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OVERALL RANK

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2024 KIDS COUNT® DATA PROFILE

LOUISIANA

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ECONOMIC WELL-BEING

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| | UNITED STATES | | | LOUISIANA | | |
|--|---------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Children in poverty US 11,583,000 LA 257,000 | 17% 2019 | 16% 2022 | ↓ BETTER | 27% 2019 | 25% 2022 | ↓ BETTER |
| Children whose parents lack secure employment US 18,635,000 LA 318,000 | 26% 2019 | 26% 2022 | = SAME | 33% 2019 | 30% 2022 | ↓ BETTER |
| Children living in households with a high housing cost burden US 21,807,000 LA 326,000 | 30% 2019 | 30% 2022 | = SAME | 29% 2019 | 31% 2022 | ↑ WORSE |
| Teens not in school and not working US 1,149,000 LA 22,000 | 6% 2019 | 7% 2022 | ↑ WORSE | 9% 2019 | 9% 2022 | = SAME |

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EDUCATION

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| | UNITED STATES | | | LOUISIANA | | |
|--|----------------|----------------|------------|----------------|----------------|-------------|
| Young children (ages 3 and 4) not in school US 4,328,000 LA 60,000 | 52% 2013-17 | 54% 2018-22 | ↑ WORSE | 49% 2013-17 | 51% 2018-22 | ↑ WORSE |
| Fourth graders not proficient in reading US N.A. LA N.A. | 66% 2019 | 68% 2022 | ↑ WORSE | 74% 2019 | 72% 2022 | ↓ BETTER |
| Eighth graders not proficient in math US N.A. LA N.A. | 67% 2019 | 74% 2022 | ↑ WORSE | 77% 2019 | 81% 2022 | ↑ WORSE |
| High school students not graduating on time* US N.A. LA N.A. | 14% 2018-19 | 14% 2020-21 | = SAME | 20% 2018-19 | 18% 2020-21 | ↓ BETTER |

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

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HEALTH

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| | UNITED STATES | | | LOUISIANA | | |
|--|---------------|----------------|-------------|---------------|----------------|------------|
| Low birth-weight babies US 315,288 LA 6,478 | 8.3% 2019 | 8.6% 2022 | ↑ WORSE | 10.8% 2019 | 11.5% 2022 | ↑ WORSE |
| Children without health insurance US 3,932,000 LA 39,000 | 6% 2019 | 5% 2022 | ↓ BETTER | 4% 2019 | 4% 2022 | = SAME |
| Child and teen deaths per 100,000 US 23,140 LA 525 | 25 2019 | 30 2022 | ↑ WORSE | 36 2019 | 47 2022 | ↑ WORSE |
| Children and teens (ages 10 to 17) who are overweight or obese** US N.A. LA N.A. | N.A. N.A. | 33% 2021-22 | N.A. | N.A. N.A. | 38% 2021-22 | N.A. |

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FAMILY AND COMMUNITY

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| | UNITED STATES | | | LOUISIANA | | |
|---|----------------|---------------|-------------|----------------|----------------|-------------|
| Children in single-parent families US 23,331,000 LA 457,000 | 34% 2019 | 34% 2022 | = SAME | 47% 2019 | 46% 2022 | ↓ BETTER |
| Children in families where the household head lacks a high school diploma US 8,015,000 LA 110,000 | 12% 2019 | 11% 2022 | ↓ BETTER | 12% 2019 | 10% 2022 | ↓ BETTER |
| Children living in high-poverty areas US 5,682,000 LA 204,000 | 12% 2013-17 | 8% 2018-22 | ↓ BETTER | 20% 2013-17 | 19% 2018-22 | ↓ BETTER |
| Teen births per 1,000 US 143,789 LA 3,502 | 17 2019 | 14 2022 | ↓ BETTER | 28 2019 | 24 2022 | ↓ BETTER |

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

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