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2023 KIDS COUNT® DATA PROFILE

NEW MEXICO



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ECONOMIC WELL-BEING

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	UNITED STATES			NEW MEXICO		
Children in poverty <small>US 12,243,000 NM 111,000</small>	17% 2019	17% 2021	= SAME	25% 2019	24% 2021	↓ BETTER
Children whose parents lack secure employment <small>US 21,143,000 NM 165,000</small>	26% 2019	29% 2021	↑ WORSE	32% 2019	35% 2021	↑ WORSE
Children living in households with a high housing cost burden <small>US 21,857,000 NM 125,000</small>	30% 2019	30% 2021	= SAME	26% 2019	26% 2021	= SAME
Teens not in school and not working <small>US 1,234,000 NM 14,000</small>	6% 2019	7% 2021	↑ WORSE	11% 2019	12% 2021	↑ WORSE

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EDUCATION

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	UNITED STATES			NEW MEXICO		
Young children (ages 3 and 4) not in school <small>US 4,380,000 NM 30,000</small>	53% 2012-16	54% 2017-21	↑ WORSE	59% 2012-16	59% 2017-21	= SAME
Fourth-graders not proficient in reading <small>US N.A. NM N.A.</small>	66% 2019	68% 2022	↑ WORSE	76% 2019	79% 2022	↑ WORSE
Eighth-graders not proficient in math <small>US N.A. NM N.A.</small>	67% 2019	74% 2022	↑ WORSE	79% 2019	87% 2022	↑ WORSE
High school students not graduating on time* <small>US N.A. NM N.A.</small>	14% 2018-19	14% 2019-20	= SAME	25% 2018-19	23% 2019-20	↓ BETTER

N.A.: Not available *Graduation data may not be comparable across time due to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Explore data on children and families at datacenter.aecf.org.

HEALTH

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	UNITED STATES			NEW MEXICO		
Low birth-weight babies US 311,932 NM 2,009	8.3% 2019	8.5% 2021	↑ WORSE	9.3% 2019	9.4% 2021	↑ WORSE
Children without health insurance US 4,165,000 NM 32,000	6% 2019	5% 2021	↓ BETTER	6% 2019	6% 2021	= SAME
Child and teen deaths per 100,000 US 23,198 NM 217	25 2019	30 2021	↑ WORSE	36 2019	43 2021	↑ WORSE
Children and teens (ages 10 to 17) who are overweight or obese US N.A. NM N.A.	31% 2018-19	33% 2020-21	↑ WORSE	32% 2018-19	36% 2020-21	↑ WORSE

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY

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	UNITED STATES			NEW MEXICO		
Children in single-parent families US 23,626,000 NM 196,000	34% 2019	34% 2021	= SAME	44% 2019	44% 2021	= SAME
Children in families where the household head lacks a high school diploma US 8,269,000 NM 59,000	12% 2019	11% 2021	↓ BETTER	14% 2019	12% 2021	↓ BETTER
Children living in high-poverty areas US 6,086,000 NM 92,000	13% 2012-16	8% 2017-21	↓ BETTER	22% 2012-16	19% 2017-21	↓ BETTER
Teen births per 1,000 US 146,973 NM 1,324	17 2019	14 2021	↓ BETTER	24 2019	19 2021	↓ BETTER

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