

PUERTO RICO



ECONOMIC WELL-BEING

	UNITED STATES			PUERTO RICO		
Children in poverty US 11,583,000 PR 297,000	17% 2019	16% 2022	↓ BETTER	57% 2019	58% 2022	↑ WORSE
Children whose parents lack secure employment US 18,635,000 PR 256,000	26% 2019	26% 2022	= SAME	52% 2019	49% 2022	↓ BETTER
Children living in households with a high housing cost burden US 21,807,000 PR 150,000	30% 2019	30% 2022	= SAME	27% 2019	29% 2022	↑ WORSE
Teens not in school and not working US 1,149,000 PR 21,000	6% 2019	7% 2022	↑ WORSE	12% 2019	13% 2022	↑ WORSE

EDUCATION

	UNITED STATES			PUERTO RICO		
Young children (ages 3 and 4) not in school US 4,328,000 PR 21,000	52% 2013-17	54% 2018-22	↑ WORSE	38% 2013-17	41% 2018-22	↑ WORSE
Fourth graders not proficient in reading US N.A. PR N.A.	66% 2019	68% 2022	↑ WORSE	N.A. 2019	N.A. 2022	N.A.
Eighth graders not proficient in math US N.A. PR N.A.	67% 2019	74% 2022	↑ WORSE	99% 2019	N.A. 2022	N.A.
High school students not graduating on time* US N.A. PR N.A.	14% 2018-19	14% 2020-21	= SAME	23% 2018-19	24% 2020-21	↑ WORSE

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

HEALTH

	UNITED STATES			PUERTO RICO		
Low birth-weight babies US 315,288 PR 1,926	8.3% 2019	8.6% 2022	↑ WORSE	10.1% 2019	10.1% 2022	= SAME
Children without health insurance US 3,932,000 PR 13,000	6% 2019	5% 2022	↓ BETTER	4% 2019	2% 2022	↓ BETTER
Child and teen deaths per 100,000 US 23,140 PR 139	25 2019	30 2022	↑ WORSE	20 2019	24 2022	↑ WORSE
Children and teens (ages 10 to 17) who are overweight or obese** US N.A. PR N.A.	N.A. N.A.	33% 2021-22	N.A.	N.A. N.A.	N.A. 2021-22	N.A.

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY

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Children in single-parent families US 23,331,000 PR 319,000	34% 2019	34% 2022	= SAME	63% 2019	64% 2022	↑ WORSE
Children in families where the household head lacks a high school diploma US 8,015,000 PR 43,000	12% 2019	11% 2022	↓ BETTER	12% 2019	8% 2022	↓ BETTER
Children living in high-poverty areas US 5,682,000 PR 464,000	12% 2013-17	8% 2018-22	↓ BETTER	84% 2013-17	82% 2018-22	↓ BETTER
Teen births per 1,000 US 143,789 PR 1,169	17 2019	14 2022	↓ BETTER	19 2019	13 2022	↓ BETTER

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

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