

34 ECONOMIC WELL-BEING

Rank

	UNITED STATES	ARKANSAS		
CHILDREN IN POVERTY US: 12,000,000 AR: 151,000	22% 2010	17% 2019 BETTER	28% 2010	22% 2019 BETTER
CHILDREN WHOSE PARENTS LACK SECURE EMPLOYMENT US: 18,833,000 AR: 206,000	33% 2010	26% 2019 BETTER	36% 2010	29% 2019 BETTER
CHILDREN LIVING IN HOUSEHOLDS WITH A HIGH HOUSING COST BURDEN US: 21,570,000 AR: 153,000	41% 2010	30% 2019 BETTER	32% 2010	22% 2019 BETTER
TEENS NOT IN SCHOOL AND NOT WORKING US: 1,115,000 AR: 11,000	9% 2010	6% 2019 BETTER	12% 2010	7% 2019 BETTER

35 EDUCATION

Rank

	UNITED STATES	ARKANSAS		
YOUNG CHILDREN (AGES 3 AND 4) NOT IN SCHOOL US: 4,205,000 AR: 41,000	52% 2009-11	52% 2017-19 SAME	51% 2009-11	53% 2017-19 WORSE
FOURTH-GRADERS NOT PROFICIENT IN READING US: N.A. AR: N.A.	68% 2009	66% 2019 BETTER	71% 2009	69% 2019 BETTER
EIGHTH-GRADERS NOT PROFICIENT IN MATH US: N.A. AR: N.A.	67% 2009	67% 2019 SAME	73% 2009	73% 2019 SAME
HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS NOT GRADUATING ON TIME US: N.A. AR: N.A.	21% 2010-11	14% 2018-19 BETTER	19% 2010-11	12% 2018-19 BETTER

41 HEALTH

Rank

	UNITED STATES	ARKANSAS	
LOW BIRTH-WEIGHT BABIES US: 311,245 AR: 3,380	8.1% 2010	8.3% 2019 WORSE	8.8% 2010
			9.2% 2019 WORSE
CHILDREN WITHOUT HEALTH INSURANCE US: 4,375,000 AR: 43,000	8% 2010	6% 2019 BETTER	7% 2010
			6% 2019 BETTER
CHILD AND TEEN DEATHS PER 100,000 US: 19,431 AR: 259	26 2010	25 2019 BETTER	34 2010
			35 2019 WORSE
CHILDREN AND TEENS (AGES 10 TO 17) WHO ARE OVERWEIGHT OR OBESE US: N.A. AR: N.A.	31% 2016-17	31% 2018-19 SAME	30% 2016-17
			34% 2018-19 WORSE

42 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY

Rank

	UNITED STATES	ARKANSAS	
CHILDREN IN SINGLE-PARENT FAMILIES US: 23,756,000 AR: 239,000	34% 2010	34% 2019 SAME	39% 2010
			37% 2019 BETTER
CHILDREN IN FAMILIES WHERE THE HOUSEHOLD HEAD LACKS A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA US: 8,907,000 AR: 76,000	15% 2010	12% 2019 BETTER	16% 2010
			11% 2019 BETTER
CHILDREN LIVING IN HIGH-POVERTY AREAS US: 6,712,000 AR: 67,000	13% 2008-12	9% 2015-19 BETTER	17% 2008-12
			10% 2015-19 BETTER
TEEN BIRTHS PER 1,000 US: 171,674 AR: 2,882	34 2010	17 2019 BETTER	52 2010
			30 2019 BETTER