exceed	11% 37 9% 30	25% 81 6% 20	18% 61 7% 24	23% 72 5% 16	22% 72 4% 13		
	GA – not meet GA - exceed	13% 13%	33% 5%	22% 6%	25% 6%	21% 6%		

b) Percent of students in a modified curriculum

c) Average Scholastic Aptitude Test Scores for Pickens High School Seniors

Indicator	Average SAT Scores for High School Seniors (highest score)						
		2005- 2006	2006- 2007	2007- 2008	2008- 2009	2009- 2010	2010- 2011
# of Students taking Math and Verbal SAT Test	Pickens	139	128	133	118	138	
	Georgia	47,733	50,139	51,591	47,281	52,632	
	U.S.	1,118,762	1,178,75	1167849	1093374	1114273	
# students taking Math, Verbal, and Writing	Pickens	116	128				
	Georgia	44,634	50,139				
	U.S.		1,178,753				
Average Total SAT Score (verbal, math, writing)	Pickens	1512	1519	1489	1482	1459	
	Georgia	1494	1483	1477	1473	1467	
	U.S.						
Average Subtotal Score (verbal & math)	Pickens	1017	1036				
	Georgia	1003	996				
	U.S.						
Verbal	Pickens	512	518				
	Georgia	500	497				
	U.S.						
Math	Pickens	505	508				
	Georgia	503	499				
	U.S.						
Writing	Pickens	495	493				
	Georgia	491	487				
	U.S.						

d) High school graduation test scores

Indicator		Percentage of 11 <sup>th</sup> Grade First Time Test Takers Who Pass The Georgia High School Graduation Test in Each Subject Area; Percentage with Pass +					
		2005- 2006	2006- 2007	2007- 2008	2008- 2009	2009- 2010	2010- 2011
English Language Arts	Pickens Pass +	95% 62%	95% 65%	90% 48%	92% 57%	90% 48%	90% 55%
	Georgia Pass +	96% 70%	96% 72%	91% 55%	92% 55%	90% 55%	91% 53%
Math	Pickens Pass +	93% 55%	95% 56%	95% 52%	97% 45%	95% 47%	89% 38%
	Georgia Pass +	92% 55%	92% 54%	93% 53%	95% 50%	92% 48%	87% 46%
Social Studies	Pickens Pass +	85% 43%	90% 46%	91% 42%	90% 39%	83% 39%	87% 43%
	Georgia Pass +	86% 44%	88% 41%	87% 42%	88% 43%	81% 36%	82% 40%
Science	Pickens Pass +	71% 22%	79% 27%	92% 48%	90% 43%	89% 42%	96% 62%
	Georgia Pass +	73% 22%	74% 22%	87% 51%	90% 53%	90% 53%	92% 58%
Writing	Pickens Pass +	92% 92%	88% 91%	90% 89%	87% 91%	91% 92%	96% 96%
	Georgia Pass +	92% 92%	91% 91%	89% 89%	91% 91%	92% 92%	96% 96%

e) End-of-course scores

		Number and Per Cent of Student Who Pass, and Who Earn High Pass					
		2005- 2006	2006- 2007	2007- 2008	2008- 2009	2009- 2010	2010- 2011
9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Literature and Composition	Pickens Pass +	62% 13%	66% 13%	71% 17%	80% 30%	90% 40%	
	Georgia Pass +	67% 18%	67% 17%	72% 19%	76% 28%	80% 30%	
American Literature and Composition	Pickens Pass +	82% 25%	85% 22%	83% 26%	82% 26%	88% 27%	
	Georgia Pass +	81% 24%	80% 22%	83% 28%	86% 28%	86% 30%	
Algebra	Pickens Pass +	83% 61%	82% 59%	74% 44%	36% 13%	50% 8%	
	Georgia Pass +	66% 38%	58% 33%	56% 26%	40% 11%	63% 12%	
Geometry	Pickens Pass +	92% 48%	94% 56%	84% 44%	77% 25%	83% 33%	
	Georgia Pass +	63% 27%	63% 29%	62% 26%	49% 14%	40% 10%	
Math I	Pickens Pass +					66% 16%	
	Georgia Pass +						

	Georgia Pass +					64%	
Math II	Pickens Pass + Georgia Pass +					55%	
Biology	Pickens Pass + Georgia Pass +	84% 23% 57% 13%	80% 17% 63% 19%	55% 15% 61% 20%	70% 21% 64% 24%	79% 30% 76% 24%	
United States History	Pickens Pass + Georgia Pass +	81% 49% 71% 41%	78% 51% 70% 38%	65% 22% 57% 19%	60% 25% 58% 25%	64% 35% 60% 28%	
Physical Science	Pickens Pass + Georgia Pass +	81% 36% 61% 21%	64% 23% 62% 22%	62% 28% 63% 28%	78% 42% 67% 30%	84% 48% 72% 32%	
Econ/Business/Free Ent	Pickens Pass + Georgia Pass +	79% 56% 58% 40%	69% 51% 63% 45%	79% 30% 66% 24%	79% 27% 70% 27%	77% 28% 71% 30%	

f) Percent of high school graduates eligible for the HOPE scholarship

2. Commitment to School

a) Attendance

Indicator	Attendance at Pickens County Schools –						
		2005- 2006	2006- 2007	2007- 2008	2008- 2009	2009- 2010	2010- 2011
# and % of students with more than 15 or more absences during the identified school year	Pickens	8.3%	8.2%	8.0%	8.8%	9.1%	6.4%
	Georgia	9.8%	10.0%	9.5%	8.7%	9.7%	8.8%
Average daily percentage of students who attend school	Pickens	95.75	95.82%	95.92%	95.82%	95.53%	96.06%
	Georgia						

b) School Completion

Indicator	Graduation Rate Dropout Rate
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		2005- 2006	2006- 2007	2007- 2008	2008- 2009	2009- 2010	2010- 2011
# and % of students who graduate on time (completion rate)	Pickens	218 71.6%	230 76.6%	231 78.4%	221 80.2%	229 80.9%	218 85.1%
	Georgia	70.8%	72.3%	75.4%	78.9%	80.8%	
# and % of students in grade 9-12 who dropped out of school during the identified school year (drop out rate)	Pickens	67 4.9%	59 4.3%	45 2.2%	45 2.2%	23 1.1%	13 1.0
	Georgia	4.7%	4.1%	2.8%	2.8%	2.6%	

#### IV. Status of Youth Behavior, Attitudes, Perceptions, Relationships

##### 1. Behavior

- a) Juvenile Crime (see page 7)
- b) Juveniles on probation (see page 8)
- c) Alcohol, drug, and tobacco use (student survey, 10/06)

Percentage of Students Who Used Alcohol, Drugs, Tobacco during Last 30 Days						
			8 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup>	9 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup> U.S.
Alcohol	Pickens	2005	11.7%	26.7%	44.7%	
		2009	11.0	27.4	45.8	
	Georgia	2005		23%	34%	
		2009	11.5	20.7	29.3	
U.S.					45%	
Marijuana	Pickens	2005	4.7%	12.8%	17.4%	
		2009	4.0	17.8	23.4	
	Georgia	2005		10.0%	15.0%	
		2009	5.1	12.0	15.5	
U.S.					20%	
Inhalants	Pickens	2005	2.2%	2.3%	0.8%	
		2009	2.0	3.4	3.7	
	Georgia	2005		2.0%	1.5%	
		2009	2.3	2.3	2.1	
U.S.					14%	
Meth	Pickens	2005	1.2%	1.2%	1.5%	
		2009	0.3	0.7	1.9	
	Georgia	2005		1.0%	1.5%	
		2009	0.8	1.4	1.5	
U.S.					5%	

Cigarettes	Pickens	2005	4.7%	15.1%	28%	
		2009	7.7	25.3	32.7	
	Georgia	2005		12%	19%	
		2009	6.3	12.9	18.7	
U.S.					22%	
Smokeless tobacco	Pickens	2005	4%	6%	9.8%	
		2009	3.3	8.2	18.7	
	Georgia	2005		5.0%	6.0%	
		2009	3.5	6.3	7.5	
U.S.					8.0%	
Prescription Drugs	Pickens	2005				
		2009	2.3	8.2	10.3	
	Georgia	2005				
		2009	3.3	6.2	6.8	

d) Students Who Have Brought Weapons to School (student survey, 10/6)

Percentage of Students Who Have Brought a Weapon to School during the Past 30 Days					
		6th	8th	10th	12th
	Pickens	2.3%	4.1%	0.0%	7.6%
	Georgia (2005)			4.0%	4.0%
	U.S. (2005)				7.0% (grades 9-12)

e) Alcohol and Automobile Driving

Students Driving/Riding While Drinking Alcohol					
		8 <sup>th</sup>	10th	12th	9 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup> , U.S.
% of students who drove a car while drinking alcohol during the past 30 days	Pickens		5.8%	9.1%	
	Georgia (2005)		3.5%	7.5%	
	U.S. (2005)				9.0%
% of students who have ridden in a car with a driver who was drinking alcohol during the past 30 days	Pickens	14.0%	16.3%	24.2%	
	Georgia (2005)		15%	16%	
	U.S. (2005)				28%

f) Suicide (student survey)

Students Who Have Attempted Suicide During the Past Year					
		6th	8th	10th	12th
% of students who say they attempted suicide in the past year	Pickens	2.3%	8.2%	3.5%	4.5%
	Georgia (2005)			5.0%	4.0%
	U.S. (2005)				8.0% (grades 9-12)

g) Number of disciplinary incidents in elementary, middle, and high school

2. Attitudes, Perceptions, Relationships

a) Peer Disapproval of Alcohol/Drug Use (student survey)

Percentage of Students Whose Peers Disapprove of Drug/Alcohol Use					
		8 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup>	9 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup> , U.S.
Alcohol	Pickens	68.4%	45.3%	37.9%	
	Georgia				
	U.S.				
Drugs	Pickens	82.5%	59.3%	59.8%	
	Georgia				
	U.S.				
Tobacco	Pickens	74.9%	59.3%	59.8%	
	Georgia				
	U.S,				
	Georgia U.S.				

b) Percentage of students whose friends use alcohol, drugs, tobacco (student survey)

Percentage of Students Whose Friends Use Alcohol, Drugs, Tobacco
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		6th	8th	10th	12th
Alcohol	Pickens	7.4%	66.3%	66.3%	82.6%
	Georgia				
	U.S.				
Marijuana	Pickens	4.0%	15.8%	40.7%	49.2%
	Georgia				
	U.S.				
Other drugs	Pickens	2.2%	14.6%	29.1%	70.3%
	Georgia				
	U.S.				
Tobacco	Pickens	9.7%	35.7%	61.6%	66.7%
	Georgia				
	U.S.				

c) Percent of students who perceive the harm of drugs, alcohol, and cigarettes (student survey)

d) Students Who Have Been Bullied at School (student survey, 10/06)

Percentage of Students Who Have Been Bullied at School during the Past 30 Days					
		6th	8th	10th	12th
	Pickens	14.6%	19.9%	15.1%	15.1%
	Georgia				
	U.S.				

e) Alienation (student survey)

Percentage of Students Who Know an Adult at School Whom they Can Talk to if They Need Help					
		6th	8th	10th	12th
	Pickens	Yes – 78.4% No – 21.6%	Yes – 73.7% No – 26.3%	Yes – 67.4% No – 32.6%	Yes – 76.5% No – 23.5%
	Georgia				
	U.S.				

V. Children Ready for School

1. Number of 3-year old children enrolled in Headstart
2. Number of eligible children enrolled in Georgia PreK Program
3. Number of preschool children participating in family support programs
4. Scores on kindergarten developmental tests/assessments

VI. Health of Children

1) Birth Weight

Indicator		Babies Born with Low Birth Weight						
		2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
# and % of babies born with low birth weight	Pickens	23 6.9%	25 6.7%	31 8.6%	26 7.3%	32 9.1%		
	Georgia	9.4%	9.6%	9.5%	9.6%	9.5%		
	U.S,							

2) Prenatal Care

Indicator		Prenatal Care						
		2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	
% of babies born to mothers who received prenatal care in first trimester	Pickens	93.4%	93.7%			330 91.2%		
	Georgia	84.7%	84.0%					
	U.S,							
% of babies born to mothers who did not drink or smoke during pregnancy	Pickens	80.1%	84.3%					
	Georgia	91.6%	92.1%					
	U.S.							

3) Sexually Transmitted Diseases

Indicator		Sexually Transmitted Diseases, ages 15-19						
		2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Incidence of STD for youth ages 15 – 19, numbers and rate/1,000 population	Pickens	8 4.8	7 4.1	4 LNE	8 4.6	10 5.9		
	Georgia	26.8	31.9	31.6	30.6	27.8		
	U.S,							

