

39 ECONOMIC WELL-BEING
Rank

	UNITED STATES	TEXAS
CHILDREN IN POVERTY US: 13,353,000 TX: 1,525,000	22% 2010	26% 2010
	18% 2017 BETTER	21% 2017 BETTER
CHILDREN WHOSE PARENTS LACK SECURE EMPLOYMENT US: 20,075,000 TX: 1,921,000	33% 2010	31% 2010
	27% 2017 BETTER	26% 2017 BETTER
CHILDREN LIVING IN HOUSEHOLDS WITH A HIGH HOUSING COST BURDEN US: 22,908,000 TX: 2,297,000	41% 2010	37% 2010
	31% 2017 BETTER	31% 2017 BETTER
TEENS NOT IN SCHOOL AND NOT WORKING US: 1,171,000 TX: 134,000	9% 2010	9% 2010
	7% 2017 BETTER	8% 2017 BETTER

30 EDUCATION
Rank

	UNITED STATES	TEXAS
YOUNG CHILDREN (AGES 3 AND 4) NOT IN SCHOOL US: 4,223,000 TX: 464,000	52% 2009-11	57% 2009-11
	52% 2015-17 SAME	57% 2015-17 SAME
FOURTH-GRADERS NOT PROFICIENT IN READING US: N.A. TX: N.A.	68% 2009	72% 2009
	65% 2017 BETTER	71% 2017 BETTER
EIGHTH-GRADERS NOT PROFICIENT IN MATH US: N.A. TX: N.A.	67% 2009	64% 2009
	67% 2017 SAME	67% 2017 WORSE
HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS NOT GRADUATING ON TIME US: N.A. TX: N.A.	21% 2010-11	14% 2010-11
	15% 2016-17 BETTER	10% 2016-17 BETTER

39 HEALTH
Rank

	UNITED STATES	TEXAS
LOW BIRTH-WEIGHT BABIES US: 318,873 TX: 32,162	8.1% 2010	8.3% 2017 WORSE
		8.4% 2010
		8.4% 2017 SAME
CHILDREN WITHOUT HEALTH INSURANCE US: 3,925,000 TX: 835,000	8% 2010	5% 2017 BETTER
		15% 2010
		11% 2017 BETTER
CHILD AND TEEN DEATHS PER 100,000 US: 20,337 TX: 2,066	26 2010	26 2017 SAME
		26 2010
		27 2017 WORSE
TEENS WHO ABUSE ALCOHOL OR DRUGS US: 1,028,000 TX: 88,000	5% 2015-16	4% 2016-17 BETTER
		5% 2015-16
		4% 2016-17 BETTER

47 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY
Rank

	UNITED STATES	TEXAS
CHILDREN IN SINGLE-PARENT FAMILIES US: 24,001,000 TX: 2,399,000	34% 2010	34% 2017 SAME
		36% 2010
		34% 2017 BETTER
CHILDREN IN FAMILIES WHERE THE HOUSEHOLD HEAD LACKS A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA US: 9,557,000 TX: 1,431,000	15% 2010	13% 2017 BETTER
		23% 2010
		19% 2017 BETTER
CHILDREN LIVING IN HIGH-POVERTY AREAS US: 8,545,000 TX: 1,091,000	13% 2008-12	12% 2013-17 BETTER
		19% 2008-12
		15% 2013-17 BETTER
TEEN BIRTHS PER 1,000 US: 194,377 TX: 26,971	34 2010	19 2017 BETTER
		52 2010
		28 2017 BETTER