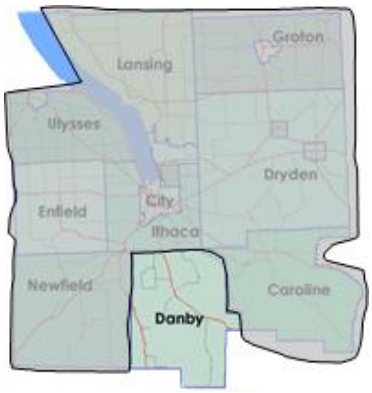


Profile of Town of Danby

Prepared by Tompkins County Youth Services Department, Spring 2017

Achieving Youth Results (AYR): Tompkins County Youth Services Department worked with our community to develop goals for our county's young people and indicators (data) to track progress toward these goals. The six goals are listed in the boxes starting on page 2. For more information on Achieving Youth Results, please visit http://www.tompkinscountyny.gov/youth/AYR.

Population and Demographics

Danby Population, All Ages – 3,462

Danby has the second lowest population among Tompkins County towns.
Population increased 3.9% since 2010.

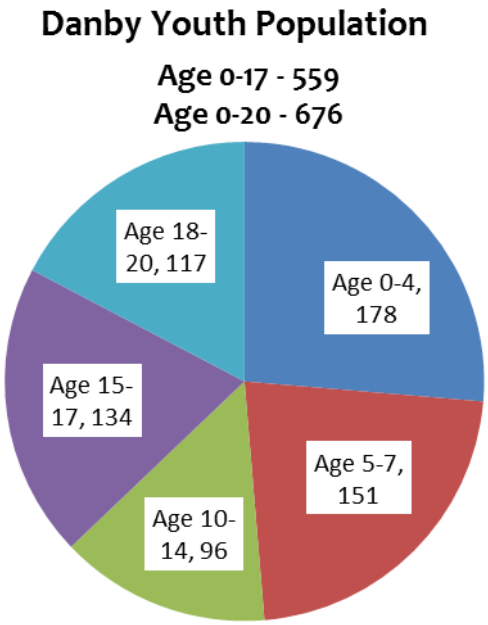
Median Age – 47.9 (Tompkins median age – 30.2)

Danby Youth Population

Danby's 0-17 youth population declined 25% since 2010.
3.5% of Tompkins youth ages 0-17 reside in Danby.

Danby's 0-20 youth population declined 19% since 2010.
2.1% of Tompkins youth ages 0-20 reside in Danby.

19.5% of Danby's population is under age 21.



Race, All Ages

White	94.7%
Black/African American	1.5%
American Indian/Alaska Native	1%
Asian	0.4%
Other	1.6%
Two or more races	0.8%

Hispanic/Latino 2.1%

Data Source: 1 (See p. 8)

Community

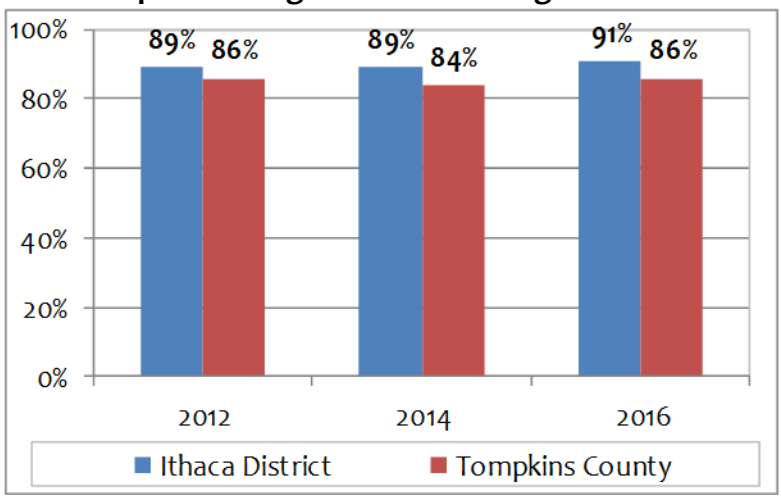
AYR Goal: Our Community (Tompkins County) will provide children, youth, and families with healthy, safe, and thriving environments.

Total Number of Danby Households – 1,446

Danby Households Spending 30% or More of Income on Housing (5 year average)

2007-17	2008-12	2009-13
510	405	425

Students Who Report Feeling Safe in Their Neighborhood



Data Sources: 1, 8, 10 (See p. 8)

Economic Security

AYR Goal: Children and youth will live in an economically secure community.

Danby Poverty

People of all ages below poverty level – 8.1% (Tompkins County rate – 20.5%)
People below age 18 below poverty level – 7.2% (Tompkins County rate – 17.7%)

Danby Housing

Number of owner occupied houses: 1,326
Percent of housing units that are owner occupied – 91.7%
Median value of owner occupied houses: $163,900
Percent of housing units (1,680) that are mobile homes: 3.8%
For rental units, median rent – $966

Occupied Danby Housing Units with No Vehicle Available – 91 (6.3%)

Free or Reduced Lunch Participation

	2013-14		2014-15		2015-16	
	Free	Reduced	Free	Reduced	Free	Reduced
South Hill Elem.	17%	4%	17%	6%	20%	5%
Boynton M.S.	24%	4%	29%	5%	29%	5%
DeWitt M.S.	28%	4%	32%	6%	31%	6%
IHS	20%	3%	24%	5%	25%	5%
LACS	17%	7%	24%	12%	26%	10%
Ithaca District	26%	4%	30%	6%	32%	6%
Tompkins Co.	28%	6%	31%	7%	34%	6%

Notes: Eligibility for a family of four (July, 2016) – Free lunch - $31,524; Reduced lunch - $44,863
This table shows participation rates and does not reflect those youth who are eligible but do not apply and do not participate.
While the majority of Danby youth reside in the Ithaca School District, some reside and attend school in other districts. We show only ICSD information here.

Data Sources: 1, 4, 10 (See p. 8)

Education

AYR Goal: Youth will leave school prepared to live, learn, and work in their community.

While the majority of Danby youth reside in the Ithaca City School District, some reside and attend school in other districts. We show only ICSD information here.

School Enrollment

	School enrollment		Special needs students		ELL* students	
	2014-15	2015-16	2014-15	2015-16	2014-15	2015-16
South Hill Elem.	301	322	38 (13%)	42 (13%)	0	0
Boynton M.S.	567	561	66 (12%)	62 (11%)	0	0
DeWitt M.S.	502	490	61 (12%)	64 (13%)	40 (8%)	25 (5%)
IHS	1,395	1,359	130 (9%)	120 (9%)	32 (2%)	31 (2%)
LACS	300	302	40 (13%)	34 (11%)	0	0
Ithaca District	5,113	5,081	575 (11%)	594 (12%)	256 (5%)	239 (5%)
Tompkins Co.	10,786	10,631	1,553 (14%)	1,550 (15%)	277 (3%)	264 (2%)

*ELL = English Language Learners

Students Attending Private School

In the 2015-16 school year, 306 K-12 students residing in the Ithaca district attended a non-public school. The largest number (164) attended the Elizabeth Ann Clune Montessori School.

School Performance

Ithaca 3rd grade Student Performance on Spring Standardized Tests – Percentage Meeting State Standards				
	South Hill Elementary		ICSD	
	ELA*	Math	ELA*	Math
2013-14	48%	49%	42%	53%
2014-15	24%	56%	35%	56%
2015-16	59%	65%	52%	57%

Ithaca 8th grade Student Performance on Spring Standardized Tests – Percentage Meeting State Standards								
	Boynton		DeWitt		LACS		ICSD	
	ELA	Math	ELA	Math	ELA	Math	ELA	Math
2013-14	56%	21%	52%	12%	50%	7%	53%	14%
2014-15	62%	60%	74%	62%	74%	21%	67%	58%
2015-16	62%	69%	78%	71%	59%	27%	68%	65%

*ELA = English Language Arts
NYS Education Dept.'s goal is for schools to have 90% of students at or above standards.
2016: Due to changes in the ELA and math exams, proficiency rates from exams prior to 2016 are not directly comparable to the 2015 rates.

ICSD Progress Toward High School Completion

	Progress after 4 years			Progress after 5 years		
Year entered 9th grade	Graduated	Still enrolled	Dropped out	Graduated	Still enrolled	Dropped out
2010	85%	6%	6%	87%	3%	7%
2011	89%	5%	4%	91%	2%	4%
2012	91%	4%	4%			

New York State's standard is 80% graduating after 5 years.

This table tracks progress by student cohort. The cohort groups all the first-time 9th graders who start school during the same school year and tracks the cohort's progress toward high school completion after 4 and 5 years. "Graduated" includes students with a Regents Diploma, Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation, or Local Diploma. Local Diplomas were phased out for general ed. students in 2013. An IEP diploma is not considered a graduation diploma.

Plans of ICSD High School Graduates and Completers

	4 year college	2 year college	Other post-secondary	Military	Employ-ment	Other	Plan unknown
2013-14	63%	18%	1%	1%	9%	8%	0%
2014-15	63%	23%	1%	0%	7%	7%	0%
2015-16	62%	23%	0%	1%	8%	6%	0%

School Life (Students, grades 7-12)

	ICSD	Tompkins
Feels welcomed and appreciated by school adults	53%	51%
Has a trusted adult in school who can help with problems	48%	53%
Feels safe at school	90%	86%
Feels school rules are fairly enforced	40%	40%
Says students treat each other with respect	41%	36%
Someone said something hurtful to them in past 30 days at school	21%	25%
Was physically bullied in past 30 days at school	3%	4%

Data Sources: 4, 8 (See p. 8)

Civic Engagement

AYR Goal: Children and youth will demonstrate commitment to their community as contributing members of their families, schools and neighborhoods.

Grade 7-12 Student Participation in Extracurricular Activities in Past 12 Months (school or community)

	2012	2014	2016
Ithaca District	84%	86%	86%
Tompkins County	81%	83%	83%

Grade 7-12 Student Participation in Sports in Past 12 Months (school or community)

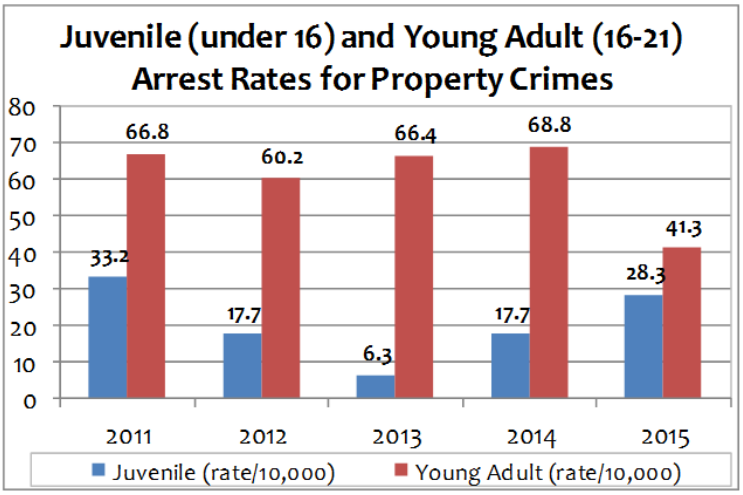
	2012	2014	2016
Ithaca District	74%	74%	72%
Tompkins County	78%	77%	75%

Pre-PINS and PINS Referrals to Probation by Schools

	2014		2015		2016	
	Pre-PINS	PINS	Pre-PINS	PINS	Pre-PINS	PINS
South Hill Elem.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Boynton M.S.	1	2	0	5	7	0
DeWitt M.S.	1	5	0	5	3	1
LACS	0	0	0	5	1	0
Ithaca H.S.	0	8	0	15	12	0

*A Person in Need of Supervision (PINS) is a youth under the age of eighteen who is showing a pattern of habitual disobedience, running away, curfew violations, substance abuse, violent behavior, or school truancy problems. Pre-PINS Diversion Services attempt to resolve the conflicts that brought a youth to the attention of the Probation Department by offering supervision, guidance, and referrals to community resources, thus preventing the need for formal Family Court intervention. Pre-PINS Diversion is a mandatory prerequisite prior to filing a formal PINS petition in Family Court.

Arrests for Property Crimes – Tompkins County Rate

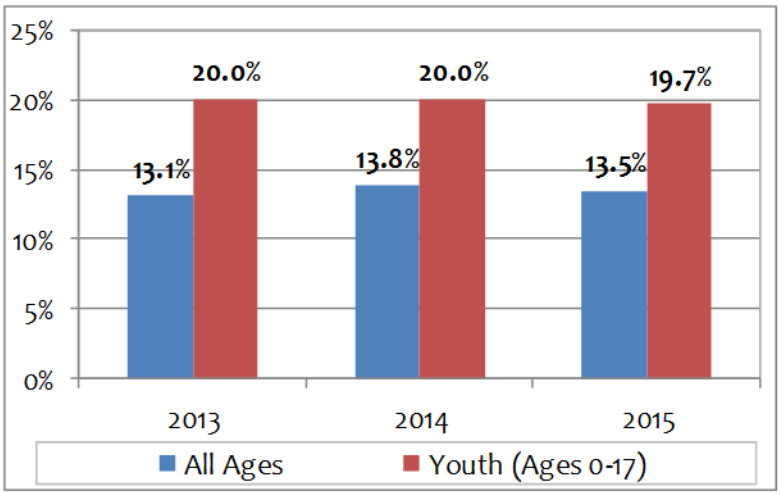


Data Sources: 7, 8, 9 (See p. 8)

Family

AYR Goal: Children will grow up within safe environments.

Food Insecurity – Tompkins County



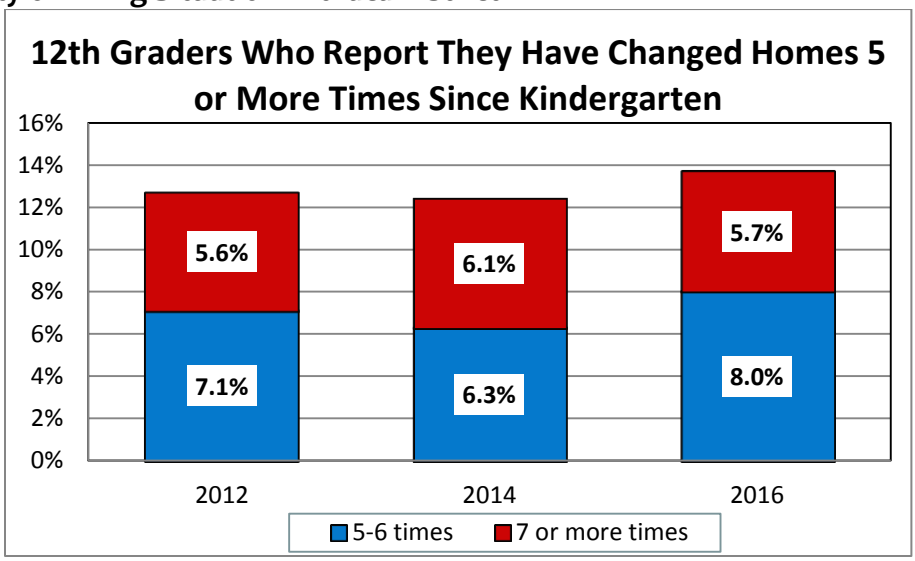
Divorces, Families with Children Under 18 – Tompkins County

2012	123
2013	138
2014	111

Child Care – Tompkins County

Estimated need (based on labor participation rates)	6,924
Total regulated child care slots (2016)	2,949 in 89 sites
Total legally exempt child care slots for subsidized children (2016)	364
Estimated gap, Ages 0-10	3,611 slots

Stability of Living Situation – Ithaca District



Data Sources: 2, 3, 6, 8 (See p. 8)

Health

AYR Goal: Children and youth will have optimal physical and emotional health.

Danby Residents with No Health Insurance Coverage – 166 (4.8%)

Youth Substance Use, grades 7-12 – Any Use Within the Past 30 Days ("Current use")

	2012		2014		2016	
	ICSD	County	ICSD	County	ICSD	County
Alcohol	21%	18%	22%	19%	15%	14%
Marijuana	17%	14%	18%	15%	11%	11%
Cigarettes	5%	6%	3%	5%	2%	3%
Smokeless Tobacco	4%	5%	3%	4%	2%	2%

Teen Pregnancies and Births

	Danby Teen Pregnancies		Danby Teen Births	
	15 – 17	18 – 19	15 – 17	18 – 19
2010	0	2	0	2
2011	0	0	0	0
2012	1	1	1	0
2013	0	3	0	3
2014	0	0	0	0
2015	0	0	0	0

Overweight and Obese* Students by Grade Level

		Elementary		Middle/high		All grades	
		% over-weight	% obese	% over-weight	% obese	% over-weight	% obese
School years 2010-12	Ithaca district	13.7%	13.3%	14.1%	15.8%	13.9%	14.2%
	NYS excl. NYC	15.8%	17.2%	16.8%	18.2%	16.2%	17.6%
School years 2012-14	Ithaca district	13.0%	10.7%	14.5%	13.9%	13.5%	11.9%
	NYS excl. NYC	16.4%	16.8%	17.1%	18.1%	16.7%	17.3%

*Overweight = 85th to 94th percentile; obese = 95th+ percentile calculated body-mass index for age

Mental Health of ICSD Students – Students (grades 7-12) reporting:

	2012	2014	2016
I felt sad or depressed most days in the past year	27%	30%	27%
Sometimes I think life is not worth it	21%	19%	24%
At times I think I'm no good at all	30%	33%	34%
All in all, I am inclined to think I'm a failure	16%	19%	20%

Data Sources: 1, 5, 6, 8 (See p. 8)

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