

PENNSYLVANIA

OVERALL SCORE 626 WORSE	OVERALL RANK 18
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ECONOMIC WELL-BEING	SCORE	RANK
	674 BETTER	19

	UNITED STATES			PENNSYLVANIA		
Children in poverty US 11,117,000 PA 396,000	17% 2019	15% 2024	↓ BETTER	17% 2019	15% 2024	↓ BETTER
Children whose parents lack secure employment US 18,420,000 PA 631,000	26% 2019	25% 2024	↓ BETTER	26% 2019	24% 2024	↓ BETTER
Children living in households with a high housing cost burden US 22,385,000 PA 687,000	30% 2019	31% 2024	↑ WORSE	27% 2019	26% 2024	↓ BETTER
Teens not in school and not working US 1,218,000 PA 36,000	6% 2019	7% 2024	↑ WORSE	5% 2019	5% 2024	STABLE

EDUCATION	SCORE	RANK
	491 WORSE	10

	UNITED STATES			PENNSYLVANIA		
Young children (ages 3 and 4) not in school US 4,277,000 PA 157,000	52% 2015-19	54% 2020-24	↑ WORSE	53% 2015-19	56% 2020-24	↑ WORSE
Fourth graders not proficient in reading US N.A. PA N.A.	66% 2019	70% 2024	↑ WORSE	60% 2019	67% 2024	↑ WORSE
Eighth graders not proficient in math US N.A. PA N.A.	67% 2019	73% 2024	↑ WORSE	61% 2019	69% 2024	↑ WORSE
High school students not graduating on time US N.A. PA N.A.	14% 2018-19	13% 2023-24	↓ BETTER	14% 2018-19	12% 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			PENNSYLVANIA		SCORE	RANK
	2019	2024	TREND	2019	2024	667 STABLE	20
Low birth-weight babies US 308,966 PA 10,594	8.3%	8.5%	↑ WORSE	8.4%	8.3%	↓ BETTER	
Children without health insurance US 4,648,000 PA 153,000	6%	6%	STABLE	5%	5%	STABLE	
Child and teen deaths per 100,000 US 21,189 PA 622	25	27	↑ WORSE	23	22	↓ BETTER	
Children and teens (ages 10 to 17) who are overweight or obese US N.A. PA N.A.	31%	30%	↓ BETTER	29%	30%	↑ WORSE	

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY	UNITED STATES			PENNSYLVANIA		SCORE	RANK
	2019	2024	TREND	2019	2024	674 BETTER	24
Children in single-parent families US 23,472,000 PA 829,000	34%	34%	STABLE	35%	33%	↓ BETTER	
Children in families where the household head lacks a high school diploma US 7,868,000 PA 232,000	12%	11%	↓ BETTER	9%	9%	STABLE	
Children living in high-poverty areas US 5,419,000 PA 206,000	9%	7%	↓ BETTER	10%	8%	↓ BETTER	
Teen births per 1,000 US 137,273 PA 4,034	17	13	↓ BETTER	13	10	↓ BETTER	

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