

OVERALL RANK

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2022 KIDS COUNT® DATA PROFILE

NEW JERSEY

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ECONOMIC WELL-BEING

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	UNITED STATES			NEW JERSEY		
Children in poverty US 12,599,000 NJ 258,000	21%	17%	↓ BETTER	14%	13%	↓ BETTER
	2008-12	2016-20		2008-12	2016-20	
Children whose parents lack secure employment US 19,745,000 NJ 462,000	31%	27%	↓ BETTER	26%	24%	↓ BETTER
	2008-12	2016-20		2008-12	2016-20	
Children living in households with a high housing cost burden US 22,137,000 NJ 701,000	39%	30%	↓ BETTER	47%	36%	↓ BETTER
	2008-12	2016-20		2008-12	2016-20	
Teens not in school and not working US 1,153,000 NJ 24,000	8%	7%	↓ BETTER	7%	5%	↓ BETTER
	2008-12	2016-20		2008-12	2016-20	

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EDUCATION

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	UNITED STATES			NEW JERSEY		
Young children (ages 3 and 4) not in school US 4,295,000 NJ 79,000	52%	53%	↑ WORSE	35%	37%	↑ WORSE
	2008-12	2016-20		2008-12	2016-20	
Fourth-graders not proficient in reading US N.A. NJ N.A.	68%	66%	↓ BETTER	60%	58%	↓ BETTER
	2009	2019		2009	2019	
Eighth-graders not proficient in math US N.A. NJ N.A.	67%	67%	= SAME	56%	56%	= SAME
	2009	2019		2009	2019	
High school students not graduating on time US N.A. NJ N.A.	21%	14%	↓ BETTER	17%	9%	↓ BETTER
	2010-11	2018-19		2010-11	2018-19	

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HEALTH

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	UNITED STATES			NEW JERSEY		
Low birth-weight babies US 297,604 NJ 7,563	8.1% 2010	8.2% 2020	↑ WORSE	8.2% 2010	7.7% 2020	↓ BETTER
Children without health insurance US 4,017,000 NJ 81,000	8% 2008-12	5% 2016-20	↓ BETTER	6% 2008-12	4% 2016-20	↓ BETTER
Child and teen deaths per 100,000 US 21,430 NJ 334	26 2010	28 2020	↑ WORSE	18 2010	16 2020	↓ BETTER
Children and teens (ages 10 to 17) who are overweight or obese US N.A. NJ N.A.	31% 2016-17	32% 2019-20	↑ WORSE	33% 2016-17	31% 2019-20	↓ BETTER

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY

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	UNITED STATES			NEW JERSEY		
Children in single-parent families US 23,629,000 NJ 560,000	34% 2008-12	34% 2016-20	= SAME	29% 2008-12	30% 2016-20	↑ WORSE
Children in families where the household head lacks a high school diploma US 8,949,000 NJ 179,000	15% 2008-12	12% 2016-20	↓ BETTER	10% 2008-12	9% 2016-20	↓ BETTER
Children living in high-poverty areas US 6,350,000 NJ 135,000	13% 2008-12	9% 2016-20	↓ BETTER	7% 2008-12	7% 2016-20	= SAME
Teen births per 1,000 US 158,043 NJ 2,450	34 2010	15 2020	↓ BETTER	20 2010	9 2020	↓ BETTER

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