#### 2024 KIDS COUNT® DATA PROFILE

# NATIONAL PROFILE



# **ECONOMIC WELL-BEING**

	UNITED STATES		
Children in poverty us 11,583,000	<b>17%</b> 2019	<b>16%</b>	↓ BETTER
Children whose parents lack secure employment us 18,635,000	<b>26%</b>	<b>26%</b>	= Same
Children living in households with a high housing cost burden us 21,807,000	<b>30%</b> 2019	<b>30%</b> 2022	= Same
Teens not in school and not working us 1,149,000	<b>6%</b> 2019	<b>7%</b> 2022	<b>†</b> Worse

#### **EDUCATION**

	UNITED STATES		
Young children (ages 3 and 4) not in school US 4,328,000	<b>52%</b>	<b>54%</b> 2018-22	<b>†</b> Worse
Fourth graders not proficient in reading us N.A.	<b>66%</b>	<b>68%</b>	↑ WORSE
Eighth graders not proficient in math us N.A.	<b>67%</b>	<b>74%</b>	↑ WORSE
High school students not graduating on time* US N.A.	<b>14%</b> 2018-19	14% 2020-21	= SAME

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.

## HEALTH

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

### **FAMILY AND COMMUNITY**

	UNITED STATES		
Children in single-parent families us 23,331,000	<b>34%</b>	<b>34%</b>	= Same
Children in families where the household head lacks a high school diploma us 8,015,000	<b>12%</b>	<b>11%</b> 2022	<b>↓</b> BETTER
Children living in high-poverty areas us 5,682,000	<b>12%</b> 2013-17	<b>8%</b> 2018-22	↓ BETTER
Teen births per 1,000 us 143,789	<b>17</b> 2019	<b>14</b> 2022	<b>b</b> ETTER

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

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