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ECONOMIC WELL-BEING

	UNITED STATES			ILLINOIS		
Children in poverty us 12,243,000 1L 442,000	17% 2019	17% 2021	= Same	16% 2019	16%	= Same
Children whose parents lack secure employment us 21,143,000 1L 761,000	26 % 2019	29% 2021	↑ WORSE	24%	27%	↑ WORSE
Children living in households with a high housing cost burden US 21,857,000 IL 770,000	30% 2019	30% 2021	= Same	28% 2019	28%	= Same
Teens not in school and not working US 1,234,000 IL 42,000	6 % 2019	7% 2021	↑ WORSE	6% 2019	6% 2021	= SAME

EDUCATION

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	UNITED STATES			ILLINOIS		
Young children (ages 3 and 4) not in school us 4,380,000 1L 148,000	53% 2012-16	54% 2017-21	↑ WORSE	45% 2012-16	48% 2017-21	↑ Worse
Fourth-graders not proficient in reading us N.A. IL N.A.	66% 2019	68% 2022	↑ WORSE	66%	67%	↑ Worse
Eighth-graders not proficient in math us N.A. IL N.A.	67 % 2019	74% 2022	↑ WORSE	66%	73%	↑ Worse
High school students not graduating on time*† us N.A. IL N.A.	14% 2018-19	14% 2019-20	= Same	2018-19	12% 2019-20	↓ BETTER

N.A.: Not available *Graduation data may not be comparable across time due to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. *NCES reporting standards not met, data are from Illinois State Board of Education.

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HEALTH						23
	UNITED STATES			ILLINOIS		
Low birth-weight babies us 311,932 11,11,235	8.3 % 2019	8.5% 2021	↑ Worse	8.4%	8.5%	↑ WORSE
Children without health insurance us 4,165,000 IL 95,000	6% 2019	5% 2021	↓ BETTER	4% 2019	3% 2021	↓ BETTER
Child and teen deaths per 100,000 us 23,198 11 899	25 2019	30 2021	↑ WORSE	23	30 2021	↑ WORSE
Children and teens (ages 10 to 17) who are overweight or obese us N.A. IL N.A.	31% 2018-19	33% 2020-21	↑ WORSE	29% 2018-19	32% 2020-21	↑ WORSE

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY

	UNITED STATES			ILLINOIS		
Children in single-parent families	34 % 2019	34 % 2021	= Same	34%	33% 2021	BETTER
Children in families where the household head lacks a high school diploma us 8,269,000 11 283,000	12% 2019	11% 2021	↓ BETTER	10% 2019	10% 2021	= Same
Children living in high-poverty areas	13% 2012-16	8 % 2017-21	↓ BETTER	2012-16	7% 2017-21	↓ BETTER
Teen births per 1,000 us 146,973 IL 4,507	17 2019	14 2021	↓ BETTER	15 2019	2021	↓ BETTER

N.A.: Not available

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