

## **2023 KIDS COUNT® DATA PROFILE**

## LOUISIANA



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ECONOMIC WELL-BEING						<b>50</b>
	UNITE	UNITED STATES		LOUISIANA		
Children in poverty US 12,243,000   LA 287,000	<b>17</b> % 2019	<b>17</b> % 2021	= Same	27%	27%	= SAME
Children whose parents lack secure employment US 21,143,000   LA 378,000	<b>26</b> % 2019	<b>29</b> % 2021	↑ WORSE	33%	35%	↑ WORSE
Children living in households with a high housing cost burden US 21,857,000   LA 325,000	<b>30</b> % 2019	<b>30</b> % 2021	= Same	29%	30%	↑ WORSE
Teens not in school and not working US 1,234,000   LA 26,000	<b>6</b> % 2019	<b>7</b> % 2021	† Worse	9%	2021	↑ WORSE

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EDUCATION						43
	UNITED STATES			LOUISIANA		
Young children (ages 3 and 4) not in school US 4,380,000   LA 63,000	<b>53</b> % 2012-16	<b>54</b> % 2017-21	↑ WORSE	<b>49</b> % 2012-16	51%	↑ WORSE
Fourth-graders not proficient in reading US N.A.   LA N.A.	<b>66</b> % 2019	<b>68</b> % 2022	† worse	<b>74</b> % 2019	<b>72</b> %	BETTER
Eighth-graders not proficient in math us N.A.   LA N.A.	<b>67</b> % 2019	<b>74</b> % 2022	† worse	77%	81%	↑ WORSE
High school students not graduating on time*	<b>14</b> % 2018-19	<b>14</b> % 2019-20	= Same	20%	<b>17</b> % 2019-20	↓ BETTER

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

HEALTH						49
	UNITE	STATES		LOUISIANA		
Low birth-weight babies US 311,932   LA 6,507	<b>8.3</b> % 2019	<b>8.5</b> % 2021	↑ WORSE	10.8%	11.3%	↑ WORSE
Children without health insurance US 4,165,000   LA 45,000	<b>6</b> % 2019	<b>5</b> % 2021	↓ BETTER	4%	<b>4%</b> 2021	= SAME
Child and teen deaths per 100,000 us 23,198   LA 592	<b>25</b> 2019	<b>30</b> 2021	↑ WORSE	<b>36</b> 2019	<b>52</b> 2021	↑ WORSE
Children and teens (ages 10 to 17) who are overweight or obese US N.A.   LA N.A.	<b>31</b> % 2018-19	<b>33</b> % 2020-21	↑ WORSE	<b>35</b> % 2018-19	<b>39</b> % <sub>2020-21</sub>	↑ WORSE

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY						49
	UNITE	STATES		LOUISIANA		
Children in single-parent families US 23,626,000   LA 459,000	<b>34</b> % 2019	<b>34</b> % 2021	= Same	<b>47</b> % 2019	<b>45</b> %	↓ BETTER
Children in families where the household head lacks a high school diploma us 8,269,000   LA 117,000	<b>12</b> % 2019	<b>11</b> % 2021	↓ BETTER	12%	11% 2021	↓ BETTER
Children living in high-poverty areas us 6,086,000   LA 205,000	<b>13</b> % 2012-16	<b>8</b> % 2017-21	↓ BETTER	<b>21%</b> 2012-16	19%	↓ BETTER
<b>Teen births per 1,000</b> US 146,973   LA 3,571	<b>17</b> 2019	<b>14</b> 2021	↓ BETTER	28	<b>25</b>	↓ BETTER

N.A.: Not available

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