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2024 KIDS COUNT® DATA PROFILE

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**ECONOMIC WELL-BEING** **3**

	UNITED STATES			IOWA		
<b>Children in poverty</b> US 11,583,000   IA 86,000	17% 2019	16% 2022	↓ BETTER	13% 2019	12% 2022	↓ BETTER
<b>Children whose parents lack secure employment</b> US 18,635,000   IA 132,000	26% 2019	26% 2022	= SAME	20% 2019	18% 2022	↓ BETTER
<b>Children living in households with a high housing cost burden</b> US 21,807,000   IA 143,000	30% 2019	30% 2022	= SAME	20% 2019	20% 2022	= SAME
<b>Teens not in school and not working</b> US 1,149,000   IA 7,000	6% 2019	7% 2022	↑ WORSE	7% 2019	4% 2022	↓ BETTER

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**EDUCATION** **13**

	UNITED STATES			IOWA		
<b>Young children (ages 3 and 4) not in school</b> US 4,328,000   IA 45,000	52% 2013-17	54% 2018-22	↑ WORSE	53% 2013-17	57% 2018-22	↑ WORSE
<b>Fourth graders not proficient in reading</b> US N.A.   IA N.A.	66% 2019	68% 2022	↑ WORSE	65% 2019	67% 2022	↑ WORSE
<b>Eighth graders not proficient in math</b> US N.A.   IA N.A.	67% 2019	74% 2022	↑ WORSE	67% 2019	72% 2022	↑ WORSE
<b>High school students not graduating on time*</b> US N.A.   IA N.A.	14% 2018-19	14% 2020-21	= SAME	8% 2018-19	10% 2020-21	↑ WORSE

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](https://datacenter.aecf.org).

## HEALTH

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	UNITED STATES			IOWA		
<b>Low birth-weight babies</b> US 315,288   IA 2,621	8.3% 2019	8.6% 2022	↑ WORSE	6.8% 2019	7.2% 2022	↑ WORSE
<b>Children without health insurance</b> US 3,932,000   IA 28,000	6% 2019	5% 2022	↓ BETTER	3% 2019	4% 2022	↑ WORSE
<b>Child and teen deaths per 100,000</b> US 23,140   IA 223	25 2019	30 2022	↑ WORSE	24 2019	29 2022	↑ WORSE
<b>Children and teens (ages 10 to 17) who are overweight or obese**</b> US N.A.   IA N.A.	N.A. N.A.	33% 2021-22	N.A.	N.A. N.A.	33% 2021-22	N.A.

## FAMILY AND COMMUNITY

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	UNITED STATES			IOWA		
<b>Children in single-parent families</b> US 23,331,000   IA 194,000	34% 2019	34% 2022	= SAME	30% 2019	28% 2022	↓ BETTER
<b>Children in families where the household head lacks a high school diploma</b> US 8,015,000   IA 56,000	12% 2019	11% 2022	↓ BETTER	7% 2019	8% 2022	↑ WORSE
<b>Children living in high-poverty areas</b> US 5,682,000   IA 19,000	12% 2013-17	8% 2018-22	↓ BETTER	3% 2013-17	3% 2018-22	= SAME
<b>Teen births per 1,000</b> US 143,789   IA 1,338	17 2019	14 2022	↓ BETTER	14 2019	12 2022	↓ BETTER

N.A.: Not available \*\*Overweight or obese data are not comparable across time due to methodology changes.

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