OVERALL RANK

2023 KIDS COUNT® DATA PROFILE

22 PENNSYLVANIA



RANK

ECONOMIC WELL-BEING						22	
	UNITE	UNITED STATES			PENNSYLVANIA		
Children in poverty us 12,243,000 PA 446,000	17 % 2019	17 % 2021	= Same	17%	17%	= SAME	
Children whose parents lack secure employment US 21,143,000 PA 765,000	26 % 2019	29 % 2021	↑ WORSE	26 %	29%	↑ WORSE	
Children living in households with a high housing cost burden us 21,857,000 PA 666,000	30 % 2019	30 % 2021	= Same	27 % 2019	25 %	↓ BETTER	
Teens not in school and not working us 1,234,000 PA 41,000	6 % 2019	7 % 2021	↑ Worse	5 % 2019	6 %	↑ WORSE	

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EDUCATION						17
	UNITED STATES			PENNSYLVAI		
Young children (ages 3 and 4) not in school us 4,380,000 PA 161,000	53 % 2012-16	54 % 2017-21	↑ WORSE	53 % 2012-16	55 % 2017-21	↑ WORSE
Fourth-graders not proficient in reading US N.A. PA N.A.	66 % 2019	68 % 2022	† Worse	60%	66%	↑ WORSE
Eighth-graders not proficient in math us N.A. PA N.A.	67 % 2019	74 % 2022	† worse	61%	73 %	↑ WORSE
High school students not graduating on time*	14 % 2018-19	14 % 2019-20	= Same	14% 2018-19	13%	↓ BETTER

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

HEALTH						20	
	UNITED	UNITED STATES			PENNSYLVANIA		
Low birth-weight babies us 311,932 PA 11,007	8.3 % 2019	8.5 % 2021	↑ Worse	8.4%	8.3%	↓ BETTER	
Children without health insurance us 4,165,000 PA 126,000	6 % 2019	5 % 2021	↓ BETTER	5 % 2019	4% 2021	↓ BETTER	
Child and teen deaths per 100,000 US 23,198 PA 823	25 2019	30 2021	↑ WORSE	23	29	↑ WORSE	
Children and teens (ages 10 to 17) who are overweight or obese US N.A. PA N.A.	31 % 2018-19	33 % 2020-21	↑ Worse	28 % 2018-19	30 % 2020-21	↑ WORSE	

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY						29
	UNITED STATES			PENNSYLVA		
Children in single-parent families US 23,626,000 PA 866,000	34 % 2019	34 % 2021	= Same	35 %	34%	↓ BETTER
Children in families where the household head lacks a high school diploma US 8,269,000 PA 255,000	12 % 2019	11 % 2021	↓ BETTER	9% 2019	10%	↑ WORSE
Children living in high-poverty areas US 6,086,000 PA 234,000	13 % 2012-16	8 % 2017-21	↓ BETTER	12%	9 % 2017-21	↓ BETTER
Teen births per 1,000 US 146,973 PA 4,643	17 2019	14 2021	↓ BETTER	13	12	BETTER

N.A.: Not available

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