

IOWA

OVERALL SCORE 667 WORSE	OVERALL RANK 10
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ECONOMIC WELL-BEING	SCORE	RANK
	813 BETTER	10

	UNITED STATES			IOWA		
Children in poverty US 11,117,000 IA 98,000	17% 2019	15% 2024	↓ BETTER	13% 2019	14% 2024	↑ WORSE
Children whose parents lack secure employment US 18,420,000 IA 143,000	26% 2019	25% 2024	↓ BETTER	20% 2019	20% 2024	STABLE
Children living in households with a high housing cost burden US 22,385,000 IA 157,000	30% 2019	31% 2024	↑ WORSE	20% 2019	21% 2024	↑ WORSE
Teens not in school and not working US 1,218,000 IA 9,000	6% 2019	7% 2024	↑ WORSE	7% 2019	5% 2024	↓ BETTER

EDUCATION	SCORE	RANK
	394 WORSE	27

	UNITED STATES			IOWA		
Young children (ages 3 and 4) not in school US 4,277,000 IA 44,000	52% 2015-19	54% 2020-24	↑ WORSE	53% 2015-19	57% 2020-24	↑ WORSE
Fourth graders not proficient in reading US N.A. IA N.A.	66% 2019	70% 2024	↑ WORSE	65% 2019	71% 2024	↑ WORSE
Eighth graders not proficient in math US N.A. IA N.A.	67% 2019	73% 2024	↑ WORSE	67% 2019	73% 2024	↑ WORSE
High school students not graduating on time US N.A. IA N.A.	14% 2018-19	13% 2023-24	↓ BETTER	8% 2018-19	13% 2023-24	↑ WORSE

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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			IOWA		SCORE	RANK
	2019	2024	TREND	2019	2024	729 STABLE	14
Low birth-weight babies US 308,966 IA 2,657	8.3%	8.5%	↑ WORSE	6.8%	7.3%		↑ WORSE
Children without health insurance US 4,648,000 IA 30,000	6%	6%	STABLE	3%	4%		↑ WORSE
Child and teen deaths per 100,000 US 21,189 IA 177	25	27	↑ WORSE	24	22		↓ BETTER
Children and teens (ages 10 to 17) who are overweight or obese US N.A. IA N.A.	31%	30%	↓ BETTER	33%	31%		↓ BETTER

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY	UNITED STATES			IOWA		SCORE	RANK
	2019	2024	TREND	2019	2024	732 STABLE	17
Children in single-parent families US 23,472,000 IA 217,000	34%	34%	STABLE	30%	31%		↑ WORSE
Children in families where the household head lacks a high school diploma US 7,868,000 IA 58,000	12%	11%	↓ BETTER	7%	8%		↑ WORSE
Children living in high-poverty areas US 5,419,000 IA 24,000	9%	7%	↓ BETTER	3%	3%		STABLE
Teen births per 1,000 US 137,273 IA 1,359	17	13	↓ BETTER	14	12		↓ BETTER

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