

2026 KIDS COUNT® DATA PROFILE

VIRGINIA

OVERALL SCORE 661 WORSE	OVERALL RANK 11
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ECONOMIC WELL-BEING	SCORE	RANK
	696 WORSE	17

	UNITED STATES			VIRGINIA		
Children in poverty US 11,117,000 VA 216,000	17% 2019	15% 2024	↓ BETTER	13% 2019	12% 2024	↓ BETTER
Children whose parents lack secure employment US 18,420,000 VA 399,000	26% 2019	25% 2024	↓ BETTER	22% 2019	21% 2024	↓ BETTER
Children living in households with a high housing cost burden US 22,385,000 VA 533,000	30% 2019	31% 2024	↑ WORSE	28% 2019	28% 2024	STABLE
Teens not in school and not working US 1,218,000 VA 31,000	6% 2019	7% 2024	↑ WORSE	5% 2019	7% 2024	↑ WORSE

EDUCATION	SCORE	RANK
	470 WORSE	13

	UNITED STATES			VIRGINIA		
Young children (ages 3 and 4) not in school US 4,277,000 VA 110,000	52% 2015-19	54% 2020-24	↑ WORSE	51% 2015-19	55% 2020-24	↑ WORSE
Fourth graders not proficient in reading US N.A. VA N.A.	66% 2019	70% 2024	↑ WORSE	62% 2019	69% 2024	↑ WORSE
Eighth graders not proficient in math US N.A. VA N.A.	67% 2019	73% 2024	↑ WORSE	62% 2019	71% 2024	↑ WORSE
High school students not graduating on time US N.A. VA N.A.	14% 2018-19	13% 2023-24	↓ BETTER	13% 2018-19	10% 2023-24	↓ BETTER

N.A.: Not available

Note: Rankings show how states compare. Scores range from 0 (worst) to 1,000 (best) and reflect child well-being relative to a 2019 baseline; changes over time indicate progress or decline. Scores are not percentages or a finish line; higher scores indicate better outcomes.

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HEALTH	UNITED STATES			VIRGINIA		SCORE	RANK
						730 BETTER	13
Low birth-weight babies US 308,966 VA 7,928	8.3% 2019	8.5% 2024	↑ WORSE	8.4% 2019	8.4% 2024	STABLE	
Children without health insurance US 4,648,000 VA 103,000	6% 2019	6% 2024	STABLE	5% 2019	5% 2024	STABLE	
Child and teen deaths per 100,000 US 21,189 VA 498	25 2019	27 2024	↑ WORSE	23 2019	25 2024	↑ WORSE	
Children and teens (ages 10 to 17) who are overweight or obese US N.A. VA N.A.	31% 2018-19	30% 2023-24	↓ BETTER	32% 2018-19	24% 2023-24	↓ BETTER	

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY	UNITED STATES			VIRGINIA		SCORE	RANK
						750 BETTER	14
Children in single-parent families US 23,472,000 VA 550,000	34% 2019	34% 2024	STABLE	32% 2019	31% 2024	↓ BETTER	
Children in families where the household head lacks a high school diploma US 7,868,000 VA 141,000	12% 2019	11% 2024	↓ BETTER	9% 2019	8% 2024	↓ BETTER	
Children living in high-poverty areas US 5,419,000 VA 71,000	9% 2015-19	7% 2020-24	↓ BETTER	4% 2015-19	4% 2020-24	STABLE	
Teen births per 1,000 US 137,273 VA 2,985	17 2019	13 2024	↓ BETTER	14 2019	11 2024	↓ BETTER	

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