

In 2021, children of color made up more than half of the total U.S. child population and more than half the child population in 14 states and the District of Columbia.

Table 1: Child Population by Age and Race/Ethnicity, 2021

	Number of Children		Percent of Children Who Are:							
			Children of Color	White	Hispanic	Black	Asian	Two or More Races	American Indian/Alaska Native	Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander
	Under 5	Under 18								
Alabama	291,802	1,122,252	42.9%	57.1%	8.5%	28.9%	1.5%	3.6%	0.4%	0.1%
Alaska	48,111	179,356	52.7	47.3	10.2	2.8	5.5	13.3	18.6	2.3
Arizona	401,856	1,613,988	62.4	37.6	45.0	5.2	3.1	4.3	4.6	0.2
Arkansas	181,560	703,389	38.0	62.0	13.0	17.7	1.8	4.1	0.7	0.6
California	2,217,145	8,772,631	75.6	24.4	51.8	5.0	12.7	5.4	0.4	0.4
Colorado	313,160	1,243,456	45.1	54.9	32.0	4.4	3.2	4.7	0.6	0.2
Connecticut	178,211	729,710	48.0	52.0	26.4	11.7	5.4	4.1	0.3	0.0
Delaware	53,501	208,294	53.3	46.7	17.3	25.6	4.3	5.8	0.2	0.0
District of Columbia	40,759	125,835	76.2	23.8	17.1	51.9	2.6	4.4	0.1	0.0
Florida	1,103,794	4,289,280	58.4	41.6	31.5	19.9	2.8	4.0	0.2	0.1
Georgia	633,315	2,524,302	57.6	42.4	15.2	33.8	4.3	4.1	0.2	0.1
Hawaii	82,785	304,399	86.5	13.5	19.7	1.7	21.6	31.7	0.1	11.6
Idaho	114,324	469,026	25.8	74.2	18.9	0.9	1.2	3.6	1.0	0.2
Illinois	706,621	2,803,224	49.5	50.5	24.8	15.3	5.6	3.7	0.1	0.0
Indiana	408,309	1,587,006	30.8	69.2	11.9	11.5	2.8	4.4	0.2	0.0
Iowa	189,056	736,376	24.2	75.8	11.0	5.7	2.7	4.2	0.3	0.3
Kansas	178,147	703,064	34.5	65.5	19.2	6.1	2.9	5.5	0.7	0.1
Kentucky	265,121	1,015,912	22.8	77.2	6.9	9.3	1.9	4.5	0.1	0.1
Louisiana	285,149	1,082,943	49.7	50.3	7.9	36.2	1.7	3.3	0.6	0.0
Maine	62,340	251,909	12.5	87.5	3.3	3.0	1.5	3.9	0.8	0.1
Maryland	354,588	1,363,304	59.8	40.2	17.0	30.6	6.5	5.5	0.2	0.0
Massachusetts	346,922	1,362,133	41.0	59.0	19.8	9.0	7.7	4.3	0.2	0.1
Michigan	548,355	2,153,379	34.1	65.9	8.8	16.1	3.5	5.1	0.6	0.0
Minnesota	337,504	1,317,567	33.2	66.8	9.3	10.6	6.4	5.3	1.4	0.1
Mississippi	176,891	692,835	51.0	49.0	5.3	41.4	1.0	2.7	0.6	0.0
Missouri	360,045	1,384,557	28.3	71.7	7.3	13.4	2.1	4.9	0.4	0.2
Montana	58,251	235,070	22.6	77.4	6.9	0.6	0.8	4.8	9.3	0.1
Nebraska	125,790	482,884	33.1	66.9	18.9	6.0	2.8	4.2	1.1	0.1
Nevada	178,077	698,748	67.0	33.0	41.3	10.9	5.9	7.3	0.8	0.8
New Hampshire	62,292	256,376	16.6	83.4	7.3	2.0	3.5	3.5	0.2	0.0
New Jersey	519,195	2,023,128	55.2	44.8	28.1	13.3	10.2	3.4	0.2	0.0
New Mexico	115,008	473,221	77.4	22.6	61.8	1.8	1.2	2.7	9.8	0.1
New York	1,099,062	4,113,323	52.5	47.5	24.9	14.6	8.7	3.9	0.3	0.1
North Carolina	589,463	2,301,503	49.3	50.7	17.4	22.4	3.6	4.7	1.1	0.1
North Dakota	51,390	185,701	25.3	74.7	7.2	4.4	1.6	4.4	7.6	0.1
Ohio	673,707	2,605,629	30.3	69.7	6.9	15.3	2.8	5.2	0.1	0.1
Oklahoma	246,369	961,530	48.8	51.2	18.6	7.7	2.2	10.2	9.9	0.3
Oregon	212,784	861,351	37.6	62.4	22.9	2.3	4.2	6.6	1.1	0.5
Pennsylvania	681,354	2,674,009	35.2	64.8	13.7	12.9	4.2	4.3	0.1	0.0
Rhode Island	53,550	208,827	44.7	55.3	28.1	7.3	3.7	4.9	0.5	0.1
South Carolina	282,964	1,117,092	46.0	54.0	10.4	29.0	1.9	4.4	0.3	0.1
South Dakota	58,668	220,429	29.8	70.2	7.8	3.2	1.6	4.7	12.4	0.1
Tennessee	402,350	1,540,674	35.8	64.2	10.7	18.7	2.0	4.2	0.2	0.1
Texas	1,905,442	7,475,433	69.4	30.6	49.2	12.2	4.8	2.8	0.2	0.1
Utah	237,234	947,243	27.4	72.6	18.4	1.2	1.8	3.8	0.9	1.2
Vermont	28,249	116,976	11.5	88.5	3.1	1.8	2.3	4.0	0.2	0.0
Virginia	490,808	1,884,826	48.1	51.9	14.9	19.9	6.9	6.2	0.2	0.1
Washington	434,017	1,676,122	46.2	53.8	22.5	4.3	8.5	8.8	1.3	0.9
West Virginia	89,407	359,031	12.0	88.0	2.9	3.7	0.8	4.4	0.1	0.0
Wisconsin	320,245	1,274,756	31.1	68.9	12.9	8.9	4.0	4.3	1.0	0.0
Wyoming	32,291	132,424	23.7	76.3	15.6	1.0	0.8	3.5	2.8	0.1
United States	18,827,338	73,566,433	50.6%	49.4%	25.7%	13.8%	5.4%	4.7%	0.8%	0.2%

Notes: Racial categories (White, Black, Asian, etc.) exclude children of Hispanic ethnicity. Hispanic children can be of any race. Children of color include all racial categories except white. Racial/ethnic categories are presented in the order of their share in the US child population.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Division. 2022 Retrieved from: The Annie E Casey Foundation, KIDS COUNT Data Center, 2022. "Child population by race and ethnicity and age group in the United States." <https://datacenter.kidscount.org/data/tables/8446-child-population-by-race-and-ethnicity-and-age-group>.

1 in 7 children were poor in 2021. Approximately 72% were children of color, and 2 in 3 lived in working families and most were from female-headed households.

Table 2: Poor Children in America in 2021—A Portrait

	Number Who are Poor	Percent Who are Poor	Percent of All Poor Children
Among All Children	11,149,000	15.3%	100%
Extremely Poor	5,229,000	7.2	46.9
Under Age 5	3,034,000	16.5	27.2
Under Age 5 and Extremely Poor	1,490,000	8.1	13.4
By Race/Ethnicity			
White	3,162,000	8.8	28.4
Hispanic	4,168,000	22.4	37.4
Black	3,056,000	27.1	27.4
American Indian/Alaska Native	341,000	29.1	3.1
Asian/Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	447,000	9.8	4.0
Two or More Races	2,568,000	18.8	21.0
By Geography*			
In Cities > 50,000	4,871,000	21.1	42.0
In Suburbs	4,966,000	12.4	42.8
Outside Cities and Suburbs	1,770,000	19.5	15.2
By Region*			
Northeast	1,668,000	14.8	14.4
Midwest	2,110,000	13.9	18.2
South	5,419,000	19.1	46.7
West	2,410,000	13.8	20.8
By Family Structure			
In Single-Parent Family	7,494,000	32.6	69.3 ^a
Female-Headed household	6,481,000	37.1	59.9 ^a
In Married-Couple Family	3,320,000	6.7	30.7 ^a
By Family Working Status			
Any Family Member Works*	7,545,000	11.3	67.0 ^b
Works Full-Time, Year-Round*	2,491,000	4.7	22.1 ^b
Head of Family Works	5,696,000	9.8	50.6 ^b
Works Full-Time, Year-Round	1,948,000	4.4	18.0 ^b
Adults 18-64	20,982,000	10.5%	–
Seniors 65+	5,802,000	10.3%	–

* Data are for 2020

^a Percentages calculated relative to the number of poor children related to the head of household (10,814,000) rather than the total number of poor children (11,149,000).

^b Percentages calculated relative to the number of poor children in related families (11,265,000 in 2020; 10,823,000 in 2021) rather than the total number of poor children (11,607,000 in 2020; 11,149,000 in 2021).

Notes: A family of four was considered poor in 2021 with an annual income below \$27,740 and extremely poor with an income below half that amount (\$13,870). Poverty estimates differ based on the source of the Census data. Census data on poverty is collected through both the American Community Survey (ACS) and the Current Population Survey (CPS). The CPS provides the most accurate national data on poverty and is therefore the official source through both the American Community of national poverty estimates. The ACS uses a larger sample size and is therefore preferred for state-level poverty data. All racial categories exclude children of Hispanic ethnicity. Hispanic children can be of any race. ‡ Data sourced from the ACS; all other national estimates are from the CPS.

Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey. 2022. "2022 Annual Social and Economic Supplement," Tables POV01, POV02, POV03, POV07; U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey. 2021. "2021 Annual Social and Economic Supplement," Tables POV13, POV21, POV40. <https://www.census.gov/data/tables/time-series/demo/income-poverty/cps-pov.html>; U.S. Census Bureau. 2022. "2021 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates," Tables B17020, B17020G. <https://data.census.gov>; Additional customized tables generated using MDAT. <https://data.census.gov/mdat/#/>

The federal government uses different guidelines for determining who is considered poor and who is eligible for public benefits. In 2021, a family of four was considered poor if their annual income fell below \$27,740 and extremely poor if their income fell below half that amount. A family of four was considered eligible for public benefits if their annual income fell below \$26,500.

Table 3: Federal Poverty Thresholds and Guidelines, 2021

Federal Poverty Thresholds^a

Family Size	Poverty (100 Percent)			Extreme Poverty (50 Percent)		
	Per Year	Per Month	Per Week	Per Year	Per Month	Per Week
1	\$13,788	\$1,149	\$265	\$6,894	\$575	\$133
2	17,529	1,461	337	8,765	730	169
3	21,559	1,797	415	10,780	898	207
4	27,740	2,312	533	13,870	1,156	267
5	32,865	2,739	632	16,433	1,369	316
6	37,161	3,097	715	18,581	1,548	357
7	42,156	3,513	811	21,078	1,757	405
8	47,093	3,924	906	23,547	1,962	453
9 or More	56,325	4,694	1,083	28,163	2,347	542

Federal Poverty Guidelines^b

Family Size	Poverty
1	\$12,880
2	17,420
3	21,960
4	26,500
5	31,040
6	35,580
7	40,120
8	44,660
Each Additional Person Beyond 8	4,540

^a The federal poverty thresholds are used to calculate those who are considered poor and extremely poor. The poverty threshold numbers in the table are weighted averages of the actual thresholds. The actual poverty thresholds vary slightly based on the number of children and, for households of size one and two, whether the household includes someone over 64. Except for Alaska and Hawaii, which have slightly higher thresholds, no adjustments are made for differences in living costs from state to state. Extreme poverty is defined as half of the poverty thresholds.

^b The federal poverty guidelines (also called the Federal Poverty Level) are a simplification of the poverty thresholds used to determine eligibility for public benefits and are adjusted annually to account for inflation.

Sources: U.S. Census Bureau. "Poverty Thresholds by Size of Family and Number of Related Children Under 18 Years Old: 2021." <https://www.census.gov/data/tables/time-series/demo/income-poverty/historical-poverty-thresholds.html>; U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. 2021. "Annual Update of the HHS Poverty Guidelines." Federal Register 86 (7732). <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2021/02/01/2021-01969/annual-update-of-the-hhs-poverty-guidelines>.

Hispanic children were the largest group of poor children in 2021 (4.2 million), followed by white and Black children (both 3.1 million).

Table 4: Number of Poor Children by Race/Ethnicity, 2021

	White	Hispanic	Black	Asian/ Pacific Islander	American Indian/Alaska Native	Two or More Races
Alabama	74,625	28,566	126,293	2,379	2,474	20,507
Alaska	7,689	719	–	568	6,514	3,490
Arizona	50,426	164,651	19,031	4,586	30,818	93,021
Arkansas	67,956	27,162	47,359	1,649	839	19,733
California	172,048	906,545	116,670	114,430	23,992	358,871
Colorado	44,551	77,756	12,213	2,029	4,009	43,569
Connecticut	22,744	50,780	14,967	2,954	–	24,769
Delaware	7,125	9,912	10,636	1,018	–	11,242
District of Columbia	362	3,018	24,725	–	–	1,377
Florida	194,730	284,855	222,704	9,643	4,575	180,895
Georgia	112,617	103,701	240,309	10,591	5,852	76,603
Hawaii	4,711	7,739	559	13,481	–	21,042
Idaho	39,750	12,374	1,484	886	1,306	8,225
Illinois	123,930	135,563	142,450	14,651	4,882	80,731
Indiana	127,795	47,404	42,978	7,077	1,318	43,873
Iowa	48,690	17,321	12,670	2,800	1,033	16,818
Kansas	41,342	27,194	11,614	1,898	802	21,712
Kentucky	150,243	20,571	28,788	1,677	893	28,772
Louisiana	72,456	24,208	164,906	2,464	1,523	32,236
Maine	29,966	641	2,759	–	–	3,145
Maryland	36,053	46,563	81,942	7,050	737	24,998
Massachusetts	51,867	80,447	18,950	7,040	477	55,639
Michigan	167,571	44,869	121,327	7,036	3,265	52,413
Minnesota	60,450	18,914	29,035	13,710	3,440	23,124
Mississippi	42,538	9,983	122,132	157	1,269	13,273
Missouri	111,485	23,886	55,428	2,068	1,264	36,115
Montana	18,437	2,481	–	683	9,121	3,077
Nebraska	25,537	18,791	6,399	1,710	1,823	12,285
Nevada	23,610	61,843	27,621	8,630	2,206	31,784
New Hampshire	17,288	3,592	–	413	–	4,068
New Jersey	72,346	137,587	60,219	10,328	2,684	54,875
New Mexico	18,382	70,184	3,262	868	19,547	36,479
New York	231,750	257,846	163,484	54,000	9,078	118,844
North Carolina	110,775	114,805	142,241	5,365	6,891	71,105
North Dakota	8,233	1,876	1,383	–	4,769	3,871
Ohio	228,871	42,160	144,595	5,960	1,464	68,567
Oklahoma	73,975	56,898	24,076	4,637	16,770	48,427
Oregon	56,768	36,433	4,639	4,858	2,401	27,075
Pennsylvania	181,933	101,294	110,068	11,529	336	74,778
Rhode Island	4,830	17,624	2,900	1,300	–	8,701
South Carolina	65,832	30,018	104,985	2,892	2,800	26,094
South Dakota	9,856	3,812	1,483	–	14,800	3,959
Tennessee	120,346	41,353	82,129	2,777	1,197	38,070
Texas	195,042	942,796	242,717	25,560	12,773	494,108
Utah	38,894	25,072	4,063	776	2,658	12,073
Vermont	8,929	343	–	270	–	2,003
Virginia	79,124	51,774	81,751	8,719	1,759	34,834
Washington	70,147	76,047	20,689	12,118	4,093	49,269
West Virginia	57,132	2,918	3,288	–	–	10,793
Wisconsin	72,084	34,925	38,706	7,330	2,459	35,162
Wyoming	10,374	3,449	–	–	1,578	1,293
United States	3,162,000	4,168,000	3,056,100	447,000	341,000	2,568,000‡

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In 2021, at least 1 in 5 Black children were poor in 42 states and the District of Columbia; Hispanic children, in 36 states; and American Indian/Alaska Native children, in 29 states. Not one state had a white child poverty rate above 20%.

Table 5: Percent of Poor Children by Race/Ethnicity, 2021

	White	Hispanic	Black	Asian/ Pacific Islander	American Indian/Alaska Native	Two or More Races
Alabama	12.0%	31.2%	40.2%	16.5%	38.5%	24.2%
Alaska	9.4	4.3	–	6.1	21.0	8.8
Arizona	8.8	23.0	24.0	10.1	37.6	19.6
Arkansas	16.9	29.4	40.3	17.5	21.9	19.4
California	8.5	20.3	26.9	10.3	19.2	15.3
Colorado	6.9	19.9	22.8	6.3	29.5	15.8
Connecticut	6.3	26.6	17.9	8.3	–	17.3
Delaware	7.7	27.8	22.2	12.1	–	30.7
District of Columbia	1.3	14.1	39.6	–	–	7.7
Florida	11.7	21.3	27.8	8.4	33.3	18.2
Georgia	11.0	28.2	29.8	10.2	37.5	22.7
Hawaii	12.5	13.3	10.2	12.0	–	16.3
Idaho	12.0	14.1	40.9	19.0	20.6	13.5
Illinois	9.1	19.8	35.4	10.4	22.2	16.9
Indiana	12.1	25.9	27.4	19.7	33.0	23.0
Iowa	9.0	21.8	36.0	15.2	19.2	19.9
Kansas	9.4	20.5	34.7	10.5	13.2	17.2
Kentucky	19.8	31.1	36.1	10.2	34.6	27.9
Louisiana	13.8	29.1	44.6	16.9	28.8	28.9
Maine	14.4	9.2	38.9	–	–	13.7
Maryland	7.0	20.7	20.6	8.6	12.5	14.0
Massachusetts	6.9	30.5	18.2	7.7	18.5	21.6
Michigan	12.3	24.2	37.2	11.1	26.3	20.1
Minnesota	7.1	16.3	22.8	18.7	30.4	14.4
Mississippi	12.9	32.0	45.2	3.9	26.7	26.2
Missouri	12.0	24.3	32.5	8.8	19.5	20.8
Montana	10.5	15.3	–	27.4	46.9	13.6
Nebraska	8.1	21.2	25.6	17.1	23.0	17.5
Nevada	11.0	21.7	38.1	18.5	23.1	18.1
New Hampshire	8.5	19.1	–	5.8	–	13.9
New Jersey	8.4	24.6	22.9	5.3	29.9	15.7
New Mexico	18.0	24.2	37.9	12.4	39.0	21.4
New York	12.5	25.9	27.6	16.8	31.2	19.0
North Carolina	9.9	29.4	30.2	7.3	26.3	21.3
North Dakota	6.0	21.0	23.2	–	40.4	19.5
Ohio	13.1	24.1	40.3	10.2	38.3	23.0
Oklahoma	15.7	32.2	37.6	23.5	19.7	23.1
Oregon	11.3	18.9	24.8	13.4	19.2	16.8
Pennsylvania	10.9	28.2	35.4	12.1	6.5	21.5
Rhode Island	4.4	31.0	25.1	21.3	–	20.6
South Carolina	11.3	26.3	34.6	17.1	47.3	20.7
South Dakota	6.5	26.9	23.7	–	55.6	17.6
Tennessee	12.6	26.4	31.9	11.7	28.7	21.4
Texas	8.9	25.9	27.5	7.3	22.2	22.3
Utah	5.8	14.6	37.4	4.4	37.1	9.8
Vermont	9.0	12.1	–	12.4	–	19.5
Virginia	8.4	18.9	23.8	7.5	20.5	11.7
Washington	8.2	20.6	26.5	8.3	15.9	14.0
West Virginia	18.8	25.8	42.8	–	–	32.4
Wisconsin	8.5	22.1	36.0	15.4	25.2	20.5
Wyoming	10.9	17.5	–	–	44.3	8.5
United States	8.8	22.4	27.1	9.8	29.1	18.8‡

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In 2021, more than 1 in 6 children were poor in 21 states and the District of Columbia. In 10 of those states and the District of Columbia, child poverty rates exceeded 20%.

Table 6: Poor and Extremely Poor Children by Age, 2021

	Poor Children						Extremely Poor Children					
	Under 18			Under 6			Under 18			Under 6		
	Number	Percent	Rank*	Number	Percent	Rank*	Number	Percent	Rank*	Number	Percent	Rank*
Alabama	245,003	22.2%	46	87,266	25.5%	45	108,936	10.2%	46	42,231	12.4%	14
Alaska	21,833	12.4	8	6,631	11.7	5	7,589	4.3	3	2,661	4.4	16
Arizona	275,064	17.3	32	86,910	18.4	31	137,419	8.5	39	48,268	9.6	19
Arkansas	154,527	22.4	47	56,911	26.5	47	59,582	8.7	41	22,709	10.6	33
California	1,362,975	15.8	26	406,369	15.5	19	556,820	6.4	26	180,820	6.5	2
Colorado	144,882	11.8	6	45,215	12.5	7	59,438	4.8	7	18,794	4.8	47
Connecticut	91,767	12.7	12	28,431	13.3	12	43,899	6.1	22	14,707	6.8	23
Delaware	34,539	16.8	30	14,292	22.0	41	11,345	5.8	18	4,838	7.9	26
District of Columbia	29,258	23.9	-	9,858	20.8	-	12,737	10.1	-	5,775	10.9	25
Florida	752,966	17.8	34	250,593	19.3	35	324,966	7.8	33	120,199	9.1	35
Georgia	501,818	20.2	42	167,077	22.3	42	187,231	7.6	31	64,691	8.5	5
Hawaii	40,502	13.6	19	11,738	12.7	9	18,333	6.2	24	5,250	5.2	12
Idaho	60,418	13.1	14	22,624	16.5	23	23,293	5.3	11	9,111	6.5	50
Illinois	442,261	16.0	28	147,417	17.5	26	175,016	6.3	25	63,144	7.2	38
Indiana	248,513	16.0	27	86,557	17.9	29	109,776	7.2	30	40,542	8.4	39
Iowa	90,715	12.5	10	29,414	13.1	11	36,995	5.2	9	12,767	5.6	24
Kansas	92,213	13.4	15	33,535	15.9	21	39,681	5.8	18	15,854	7.3	41
Kentucky	219,560	22.1	45	74,790	24.2	44	102,771	10.5	47	42,737	13.4	42
Louisiana	287,337	26.9	49	94,797	28.1	48	140,522	13.2	50	48,949	14.1	7
Maine	36,926	15.1	25	12,784	17.6	28	12,622	5.3	11	5,084	7.0	32
Maryland	187,386	14.0	20	62,532	15.0	17	78,016	6.0	20	26,543	6.4	20
Massachusetts	169,324	12.6	11	53,210	13.0	10	79,599	6.0	20	25,986	6.3	43
Michigan	376,831	17.8	33	125,433	19.3	34	162,436	7.7	32	56,934	8.5	28
Minnesota	138,621	10.8	5	46,182	11.6	4	61,995	4.9	8	21,542	5.2	36
Mississippi	188,567	27.7	50	61,693	30.4	50	85,187	12.4	49	30,911	14.6	37
Missouri	218,688	16.2	29	73,706	17.6	27	108,887	8.1	35	35,806	8.3	1
Montana	32,436	14.1	21	11,728	17.4	25	12,338	5.6	15	5,395	8.0	17
Nebraska	59,447	12.5	9	22,394	14.8	16	21,827	4.7	6	9,401	6.2	18
Nevada	128,531	18.8	39	42,790	20.2	36	43,469	6.4	26	15,381	7.1	11
New Hampshire	23,089	9.2	2	6,396	8.8	1	6,853	2.7	1	2,434	3.2	48
New Jersey	284,150	14.2	22	93,900	15.2	18	102,571	5.4	13	36,043	6.0	13
New Mexico	111,324	23.9	48	40,048	28.4	49	52,678	11.3	48	18,771	13.5	15
New York	746,684	18.5	37	243,718	19.1	33	331,669	8.4	37	115,945	8.9	35
North Carolina	410,555	18.1	36	139,705	20.3	37	198,004	8.8	42	70,274	10.0	40
North Dakota	18,884	10.5	4	7,139	11.8	6	9,062	5.2	9	3,442	5.8	8
Ohio	474,953	18.6	38	163,237	20.8	39	208,477	8.2	36	82,067	10.2	42
Oklahoma	198,923	21.2	44	70,310	24.1	43	81,827	8.8	42	30,333	10.2	42
Oregon	113,211	13.5	18	33,860	13.7	13	47,412	5.6	15	16,925	6.4	16
Pennsylvania	445,513	16.9	31	145,124	18.1	30	203,907	7.9	34	72,027	8.8	34
Rhode Island	30,414	15.0	24	9,734	15.7	20	13,154	6.6	28	4,737	7.6	26
South Carolina	220,768	20.1	41	71,773	22.0	40	95,259	8.8	42	33,107	9.9	39
South Dakota	31,413	14.6	23	11,772	17.1	24	14,899	7.1	29	5,637	8.1	29
Tennessee	272,142	18.1	35	89,722	19.0	32	124,188	8.4	37	44,158	9.3	37
Texas	1,441,171	19.6	40	469,870	20.7	38	624,266	8.6	40	233,897	10.0	40
Utah	76,102	8.1	1	26,891	9.5	2	35,505	3.9	2	13,238	4.5	3
Vermont	11,994	10.4	3	3,521	11.0	3	5,101	4.6	4	1,961	6.0	9
Virginia	242,656	13.1	13	80,749	14.1	14	110,938	6.1	22	36,825	6.3	14
Washington	198,149	12.0	7	64,687	12.7	8	89,933	5.5	14	32,634	6.1	12
West Virginia	73,022	20.7	43	27,074	25.9	46	35,117	10.1	45	12,859	12.0	45
Wisconsin	167,864	13.4	16	54,258	14.5	15	71,008	5.7	17	23,023	6.0	9
Wyoming	17,330	13.4	17	5,692	16.1	22	6,060	4.6	4	2,526	6.4	16
United States	11,149,000	15.3%	-	4,032,000‡	18.2%‡	-	5,229,000	7.2%	-	2,032,000‡	9.2%‡	-

*States are ranked 1 to 50 with 1 meaning the lowest child poverty rate and 50 meaning the highest child poverty rate.

Notes: Poverty estimates differ based on the sources of Census data. Census data on poverty is collected through both the American Community Survey (ACS) and Current Population Survey (CPS). The CPS provides the most accurate national data on poverty and is therefore the official source of national poverty estimates. The ACS uses a larger sample size and is preferred for state-level poverty data. ‡ Data are from the ACS; national estimates for children under 18 are from the CPS.

Sources: U.S. Census Bureau. 2022. "2021 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates," Tables B17020 and B17024. <https://data.census.gov/cedsci/>; U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey. 2022. "2022 Annual Social and Economic Supplement," Table POV01.

In 2021, the median income of Black (\$46,600), Hispanic (\$57,800) and American Indian (\$53,900) families with children was only about half the median income of White families with children (\$102,700).

Table 7: Median Family Income among Households with Children by Race/Ethnicity, 2021

	Total	White	Hispanic	Black	Asian/Pacific Islander	American Indian/Alaska Native	Two or More Races
Alabama	\$69,100	\$87,100	\$41,700	\$35,000	\$109,300	\$38,000	\$69,100
Alaska	94,000	108,600	81,200	S	64,700	61,100	103,100
Arizona	78,500	103,600	55,600	52,100	114,100	42,300	59,500
Arkansas	63,700	75,000	44,200	35,400	79,400	S	58,900
California	93,600	133,500	64,300	60,700	145,300	67,500	74,700
Colorado	102,300	121,500	63,700	52,900	121,900	53,400	78,700
Connecticut	105,000	139,300	53,900	60,100	149,800	S	69,200
Delaware	82,100	102,200	55,200	56,500	117,800	S	45,000
District of Columbia	132,700	95,000	134,500	46,800	S	S	153,400
Florida	71,300	92,600	58,800	46,600	98,400	47,600	64,800
Georgia	76,400	99,800	53,400	50,700	109,500	48,400	60,800
Hawaii	93,900	101,100	77,300	S	97,000	S	86,900
Idaho	80,600	86,300	61,500	S	S	S	57,000
Illinois	90,600	111,700	62,500	40,800	122,800	60,500	73,000
Indiana	77,800	85,500	51,500	37,000	105,000	S	62,700
Iowa	85,700	93,300	51,600	36,300	84,800	S	56,200
Kansas	83,400	93,700	55,100	50,600	102,100	32,400	63,400
Kentucky	69,200	73,400	46,100	38,800	76,500	S	44,900
Louisiana	64,200	87,700	54,000	32,700	69,000	79,400	54,600
Maine	84,800	86,300	S	S	S	S	80,400
Maryland	110,000	144,400	73,400	76,400	137,500	S	104,100
Massachusetts	119,100	145,600	50,300	75,400	156,200	S	62,100
Michigan	79,700	90,300	61,500	35,900	122,900	42,000	69,400
Minnesota	103,700	114,900	62,300	60,300	98,800	42,100	82,800
Mississippi	61,000	83,000	42,000	34,300	S	S	53,400
Missouri	78,800	87,300	53,300	40,100	101,500	73,800	61,900
Montana	81,900	85,700	60,900	S	S	30,300	82,000
Nebraska	91,000	100,600	55,500	44,500	81,600	60,700	64,200
Nevada	72,700	92,900	57,700	43,200	94,100	65,300	65,200
New Hampshire	114,900	116,600	68,900	S	155,300	S	106,900
New Jersey	111,900	145,700	59,600	63,400	164,200	62,000	77,700
New Mexico	58,700	80,700	50,700	42,800	79,800	39,000	54,200
New York	89,800	119,200	53,700	55,900	90,300	43,800	72,300
North Carolina	77,500	97,900	45,000	45,700	128,200	44,300	60,000
North Dakota	91,800	98,100	S	S	S	29,300	60,300
Ohio	80,500	92,000	54,700	36,300	98,800	S	54,900
Oklahoma	64,600	77,700	46,700	34,300	73,100	54,700	54,800
Oregon	86,600	96,000	56,500	61,500	137,000	68,300	62,100
Pennsylvania	88,300	102,300	48,700	40,900	117,800	S	61,600
Rhode Island	90,300	114,700	42,000	59,900	81,200	S	59,900
South Carolina	71,900	91,000	47,600	40,700	97,600	S	57,400
South Dakota	83,600	90,800	59,800	S	S	27,100	64,100
Tennessee	73,300	85,700	50,000	40,600	88,200	S	54,500
Texas	76,600	112,200	54,700	52,200	125,400	64,500	59,700
Utah	93,000	101,700	69,200	51,500	89,700	59,000	76,100
Vermont	88,900	90,300	S	S	S	S	85,600
Virginia	102,100	117,000	72,300	55,700	147,300	66,400	86,000
Washington	101,800	112,400	57,900	67,800	157,800	55,400	75,100
West Virginia	68,100	70,600	53,000	41,000	S	S	37,100
Wisconsin	87,000	98,800	51,200	33,800	92,600	59,700	59,200
Wyoming	81,700	89,000	57,700	S	S	S	72,900
United States	\$84,200	\$102,700	\$57,800	\$46,600	\$124,800	\$53,900	\$66,400

Notes: The median income is the dollar amount that divides the income distribution into two equal groups—half with income above the median, half with income below it. “S” means estimates were suppressed when the confidence interval around the percent was greater than or equal to 10 percentage points. Racial/ethnic categories are presented in the order of their share in the child population. The racial category, “White,” excludes children of Hispanic ethnicity while the racial categories, “Black,” “Asian/Pacific Islander,” “Two or More Races” and “American Indian” include children of Hispanic ethnicity.

Source: The Annie E Casey Foundation, KIDS COUNT Data Center. 2022. “Median Family Income among Households with Children by Race and Ethnicity.” <https://datacenter.kidscount.org/data/tables/8782-median-family-income-among-households-with-children-by-race-and-ethnicity>.

In 2022, a person working full-time, year-round at minimum wage could not afford the monthly Fair Market Rent (FMR) for a two-bedroom rental unit in any state or the District of Columbia.

Table 8: Rental Housing Affordability, FY2022

	Monthly Fair Market Rent (FMR) for a Two-Bedroom Rental Unit	Minimum Wage (\$/hr)	Number of Full-Time Jobs at Minimum Wage Needed to Afford Two-Bedroom FMR	Hourly Wage Necessary to Afford FMR with One Full-Time Job
Alabama	\$849	\$7.25 ^a	2.3	\$16.32
Alaska	1,264	10.85	2.4	24.32
Arizona	1,219	13.85	1.8	23.44
Arkansas	774	11.00	1.4	14.89
California	2,028	15.50	2.6	39.01
Colorado	1,505	13.65	2.3	28.94
Connecticut	1,446	14.00	2.0	27.80
Delaware	1,183	11.75	2.2	22.76
District of Columbia	1,765	16.50	2.2	33.94
Florida	1,372	11.00	2.6	26.38
Georgia	1,090	7.25	2.9	20.97
Hawaii	2,113	12.00	4.0	40.63
Idaho	981	7.25	2.6	18.87
Illinois	1,186	13.00	1.9	22.80
Indiana	882	7.25	2.3	16.97
Iowa	860	7.25	2.3	16.55
Kansas	879	7.25	2.3	16.91
Kentucky	841	7.25	2.2	16.18
Louisiana	920	7.25 ^a	2.4	17.69
Maine	1,180	13.80	1.8	22.69
Maryland	1,505	13.25	2.3	28.93
Massachusetts	1,975	15.00	2.7	37.97
Michigan	993	10.10	1.9	19.10
Minnesota	1,165	10.59	2.2	22.41
Mississippi	815	7.25 ^a	2.2	15.67
Missouri	881	12.00	1.5	16.94
Montana	918	9.95	1.9	17.65
Nebraska	883	10.50	1.9	16.98
Nevada	1,232	10.50/9.50 ^a	2.3	23.70
New Hampshire	1,367	7.25	3.6	26.29
New Jersey	1,628	14.13	2.4	31.32
New Mexico	913	12.00	1.5	17.56
New York	1,962	14.20	2.9	37.72
North Carolina	997	7.25	2.6	19.18
North Dakota	864	7.25	2.3	16.61
Ohio	887	10.10	1.8	17.05
Oklahoma	863	7.25	2.3	16.61
Oregon	1,438	13.50	2.0	27.65
Pennsylvania	1,087	7.25	2.9	20.90
Rhode Island	1,264	13.00	2.0	24.32
South Carolina	1,004	7.25 ^a	2.7	19.30
South Dakota	838	10.80	1.6	16.11
Tennessee	952	7.25 ^a	2.5	18.30
Texas	1,172	7.25	3.1	22.54
Utah	1,153	7.25	3.1	22.18
Vermont	1,217	13.18	1.9	23.40
Virginia	1,292	12.00	2.3	24.85
Washington	1,629	15.74	2.2	31.33
West Virginia	800	8.75	1.8	15.38
Wisconsin	965	7.25	2.6	18.56
Wyoming	888	7.25	2.4	17.07
United States	\$1,342	\$7.25	2.4	\$25.82

^a In these states federal minimum wage law prevails because there is no state minimum wage.

^b As of July 1, 2020, Nevada raised the minimum wage to \$8.00 for employees with health insurance and \$9.00 for employees without health insurance.

Notes: Affordability is defined as rent not being more than 30 percent of monthly income. Fair Market Rent (FMR) is the 40th percentile of gross rents for typical, non-substandard rental units. It is calculated annually by the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Sources: National Low Income Housing Coalition. 2022. "Out of Reach 2022." https://nlihc.org/sites/default/files/2022_OOR.pdf; U.S. Department of Labor. "Consolidated Minimum Wage Table." Updated as of February 5, 2023. <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/whd/mw-consolidated>.

The number of homeless children and youth in public schools has fallen steadily in recent years but is still 60% higher than it was at the start of the Great Recession. All but 4 states saw decreases between the 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 school year (i.e., the first year of the pandemic).

Table 9: Homeless Children Enrolled¹ in Public Schools, Select School Years

	School Year:					Percent Change between 2006-2007 and 2020-2021	Percent Change between 2019-2020 and 2020-2021
	2006-2007	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020	2020-2021		
Alabama	10,907	15,023	16,118	11,578	9,365	-14.1%	-19.1%
Alaska	3,216	3,769	3,576	3,126	2,578	-19.8	-17.5
Arizona	19,628	24,399	21,062	17,386	13,920	-29.1	-19.9
Arkansas	7,080	14,052	13,910	13,339	11,871	67.7	-11.0
California	178,014	263,058	271,528	246,350	227,612	27.9	-7.6
Colorado	11,978	22,369	21,560	20,821	15,176	26.7	-27.1
Connecticut	1,980	5,015	4,722	4,183	3,310	67.2	-20.9
Delaware	1,842	3,484	3,547	2,709	2,576	39.8	-4.9
District of Columbia	824	7,445	6,858	6,332	5,026	510.0	-20.6
Florida	30,554	95,167	91,068	79,357	62,971	106.1	-20.6
Georgia	14,017	39,571	38,891	35,538	31,161	122.3	-12.3
Hawaii	1,132	3,101	3,600	3,586	3,089	172.9	-13.9
Idaho	1,875	8,080	7,810	7,835	7,358	292.4	-6.1
Illinois	19,821	52,978	55,752	47,445	36,898	86.2	-22.2
Indiana	8,249	18,625	18,252	17,324	15,376	86.4	-11.2
Iowa	2,886	7,124	7,295	6,042	6,057	109.9	0.2
Kansas	3,569	8,471	8,369	7,650	5,632	57.8	-26.4
Kentucky	18,337	23,964	24,177	21,620	18,697	2.0	-13.5
Louisiana	34,102	18,320	17,330	15,533	11,768	-65.5	-24.2
Maine	1,055	2,443	2,552	2,302	2,142	103.0	-7.0
Maryland	8,456	17,601	16,202	15,548	11,760	39.1	-24.4
Massachusetts	11,863	23,601	24,658	22,648	19,954	68.2	-11.9
Michigan	24,066	35,193	34,853	32,935	26,867	11.6	-18.4
Minnesota	6,008	16,698	17,071	13,295	10,588	76.2	-20.4
Mississippi	12,856	9,815	7,003	7,973	7,754	-39.7	-2.7
Missouri	13,620	36,006	34,029	34,942	32,674	139.9	-6.5
Montana	2,202	3,977	4,216	4,265	4,670	112.1	9.5
Nebraska	1,633	3,723	4,375	4,084	2,549	56.1	-37.6
Nevada	5,374	20,685	18,647	18,264	15,093	180.9	-17.4
New Hampshire	1,983	3,982	4,021	3,518	3,109	56.8	-11.6
New Jersey	4,279	13,234	13,929	12,741	10,539	146.3	-17.3
New Mexico	4,383	10,683	11,588	9,033	8,135	85.6	-9.9
New York	44,018	153,209	148,485	143,329	126,343	187.0	-11.9
North Carolina	12,659	28,877	34,725	27,044	22,660	79.0	-16.2
North Dakota	1,209	2,156	2,530	2,675	1,775	46.8	-33.6
Ohio	13,578	34,180	32,780	30,060	24,699	81.9	-17.8
Oklahoma	8,284	25,623	23,372	25,010	22,438	170.9	-10.3
Oregon	15,517	23,141	23,765	22,336	18,485	19.1	-17.2
Pennsylvania	12,935	30,624	31,822	31,876	27,235	110.6	-14.6
Rhode Island	667	1,523	1,475	1,531	1,109	66.3	-27.6
South Carolina	6,033	12,426	12,545	11,736	11,986	98.7	2.1
South Dakota	1,038	2,037	1,907	2,015	1,561	50.4	-22.5
Tennessee	6,567	17,766	19,747	18,482	14,386	119.1	-22.2
Texas	33,896	231,305	114,055	111,411	93,096	174.7	-16.4
Utah	9,991	13,838	13,745	13,223	10,295	3.0	-22.1
Vermont	764	N/A	1,008	883	1,006	31.7	13.9
Virginia	9,898	20,393	20,443	17,496	13,752	38.9	-21.4
Washington	16,853	40,112	39,972	36,685	32,931	95.4	-10.2
West Virginia	2,984	9,716	10,522	10,394	9,452	216.8	-9.1
Wisconsin	8,103	18,853	18,394	17,220	13,450	66.0	-21.9
Wyoming	675	1,703	1,764	1,747	1,661	146.1	-4.9
United States	673,458	1,499,138	1,381,625	1,274,455	1,094,595	62.5%	-14.1%

¹ Enrolled students include those who were aged 3 through 5 but not in kindergarten, those enrolled in kindergarten through Grade 12, and those who are ungraded.

² U.S. totals exclude data from Puerto Rico and the Bureau of Indian Education.

Sources: National Center for Homeless Education. 2009. "Education for Homeless Children and Youths Program: Analysis of Data." https://nche.ed.gov/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/data_comp_04-07.pdf; National Center for Homeless Education. 2021. "Student Homelessness in America: School Years 2017-18 to 2019-20," Table 1. <https://nche.ed.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/Student-Homelessness-in-America-2021.pdf>; National Center for Homeless Education. 2022. "Student Homelessness in America: School Years 2018-19 to 2020-21," Table 1. <https://nche.ed.gov/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/Student-Homelessness-in-America-2022.pdf>; National Center for Homeless Education. 2020. "Federal Data Summary School Years 2015-16 to 2017-18: Education For Homeless Children and Youth," Table 5. <https://nche.ed.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/Federal-Data-Summary-SY-15.16-to-17.18-Published-1.30.2020.pdf>.

In 2020, at least 1 in 6 children lived in food-insecure households in 11 states and the District of Columbia.

Table 10: Child Hunger, 2020 and 2021

Children Living in Food-Insecure Households^a

	2020 Number	2020 Percent	State Rank ^b
Alabama	216,040	19.8	47
Alaska	26,910	14.7	32
Arizona	269,610	16.4	39
Arkansas	138,410	19.7	46
California	1,165,400	13.0	18
Colorado	141,570	11.2	9
Connecticut	92,430	12.6	15
Delaware	30,920	15.1	33
District of Columbia	19,430	15.4	–
Florida	660,500	15.7	35
Georgia	360,210	14.4	28
Hawaii	50,180	16.6	40
Idaho	46,800	10.5	7
Illinois	323,740	11.3	10
Indiana	225,750	14.4	28
Iowa	80,160	11.0	8
Kansas	102,760	14.6	30
Kentucky	162,100	16.1	38
Louisiana	236,010	21.5	50
Maine	39,990	15.9	36
Maryland	167,020	12.5	14
Massachusetts	119,330	8.8	2
Michigan	297,150	13.7	25
Minnesota	121,140	9.3	4
Mississippi	144,320	20.4	48
Missouri	194,070	14.1	27
Montana	31,010	13.6	24
Nebraska	64,190	13.5	22
Nevada	116,360	16.9	41
New Hampshire	24,360	9.5	5
New Jersey	175,830	9.0	3
New Mexico	99,100	20.5	49
New York	596,060	14.6	30
North Carolina	394,300	17.1	42
North Dakota	14,490	8.1	1
Ohio	412,670	15.9	36
Oklahoma	183,720	19.2	45
Oregon	114,460	13.2	21
Pennsylvania	347,720	13.1	20
Rhode Island	26,750	13.0	18
South Carolina	153,330	13.8	26
South Dakota	29,070	13.5	22
Tennessee	233,620	15.5	34
Texas	1,395,890	18.9	44
Utah	104,840	11.3	10
Vermont	13,610	11.8	12
Virginia	182,170	9.7	6
Washington	203,430	12.3	13
West Virginia	63,070	17.3	43
Wisconsin	160,890	12.6	15
Wyoming	21,160	15.9	19
United States, 2020	11,722,000	16.1%	
United States, 2021	9,262,000	12.8%	

^a Food-insecure households are households with children that had difficulty meeting basic food needs for adults, children or both.

^b States are ranked 1-50 with 1 meaning the lowest percent of children living in food-insecure households and 50 meaning the highest percent of children living in food-insecure households.

Sources: "Map the Meal Gap 2022: A Report on County and Congressional District Food Insecurity and County Food Cost in the United States in 2020." Feeding America. <https://map.feedingamerica.org/county/2020/child/>; Coleman-Jensen, Alisa et al. 2022. "Household Food Security in the United States in 2021." Table 1B. Washington, DC: United States Department of Agriculture. <https://www.ers.usda.gov/publications/pub-details/?pubid=104655>.

Approximately 19.6 million children received free or reduced-price lunch during the 2020-2021 school year, but fewer than 6 million of them received meals in summer 2021. In 38 states, more than 2 in 3 children who received free or reduced-price lunch did not participate in Summer Nutrition Programs.

Table 11: School and Summer Feeding Programs, 2020-2021 School Year and Summer 2021

	Number of Children Participating in:			Summer Food Service Participation as a Percent of Free and Reduced-Price Lunch Participation	State Rank Based on Summer Food Service Participation as a Percent of Free and Reduced-Price Lunch Participation ^a
	Free and Reduced-Price Lunch	Free and Reduced-Price Breakfast	Summer Food Service Programs		
Alabama ^b	396,837	274,939	78,091	19.7%	38
Alaska ^b	31,549	23,885	6,142	19.5	39
Arizona	446,040	292,829	122,497	27.5	19
Arkansas	250,100	184,107	34,736	13.9	46
California	1,769,512	1,667,935	777,994	44.0	6
Colorado	260,158	160,808	57,205	22.0	31
Connecticut ^b	161,765	103,318	51,358	31.7	13
Delaware	53,593	48,035	24,293	45.3	5
District of Columbia ^b	11,447	10,944	11,397	99.6	-
Florida ^b	1,254,872	726,680	249,704	19.9	37
Georgia ^b	836,829	594,881	195,371	23.3	27
Hawaii ^b	35,760	22,179	22,504	62.9	3
Idaho	124,227	58,885	21,167	17.0	41
Illinois	614,950	480,384	176,459	28.7	16
Indiana	526,425	265,543	112,145	21.3	34
Iowa	301,429	119,398	65,085	21.6	32
Kansas	266,672	140,238	44,571	16.7	42
Kentucky ^b	349,963	297,724	90,330	25.8	23
Louisiana ^b	412,625	271,108	92,331	22.4	30
Maine	65,690	46,795	22,187	33.8	12
Maryland ^b	153,327	153,455	104,330	68.0	2
Massachusetts ^b	306,967	224,698	117,395	38.2	9
Michigan ^b	587,967	452,790	159,934	27.2	20
Minnesota	559,065	419,011	222,644	39.8	8
Mississippi	258,935	183,348	36,054	13.9	45
Missouri	500,382	343,128	152,538	30.5	14
Montana ^b	67,163	42,279	16,930	25.2	24
Nebraska	205,860	73,382	17,662	8.6	50
Nevada ^b	110,221	94,829	23,654	21.5	33
New Hampshire	47,802	27,193	9,542	20.0	36
New Jersey ^b	589,013	526,959	439,722	74.7	1
New Mexico ^b	116,544	109,956	42,710	36.6	10
New York ^b	1,016,640	788,834	577,930	56.8	4
North Carolina ^b	451,922	374,655	155,373	34.4	11
North Dakota ^b	83,525	36,797	11,267	13.5	48
Ohio ^b	719,588	445,037	144,427	20.1	35
Oklahoma ^b	368,630	200,204	48,071	13.0	49
Oregon ^b	148,205	139,106	41,520	28.0	18
Pennsylvania ^b	567,767	366,618	151,348	26.7	22
Rhode Island	38,545	29,308	10,452	27.1	21
South Carolina ^b	329,727	236,934	80,677	24.5	26
South Dakota ^b	90,498	34,332	13,279	14.7	44
Tennessee ^b	479,031	334,500	92,695	19.4	40
Texas ^b	2,074,882	1,367,969	282,831	13.6	47
Utah ^b	277,312	82,994	45,111	16.3	43
Vermont ^b	38,408	29,232	16,490	42.9	7
Virginia ^b	401,872	355,730	113,837	28.3	17
Washington ^b	305,633	279,368	75,159	24.6	25
West Virginia ^b	139,040	121,784	40,234	28.9	15
Wisconsin	341,097	198,498	76,364	22.4	29
Wyoming ^b	49,967	25,737	11,505	23.0	28
United States	19,595,982	13,889,280	5,587,252	28.5%	

^a States are ranked 1-50 with 1 meaning the highest percent of children who receive free or reduced-price lunch also participated in Summer Nutrition Programs and 50 meaning the lowest number of children who receive free or reduced-price lunch also participate in Summer Nutrition Programs.

^b In these states, 50 percent or more of eligible school districts adopted the Community Eligibility Provision for the 2020-2021 school year. These high poverty school districts offered breakfast and lunch at no charge to all students without having to collect and process individual meal applications.

Note: Participation data are based on average daily meals served from September through May for the School Lunch and Breakfast Programs and in July for the Summer Food Service Program.

Sources: Hayes, Clarissa and Crystal FitzSimons. 2022. "School Meals Report, 2020-2021 School Year." FRAC. <https://frac.org/research/resource-library/breakfast2022>; Hayes, Clarissa, Kelsey Boone and Crystal FitzSimons. 2023. "Hunger Doesn't Take a Vacation: Summer Nutrition Status Report," Table 1. FRAC. <https://frac.org/research/resource-library/hunger-doesnt-take-a-vacation-summer-nutrition-status-report-2022>; Pérez, Allyson and Crystal FitzSimons. 2021. "Community Eligibility: The Key to Hunger-Free Schools: School Year 2020-2021." <https://frac.org/wp-content/uploads/CEP-Report-2021.pdf>

In FY2020, 1 in 5 children benefited from SNAP. In FY2022, nearly 1 in 5 children under age 5 relied on WIC during years of critical development.

Table 12: Average Monthly Number of Children Participating in SNAP and WIC

	Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), FY2020 ^a			Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC), FY2022 ^b			
	Number	As a Percent of:		Number of:			
		All Children ^c	All SNAP Participants	All Participants	Infants	Children Under 5	As a Percent of Children Under 5 ^d
Alabama	316,000	28.1%	45.6%	108,661	28,878	55,854	19.1%
Alaska	30,000	16.6	40.8	13,761	2,928	7,905	16.4
Arizona	326,000	20.2	43.9	130,073	29,763	73,741	18.4
Arkansas	141,000	20.0	44.0	56,008	16,761	24,9w76	13.8
California	1,640,000	18.4	41.1	936,126	175,546	567,069	25.6
Colorado	179,000	14.2	42.4	77,997	17,216	42,971	13.7
Connecticut	108,000	14.6	31.7	46,210	11,375	25,070	14.1
Delaware	50,000	24.0	44.5	17,739	4,241	9,839	18.4
District of Columbia	38,000	30.0	35.4	11,640	2,801	6,121	15.0
Florida	1,069,000	25.0	39.8	410,739	97,491	218,492	19.8
Georgia	586,000	23.1	46.1	191,689	47,103	102,563	16.2
Hawaii	56,000	18.1	37.4	25,855	5,254	15,043	18.2
Idaho	65,000	14.1	45.1	29,030	6,407	16,385	14.3
Illinois	748,000	26.2	43.8	155,525	42,921	77,101	10.9
Indiana	268,000	16.8	48.7	151,510	34,017	85,592	21.0
Iowa	120,000	16.2	41.7	55,987	12,659	30,932	16.4
Kansas	83,000	11.7	44.0	44,209	10,114	24,510	13.8
Kentucky	219,000	21.5	45.5	108,667	25,814	61,071	23.0
Louisiana	369,000	33.7	47.5	84,355	26,633	34,297	12.0
Maine	46,000	18.1	31.9	16,846	3,601	9,929	15.9
Maryland	235,000	17.1	39.0	118,783	27,321	63,945	18.0
Massachusetts	228,000	16.5	31.1	115,590	22,538	70,154	20.2
Michigan	431,000	19.8	38.6	200,223	44,475	116,010	21.2
Minnesota	172,000	12.9	44.7	99,741	20,388	58,429	17.3
Mississippi	199,000	28.4	47.7	66,395	18,619	33,864	19.1
Missouri	276,000	19.8	42.9	83,666	23,322	39,462	11.0
Montana	40,000	17.1	38.5	13,825	3,030	7,996	13.7
Nebraska	72,000	14.8	47.8	35,243	7,348	20,721	16.5
Nevada	162,000	23.1	40.8	51,973	12,000	28,851	16.2
New Hampshire	26,000	10.0	36.5	13,641	2,565	8,584	13.8
New Jersey	283,000	13.8	41.9	146,663	31,384	83,227	16.0
New Mexico	178,000	36.9	40.9	32,169	7,950	16,183	14.1
New York	851,000	20.2	34.1	387,415	83,859	219,798	20.0
North Carolina	534,000	23.2	44.7	258,151	57,673	144,302	24.5
North Dakota	21,000	11.2	46.4	9,848	2,107	5,803	11.3
Ohio	529,000	20.1	39.5	160,145	40,358	81,690	12.1
Oklahoma	241,000	25.1	43.3	63,731	16,257	31,963	13.0
Oregon	197,000	22.6	34.0	74,184	14,249	44,601	21.0
Pennsylvania	603,000	22.3	34.9	158,228	37,909	84,642	12.4
Rhode Island	43,000	20.2	31.2	16,188	3,816	8,809	16.4
South Carolina	265,000	23.8	46.5	86,233	22,149	45,360	16.0
South Dakota	39,000	17.7	51.0	13,728	3,126	7,947	13.5
Tennessee	370,000	24.0	45.1	114,799	31,046	55,184	13.7
Texas	1,822,000	24.3	56.2	698,986	171,841	335,789	17.6
Utah	83,000	8.7	51.5	37,457	8,554	20,247	8.5
Vermont	22,000	18.6	33.3	11,199	1,913	7,120	25.2
Virginia	271,000	14.3	41.1	121,132	27,895	68,123	13.9
Washington	258,000	15.2	32.8	121,663	24,439	71,230	16.4
West Virginia	102,000	28.1	34.4	33,972	7,991	19,211	21.5
Wisconsin	231,000	17.9	39.5	84,350	18,480	49,208	15.4
Wyoming	11,000	8.2	45.6	6,723	1,537	3,670	11.4
United States	15,290,000	20.6%	42.0%	6,259,459	1,428,783	3,430,349	18.2%

^a October 2019 through February 2020 from the fiscal year 2020 SNAP QC sample.

^b Average monthly participation data from October 2021 to September 2022 as of February 2023. All data are preliminary and subject to revision. Data excludes participation from American Indian tribal organizations.

^c Calculations made by Children's Defense Fund based on estimates of the child population for July 1, 2020.

Sources: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program. 2022. "Characteristics of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Households: Fiscal Year 2020," Table B.14a. <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/characteristics-snap-households-fy-2020-and-early-months-covid-19-pandemic-characteristics>; U.S. Department of Agriculture. 2023. WIC Program Data. "Monthly Data-State Level Participation by Category and Program Costs – FY 2022 (Preliminary)." <https://www.fns.usda.gov/pd/wic-program>; The Annie E Casey Foundation, KIDS COUNT Data Center. "Child Population by Age Group in the United States." <https://datacenter.kidscount.org/data/tables/101>.

About 1 in 20 children in the U.S. were uninsured in 2021—some 3.9 million children. Hispanic children were twice as likely to be uninsured as White, Black, and Asian children. Children in families living below 100% of the poverty line were more likely to be uninsured than their counterparts.

Table 13A: Uninsured Children—A Portrait

Number and Percent of People Uninsured by Age, 2020 and 2021

	2020		2021		Change 2020-2021	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total, All Ages*	28,291,000	8.6%	27,187,000	8.3%	-1,104,000	-3.5%
Under 19*	4,361,000	5.6	3,851,000	5.0	-510,000	-10.7
Under 6 ^a	–	–	1,013,971	4.5	–	–
6-18 Years ^a	–	–	3,150,717	5.7	–	–
19-64 Years	23,373,000	11.9	22,603,000	11.6	-770,000	-2.5

Table 13B: Uninsured Children by Age, Race/Ethnicity, Poverty Level, Citizenship, and Region, 2020 and 2021

	Percent Uninsured in 2020	Percent Uninsured in 2021	Percent Change 2020-2021	One Out of Every ___ is Uninsured
All Children Under 19*	5.6%	5.0%	-10.7%	20
By Age				
Under 6 ^a	–	4.5	–	22
6 to 18 Years ^a	–	5.7	–	18
By Race/Ethnicity				
White	3.8	3.4	-10.5	29
Hispanic	9.5	8.6	-9.5	12
Black*	5.9	4.3	-27.1	23
Asian*	2.8	4.6	64.3	22
By Poverty Level				
Below 100% of poverty	9.3	8.3	-10.8	12
100%-399% of poverty	6.9	6.4	-7.2	16
400%+ of poverty*	2.1	1.7	-19.0	59
By Citizenship				
Native-Born Citizen*	5.2	4.5	-13.5	22
Naturalized Citizen	7.5	5.2	-30.7	19
Non-Citizen	20.8	22.6	8.7	4
By Region				
Northeast	3.2	3.0	-6.3	33
Midwest	4.4	3.7	-15.9	27
South*	7.7	6.8	-11.7	15
West	4.9	4.7	-4.1	21

^aData are from the American Community Survey; all other data in these tables are from the Current Population Survey.

*Denotes a statistically significant change between 2020 and 2021 at the 90 percent confidence level.

Notes: Uninsured is defined as not covered by any type of insurance (private or public) for the entire year. The White racial category does not include children of Hispanic ethnicity.

Sources: Keisler-Starkey, Katherine and Lisa Bunch. 2022 "Health Insurance Coverage in the United States: 2021 Current Population Reports." U.S. Census Bureau, Table C-1. <https://www.census.gov/library/publications/2022/demo/p60-278.html>; US Census Bureau. 2022. 2021 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates, Table B27001 - Health Insurance Coverage Status by Sex by Age. <https://data.census.gov/cedsci/>

In 2022, Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) provided comprehensive and affordable health and mental health coverage to more than 41 million children—5 million more than before the pandemic—but 4 million children remained uninsured.

Table 14: Children Uninsured and Enrolled in Medicaid/CHIP, 2021^a

	Uninsured, Ages 0-18						Child Enrollment in Medicaid and CHIP						
	Uninsured, Under Age 6		Uninsured, Ages 6-18		Uninsured, Ages 0-18,		Change in Coverage 2019-2021 ^b	State Rank by Percent Uninsured ^c	Feb 2020	Jan 2022	Change in Enrollment 2020-2022		State Expanded ^d
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%					Number	Number	
							Number	%	Number	%			
Alabama	10,668	3.1%	36,577	4.3%	47,245	4.0%	-7,085	18	660,859	748,341	87,482	13.2%	No
Alaska	4,634	8.1	10,065	7.8	14,699	7.9	3,160	45	97,379	104,013	6,634	6.8	Yes
Arizona	33,225	6.9	112,706	9.1	145,931	8.5	15,399	47	752,139	869,654	117,515	15.6	Yes
Arkansas	12,815	5.9	30,109	5.7	42,924	5.8	471	33	370,840	418,053	47,213	12.7	Yes
California	70,623	2.6	250,705	3.8	321,328	3.5	12,706	14	4,806,615	5,152,287	345,672	7.2	Yes
Colorado	12,541	3.4	48,559	5.1	61,100	4.6	11,456	26	573,629	666,140	92,511	16.1	Yes
Connecticut	2,621	1.2	16,001	2.9	18,622	2.4	8,279	3	331,656	356,918	25,262	7.6	Yes
Delaware	2,554	3.9	5,697	3.7	8,251	3.7	2,131	16	104,741	118,304	13,563	12.9	Yes
District of Columbia	2,363	4.8	2,553	3.0	4,916	3.7	-2,092	–	90,421	97,531	7,110	7.9	Yes
Florida	78,743	6.0	252,985	7.9	331,728	7.3	10,951	41	2,410,942	2,860,871	449,929	18.7	No
Georgia	42,297	5.5	133,804	7.0	176,101	6.6	21,035	38	1,268,470	1,612,656	344,186	27.1	No
Hawaii	3,321	3.5	5,634	2.5	8,955	2.8	-11,543	6	138,826	159,597	20,771	15.0	Yes
Idaho	8,944	6.4	26,168	7.3	35,112	7.0	-9,543	40	175,309	201,399	26,090	14.9	Yes
Illinois	24,460	2.9	70,753	3.3	95,213	3.2	24,826	10	1,347,284	1,514,755	167,471	12.4	Yes
Indiana	29,147	5.9	70,986	6.0	100,133	6.0	18,650	35	817,962	988,200	170,238	20.8	Yes
Iowa	7,428	3.3	18,778	3.4	26,206	3.4	-3,855	12	337,748	375,572	37,824	11.2	Yes
Kansas	9,984	4.6	27,581	5.2	37,565	5.0	5,471	29	263,184	314,936	51,752	19.7	No
Kentucky	11,410	3.6	31,280	4.1	42,690	4.0	2,401	19	547,576	619,125	71,549	13.1	Yes
Louisiana	11,060	3.2	34,411	4.3	45,471	4.0	4,567	20	719,559	785,579	66,020	9.2	Yes
Maine	2,685	3.6	8,599	4.6	11,284	4.3	3,379	22	108,717	130,080	21,363	19.7	Yes
Maryland	18,320	4.3	44,067	4.3	62,387	4.3	-14,605	23	622,062	700,039	77,977	12.5	Yes
Massachusetts	4,519	1.1	13,947	1.3	18,466	1.3	3,557	1	656,626	732,488	75,862	11.6	Yes
Michigan	19,205	2.9	50,160	3.1	69,365	3.0	8,599	7	944,233	1,082,861	138,628	14.7	Yes
Minnesota	11,426	2.8	32,419	3.3	43,845	3.2	-1,458	9	530,743	614,396	83,653	15.8	Yes
Mississippi	8,490	4.1	37,386	7.1	45,876	6.2	-163	36	417,689	487,197	69,508	16.6	No
Missouri	26,221	6.1	59,400	5.8	85,621	5.9	9,065	34	536,875	702,084	165,209	30.8	No*
Montana	5,074	7.3	12,301	6.9	17,375	7.0	-2,341	39	114,894	128,901	14,007	12.2	Yes
Nebraska	4,776	3.1	19,202	5.4	23,978	4.7	4,416	27	165,414	194,887	29,473	17.8	Yes
Nevada	16,077	7.4	47,155	9.1	63,232	8.6	-5,246	48	295,392	358,306	62,914	21.3	Yes
New Hampshire	2,054	2.8	8,765	4.4	10,819	4.0	-643	17	89,507	104,857	15,350	17.1	Yes
New Jersey	15,273	2.4	60,492	4.0	75,765	3.6	12,356	15	811,342	927,532	116,190	14.3	Yes
New Mexico	7,426	5.2	24,682	6.8	32,108	6.4	-3,271	37	332,629	374,319	41,690	12.5	Yes
New York	31,638	2.4	83,743	2.7	115,381	2.6	-14,586	5	2,389,703	2,571,034	181,331	7.6	Yes
North Carolina	35,373	5.1	99,283	5.7	134,656	5.5	6,872	32	1,189,125	1,345,625	156,500	13.2	No
North Dakota	4,275	6.9	10,012	7.5	14,287	7.3	247	42	42,563	55,411	12,848	30.2	Yes
Ohio	38,943	4.9	100,606	5.1	139,549	5.1	-8,520	30	1,152,914	1,307,412	154,498	13.4	Yes
Oklahoma	18,146	6.1	57,150	8.0	75,296	7.4	10,983	43	502,359	620,082	117,723	23.4	No*
Oregon	6,058	2.4	25,305	3.9	31,363	3.4	6,152	13	416,860	472,679	55,819	13.4	Yes
Pennsylvania	37,611	4.6	88,556	4.4	126,167	4.4	1,740	25	1,383,641	1,539,060	155,419	11.2	Yes
Rhode Island	1,023	1.6	4,674	2.9	5,697	2.5	-1,516	4	116,420	125,062	8,642	7.4	Yes
South Carolina	12,797	3.8	50,389	5.9	63,186	5.3	5,644	31	648,589	732,150	83,561	12.9	No
South Dakota	5,891	8.3	11,646	7.2	17,537	7.6	100	44	77,955	94,643	16,688	21.4	No‡
Tennessee	18,237	3.8	61,889	5.4	80,126	4.9	346	28	819,732	932,774	113,042	13.8	No
Texas	200,649	8.7	729,331	13.1	929,980	11.8	65,344	50	3,301,272	4,002,012	700,740	21.2	No
Utah	20,134	7.1	58,903	8.3	79,037	7.9	2,580	46	184,630	229,953	45,323	24.5	Yes
Vermont	939	2.9	1,436	1.5	2,375	1.9	230	2	60,890	65,425	4,535	7.4	Yes
Virginia	24,288	4.2	63,890	4.5	88,178	4.4	8,391	24	756,692	894,254	137,562	18.2	Yes
Washington	15,116	2.9	39,503	3.2	54,619	3.1	-474	8	826,585	891,274	64,689	7.8	Yes
West Virginia	2,890	2.7	9,726	3.6	12,616	3.3	809	11	213,391	236,509	23,118	10.8	Yes
Wisconsin	15,810	4.1	38,614	4.0	54,424	4.0	-3,711	21	506,220	606,383	100,163	19.8	No
Wyoming	3,769	10.4	12,134	11.7	15,903	11.4	-658	49	37,242	47,635	10,393	27.9	No
United States	1,013,971	4.5%	3,150,717	0.06	4,164,688	5.4%	210,414	–	36,068,045	41,271,255	5,203,210	14.4%	–

^a Uninsured at the time of the survey, not necessarily for the entire year. These numbers are among children ages 0-18.

^b Calculations were based on a comparison with data from 2018 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates, Table B27001- Health Insurance Coverage Status by Sex by Age.

^c States are ranked 1-50 with 1 meaning the lowest percent of children who are uninsured and 50 meaning the highest percent of children who are uninsured.

^d These states had expanded Medicaid to 138 percent of the FPL for all eligible adults in the state as of January 2022. When parents are covered, their children are more likely to also be covered. An asterisk (*) denotes the state expanded Medicaid between January 2022 and February 2023. ‡ South Dakota has adopted but not yet implemented the ACA Medicaid expansion.

Sources: U.S. Census Bureau. 2022. 2021 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates, Table B27001 - Health Insurance Coverage Status by Sex by Age. <https://data.census.gov/cedsci/>; Alker, Joan. 2022. "The Latest on Child Medicaid and CHIP Enrollment During the Pandemic." Georgetown University Health Policy Institute Center for Children and Families. <https://ccf.georgetown.edu/2022/06/02/the-latest-on-child-medicaid-and-chip-enrollment-during-the-pandemic/>; Kaiser Family Foundation. 2023. "Status of State Action on the Medicaid" Expansion Decision, as of February 16, 2023. <https://www.kff.org/health-reform/state-indicator/state-activity-around-expanding-medicaid-under-the-affordable-care-act/>

Children's access to health coverage and services across the United States remains a lottery of geography.

Table 15: Selected Characteristics of State Medicaid and CHIP Programs, 2022

	Upper-Income Eligibility for Medicaid and CHIP (Percent of FPL) ^a	12-month Continuous Eligibility ^b	Lawfully- Residing Immigrant Children Covered without 5-Year Wait ^c	Medicaid Expansion State ^d
Alabama	317%	M, C	No	No
Alaska	208	M, n/a	No	Yes
Arizona	205		No	Yes
Arkansas	216	C	Yes	Yes
California	266	M, n/a	Yes	Yes
Colorado	265	M, C	Yes	Yes
Connecticut	323		Yes	Yes
Delaware	217	C	Yes	Yes
District of Columbia	324		Yes	Yes
Florida	215	C	Yes	No
Georgia	252		No	No
Hawaii	313		Yes	Yes
Idaho	190	M, C	No	Yes
Illinois	318	M, C	Yes	Yes
Indiana	255		No	Yes
Iowa	380	M, C	Yes	Yes
Kansas	230	M, C	No	No
Kentucky	218		Yes	Yes
Louisiana	255	M, C	Yes	Yes
Maine	213	M, C	Yes	Yes
Maryland	322		Yes	Yes
Massachusetts	305		Yes	Yes
Michigan	217	M, n/a	No	Yes
Minnesota	288		Yes	Yes
Mississippi	214	M, C	No	No
Missouri	305		No	No*
Montana	266	M, C	Yes	Yes
Nebraska	218		Yes	Yes
Nevada	205	C	Yes	Yes
New Hampshire	323		No	Yes
New Jersey	355	M, C	Yes	Yes
New Mexico	305	M, n/a	Yes	Yes
New York	405	M, C	Yes	Yes
North Carolina	216	M, C	Yes	No
North Dakota	175	M, n/a	No	Yes
Ohio	211	M, n/a	Yes	Yes
Oklahoma	210		No	No*
Oregon	305	M, C	Yes	Yes
Pennsylvania	319	C	Yes	Yes
Rhode Island	266	n/a	Yes	Yes
South Carolina	213	M	Yes	No
South Dakota	209		No	No‡
Tennessee	255	C	No	No
Texas	206	C	Yes	No
Utah	205	C	Yes	Yes
Vermont	317		Yes	Yes
Virginia	205		Yes	Yes
Washington	317	M, C	Yes	Yes
West Virginia	305	M, C	Yes	Yes
Wisconsin	306		Yes	No
Wyoming	205%	M, n/a	No	No

^a Highest level of income eligibility for Medicaid or CHIP as a percent of the federal poverty level (FPL).

^b "M" denotes 12-month continuous eligibility for Medicaid. "C" denotes 12-month continuous eligibility for CHIP. "n/a" denotes the state does not provide a separate CHIP program for uninsured children.

^c These states cover immigrant children who have been lawfully residing in the U.S. for less than five years under the Immigrant Children's Health Improvement Act (ICHIA) option with state funds.

^d These states had expanded Medicaid to 138 percent of the FPL for all eligible adults in the state as of January 2022. When parents are covered, their children are more likely to also be covered. An asterisk (*) denotes the state expanded Medicaid between January 2022 and February 2023. ‡ South Dakota has adopted but not yet implemented the ACA Medicaid expansion.

Sources: Brooks, Tricia et al. 2022. "Medicaid and CHIP Eligibility, Enrollment, Renewal, and Cost-Sharing Practices as of January 2022: Findings from a 50-State Survey." Georgetown University Center for Children and Families and Kaiser Family Foundation. <https://www.kff.org/medicaid/report/medicaid-and-chip-eligibility-and-enrollment-policies-as-of-january-2022-findings-from-a-50-state-survey/>; Kaiser Family Foundation. 2023. "Status of State Action on the Medicaid Expansion Decision, as of February 16, 2023." <https://www.kff.org/health-reform/state-indicator/state-activity-around-expanding-medicaid-under-the-affordable-care-act/>

More than 40% of births in the U.S. were covered by Medicaid in recent years. In 2020, the Black infant mortality rate was more than twice that of White and Hispanic infants.

Table 16A: Births Covered by Medicaid and Infant Mortality, 2020

	Births Covered by Medicaid, 2020		Infant Mortality, 2020 (Rate per 1,000 Births)			
	Percent	Number	All Races/ Ethnicities ^a	White	Black	Hispanic
Alabama	50%	28,920	7.0	4.6	11.2	7.3
Alaska	39	3,674	5.2	–	–	–
Arizona	48	36,750	5.3	4.1	12.4	5.3
Arkansas	44	15,352	7.5	7.0	10.3	–
California	40	167,437	3.9	2.8	9.3	4.5
Colorado	36	22,086	4.8	3.6	11.2	5.6
Connecticut	37	12,263	4.3	2.5	9.7	5.5
Delaware	41	4,219	5.6	5.1	9.4	–
District of Columbia	45	4,013	4.5	–	6.8	–
Florida	47	97,732	5.8	4.2	10.0	4.7
Georgia	47	57,730	6.2	5.0	9.3	4.1
Hawaii	35	5,501	5.0	–	–	8.0
Idaho	35	7,574	5.1	5.2	–	–
Illinois	39	51,681	5.5	3.8	12.6	5.0
Indiana	39	30,231	6.7	5.7	13.2	6.0
Iowa	39	13,892	4.4	3.7	9.2	–
Kansas	31	10,689	6.9	5.3	16.7	7.2
Kentucky	48	24,839	6.3	5.4	12.4	–
Louisiana	61	35,197	7.5	5.0	11.2	4.6
Maine	39	4,458	6.2	6.1	–	–
Maryland	39	26,939	5.7	3.3	9.5	4.6
Massachusetts	31	20,668	3.9	3.1	6.9	4.4
Michigan	40	41,101	6.8	4.8	13.7	7.2
Minnesota	32	20,489	4.2	3.5	5.9	3.9
Mississippi	60	21,303	8.3	5.4	11.6	–
Missouri	39	27,011	5.7	4.5	11.4	5.4
Montana	38	4,140	5.3	3.7	–	–
Nebraska	35	8,463	5.6	5.7	11.0	–
Nevada	44	14,950	4.6	3.9	7.7	4.4
New Hampshire	24	2,849	4.4	4.5	–	–
New Jersey	28	27,711	4.0	3.1	8.1	3.7
New Mexico	54	11,908	5.3	–	–	5.6
New York	46	96,111	4.1	3.1	6.9	3.7
North Carolina	41	47,634	6.9	4.6	12.2	5.7
North Dakota	24	2,440	5.6	4.6	–	–
Ohio	41	53,209	6.7	5.1	13.4	5.3
Oklahoma	51	24,198	5.9	4.9	11.4	6.0
Oregon	43	16,991	4.2	3.6	–	4.5
Pennsylvania	34	43,963	5.6	4.4	10.0	5.5
Rhode Island	48	4,883	4.2	–	–	–
South Carolina	48	26,844	6.5	4.3	11.1	3.7
South Dakota	29	3,183	7.4	5.6	–	–
Tennessee	49	38,287	6.3	5.3	9.6	6.2
Texas	50	183,057	5.3	4.7	10.0	4.8
Utah	22	10,046	5.5	5.4	–	6.9
Vermont	40	2,048	–	–	–	–
Virginia	32	30,086	5.7	3.8	10.8	5.9
Washington	37	30,379	4.5	3.4	6.9	6.9
West Virginia	48	8,301	7.5	7.1	–	–
Wisconsin	36	21,628	6.0	4.3	15.8	7.9
Wyoming	30	1,831	5.1	5.2	–	–
United States	42.0%	1,506,889	5.4	4.3	10.3	4.9

Table 16B: Births Covered by Medicaid, by Maternal Characteristics, 2018

Residence		
Rural	50.0%	258,390
Urban	41.9	1,389,148
Race and Ethnicity		
Black	65.9	367,439
Hispanic	60.2	538,440
Asian	25.0	62,103
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	56.2	5,235
American Indian or Alaska Native	67.3	19,987
White	30.5%	603,746

Notes: Infant mortality is defined as death before age 1. Race/ethnicity is based on the infant's race/ethnicity. White and Black racial categories exclude infants of Hispanic ethnicity. Hispanic infants can be of any race. Data for other racial/ethnic groups were not widely available. "–" means data reported by state did not meet standards of reliability or precision according to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention.

Sources: Kaiser Family Foundation. 2023. "Births Financed by Medicaid." (Accessed 19 February, 2023) <https://www.kff.org/medicaid/state-indicator/births-financed-by-medicaid/>; The Annie E Casey Foundation, Kids Count Data Center. 2022. "Infant Mortality by Race and Ethnicity in the United States." <https://datacenter.kidscount.org/data/tables/11051-infant-mortality-by-race-and-ethnicity>; MACPAC. 2020. "Medicaid's Role in Financing Maternity Care." Medicaid and CHIP Payment and Access Commission. <https://www.macpac.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/Medicaid's-Role-in-Financing-Maternity-Care.pdf>.

In 2021, center-based child care for infants was more expensive than public college in 34 states and the District of Columbia.

Table 17: Child Care Costs for Infants, 2021

	Average Annual Cost for an Infant in Center-Based Care	Percent Difference between Cost of Center-Based Infant Care and Public College ^a	Cost of Center-Based Infant Care as a Percent of:		
			Income for a Poor Family	State Median Income for a Single-Parent Family	Median Annual Rent
Alabama*	\$7,800	-29.9%	35.5%	33.0%	80.1%
Alaska	11,760	33.1	42.8	32.0	79.0
Arizona*	12,405	5.0	56.5	38.1	94.2
Arkansas	7,431	-19.7	33.8	29.1	81.5
California	18,201	83.2	82.9	51.8	95.6
Colorado	–	–	–	–	–
Connecticut	16,276	11.9	74.1	47.5	112.9
Delaware	13,130	-5.5	59.8	39.7	95.1
District of Columbia*	25,523	195.5	116.2	75.1	132.4
Florida	10,774	69.3	49.1	34.5	73.7
Georgia	9,227	3.9	42.0	31.3	73.8
Hawaii	18,044	64.0	71.4	46.1	91.1
Idaho	8,750	9.4	39.8	31.8	82.2
Illinois	15,600	6.4	71.0	49.9	125.2
Indiana	11,544	16.2	52.6	40.7	114.0
Iowa	11,459	18.5	52.2	38.0	118.5
Kansas	15,089	61.2	68.7	50.0	145.7
Kentucky	9,685	-13.3	44.1	39.3	103.1
Louisiana*	8,580	-14.3	39.1	37.7	81.6
Maine	11,960	8.4	54.5	36.8	114.2
Maryland	17,889	74.6	81.5	41.8	105.4
Massachusetts	21,269	52.1	96.9	60.4	132.7
Michigan*	13,458	-6.1	61.3	47.9	125.7
Minnesota	17,056	37.5	77.7	48.1	140.7
Mississippi*	7,280	-17.9	33.2	33.8	76.9
Missouri	10,555	7.7	48.1	36.3	104.3
Montana	11,700	61.1	53.3	42.9	116.6
Nebraska	16,640	83.0	75.8	53.5	161.8
Nevada	13,420	57.0	61.1	39.9	96.5
New Hampshire	14,245	-16.4	64.9	37.1	103.7
New Jersey*	17,460	16.7	79.5	49.6	106.4
New Mexico*	12,024	50.8	54.8	47.3	116.9
New York	18,574	117.1	84.6	57.7	117.7
North Carolina	11,202	51.6	51.0	41.0	100.2
North Dakota	9,925	-0.9	45.2	32.2	99.9
Ohio	10,118	-16.1	46.1	37.8	102.2
Oklahoma*	11,523	24.9	52.5	43.9	117.4
Oregon	15,786	28.9	71.9	49.7	112.1
Pennsylvania*	12,152	-20.6	55.3	39.9	105.7
Rhode Island	13,780	-2.3	62.8	40.6	111.4
South Carolina	10,631	-19.0	48.4	40.0	96.5
South Dakota	7,426	-20.1	33.8	24.6	81.3
Tennessee	10,780	1.9	49.1	40.3	100.1
Texas*	11,596	4.5	52.8	38.4	89.3
Utah	11,232	52.0	51.1	31.4	85.9
Vermont*	15,080	-15.0	68.7	46.4	125.8
Virginia	15,288	8.3	69.6	44.8	101.4
Washington*	19,200	76.1	87.4	54.5	119.7
West Virginia	10,140	16.1	46.2	48.3	115.4
Wisconsin	13,511	47.5	61.5	43.1	129.1
Wyoming*	10,060	65.0	45.8	33.2	98.3

^a A positive value (higher than 0) means infant center-based care cost more than public college tuition. A negative value (lower than 0) means infant center-based care cost less than public college tuition.

Notes: "*" means state did not report on the 2022 survey; data reported from state's most recent Market Rate Survey. "–" means data was not reported or not available.

Source: Child Care Aware of America. 2022. "Price of Care: 2021 Child Care Affordability Analysis," Appendices III, XI, XII, XV. <https://info.childcareaware.org/hubs/Child%20Care%20Affordability%20Analysis%202021.pdf>.

Although close to 897,000 families and 1.5 million children were served each month by the Child Care and Development Fund in FY2020, more than 285,000 subsidies have been lost since 2006—the year before the recession began.

Table 18: Average Monthly Number of Children and Families Served by the Child Care and Development Fund by Race/Ethnicity, FY2020

	Number of Families, FY2020	Number of Children, FY2020	Change in Children Served 2006-2020	Percent of Children Who Are:							
				White	Hispanic	Black	Asian	Native American/ Alaska Native	Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	Two or More Races	In Unregulated Care
Alabama	17,300	32,400	4,400	21.8%	1.1%	76.3%	0.2%	0.1%	0.0%	1.5%	2.0%
Alaska	1,900	2,500	-2,400	47.6	11.0	8.2	2.1	9.4	2.1	24.9	0.8
Arizona	22,700	34,600	4,400	57.9	34.6	20.2	0.5	4.0	0.4	17.1	3.6
Arkansas	8,400	11,400	5,800	45.9	7.9	42.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	3.0	0.1
California	120,700	200,800	25,300	70.3	53.4	22.6	3.7	1.0	0.7	1.7	22.0
Colorado	10,300	17,100	800	35.6	27.9	12.2	0.5	1.2	0.2	6.3	1.0
Connecticut*	7,900	11,400	1,300	20.4	26.7	26.6	0.7	0.4	0.2	0.0	26.5
Delaware	3,600	5,800	-1,700	33.0	13.0	66.0	0.7	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.5
District of Columbia	1,200	1,600	-2,100	10.7	13.1	87.1	0.3	0.7	0.5	0.3	0.0
Florida	77,000	109,100	500	39.6	27.6	47.0	0.3	0.3	0.1	5.7	5.9
Georgia*	30,400	54,600	-10,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0.0
Hawaii	1,600	2,600	-6,000	10.9	9.7	0.9	23.5	0.2	27.6	37.0	40.8
Idaho	3,900	6,900	-3,000	81.5	23.4	8.7	0.2	0.0	0.2	1.5	11.7
Illinois	28,500	50,500	-31,700	18.4	20.6	44.7	1.5	0.2	0.2	4.0	25.0
Indiana	16,100	30,700	-2,100	38.6	9.2	52.2	0.3	0.2	0.1	8.4	21.8
Iowa	9,000	16,400	-3,000	59.7	12.0	19.4	0.5	0.5	0.1	8.1	1.1
Kansas	6,600	11,700	-10,700	55.3	8.8	20.1	0.1	0.5	0.1	19.6	6.2
Kentucky	11,600	20,800	-8,100	57.7	5.7	30.4	0.2	0.0	0.0	5.4	0.5
Louisiana	12,700	19,700	-19,400	24.6	2.7	69.2	0.2	0.7	0.1	5.0	2.3
Maine	3,000	4,800	-600	81.4	3.0	7.6	0.3	0.3	0.1	4.1	10.1
Maryland	12,500	19,600	-3,300	16.0	6.1	77.1	0.8	0.5	0.1	5.6	2.6
Massachusetts*	20,000	28,700	-3,400	27.7	36.5	15.7	2.3	0.3	0.2	2.0	0.6
Michigan	19,100	34,000	-53,800	39.4	5.2	50.8	0.1	0.6	0.0	1.7	20.4
Minnesota	10,800	21,600	-5,700	29.9	5.3	55.1	1.3	1.1	0.0	7.5	8.2
Mississippi	12,700	22,100	-17,000	16.9	1.3	78.8	0.1	0.1	0.0	1.8	6.2
Missouri	19,400	28,700	-4,900	36.3	8.3	45.4	0.2	0.3	0.1	1.7	16.9
Montana	1,100	1,600	-3,200	70.7	6.5	2.3	0.4	15.3	0.3	4.1	5.2
Nebraska	4,000	7,500	-5,600	48.4	18.3	27.3	0.5	2.5	0.2	11.8	4.9
Nevada	5,300	9,100	3,100	42.7	30.1	42.9	1.4	1.0	1.4	2.4	31.0
New Hampshire	3,100	4,200	-3,300	66.7	6.9	3.7	0.4	0.6	0.1	3.3	1.5
New Jersey	28,400	42,700	4,800	42.5	41.5	44.3	1.2	0.2	1.1	1.1	1.1
New Mexico	6,800	10,900	-10,700	75.9	67.2	5.6	0.7	7.3	0.3	0.0	0.0
New York	47,700	78,200	-45,500	38.3	31.4	39.2	2.7	1.3	2.2	5.1	25.6
North Carolina	25,000	40,500	-39,400	34.4	5.5	60.8	0.4	1.9	0.1	2.5	1.0
North Dakota	1,400	2,400	-1,600	67.5	0.1	18.6	0.3	13.2	0.0	0.1	10.8
Ohio	29,200	56,200	16,300	26.3	5.6	54.0	0.2	0.1	0.1	5.5	0.0
Oklahoma	14,900	24,900	-100	56.2	13.6	27.7	0.4	4.8	0.2	10.6	0.0
Oregon	7,500	12,500	-7,700	80.1	28.2	11.5	1.0	1.9	0.6	5.0	23.1
Pennsylvania	55,700	96,000	13,200	30.8	17.9	48.1	1.4	0.1	0.1	2.6	5.0
Rhode Island*	2,000	3,200	-3,900	20.7	15.8	10.4	0.2	0.6	0.0	0.4	0.6
South Carolina	7,600	11,700	-8,000	32.9	4.1	56.5	0.2	0.1	0.0	8.7	4.1
South Dakota	2,200	3,400	-1,500	58.7	5.4	4.8	0.5	22.1	0.1	13.8	8.4
Tennessee	26,500	38,100	-4,400	50.4	2.9	48.5	0.7	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.2
Texas	84,600	147,100	20,900	49.8	42.6	31.1	0.4	0.3	0.1	2.2	0.4
Utah*	6,500	12,400	-600	16.8	7.9	2.9	0.2	1.3	0.3	0.2	4.0
Vermont	1,600	2,200	-4,600	90.2	2.7	4.5	0.9	0.3	0.1	4.0	0.1
Virginia	11,000	19,400	-8,500	32.8	7.3	64.5	1.7	0.5	0.5	0.0	0.3
Washington	17,400	29,600	-23,600	49.4	31.2	20.7	2.4	3.6	0.9	0.0	0.0
West Virginia	5,700	9,700	400	74.7	2.3	9.7	0.2	0.1	0.0	13.1	0.1
Wisconsin	11,000	18,400	-11,100	21.5	10.9	34.2	0.8	0.8	0.0	6.0	0.0
Wyoming	1,600	2,600	-2,100	82.8	10.8	4.1	0.2	1.7	0.1	0.0	8.3
United States^a	896,700	1,484,600	-285,500	43.9%	25.3%	38.5%	1.3%	0.9%	0.5%	4.0%	9.0%

^a Counts for the United States exclude U.S. territories and protectorates. Percents include data from territories and protectorates.

Note: Data are preliminary and subject to change. Racial categories (White, Black, Asian, American Indian/Alaska Native, Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander, Multi-Racial) include children of Hispanic ethnicity. Percents for racial groups do not add up to 100 percent because of missing data. "*" Denotes states where information on race/ethnicity was missing or invalid for 50% or more children. "—" indicates data not reported.

Sources: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. 2022. "FY 2020 CCDF Data Tables (Preliminary)," Tables 1, 4, 11, and 12. <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/occ/data/fy-2020-ccdf-data-tables-preliminary>; U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. 2008. "FY 2006 CCDF Data Tables (Final)," Table 1. <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/occ/resource/ccdf-data-06acf800-final>.

In 2021, the average hourly wage for child care workers was less than half of a living wage for a single parent in all 50 states and the District of Columbia.

Table 19: Child Care Worker Wages, 2021

	Annual Mean Wage	Hourly Mean Wage	Living Wage for a Single Parent with One Child
Alabama	\$20,970	\$10.08	\$31.85
Alaska	31,320	15.06	35.46
Arizona	30,250	14.54	34.87
Arkansas	24,220	11.65	31.81
California	35,390	17.02	43.44
Colorado	33,340	16.03	40.21
Connecticut	30,710	14.76	37.73
Delaware	24,660	11.86	35.73
District of Columbia	37,300	17.93	42.61
Florida	27,560	13.25	35.98
Georgia	23,880	11.48	34.15
Hawaii	29,260	14.07	43.75
Idaho	22,990	11.05	33.2
Illinois	28,730	13.81	36.29
Indiana	24,210	11.64	31.85
Iowa	22,320	10.73	32.74
Kansas	23,440	11.27	32.73
Kentucky	24,170	11.62	32.36
Louisiana	20,910	10.05	32.36
Maine	31,000	14.9	34.84
Maryland	29,940	14.39	39.23
Massachusetts	34,920	16.79	45.57
Michigan	26,680	12.83	36.81
Minnesota	29,600	14.23	35.61
Mississippi	19,490	9.37	31.02
Missouri	25,810	12.41	32.67
Montana	24,990	12.01	34.29
Nebraska	25,610	12.31	33.72
Nevada	27,620	13.28	35.81
New Hampshire	24,490	11.77	35.98
New Jersey	31,450	15.12	39.65
New Mexico	25,120	12.08	32.99
New York	33,060	15.89	41.59
North Carolina	24,820	11.93	35.73
North Dakota	25,410	12.22	32.39
Ohio	26,040	12.52	33.89
Oklahoma	22,790	10.96	32.96
Oregon	32,880	15.81	38.13
Pennsylvania	25,460	12.24	34.45
Rhode Island	29,710	14.29	35.61
South Carolina	23,120	11.11	31.33
South Dakota	23,720	11.41	32.13
Tennessee	23,780	11.43	31.28
Texas	23,770	11.43	33.92
Utah	25,060	12.05	35.82
Vermont	32,950	15.84	35.28
Virginia	28,270	13.59	38.12
Washington	34,020	16.35	38.68
West Virginia	22,130	10.64	33.39
Wisconsin	25,720	12.37	35.00
Wyoming	27,500	13.22	31.83
United States	\$27,680	\$13.31	

Sources: Occupational Employment Statistics. "Occupational Employment and Wages, May 2021: 39-9011 Childcare Workers." U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. <https://www.bls.gov/oes/current/oes399011.htm>; MIT. 2023. Living Wage Calculator. <https://livingwage.mit.edu>.

Only 5% of 3-year-olds and 29% of 4-year-olds were enrolled in a state-funded preschool program during 2020-2021 and quality varied widely across states.

Table 20: Enrollment of 3- and 4-Year-Olds in State-Funded Preschool Programs, 2020-2021

	Number		Percent		NIEER Quality Benchmarks Met (Out of 10) ^a
	3-Year-Olds	4-Year-Olds	3-Year-Olds	4-Year-Olds	
Alabama	0	18,906	0%	31%	10
Alaska	116	520	1	5	2
Arizona	1,358	1,821	2	2	3
Arkansas	5,879	10,421	16	27	8
California	21,444	132,559	5	27	4.5
Colorado	4,757	13,431	7	20	4
Connecticut	3,120	5,643	9	15	5.1
Delaware	169	661	2	6	9
District of Columbia	5,596	7,220	64	84	4
Florida	0	136,142	0	58	2
Georgia	0	66,554	0	49	8
Hawaii	0	391	0	2	9.6
Idaho	0	0	0	0	No program
Illinois	24,840	41,621	17	27	8
Indiana	0	0	0	0	No program
Iowa	1,116	23,697	3	59	7
Kansas	5,037	15,111	14	39	5
Kentucky	3,246	11,690	6	21	8
Louisiana	100	17,363	0	28	7.9
Maine	0	4,413	0	33	9
Maryland	2,225	22,840	3	31	7
Massachusetts	15,469	24,275	22	34	5.5
Michigan	0	35,793	0	31	GSRP: 10; DK: 1
Minnesota	394	7,743	1	11	5.4
Mississippi	0	2,727	0	7	10
Missouri	1,023	5,350	1	7	4.1
Montana	0	0	0	0	No program
Nebraska	4,026	8,254	15	31	7
Nevada	0	1,969	0	5	5
New Hampshire	0	0	0	0	No program
New Jersey	16,460	30,435	16	29	8
New Mexico	1,848	8,540	8	34	9
New York	13,197	102,400	6	46	7
North Carolina	0	23,718	0	19	8
North Dakota	0	1,354	0	12	2
Ohio	2,431	12,621	2	9	5
Oklahoma	1,623	34,456	3	64	9
Oregon	3,293	5,336	7	11	7
Pennsylvania	11,380	26,586	8	19	6.8
Rhode Island	0	1,848	0	16	10
South Carolina	38	21,061	0.001	35	7
South Dakota	0	0	0	0	No program
Tennessee	642	14,959	0.01	18	9
Texas	26,425	169,796	7	41	4
Utah	517	1,566	1	3	3
Vermont	1,778	3,425	30	57	7
Virginia	822	17,234	1	17	6
Washington	5,567	9,860	6	10	ECEAP: 9; TK: 6
West Virginia	1,015	10,540	5	56	9
Wisconsin	42	37,843	0	56	3
Wyoming	0	0	0	0	No program
United States	186,994	1,150,694	5%	29%	

^a The National Institute for Early Education Research (NIEER) defines a state preschool program as one serving 3- and 4- year olds that is funded, controlled, and directed by the state. Its primary focus must be early childhood education and it must offer a group learning experience to children at least two days each a week. It may serve children with disabilities but cannot be primarily designed to serve these children. State-funded preschool may be coordinated and integrated with the child care subsidy system in the state. State supplements for Head Start constitute state preschool if they substantially increase the number of children served and involve some state administrative responsibility. NIEER uses 10 benchmarks to measure the quality of state preschool programs: 1) comprehensive early learning and development standards that are horizontally and vertically aligned, supported, and culturally sensitive; 2) supports for curriculum implementation; 3) teachers with bachelor's degrees and 4) specialization in early childhood; 5) assistant teachers with child development associate's or equivalent degrees; 6) at least 15 hours/year of professional development, individualized plans and professional development plans, and coaching for lead and assistant teachers; 7) a maximum class size of 20; 8) child-staff ratios of no more than 10:1; 9) comprehensive vision, hearing, and health screenings; and 10) continuous quality improvement system.

Notes: GSRP stands for Great Start Readiness Program; ECEAP stands for Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program; DK stands for developmental kindergarten and TK stands for transitional kindergarten.

Source: Friedman-Krauss, Allison et al. 2022. "The State of Preschool 2021: State Preschool Yearbook," Tables 1 and 2. National Institute for Early Education Research. <https://nieer.org/state-preschool-yearbooks-yearbook2021>.

In 2022, most 4th and 8th graders were not proficient in reading or math, with lower-income students 1.5 times more likely to perform below proficiency than their higher-income peers.

Table 21: Percent of 4th and 8th Grade Public School Students Performing Below Proficiency in Reading and Math by Income Status, 2022

	Lower-Income Students				Higher-Income Students			
	4th Grade		8th Grade		4th Grade		8th Grade	
	Reading	Math	Reading	Math	Reading	Math	Reading	Math
Alabama	83.6%	86.1%	87.8%	92.7%	60.2%	59.9%	69.6%	72.4%
Alaska	86.7	85.6	87.0	88.5	65.5	60.3	64.1	67.9
Arizona	81.4	83.3	82.8	87.7	59.1	57.0	62.2	66.1
Arkansas	81.0	80.3	80.4	88.2	50.9	56.7	62.3	68.8
California	82.3	83.6	80.5	88.7	47.9	47.9	54.9	59.0
Colorado	81.1	82.6	83.0	89.7	50.4	50.4	56.1	62.2
Connecticut	83.9	82.0	81.1	87.6	53.7	50.3	55.1	58.3
Delaware	89.9	89.5	86.4	94.4	69.7	69.6	73.3	77.9
District of Columbia	85.2	87.5	86.8	92.2	33.5	35.2	44.8	49.6
Florida	71.7	70.7	79.3	85.9	45.8	44.0	59.7	65.5
Georgia	79.4	78.4	79.5	86.1	53.4	50.0	57.6	64.2
Hawaii	78.8	77.1	80.4	86.8	53.8	52.1	60.8	70.5
Idaho	78.4	74.6	78.2	80.2	59.0	52.2	60.1	58.9
Illinois	82.8	82.4	81.0	88.3	54.5	46.7	55.6	60.4
Indiana	75.7	73.5	80.6	82.7	57.9	46.3	58.9	58.1
Iowa	80.7	77.9	84.0	89.2	56.7	45.8	63.1	62.0
Kansas	81.9	83.6	85.3	90.1	58.7	49.3	65.0	65.9
Kentucky	79.0	80.5	80.5	88.0	54.4	48.9	58.0	66.2
Louisiana	79.4	81.4	80.1	88.4	50.8	48.1	58.9	64.1
Maine	83.1	82.0	81.6	87.5	62.3	58.6	64.2	68.4
Maryland	86.3	88.6	83.5	90.9	54.6	52.6	55.6	64.6
Massachusetts	75.7	77.2	76.4	84.3	42.2	41.8	48.8	51.1
Michigan	83.8	82.1	82.8	87.4	55.5	50.8	61.8	62.7
Minnesota	86.5	82.3	87.5	88.4	58.3	47.9	63.7	60.1
Mississippi	75.2	74.0	84.0	87.7	48.5	45.0	58.8	63.4
Missouri	83.2	82.3	82.7	88.4	58.8	51.6	63.4	67.5
Montana	79.3	73.6	83.4	83.2	57.9	53.9	62.9	63.3
Nebraska	81.2	76.1	81.8	83.1	55.0	42.2	63.7	59.9
Nevada	77.5	76.0	74.5	81.9	54.6	52.2	60.1	69.3
New Hampshire	81.4	77.0	77.3	86.0	56.6	55.1	62.2	65.8
New Jersey	81.5	83.3	79.5	87.0	50.9	47.8	48.1	56.8
New Mexico	85.0	85.6	86.7	91.6	57.6	64.2	65.5	73.6
New York	80.1	82.2	79.1	82.4	55.4	53.8	52.0	57.2
North Carolina	83.1	85.7	86.6	88.4	58.7	51.5	67.9	67.1
North Dakota	84.0	77.6	84.9	85.1	63.8	53.7	68.6	67.0
Ohio	79.9	78.8	79.9	86.0	52.6	43.8	56.4	57.4
Oklahoma	82.7	81.9	84.4	89.9	63.3	57.4	71.6	76.2
Oregon	72.2	71.5	72.2	78.0	-	-	-	-
Pennsylvania	82.5	76.2	81.9	85.5	52.0	45.8	58.6	62.1
Rhode Island	78.8	79.3	81.7	89.8	54.0	54.9	58.2	65.4
South Carolina	80.2	79.4	83.4	87.5	47.8	45.1	58.9	63.9
South Dakota	85.8	81.6	84.9	84.4	60.9	51.3	63.6	62.2
Tennessee	82.6	83.2	86.8	91.6	63.8	55.8	66.5	69.2
Texas	82.5	76.1	83.9	85.2	50.8	41.2	65.8	62.4
Utah	83.0	78.1	76.5	79.9	54.8	48.2	59.5	59.5
Vermont	80.8	83.2	76.8	85.5	56.6	53.9	59.5	65.7
Virginia	86.9	84.5	85.7	86.5	54.2	46.2	59.0	57.3
Washington	81.1	79.3	82.8	87.1	52.1	50.8	55.1	59.2
West Virginia	85.8	84.2	85.5	92.3	68.1	68.8	71.8	78.2
Wisconsin	82.3	75.6	82.4	84.2	56.6	43.4	57.5	55.8
Wyoming	76.3	70.9	81.7	79.2	55.9	49.8	66.3	64.5
United States	80.8%	79.7%	81.5%	86.6%	53.7%	48.7%	59.5%	62.2%

Notes: Lower-income students are students who qualify for free and reduced-price school lunch, which means their families' incomes are at or below 185 percent of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL). Higher-income students are students who do not qualify, or whose families' incomes are higher than 185 percent of FPL. "-" denotes reporting standards not met.

Sources: U.S. Department of Education and National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP). 2022. "2022 Reading Assessment." Customized tables generated using NAEP Data Explorer, <https://www.nationsreportcard.gov/ndecore/xplore/NDE>; U.S. Department of Education and National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP). 2022. "2022 Mathematics Assessment." Customized tables generated using NAEP Data Explorer, <https://www.nationsreportcard.gov/ndecore/xplore/NDE> <https://www.nationsreportcard.gov/>

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In 2022, at least 80% of Black, Hispanic, American Indian/Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian/ Other Pacific Islander 4th graders were not proficient in reading or math, compared to around 40% of Asian students. In total, about 65% of public school 4th graders were not proficient in reading or math.

Table 22: Percent of 4th Grade Public School Students Performing Below Proficiency in Reading or Math by Race/Ethnicity, 2022

	Reading									Math								
	All Students	White	Hispanic	Black	Asian	American Indian/Alaska Native	Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	Two or More Races	State Rank Based on Reading ^a	All Students	White	Hispanic	Black	Asian	American Indian/Alaska Native	Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	Two or More Races	State Rank Based on Math ^a
Alabama	71.7%	61.6%	82.8%	86.8%	-	-	-	68.9%	43	72.8%	60.9%	84.0%	90.6%	-	-	-	76.0%	45
Alaska	75.6	64.7	72.1	-	73.7	94.0	-	75.9	47	72.3	57.1	75.5	-	76.9	92.6	88.2	73.6	44
Arizona	68.6	57.1	78.5	79.8	-	89.7	-	-	28	67.7	50.8	80.7	85.4	39.1	95.2	-	50.7	34
Arkansas	70.3	63.4	79.1	87.8	-	-	-	-	38	72.1	64.4	83.6	92.2	-	-	-	75.9	43
California	69.0	52.4	82.0	88.4	37.9	-	-	52.9	31	69.9	52.9	83.1	84.7	34.7	-	-	61.9	39
Colorado	62.4	50.6	80.0	79.0	49.5	-	-	60.2	5	63.6	50.9	83.5	81.5	34.9	-	-	62.5	22
Connecticut	65.4	52.3	83.2	87.4	47.3	-	-	-	9	63.0	49.7	83.6	88.8	33.9	-	-	47.8	20
Delaware	74.7	64.2	84.8	84.9	48.8	-	-	73.1	46	74.3	63.1	83.5	87.7	35.8	-	-	71.5	48
District of Columbia	73.5	18.3	78.9	86.7	-	-	-	-	-	75.7	23.0	79.4	89.3	-	-	-	40.5	-
Florida	61.0	49.3	65.7	79.6	25.5	-	-	54.4	2	59.2	43.0	66.9	78.5	29.2	-	-	54.6	6
Georgia	68.5	57.5	76.7	79.5	46.2	-	-	61.6	27	66.1	51.6	73.8	82.4	27.2	-	-	58.6	31
Hawaii	64.8	52.8	70.1	-	56.4	-	82.3	55.6	8	63.0	52.0	69.7	-	50.4	-	82.4	54.6	21
Idaho	68.1	65.0	78.7	-	-	-	-	-	25	63.7	57.7	84.1	-	-	-	-	66.4	23
Illinois	66.7	58.7	78.6	87.4	30.7	-	-	60.0	17	62.5	50.0	80.5	87.8	29.8	-	-	47.5	19
Indiana	67.1	62.3	73.8	85.3	-	-	-	70.6	19	60.4	52.4	75.2	84.3	-	-	-	70.9	14
Iowa	67.0	63.3	79.8	87.9	-	-	-	65.2	18	59.6	53.9	79.3	90.3	-	-	-	68.3	8
Kansas	69.5	63.6	83.0	84.8	-	-	-	75.6	34	65.1	56.0	85.4	90.4	-	-	-	68.5	27
Kentucky	68.9	65.9	77.7	85.0	56.0	-	-	72.4	29	67.4	63.6	78.3	91.2	44.4	-	-	69.0	33
Louisiana	71.7	59.5	73.2	84.2	-	-	-	63.0	42	72.8	56.4	78.5	87.3	-	-	-	79.8	46
Maine	70.8	69.6	-	89.8	-	-	-	-	40	68.1	66.8	-	88.0	-	-	-	70.6	37
Maryland	69.4	52.6	84.8	80.0	46.3	-	-	63.1	33	68.9	48.5	87.4	84.7	32.5	-	-	56.2	38
Massachusetts	57.4	49.5	79.0	76.4	36.2	-	-	43.2	1	57.1	48.0	82.8	81.8	26.4	-	-	46.3	4
Michigan	71.7	64.7	83.1	89.6	-	-	-	76.2	41	67.7	59.2	74.0	92.5	35.2	-	-	70.9	35
Minnesota	67.8	58.7	84.0	87.2	79.4	-	-	71.8	24	59.3	47.1	85.8	86.6	66.8	-	-	64.7	7
Mississippi	69.4	57.1	77.5	80.9	-	-	-	-	32	67.9	52.6	62.2	85.5	-	-	-	55.4	36
Missouri	69.7	64.9	75.6	90.4	-	-	-	64.3	35	65.8	58.9	73.0	92.7	-	-	-	67.7	29
Montana	66.3	62.8	70.5	-	-	91.4	-	74.8	14	62.0	57.1	75.2	-	-	93.0	-	78.1	17
Nebraska	66.0	58.5	81.4	86.4	55.2	-	-	-	11	56.8	47.3	77.6	79.4	52.3	-	-	56.1	2
Nevada	73.1	60.7	81.0	89.3	44.3	-	-	75.6	45	71.6	58.0	81.4	90.1	48.6	-	-	60.8	42
New Hampshire	63.0	61.6	84.3	-	47.7	-	-	-	6	60.0	59.3	80.3	-	-	-	-	-	13
New Jersey	62.0	54.3	76.1	80.5	31.0	-	-	55.8	4	60.6	48.1	79.9	84.0	21.6	-	-	63.1	15
New Mexico	79.0	64.7	83.2	-	-	90.7	-	-	50	80.9	66.7	85.2	-	-	91.2	-	-	50
New York	70.4	62.1	79.6	85.5	51.3	-	-	-	39	71.6	61.6	85.4	86.2	44.9	-	-	76.7	41
North Carolina	67.7	55.8	78.8	82.6	44.0	-	-	78.0	23	64.6	51.4	81.1	84.1	24.5	-	-	60.6	25
North Dakota	69.0	65.4	82.5	88.4	-	79.9	-	75.1	30	59.6	52.8	81.3	91.9	-	88.8	-	67.6	9
Ohio	65.5	61.0	85.7	86.3	-	-	-	59.6	10	60.0	53.8	83.4	88.1	39.9	-	-	61.4	12
Oklahoma	76.0	71.0	86.2	88.7	-	78.1	-	68.3	48	73.2	65.8	83.1	96.1	-	75.8	-	69.1	47
Oregon	72.0	66.4	87.0	-	60.1	-	-	69.5	44	71.4	65.5	87.2	-	53.7	-	-	74.9	40
Pennsylvania	66.0	60.2	80.4	89.2	42.5	-	-	65.8	12	59.8	50.6	79.7	89.9	38.1	-	-	66.0	11
Rhode Island	66.2	55.5	81.4	86.3	-	-	-	72.6	13	66.3	55.1	83.0	85.2	48.6	-	-	73.8	32
South Carolina	67.5	53.9	82.7	84.9	-	-	-	66.9	21	66.0	50.6	75.9	86.5	-	-	-	73.3	30
South Dakota	67.6	61.7	81.9	-	-	89.1	-	70.8	22	59.7	51.2	72.3	84.3	-	89.4	-	74.3	10
Tennessee	69.8	62.7	77.8	86.6	-	-	-	71.9	36	63.9	54.1	76.1	88.3	-	-	-	53.2	24
Texas	70.1	56.1	79.7	80.7	29.5	-	-	59.2	37	61.9	42.7	72.6	78.9	27.3	-	-	42.4	16
Utah	63.2	57.0	82.1	-	-	-	-	-	7	57.9	49.8	83.7	-	-	-	-	53.5	5
Vermont	66.4	66.2	-	-	-	-	-	55.6	16	65.6	65.3	-	-	-	-	-	69.1	28
Virginia	68.2	60.4	84.5	83.1	49.5	-	-	58.8	26	62.3	49.6	81.3	88.4	32.4	-	-	65.1	18
Washington	66.3	59.0	84.3	75.4	52.7	-	-	58.7	15	65.0	57.0	80.6	82.7	45.4	-	-	65.7	26
West Virginia	77.7	77.7	-	83.4	-	-	-	81.9	49	77.2	76.3	-	-	-	-	-	89.9	49
Wisconsin	67.4	60.6	81.4	89.9	69.7	-	-	68.9	20	57.1	48.1	75.3	93.1	55.7	-	-	59.8	3
Wyoming	61.7	58.6	73.9	-	-	-	-	59.0	3	55.9	52.6	67.5	-	-	-	-	57.9	1
United States	67.9%	59.0%	79.5%	83.8%	42.3%	81.5%	78.6%	63.3%	-	64.9%	53.1%	78.9%	85.3%	35.8%	81.1%	81.7%	62.1%	-

^a States are ranked 1-50 with 1 meaning the lowest percent of students performing below proficiency and 50 meaning the highest percent of students performing below proficiency. States with different ranks may have same percents due to rounding.

Note: "-" means reporting standards were not met and sample size was insufficient to generate a reliable estimate. Racial categories (White, Black, Asian, Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander, two or more races) exclude children of Hispanic ethnicity. Hispanic children can be of any race.

Sources: U.S. Department of Education and National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), 2022. "2022 Reading Assessment." Customized tables generated using NAEP Data Explorer <https://www.nationsreportcard.gov/ndecore/xplore/NDE>; U.S. Department of Education and National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), 2022. "2022 Mathematics Assessment." Customized tables generated using NAEP Data Explorer <https://www.nationsreportcard.gov/ndecore/xplore/NDE>.

In 2022, 75% of public school 8th graders were not proficient in math and 70% were not proficient in reading. Among students of color, the share that isn't proficient reaches 90%, compared to about 65% of White 8th graders and fewer than 45% of Asian 8th graders.

Table 23: Percent of 8th Grade Public School Students Performing Below Proficiency in Reading and Math by Race/Ethnicity, 2022

	Reading									Math								
	All Students	White	Hispanic	Black	Asian	American Indian/Alaska Native	Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	Two or More Races	State Rank Based on Reading ^a	All Students	White	Hispanic	Black	Asian	American Indian/Alaska Native	Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	Two or More Races	State Rank Based on Math ^a
Alabama	78.0%	69.6%	82.1%	91.3%	-	-	-	46	81.3%	73.3%	90.9%	92.7%	-	-	-	-	45	
Alaska	74.0	60.9	75.1	-	76.6	93.0	-	75.3	40	76.7	66.1	83.1	-	75.3	91.2	-	76.5	34
Arizona	71.8	61.6	79.1	82.3	41.9	87.3	-	-	33	76.2	63.7	84.9	86.7	39.9	92.7	-	-	30
Arkansas	74.2	68.5	76.3	90.5	-	-	-	79.3	42	81.1	75.7	87.7	94.5	-	-	-	-	43
California	70.1	61.4	79.9	84.6	42.3	-	-	50.9	22	77.0	66.1	88.7	93.5	40.6	-	-	63.6	36
Colorado	65.8	56.5	80.8	79.0	37.9	-	-	60.6	6	72.2	60.7	88.8	90.1	47.1	-	-	73.3	19
Connecticut	65.2	53.8	81.7	85.5	39.9	-	-	61.8	4	70.0	59.5	86.8	91.5	30.6	-	-	-	12
Delaware	76.2	65.3	84.1	87.3	54.3	-	-	72.2	44	81.7	68.8	90.2	94.7	-	-	-	84.7	46
District of Columbia	77.8	29.8	80.5	86.0	-	-	-	-	-	83.6	25.7	88.7	92.5	-	-	-	-	-
Florida	70.6	66.0	69.9	83.5	51.3	-	-	67.1	25	77.1	68.0	81.0	91.2	43.6	-	-	73.2	37
Georgia	69.4	58.1	76.7	81.2	33.5	-	-	67.5	20	76.3	65.9	84.1	88.9	30.5	-	-	68.6	32
Hawaii	69.3	49.0	72.1	-	63.5	-	87.2	62.4	18	77.8	72.4	86.3	-	65.3	-	92.0	72.8	38
Idaho	67.9	64.6	80.6	-	-	-	-	-	13	67.6	61.7	86.4	-	-	-	-	75.5	5
Illinois	67.6	61.1	76.9	85.0	37.0	-	-	56.8	11	73.5	64.4	86.0	92.0	37.9	-	-	73.3	23
Indiana	69.4	64.3	79.3	86.9	-	-	-	71.3	19	69.9	62.7	81.6	94.4	-	-	-	77.8	11
Iowa	71.2	67.9	79.3	88.0	-	-	-	87.2	30	71.9	66.6	92.7	90.6	-	-	-	87.0	18
Kansas	74.2	70.1	82.6	86.8	-	-	-	80.1	41	76.8	71.4	87.6	92.2	-	-	-	78.9	35
Kentucky	71.0	68.5	74.3	87.8	-	-	-	71.8	28	78.5	76.0	85.6	91.5	-	-	-	81.6	41
Louisiana	73.1	62.4	76.2	85.3	-	-	-	-	38	81.1	72.7	89.3	89.5	-	-	-	-	44
Maine	70.7	69.7	-	88.0	-	-	-	-	26	75.6	74.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	28
Maryland	67.2	50.8	79.3	82.4	37.4	-	-	71.6	9	75.3	59.6	90.4	91.3	36.8	-	-	67.4	27
Massachusetts	60.2	54.6	77.0	76.8	35.0	-	-	60.4	2	64.9	58.7	85.1	89.6	27.0	-	-	60.4	1
Michigan	71.9	66.8	81.9	90.0	-	-	-	76.8	34	74.6	69.6	87.6	93.9	35.4	-	-	79.5	24
Minnesota	70.3	64.5	84.8	87.5	61.6	-	-	74.2	24	68.5	60.8	91.8	89.2	59.1	-	-	65.7	7
Mississippi	78.0	64.9	83.5	89.7	-	-	-	68.3	47	82.2	69.9	86.9	92.7	-	-	-	-	47
Missouri	71.5	67.5	77.8	89.6	-	-	-	75.6	32	76.1	72.4	80.9	93.2	-	-	-	81.7	29
Montana	70.9	66.6	79.5	-	-	91.1	-	83.0	27	71.5	67.2	77.7	-	-	93.3	-	85.2	15
Nebraska	71.2	65.7	83.0	88.6	-	-	-	72.7	29	69.0	61.8	86.0	86.5	-	-	-	70.4	10
Nevada	71.2	63.1	78.2	87.3	43.0	-	-	60.7	31	79.2	66.2	87.1	95.6	53.9	-	-	78.4	42
New Hampshire	67.2	66.8	81.6	-	44.6	-	-	-	8	71.0	70.4	88.8	-	45.7	-	-	-	14
New Jersey	58.4	47.8	76.6	80.1	23.5	-	-	-	1	66.9	55.6	84.3	90.3	33.1	-	-	-	4
New Mexico	81.6	65.3	86.3	-	-	90.8	-	-	50	87.3	73.0	91.6	-	-	94.7	-	-	50
New York	67.7	56.7	80.7	84.1	50.5	-	-	-	12	71.6	62.6	85.4	90.5	39.7	-	-	-	16
North Carolina	74.3	66.0	79.0	87.5	53.7	-	-	72.5	43	74.6	63.1	84.1	91.1	40.0	-	-	72.9	25
North Dakota	72.9	69.3	78.2	88.4	-	91.6	-	79.6	37	71.8	66.7	88.1	91.5	-	88.7	-	84.8	17
Ohio	66.9	61.8	81.8	87.4	50.7	-	-	73.7	7	71.0	66.4	83.5	91.4	41.0	-	-	84.5	13
Oklahoma	78.7	73.4	86.9	87.6	-	83.0	-	79.1	49	84.1	78.6	93.2	95.4	-	87.5	-	83.6	48
Oregon	72.2	67.3	83.5	-	57.3	-	-	75.2	36	78.0	74.4	90.5	-	47.7	-	-	69.4	39
Pennsylvania	69.4	64.5	85.3	86.8	38.4	-	-	74.0	21	72.6	67.0	90.7	93.3	34.8	-	-	76.3	21
Rhode Island	68.7	59.3	80.6	85.9	58.3	-	-	73.9	15	76.3	67.5	89.7	93.6	-	-	-	74.1	33
South Carolina	73.4	62.6	81.7	86.6	-	-	-	78.7	39	78.0	67.7	82.4	92.7	-	-	-	76.2	40
South Dakota	68.9	63.7	77.9	86.2	-	89.5	-	81.7	16	67.8	60.8	90.1	89.8	-	93.6	-	73.6	6
Tennessee	72.0	66.2	79.3	86.0	-	-	-	69.1	35	75.2	68.0	86.8	91.6	-	-	-	72.1	26
Texas	76.8	69.9	83.9	83.2	40.3	-	-	68.2	45	76.2	63.7	84.2	89.0	43.0	-	-	70.2	31
Utah	64.3	59.1	82.0	-	-	-	-	-	3	65.5	58.9	83.2	-	-	-	-	66.2	2
Vermont	65.5	65.3	-	74.9	-	-	-	-	5	73.1	72.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	22
Virginia	69.0	63.3	82.1	86.1	40.4	-	-	66.5	17	68.8	63.0	80.8	89.6	33.1	-	-	66.6	9
Washington	68.2	63.1	80.7	85.8	46.6	-	-	64.0	14	72.2	65.0	88.9	86.3	50.0	-	-	69.8	20
West Virginia	78.3	78.3	-	90.2	-	-	-	-	48	84.9	84.6	-	-	-	-	-	85.9	49
Wisconsin	67.6	61.7	81.8	91.2	60.0	-	-	68.5	10	66.8	58.6	85.9	96.1	66.2	-	-	69.6	3
Wyoming	70.3	67.2	81.4	-	-	92.3	-	-	23	68.6	65.3	81.3	-	-	-	-	74.7	8
United States	70.6%	63.4%	80.0%	85.2%	43.6%	82.0%	75.8%	67.0%	-	74.5%	65.8%	86.1%	91.2%	41.8%	88.7%	84.8%	72.8%	-

^a States are ranked 1-50 with 1 meaning the lowest percent of students performing below proficiency and 50 meaning the highest percent of students performing below proficiency. States with different ranks may have same percents due to rounding.

Note: "-" means reporting standards were not met and sample size was insufficient to generate a reliable estimate. Racial categories (White, Black, Asian, Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander, two or more races) exclude children of Hispanic ethnicity. Hispanic children can be of any race.

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During the 2019-20 school year, 20% or more of all Black high school students did not graduate on time in 29 states and the District of Columbia; Hispanic students, in 27 states and the District of Columbia; American Indian and Alaska Native students, in 26 states and the District of Columbia. There is no state where 20% or more of white students did not graduate on time.

Table 24: On-Time High School Graduation Rates Among Public School Students by Race/Ethnicity, 2019-20 School Year

Adjusted Cohort Graduation Rate (ACGR)

	All Students	White	Hispanic	Black	Asian/Pacific Islander	American Indian/Alaska Native	Two or More Races	Rank by ACGR for All Students ^a
Alabama	90.6%	92.2%	88.0%	88.2%	95.0%	93.0%	92.0%	6
Alaska	79.1	84.4	77.0	74.0	87.0	68.0	75.0	46
Arizona	77.3	83.0	74.0	71.7	91.0	63.9	72.8	47
Arkansas	88.8	90.9	86.7	84.5	86.0	89.0	86.0	14
California	84.3	87.9	82.2	76.9	92.2	76.0	78.6	29
Colorado	81.9	86.1	75.4	76.6	90.0	67.0	82.0	44
Connecticut	88.3	93.4	79.7	80.0	95.0	88.0	90.0	16
Delaware	89.0	90.5	86.0	87.0	95.0	83.0	89.0	11
District of Columbia	73.0	93.0	64.0	72.9	88.0	≥50	≥90	-
Florida	90.2	91.9	89.7	86.9	97.7	84.0	90.7	9
Georgia	83.8	87.3	77.8	81.4	92.5	76.0	85.7	31
Hawaii	86.3	86.0	81.0	84.0	86.6	-	-	26
Idaho	82.2	84.2	75.7	69.0	87.0	65.0	79.0	41
Illinois	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	-
Indiana	90.9	92.5	88.1	84.5	96.0	89.0	88.0	5
Iowa	91.8	93.8	84.8	81.0	92.0	83.0	89.0	2
Kansas	88.2	90.3	83.8	80.0	94.0	82.0	87.0	17
Kentucky	91.1	92.8	84.4	83.3	94.0	90.0	89.0	3
Louisiana	82.9	87.8	72.7	78.9	94.0	78.0	83.0	37
Maine	87.4	87.8	82.0	83.0	94.0	72.0	82.0	23
Maryland	86.8	94.1	71.6	84.7	95.9	87.0	92.0	25
Massachusetts	89.0	93.2	77.2	83.1	95.0	86.0	89.0	11
Michigan	82.1	85.4	75.5	70.4	93.0	74.0	76.8	43
Minnesota	83.8	89.0	70.4	69.2	88.9	56.0	73.0	31
Mississippi	87.7	89.9	84.0	86.1	92.0	81.0	86.0	20
Missouri	89.5	92.2	86.6	78.8	93.0	88.0	87.0	10
Montana	85.9	88.7	82.0	77.0	92.0	68.0	84.0	27
Nebraska	87.5	92.2	77.7	75.0	86.0	72.0	83.0	22
Nevada	82.6	86.4	81.3	69.5	91.8	74.0	85.0	38
New Hampshire	88.1	89.4	74.0	77.0	92.0	85.0	84.0	19
New Jersey	91.0	95.0	84.8	85.7	96.8	89.0	92.0	4
New Mexico	76.9	80.8	76.1	74.0	87.0	72.0	S	48
New York	83.5	90.4	74.6	75.3	89.8	75.0	83.2	34
North Carolina	87.6	90.8	81.7	85.2	94.4	85.0	85.3	21
North Dakota	89.0	92.2	78.0	82.0	88.0	73.0	-	11
Ohio	84.4	87.6	76.4	72.4	91.4	78.0	80.5	28
Oklahoma	80.8	82.8	76.5	75.0	83.0	80.3	84.1	45
Oregon	82.6	84.0	79.5	76.0	90.0	67.0	81.0	38
Pennsylvania	87.4	91.4	77.2	76.5	92.7	78.0	81.4	23
Rhode Island	83.6	87.9	75.9	80.0	91.0	69.0	77.0	33
South Carolina	82.2	85.3	80.1	77.5	93.0	81.0	-	41
South Dakota	84.2	89.9	72.0	80.0	83.0	53.0	78.0	30
Tennessee	90.4	93.9	82.6	84.2	95.0	91.0	-	7
Texas	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Utah	88.2	90.7	80.2	79.0	87.0	73.0	88.0	17
Vermont	83.1	84.6	82.0	70.0	74.0	≥50	76.0	35
Virginia	88.8	93.0	75.4	86.4	95.4	88.0	91.9	14
Washington	83.0	84.8	77.8	76.4	89.4	70.0	84.0	36
West Virginia	92.1	92.4	93.0	86.0	≥95	≥80	88.0	1
Wisconsin	90.4	94.2	83.7	70.9	92.0	85.0	87.0	7
Wyoming	82.3	84.1	78.0	66.0	86.0	62.0	80.0	40
United States	86.5%	90.2%	82.5%	81.1%	92.5%	74.9%	-	-

Notes: The ACGR is an estimate of the percent of public school students who receive a regular diploma within four years of entering ninth grade. Racial categories exclude children of Hispanic ethnicity. Hispanic children can be of any race. "S" means data were suppressed because of data quality concerns or to protect the confidentiality of individual student data. The greater than or equal to sign "≥" means the estimate has been top-coded to protect the confidentiality of individual student data. "-" means data were not available or not applicable.

^a States are ranked 1 to 48 with 1 meaning highest ACGR and 48 meaning lowest ACGR. Data were missing for two states.

Source: National Center for Education Statistics. 2022. "Table 1. Public high school 4-year adjusted cohort graduation rate (ACGR), by race/ethnicity and selected demographic characteristics for the United States, the 50 states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico: School year 2019-20." https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/data/ipeds-tables/ACGR_RE_and_characteristics_2019-20.asp

The U.S. spends far more on incarceration than education. On average, the U.S. spent 2.7 times as much per prisoner as per public school student in 2017-2018.

Table 25: Public Spending on Prisoners vs. Public School Students, 2017-2018

	Spending Per Prisoner, FY2017	Spending Per Public School Student, 2017-2018	Ratio of Spending Per Prisoner vs. Public School Student	Rank by Ratio ^a
Alabama	\$18,513	9,717	1.9	5
Alaska	58,517	17,726	3.3	33
Arizona	23,446	8,373	2.8	26
Arkansas	16,801	10,168	1.7	1
California	53,160	12,664	4.2	45
Colorado	37,700	10,238	3.7	39
Connecticut	40,598	20,147	2.0	9
Delaware	43,311	15,282	2.8	27
District of Columbia ^b	-	23,155	-	-
Florida	22,494	9,663	2.3	13
Georgia	18,494	10,760	1.7	2
Hawaii	42,670	15,242	2.8	25
Idaho	35,461	7,846	4.5	47
Illinois	30,638	15,912	1.9	7
Indiana	21,111	10,033	2.1	10
Iowa	29,830	11,724	2.5	18
Kansas	28,720	11,095	2.6	19
Kentucky	44,589	11,081	4.0	42
Louisiana	24,776	11,636	2.1	11
Maine	59,467	15,069	3.9	41
Maryland	58,447	15,155	3.9	40
Massachusetts	137,892	18,328	7.5	50
Michigan	37,955	11,688	3.2	31
Minnesota	45,315	12,910	3.5	37
Mississippi	23,704	8,909	2.7	21
Missouri	19,299	11,034	1.7	3
Montana	40,112	11,512	3.5	35
Nebraska	43,808	12,813	3.4	34
Nevada	16,344	9,040	1.8	4
New Hampshire	41,291	16,588	2.5	16
New Jersey	55,096	20,316	2.7	23
New Mexico	49,649	9,963	5.0	48
New York	56,720	23,686	2.4	14
North Carolina	33,035	9,277	3.6	38
North Dakota	61,525	13,783	4.5	46
Ohio	24,796	12,893	1.9	6
Oklahoma	18,870	8,174	2.3	12
Oregon	49,317	11,903	4.1	44
Pennsylvania	41,581	16,377	2.5	17
Rhode Island	59,123	16,954	3.5	36
South Carolina	20,735	10,705	1.9	8
South Dakota	30,651	10,263	3.0	30
Tennessee	25,929	9,599	2.7	22
Texas	23,651	9,670	2.4	15
Utah	50,334	7,576	6.6	49
Vermont	53,134	20,149	2.6	20
Virginia	35,884	12,224	2.9	29
Washington	42,613	12,985	3.3	32
West Virginia	47,136	11,572	4.1	43
Wisconsin	35,673	12,446	2.9	28
Wyoming	43,797	16,134	2.7	24
United States	\$34,143	\$12,654	2.7	

^a States are ranked 1-50 with 1 meaning the lowest ratio of spending per prisoner vs. public school student and 50 meaning the highest ratio of spending per prisoner vs. public school student.

Notes: “-” means data were not available because the District of Columbia does not have a prison system. Spending per prisoner based on prisoner count on December 31, 2016, the latest count within FY2017.

Sources: U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, Justice Expenditure and Employment Extracts. 2021 “Table 10. Detail of Direct Expenditure for Correctional Activities of State Governments by Character and Object, Fiscal Year 2017 (Preliminary). <https://bjs.ojp.gov/sites/g/files/xyckuh236/files/media/document/jeeel7p.zip>; Bureau of Justice Statistics. “Inmates in custody of state or federal correctional facilities, including private prison facilities, December 31, 1999-2019/a.” Generated using the Corrections Statistical Analysis Tool at www.bjs.gov; U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics. 2021. “Digest of Education Statistics,” Table 236.65. Current Expenditure per Pupil in Fall Enrollment in Public Elementary and Secondary Schools, by State or Jurisdiction: Selected Years, 1969-70 through 2018-19. https://nces.ed.gov/programs/digest/d21/tables/dt21_236.65.asp.

During the 2017-2018 school year, the suspension rate for Black students in public school was close to four times that for White students (12% vs. 3%)

Table 26: Suspensions Among Public School Students, 2017-2018 School Year

Percent of Elementary and Secondary Students Receiving at Least One Out-of-School Suspension by Race/Ethnicity

	All Students	White	Hispanic	Black	Asian	American Indian/ Alaska Native	Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander	Two or More Races
Alabama	7.3%	4.0%	2.6%	14.4%	1.4%	4.4%	4.8%	3.1%
Alaska	4.7	3.1	4.2	9.1	1.5	7.2	8.6	5.7
Arizona	5.3	4.2	5.2	11.3	1.5	9.5	3.9	5.4
Arkansas	7.3	4.4	7.5	13.5	4.7	8.5	8.5	14.2
California	3.3	2.8	3.2	9.5	1.0	8.0	3.8	3.2
Colorado	4.8	3.5	5.7	9.6	1.6	6.8	5.4	5.5
Connecticut	3.8	1.6	5.6	9.1	0.6	4.2	2.0	3.3
Delaware	8.3	4.7	5.8	15.1	1.2	7.3	3.9	8.8
District of Columbia	7.9	0.7	3.0	10.3	0.4	2.0	0.0	1.6
Florida	5.3	4.0	3.3	9.3	1.1	4.9	3.4	5.8
Georgia	6.5	3.3	3.8	11.4	1.1	5.1	3.2	5.8
Hawaii	4.0	2.7	3.4	3.8	2.0	4.8	6.8	2.5
Idaho	2.6	2.2	3.0	4.5	1.0	5.8	2.2	2.4
Illinois	3.6	2.0	2.6	9.9	0.5	2.8	2.1	4.7
Indiana	6.3	4.3	5.4	17.6	1.6	5.0	3.4	8.8
Iowa	3.5	2.5	3.5	12.9	1.1	5.5	4.9	6.1
Kansas	4.5	3.2	4.9	13.7	1.5	5.9	4.4	6.6
Kentucky	5.5	4.3	4.2	14.5	1.1	4.2	4.4	7.1
Louisiana	9.0	4.8	4.8	12.4	1.8	7.3	4.4	5.8
Maine	4.1	3.8	4.3	6.4	1.6	4.8	1.9	3.6
Maryland	4.4	2.5	2.8	7.2	0.7	3.9	3.1	4.1
Massachusetts	3.3	2.0	5.5	6.9	0.8	3.8	2.4	3.8
Michigan	7.3	4.8	6.7	17.3	1.6	8.0	3.4	8.2
Minnesota	3.7	2.1	4.3	12.4	1.2	9.9	2.5	5.5
Mississippi	10.2	5.0	4.5	15.7	2.1	6.9	2.6	5.4
Missouri	5.6	3.6	4.0	14.9	1.5	4.8	4.3	5.9
Montana	3.8	2.8	4.1	5.5	1.3	10.3	1.8	3.2
Nebraska	4.6	3.0	4.8	17.5	2.1	9.1	3.9	7.9
Nevada	5.6	4.0	4.8	14.0	2.1	9.3	6.5	5.4
New Hampshire	5.3	4.5	9.2	11.6	1.8	4.9	4.2	5.6
New Jersey	4.2	2.1	4.5	11.0	0.8	3.2	2.1	3.4
New Mexico	5.5	4.3	5.9	9.5	1.9	5.3	4.0	4.8
New York	3.1	2.7	2.3	5.9	0.5	3.1	1.1	4.2
North Carolina	7.2	4.2	5.1	14.0	1.2	12.2	5.8	8.2
North Dakota	2.3	1.6	2.9	4.3	1.2	6.7	1.1	0.8
Ohio	6.9	4.1	7.1	17.8	1.5	6.6	4.1	9.0
Oklahoma	5.0	4.2	4.0	13.1	1.1	4.7	4.6	4.0
Oregon	3.9	3.6	3.8	8.3	1.0	7.7	3.8	4.3
Pennsylvania	5.4	3.1	7.4	14.6	1.1	6.2	3.2	6.8
Rhode Island	4.9	3.4	6.2	8.4	1.7	11.6	5.4	5.8
South Carolina	10.3	5.9	5.3	17.9	1.6	9.9	7.5	10.0
South Dakota	3.0	1.9	3.9	7.3	1.6	7.9	2.5	4.8
Tennessee	6.4	3.3	4.3	17.2	1.5	6.4	3.7	5.8
Texas	4.2	2.1	3.7	9.3	0.7	3.1	2.5	3.4
Utah	1.8	1.5	2.8	5.3	1.0	4.2	3.0	1.8
Vermont	3.3	3.1	2.2	6.0	0.9	3.8	0.6	2.3
Virginia	5.7	3.5	3.9	12.6	0.9	4.9	3.5	5.1
Washington	4.2	3.4	4.8	8.9	1.2	8.1	5.7	4.9
West Virginia	7.0	6.3	5.4	15.0	1.6	6.0	5.5	8.5
Wisconsin	4.5	2.5	4.9	18.9	1.1	8.0	4.1	6.6
Wyoming	3.7	3.2	4.9	7.6	1.7	7.7	1.9	3.7
United States	4.9%	3.3%	3.8%	12.0%	1.0%	6.8%	4.8%	5.4%

Notes: Data by race/ethnicity exclude students with disabilities served only under Section 504 (not receiving services under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. Racial categories (White, Black, Asian, American Indian/Alaska Native, and Pacific Islander) exclude students of Hispanic ethnicity. Hispanic students can be of any race.

Source: U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights, Civil Rights Data Collection. 2021. "2017-18 State and National Estimations." One or More Out-of-School Suspensions and Enrollment. <https://ocrdata.ed.gov/estimations/2017-2018>. Calculations made by the Children's Defense Fund.

More than 580,000 children were victims of abuse and neglect in 2021; 3 in 4 were victims of neglect.

Table 27: Child Abuse and Neglect, 2021

	Victims of Maltreatment		Percent of Maltreatment Cases that Involved:						
	Number	Rate per 1,000 Children	Neglect	Physical Abuse	Sexual Abuse	Sex Trafficking	Emotional Abuse	Medical Neglect	Other or Unknown
Alabama	11,840	10.6	42.7%	51.7%	18.1%	0.1%	0.2%	0.7%	–
Alaska	2,733	15.2	74.2	20.9	8.3	0.1	33.0	3.7	–
Arizona	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Arkansas	9,616	13.7	71.4	18.2	18.5	0.1	1.5	0.0	2.2
California	55,503	6.3	88.4	6.5	6.9	0.1	8.1	0.1	0.5
Colorado	11,147	9.0	82.3	9.8	10.6	–	2.0	1.6	0.3
Connecticut	5,570	7.6	87.1	4.7	7.0	0.1	26.9	2.7	–
Delaware	1,131	5.4	24.8	19.0	19.3	0.0	33.2	0.7	11.4
District of Columbia	1,647	13.1	92.2	12.4	2.1	0.7	0.0	–	–
Florida	27,394	6.4	59.4	8.1	9.4	–	1.3	3.5	39.9
Georgia	9,643	3.8	65.4	11.5	7.5	0.6	23.8	2.0	0.0
Hawaii	1,322	4.3	18.8	5.6	5.5	1.7	0.3	0.8	89.8
Idaho	2,268	4.8	75.6	19.2	10.1	0.3	–	0.3	0.3
Illinois	35,841	12.8	79.4	15.8	11.9	–	0.2	1.8	0.1
Indiana	21,556	13.6	86.4	6.4	11.9	0.1	–	–	–
Iowa	11,271	15.3	87.2	10.7	6.0	0.2	0.9	0.9	–
Kansas	2,140	3.0	44.4	24.7	22.8	0.4	14.3	2.0	–
Kentucky	14,963	14.7	92.2	7.2	5.6	–	0.4	1.7	–
Louisiana	6,422	5.9	89.5	9.8	5.2	0.1	0.1	–	0.1
Maine	4,228	16.8	60.0	24.3	7.2	0.0	38.3	–	–
Maryland	6,303	4.6	56.7	18.9	32.8	–	0.1	–	–
Massachusetts	22,654	16.6	94.4	7.1	3.5	1.6	–	–	0.0
Michigan	24,515	11.4	86.0	15.0	5.6	0.1	0.8	2.1	–
Minnesota	5,544	4.2	69.7	11.1	26.0	0.2	2.1	–	–
Mississippi	8,526	12.3	70.9	14.6	14.3	0.1	16.5	4.4	0.3
Missouri	4,262	3.1	53.4	30.5	31.5	0.2	13.7	2.6	–
Montana	3,077	13.1	96.9	5.0	2.9	–	1.1	0.4	0.1
Nebraska	2,471	5.1	82.3	14.4	9.1	0.5	1.0	0.0	–
Nevada	5,547	7.9	84.7	17.3	7.2	–	0.2	1.1	–
New Hampshire	985	3.8	85.3	10.4	8.1	–	4.1	3.2	–
New Jersey	3,188	1.6	72.1	11.5	19.1	0.1	0.8	2.0	–
New Mexico	5,964	12.6	82.0	12.0	3.7	–	29.7	3.3	–
New York	56,760	13.8	97.8	7.4	3.8	0.0	0.8	5.1	3.2
North Carolina	21,242	9.2	86.7	4.9	5.1	0.0	3.5	3.8	1.4
North Dakota	1,349	7.3	78.8	7.9	4.7	–	21.4	1.6	–
Ohio	24,267	9.3	46.2	46.0	18.0	0.1	6.7	1.7	–
Oklahoma	13,719	14.3	73.4	12.8	5.5	0.1	32.3	2.3	–
Oregon	10,573	12.3	43.3	11.4	9.0	–	1.7	–	58.2
Pennsylvania	4,683	1.8	10.7	44.7	44.9	1.0	1.2	3.2	0.3
Rhode Island	2,588	12.4	60.4	12.0	5.0	–	36.3	1.5	1.2
South Carolina	15,308	13.7	60.0	43.8	5.2	0.5	5.5	2.3	–
South Dakota	1,459	6.6	90.1	9.5	5.6	0.1	3.9	–	–
Tennessee	7,739	5.0	22.8	57.4	30.8	1.4	3.8	1.4	0.0
Texas	65,253	8.7	83.7	10.8	11.6	0.1	0.5	1.5	0.0
Utah	9,233	9.7	26.2	41.1	14.4	0.1	38.6	0.5	1.0
Vermont	392	3.4	1.0	74.5	26.8	–	0.5	2.8	–
Virginia	4,944	2.6	68.1	25.1	15.1	0.1	1.3	2.3	0.1
Washington	3,487	2.1	76.2	19.6	14.8	0.7	–	–	–
West Virginia	6,094	17.0	43.8	77.7	4.0	–	65.0	4.6	–
Wisconsin	4,229	3.3	66.6	13.1	24.2	1.3	1.0	1.2	–
Wyoming	886	6.7	79.0	2.0	5.3	–	35.2	0.3	0.7
United States	583,476	8.1	76.0%	16.0%	10.1%	0.2%	6.4%	1.9%	3.6%

Notes: “–” means the category is not reported by state. Percents add up to over 100 percent as some cases involved multiple types of maltreatment. Due to differences in definitions of child maltreatment, data should not be compared across states. U.S. total excludes data from Puerto Rico.

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. 2022. “Child Maltreatment 2021,” Tables 3-3 and 3-8. <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/cb/report/child-maltreatment-2021>.

The number of children living in foster care has steadily decreased in recent years. In FY2021, the number of children in care fell to 388,963, the lowest its been in at least a decade (since FY2012).

Table 28: Children Living In, Entering and Exiting Foster Care, Select Fiscal Years

	Children in Foster Care			Entering Care	Existing Care
	FY2012	FY2021	Percent Change FY2012-FY2021	FY2021	FY2021
Alabama	4,561	5,341	17.1%	3,631	3,741
Alaska	1,854	2,828	52.5	1,324	1,291
Arizona	13,461	14,890	10.6	8,368	7,379
Arkansas	3,711	4,500	21.3	2,949	2,655
California	54,553	47,871	-12.2	22,892	24,199
Colorado	6,003	4,248	-29.2	3,542	3,899
Connecticut	4,563	3,488	-23.6	1,168	1,553
Delaware	799	444	-44.4	294	280
District of Columbia	1,216	504	-58.6	243	306
Florida	19,536	23,507	20.3	13,212	12,654
Georgia	7,671	10,504	36.9	4,718	5,539
Hawaii	1,079	1,418	31.4	1,037	1,138
Idaho	1,234	1,601	29.7	1,346	1,097
Illinois	16,772	21,086	25.7	6,944	6,193
Indiana	11,190	13,239	18.3	7,291	8,691
Iowa	6,262	4,144	-33.8	2,904	3,269
Kansas	6,002	7,085	18.0	3,172	3,199
Kentucky	6,979	8,369	19.9	5,100	5,278
Louisiana	4,044	3,301	-18.4	2,358	2,551
Maine	1,512	2,202	45.6	909	979
Maryland	4,884	3,635	-25.6	1,538	1,858
Massachusetts	8,522	9,191	7.9	4,397	4,402
Michigan	14,522	9,529	-34.4	3,837	4,945
Minnesota	5,330	6,870	28.9	4,552	5,214
Mississippi	3,699	3,540	-4.3	2,029	2,040
Missouri	9,985	13,194	32.1	6,819	6,146
Montana	1,937	3,083	59.2	1,697	1,954
Nebraska	5,116	3,835	-25.0	2,032	1,676
Nevada	4,745	4,183	-11.8	2,820	2,961
New Hampshire	768	1,091	42.1	591	597
New Jersey	6,848	3,188	-53.4	1,534	2,100
New Mexico	1,914	1,841	-3.8	929	1,188
New York	23,924	14,657	-38.7	6,353	7,040
North Carolina	8,461	10,710	26.6	5,431	4,537
North Dakota	1,109	1,510	36.2	950	960
Ohio	11,877	15,449	30.1	10,505	10,324
Oklahoma	9,120	7,468	-18.1	3,461	4,028
Oregon	8,686	5,269	-39.3	2,413	3,012
Pennsylvania	14,515	13,664	-5.9	7,499	7,804
Rhode Island	1,707	1,823	6.8	777	1,059
South Carolina	3,113	3,944	26.7	2,709	2,758
South Dakota	1,399	1,647	17.7	1,013	982
Tennessee	7,440	9,227	24.0	6,185	5,331
Texas	29,613	28,042	-5.3	15,127	16,887
Utah	2,813	2,119	-24.7	1,522	1,751
Vermont	975	1,054	8.1	591	580
Virginia	4,579	4,977	8.7	2,335	2,595
Washington	9,606	8,894	-7.4	3,849	4,460
West Virginia	4,562	7,152	56.8	4,710	4,759
Wisconsin	6,384	6,771	6.1	3,616	3,815
Wyoming	949	836	-11.9	828	765
United States	392,104	388,963	-0.8%	206,051	214,419

Note: U.S. total excludes data from Puerto Rico.

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. 2022. "Trends in Foster Care and Adoption." Adoption Foster Care Analysis Reporting System (AFCARS), FY 2012 - 2021. <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/cb/report/trends-foster-care-adoption>.

Black children and American Indian children were overrepresented in foster care in 2020. In 20 states, the percent of Black children in foster care was at least twice the percent of Black children in the overall child population; and in 12 states for American Indian and Alaska Native children.

Table 29: Children in Foster Care by Race/Ethnicity, 2020

	Percent of Children in Foster Care Who Are:						Ratio of Black Children in Foster Care to Black Children in the Overall Population	Ratio of AI/AN Children in Foster Care to AI/AN Children in the Overall Population
	White	Hispanic	Black	Asian/ Native Hawaiian/ Other Pacific Islander	American Indian/ Alaska Native	Two or More Races		
Alabama	55.3%	5.8%	33.3%	0.1%	0.1%	5.4%	1.1	0.4
Alaska	21.0	4.5	2.7	3.5	46.6	21.4	0.9	2.5
Arizona	33.1	37.2	11.4	0.3	5.0	4.5	2.2	1.1
Arkansas	59.7	6.7	20.6	0.4	0.0	12.4	1.2	0.1
California	18.6	55.1	18.8	1.5	0.7	4.8	3.8	1.9
Colorado	43.1	37.2	11.1	0.7	0.7	6.0	2.6	1.3
Connecticut	32.5	34.8	24.1	0.3	0.1	7.3	2.1	0.3
Delaware	34.3	12.3	45.9	–	0.2	7.3	1.8	0.9
District of Columbia	0.2	15.8	82.6	0.4	–	0.9	1.6	–
Florida	46.5	17.0	28.7	0.2	0.1	6.7	1.4	0.7
Georgia	46.2	6.5	39.7	0.3	0.1	7.2	1.2	0.4
Hawaii	13.3	2.9	0.9	34.3	0.1	45.8	0.5	0.5
Idaho	70.7	16.8	1.4	0.7	1.7	2.4	1.6	1.7
Illinois	44.0	10.4	40.3	0.3	0.1	3.9	2.6	0.6
Indiana	64.2	7.6	18.3	0.3	0.0	9.6	1.6	0.2
Iowa	66.8	8.9	13.4	0.8	1.7	6.1	2.4	5.1
Kansas	61.8	14.1	14.1	0.3	1.1	8.6	2.3	1.6
Kentucky	73.4	5.1	11.2	0.1	–	6.7	1.2	–
Louisiana	50.8	2.9	39.1	0.2	0.6	4.1	1.1	0.9
Maine	82.7	3.7	3.2	0.2	1.3	7.2	1.1	1.6
Maryland	26.6	7.9	56.2	0.4	0.1	6.0	1.8	0.5
Massachusetts	40.3	32.4	14.2	0.8	0.2	9.1	1.6	1.0
Michigan	48.6	8.0	29.2	0.4	0.4	13.4	1.8	0.7
Minnesota	33.9	10.0	14.5	1.2	20.3	19.0	1.4	14.6
Mississippi	53.6	3.1	37.8	0.2	0.2	3.3	0.9	0.3
Missouri	64.5	8.7	17.9	0.3	0.5	1.8	1.3	1.4
Montana	47.4	6.3	1.0	0.1	35.4	8.9	1.6	3.7
Nebraska	47.6	18.4	18.5	0.9	4.3	8.5	3.1	4.0
Nevada	38.2	26.0	25.5	1.6	0.7	7.3	2.4	0.9
New Hampshire	73.1	8.5	3.5	0.3	0.1	3.7	1.7	0.5
New Jersey	27.4	24.8	41.6	0.8	–	5.2	3.1	–
New Mexico	19.7	63.9	4.8	0.1	7.6	2.7	2.7	0.8
New York	25.7	26.0	39.1	1.2	0.3	7.6	2.7	0.8
North Carolina	51.0	8.6	29.4	0.3	2.5	6.5	1.3	2.2
North Dakota	37.4	4.3	4.6	1.0	41.2	7.8	1.1	5.4
Ohio	50.9	6.0	29.8	0.3	0.1	12.9	2.0	0.4
Oklahoma	37.3	17.9	8.6	0.1	9.1	26.9	1.1	0.9
Oregon	60.2	19.2	4.9	1.1	4.3	9.0	2.1	4.0
Pennsylvania	41.8	13.0	35.1	0.4	0.0	8.2	2.7	0.3
Rhode Island	46.8	26.4	14.7	0.8	0.2	10.5	2.0	0.4
South Carolina	51.1	6.0	33.0	0.2	0.1	4.6	1.1	0.3
South Dakota	23.9	5.3	3.0	0.2	52.9	14.7	1.0	4.2
Tennessee	63.7	5.9	23.0	0.3	0.1	6.4	1.2	0.6
Texas	29.5	41.6	22.4	0.4	0.2	5.1	1.9	0.7
Utah	60.7	24.5	4.4	1.6	2.9	5.6	3.6	3.4
Vermont	91.7	2.4	3.9	0.6	–	1.2	2.2	–
Virginia	51.1	10.6	26.4	0.8	0.1	9.8	1.3	0.3
Washington	47.7	20.4	8.4	1.9	4.2	17.3	1.9	3.3
West Virginia	88.4	1.0	3.1	0.1	0.0	7.0	0.9	0.1
Wisconsin	45.9	10.3	28.7	1.2	6.9	5.3	3.2	6.6
Wyoming	73.5	15.5	4.8	0.2	3.2	1.3	5.2	1.1
United States	43.3%	21.7%	22.7%	0.8%	2.4%	7.8%	1.7	3.0

Notes: Data are for children in foster care on September 30, 2020. Racial categories exclude children of Hispanic ethnicity. “–” means data were not available.

Sources: The Annie E. Casey Foundation, KIDS Count Data Center. 2022. “Children in Foster Care by Race and Hispanic Origin in the United States, 2020.” <https://datacenter.kidscount.org/data/tables/6246-children-in-foster-care-by-race-and-hispanic-origin>; The Annie E. Casey Foundation, KIDS Count Data Center. 2022. “Child Population by Race in the United States, 2020.” <https://datacenter.kidscount.org/data/tables/103-child-population-by-race>.

Between 2010 and 2020, 32 states decreased their use of congregate care by at least 33.3%. In 18 of these states, children in congregate care declined by at least 50%. Six states increased their use of congregate care. Conversely, placement with relatives has increased in all but two states (Delaware and Florida). Twenty-five states and D.C. saw placement with relatives rise by 50% or more between 2010 and 2020.

Table 30: Children in Congregate Care and Care with Relatives, 2010 and 2020

	Children in Congregate Care, 2010		Children in Congregate Care, 2020		Percent Change in Share of Children in Congregate Care 2010-2020	Children in Foster Care with Relatives, 2010		Children in Foster Care with Relatives, 2020		Percent Change in Percent of Children in Foster Care with Relatives, 2010-2020
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent		Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Alabama	938	18%	805	14%	-22.2%	660	12%	887	16%	33.3%
Alaska	101	6	120	4	-33.3	451	25	767	27	8.0
Arizona	1,160	12	2,043	15	25.0	3,605	37	6,984	52	40.5
Arkansas	773	21	521	12	-42.9	566	15	1,204	28	86.7
California	7,435	13	2,999	6	-53.8	16,338	28	17,211	34	21.4
Colorado	2,545	37	734	16	-56.8	923	13	1,244	27	107.7
Connecticut	1,200	27	292	7	-74.1	601	14	1,523	38	171.4
Delaware	100	14	88	18	28.6	71	10	32	7	-30.0
District of Columbia	275	14	61	11	-21.4	322	16	141	24	50.0
Florida	2,582	14	2,033	9	-35.7	8,071	43	9,853	42	-2.3
Georgia	1,310	19	1,242	11	-42.1	989	14	2,742	24	71.4
Hawaii	103	9	55	3	-66.7	556	46	744	47	2.2
Idaho	137	9	141	9	0.0	399	27	524	35	29.6
Illinois	1,870	11	1,205	6	-45.5	6,208	35	9,045	44	25.7
Indiana	1,643	13	948	6	-53.8	3,814	31	5,218	35	12.9
Iowa	1,328	20	424	9	-55.0	1,478	23	1,856	40	73.9
Kansas	401	7	563	8	14.3	1,536	26	2,307	32	23.1
Kentucky	1,225	18	898	10	-44.4	632	9	1,211	14	55.6
Louisiana	485	11	290	8	-27.3	956	21	1,133	32	52.4
Maine	136	9	76	3	-66.7	408	26	896	40	53.8
Maryland	836	14	466	12	-14.3	2,037	34	1,672	44	29.4
Massachusetts	1,649	18	1,448	16	-11.1	1,616	18	2,490	27	50.0
Michigan	2,248	14	716	7	-50.0	5,690	35	4,482	42	20.0
Minnesota	1,253	25	949	12	-52.0	879	17	3,333	43	152.9
Mississippi	614	17	265	7	-58.8	998	28	1,077	30	7.1
Missouri	1,732	18	903	7	-61.1	2,087	21	5,040	40	90.5
Montana	226	13	267	8	-38.5	562	33	1,552	46	39.4
Nebraska	1,159	22	149	4	-81.8	1,153	22	1,219	34	54.5
Nevada	272	6	184	4	-33.3	1,619	34	1,792	41	20.6
New Hampshire	151	20	314	27	35.0	139	18	353	30	66.7
New Jersey	729	10	196	5	-50.0	2,518	35	1,372	36	2.9
New Mexico	108	6	150	7	16.7	324	17	624	29	70.6
New York	4,595	17	1,758	11	-35.3	5,433	20	4,643	30	50.0
North Carolina	1,014	12	1,295	12	0.0	2,076	24	2,740	26	8.3
North Dakota	211	21	86	6	-71.4	115	11	397	26	136.4
Ohio	1,636	14	1,841	11	-21.4	1,631	14	3,403	21	50.0
Oklahoma	764	10	485	6	-40.0	2,271	29	2,524	31	6.9
Oregon	407	5	335	6	20.0	2,254	25	2,038	34	36.0
Pennsylvania	3,342	22	1,631	11	-50.0	3,456	23	5,974	42	82.6
Rhode Island	707	34	243	11	-67.6	534	26	777	36	38.5
South Carolina	994	22	639	16	-27.3	294	7	408	10	42.9
South Dakota	327	22	247	15	-31.8	244	16	447	27	68.8
Tennessee	1,217	18	1,437	16	-11.1	537	8	1,212	14	75.0
Texas	4,900	17	3,294	11	-35.3	8,506	29	9,960	34	17.2
Utah	452	16	163	7	-56.3	553	19	747	31	63.2
Vermont	194	21	143	13	-38.1	132	14	334	31	121.4
Virginia	839	16	589	12	-25.0	312	6	387	8	33.3
Washington	475	5	397	4	-20.0	3,404	34	3,351	35	2.9
West Virginia	1,152	28	985	13	-53.6	549	13	3,939	54	315.4
Wisconsin	917	14	645	9	-35.7	1,944	30	2,818	40	33.3
Wyoming	310	32	141	17	-46.9	196	20	265	33	65.0
United States	61,177	15.2%	37,899	9.4%	-38.2%	102,647	25.5%	136,892	33.9%	33.0%

Note: U.S. total excludes data from Puerto Rico.

Source: The Annie E. Casey Foundation, KIDS COUNT Data Center. 2022. "Children in Foster Care by Placement Type." <https://datacenter.kidscount.org/data/tables/6247-children-in-foster-care-by-placement-type>.

Four out of five children exiting foster care were placed in a permanent family in 2020; the majority of children reunited with their families. However, 9% of children— some 20,000—aged out of foster care without a permanent family.

Table 31: Exits from Foster Care and Exits to Emancipation, FY2020

	Number of Children Who Exited Foster Care	Median Length of Stay (Months)	Percent by Type of Exit:			Number of Children Who Aged Out of the System	Percent Who Aged Out Who Entered Foster Care at Age 13 and Older
			Reunification	Adoption	Guardianship		
Alabama	3,603	13.4	61.8%	22.4%	4.7%	350	89.4%
Alaska	1,338	18.9	48.9	26.2	7.9	109	85.3
Arizona	8,659	14.1	49.5	33.5	9.1	507	88.6
Arkansas	2,882	12.7	60.3	26.7	4.4	228	80.7
California	23,704	15.6	54.5	22.3	8.6	3,021	79.6
Colorado	3,936	10.9	57.5	16.8	7.2	191	91.6
Connecticut	1,397	19.4	45.2	27.0	18.3	89	37.1
Delaware	353	16.0	33.2	30.0	12.6	79	74.7
District of Columbia	298	22.0	38.6	32.9	13.1	46	87.0
Florida	13,712	15.3	43.8	32.3	17.2	747	93.6
Georgia	6,248	19.7	49.5	22.4	15.8	653	84.8
Hawaii	1,089	14.5	53.5	18.8	18.5	92	95.7
Idaho	1,113	13.6	54.2	29.4	5.5	78	92.3
Illinois	5,328	26.5	50.5	28.8	5.7	598	68.1
Indiana	9,219	16.6	62.1	23.5	10.1	313	88.5
Iowa	3,654	17.2	49.8	34.5	10.3	193	85.0
Kansas	3,607	18.9	55.5	27.2	4.2	435	85.5
Kentucky	5,544	12.2	62.6	24.5	0.1	688	89.5
Louisiana	2,752	14.5	48.4	27.5	13.3	152	84.9
Maine	892	17.1	58.4	27.6	8.9	45	60.0
Maryland	1,359	—	—	—	—	—	—
Massachusetts	4,969	15.0	62.9	15.3	6.5	743	82.5
Michigan	5,360	21.5	47.7	34.8	6.0	556	88.8
Minnesota	5,429	13.3	59.8	19.4	11.6	406	85.2
Mississippi	2,307	17.2	61.9	25.8	8.1	61	70.5
Missouri	6,394	18.9	46.0	24.4	19.1	599	77.1
Montana	2,235	15.3	60.9	19.4	11.0	102	77.5
Nebraska	1,874	16.9	58.3	23.1	8.8	101	93.1
Nevada	2,909	14.0	56.0	27.6	7.2	164	84.1
New Hampshire	658	13.3	61.1	28.3	2.1	49	93.9
New Jersey	2,426	19.6	51.0	32.6	6.7	201	81.6
New Mexico	1,372	16.8	57.9	25.4	8.2	91	67.0
New York	6,478	16.0	53.9	15.0	5.0	1,586	91.4
North Carolina	4,535	17.4	40.9	30.1	22.9	179	81.0
North Dakota	901	12.0	62.4	21.0	7.0	24	83.3
Ohio	10,458	11.8	68.1	13.7	4.5	1,265	91.7
Oklahoma	4,273	19.5	46.4	41.1	5.3	165	75.2
Oregon	3,437	20.5	54.1	25.2	11.0	276	79.0
Pennsylvania	8,062	16.1	49.7	26.0	8.5	921	92.7
Rhode Island	917	19.6	54.9	16.2	10.8	149	91.9
South Carolina	3,349	8.5	72.4	16.6	2.2	273	87.9
South Dakota	1,108	12.1	54.6	18.9	10.3	77	84.4
Tennessee	5,835	11.7	58.3	19.1	7.3	422	95.0
Texas	17,552	16.8	39.3	29.9	23.3	1,230	79.1
Utah	1,721	13.5	52.4	28.4	8.6	139	90.6
Vermont	665	18.9	51.7	34.7	3.3	57	86.0
Virginia	2,687	18.2	43.7	31.4	2.1	544	89.0
Washington	5,493	20.3	64.5	25.9	5.7	184	85.3
West Virginia	4,515	15.4	51.0	37.7	8.1	96	92.7
Wisconsin	4,329	15.8	53.1	17.3	19.9	373	89.5
Wyoming	972	8.1	73.1	10.0	10.0	14	71.4
United States FY2020	224,425	15.0	48%	25%	10%	20,010	
United States FY2021	214,971	17.5	47%	25%	12%	19,130	

Note: National data is presented for both FY2020 and FY2021 but state data is presented for FY2020 alone as state data for FY2021 was not available at the time of analysis. "—" means data were not available.

Sources: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. 2023. "Child Welfare Outcomes Report Data." <https://cwoutcomes.acf.hhs.gov/cwodatasite/threeOne/index>; U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. 2022. "The Adoption Foster Care Analysis Reporting System (AFCARS) Report, Preliminary FY 2021 Estimates as of June 28, 2022 - No. 29." <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/documents/cb/afcars-report-29.pdf>; U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. 2021. "The Adoption Foster Care Analysis Reporting System (AFCARS) Report, Preliminary FY 2020 Estimates as of October 04, 2021 - No. 28." <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/documents/cb/afcarsreport28.pdf>; U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. 2022. "Trends in Foster Care and Adoption: FY2012-2021." AFCARS. <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/cb/resource/trends-in-foster-care-and-adoption>.

In 2021, more than 265,000 children were arrested in the U.S.
 In 39 states, less than 10% of child arrests were for violent crimes.

Table 32: Child Arrests, 2021

	Total Number of Child Arrests	Arrests per 100,000 Children ^a	Percent of Arrests for Violent Crimes
Alabama	990	88	9.0%
Alaska	416	232	14.4
Arizona	7,301	452	4.9
Arkansas	6,135	872	7.4
California*	5,267	60	5.4
Colorado	9,006	724	6.7
Connecticut	3,523	483	5.6
Delaware	1,651	793	13.9
District of Columbia*	148	118	30.4
Florida*	19	0.4	15.8
Georgia	9,286	368	8.3
Hawaii	971	319	8.0
Idaho	4,393	937	3.4
Illinois*	2,729	97	6.0
Indiana	6,641	418	8.1
Iowa	6,490	881	7.3
Kansas	3,629	516	4.2
Kentucky	2,520	248	11.2
Louisiana	8,115	749	5.7
Maine	1,556	618	3.7
Maryland*	2,488	182	11.7
Massachusetts	3,561	261	13.0
Michigan	7,136	331	10.4
Minnesota	11,084	841	6.2
Mississippi	2,083	301	5.4
Missouri	8,256	596	9.6
Montana	3,085	1,312	4.0
Nebraska	4,424	916	2.7
Nevada	5,048	722	9.8
New Hampshire	1,915	747	1.8
New Jersey*	705	35	22.1
New Mexico	459	97	13.7
New York*	1,610	39	11.5
North Carolina	7,249	315	8.5
North Dakota	4,047	2,179	1.7
Ohio	12,924	496	5.1
Oklahoma	4,423	460	6.7
Oregon	3,554	413	8.4
Pennsylvania*	404	15	3.0
Rhode Island	1,539	737	5.8
South Carolina	6,970	624	7.7
South Dakota	3,542	1,607	3.0
Tennessee	14,622	949	6.8
Texas	33,195	444	9.1
Utah	7,520	794	3.9
Vermont	523	447	7.6
Virginia	6,259	332	7.3
Washington	4,186	250	12.8
West Virginia	438	122	7.1
Wisconsin	19,852	1,557	3.9
Wyoming	1,746	1,318	1.6
United States	265,633	361	7.0%

^a Juvenile arrest rates are based on the number of arrests of children ages 0-17 per 100,000 children ages 0-17 in the resident population.

Notes: "Violent crimes" include the offenses of robbery, aggravated assault, rape, and homicide. "*" means limited data were available for 2021.

Sources: U.S. Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation. 2022. "Crime in the United States, 2021" Table 69. Downloaded from the FBI's Crime Data Explorer <https://cde.ucr.cjis.gov/LATEST/webapp/#>; The Annie E Casey Foundation, KIDS COUNT Data Center, 2022. "Child population by race and ethnicity and age group in the United States." <https://datacenter.kidscount.org/data/tables/8446-child-population-by-race-and-ethnicity-and-age-group>.

Approximately 292 children remained in adult prisons in 2021, an 85% decline in 10 years. More than half of all children in adult prisons were held in just five states—Florida, Connecticut, Ohio, Mississippi, and Arizona.

Table 33: Children in Adult Prisons, 2011-2021

	Number of Children in Adult Prisons in:				Percent Change in the Number of Children in Adult Prisons 2011-2021
	2011	2019	2020	2021	
Alabama	21	2	1	0	-100%
Alaska*	0	5	8	0	0.0
Arizona	94	55	36	17	-81.9
Arkansas	6	8	6	5	-16.7
California	0	0	-	-	-
Colorado	19	7	5	0	-100.0
Connecticut*	143	52	31	41	-71.3
Delaware*	11	5	1	0	-100.0
District of Columbia	-	-	-	-	-
Florida	209	81	44	48	-77.0
Georgia	90	31	8	0	-100.0
Hawaii*	0	0	0	0	0.0
Idaho	0	0	0	0	0.0
Illinois	72	0	0	0	-100.0
Indiana	35	31	13	11	-68.6
Iowa	13	0	6	9	-30.8
Kansas	5	0	0	0	-100.0
Kentucky	0	0	0	0	0.0
Louisiana	178	18	10	7	-96.1
Maine	0	0	0	0	0.0
Maryland	39	16	4	3	-92.3
Massachusetts	3	0	0	0	-100.0
Michigan	106	26	18	5	-95.3
Minnesota	5	4	3	3	-40.0
Mississippi	23	21	10	20	-13.0
Missouri	19	4	4	2	-89.5
Montana	0	0	0	0	0.0
Nebraska	19	7	14	8	-57.9
Nevada	61	11	11	0	-100.0
New Hampshire	0	0	0	-	-
New Jersey	7	0	0	0	-100.0
New Mexico	2	0	0	0	-100.0
New York	182	36	0	0	-100.0
North Carolina	115	61	29	16	-86.1
North Dakota	0	0	0	0	0.0
Ohio	59	36	24	27	-54.2
Oklahoma	17	9	3	8	-52.9
Oregon	1	0	0	0	-100.0
Pennsylvania	43	9	11	14	-67.4
Rhode Island*	0	0	0	0	0.0
South Carolina	44	23	6	1	-97.7
South Dakota	0	0	0	0	0.0
Tennessee	11	9	10	4	-63.6
Texas	104	38	16	15	-85.6
Utah	1	3	0	0	-100.0
Vermont*	1	1	0	1	0.0
Virginia	2	12	2	1	-50.0
Washington	1	5	4	4	300.0
West Virginia	0	0	0	0	0.0
Wisconsin	28	0	0	0	-100.0
Wyoming	1	0	0	0	-100.0
United States	1,939	653	352	292	-84.9%

Note: "*" means the prisons and jails in the state form one integrated system; data include total jail and prison populations. "-" means data were not available or not applicable.

Sources: Bureau of Justice Statistics. "Reported Number of Inmates Age 17 or Younger Held in Custody in Federal or State Prisons, December 31, 2000-2019." Generated using the Corrections Statistical Analysis Tool at www.bjs.gov; Carson, E. Ann. 2022. "Prisoners in 2021," Table 15. Bureau of Justice Statistics. <https://bjs.ojp.gov/library/publications/prisoners-2021-statistical-tables>; Carson, E. Ann. 2020. "Prisoners in 2019," Table 12. Bureau of Justice Statistics. <https://www.bjs.gov/content/pub/pdf/p19.pdf>; Carson, E. Ann. 2012. "Prisoners in 2011" Appendix Table 16. Bureau of Justice Statistics. <https://bjs.ojp.gov/library/publications/prisoners-2011>.

Nearly 36,500 children were held in residential placement on an average night in 2019. In 15 states and the District of Columbia, Black children made up more than half of all children in residential placements.

Table 34: Children in Residential Placement by Race/Ethnicity and Sex, 2019

Percent of Children in Foster Care Who Are:

	Number	Percent of Children in Foster Care Who Are:					Percent of Children in Residential Placement Who Are:	
		White	Hispanic	Black	Asian	American Indian/Alaska Native	Male ^a	Female ^b
Alabama	798	40%	3%	55%	<1% ^b	0%	85%	15%
Alaska	255	36	1 ^b	12	6	45	80	20
Arizona	606	32	37	18	1	6	84	16
Arkansas	465	43 ^b	11 ^b	39	2 ^b	<1 ^b	83 ^b	17
California	4,131	13	58 ^b	26	2	1	83 ^b	17 ^b
Colorado	753	34	39	24	2	<1	85	15
Connecticut	96	16 ^b	31 ^b	34 ^b	3	13 ^b	75 ^b	28 ^b
Delaware	129	16	7	79	0	0	95	7
District of Columbia	117	3 ^b	5	92	0	0	95	5
Florida	2,001	38	2	59	<1	0	83	17
Georgia	1,119	17	6	75	<1	0	87	13
Hawaii	63	10	19	0	38	0	67	29
Idaho	342	65	19	9	2	4	80	21
Illinois	834	27 ^b	15 ^b	55	<1 ^b	<1 ^b	90 ^b	10 ^b
Indiana	1,155	62	5	24	<1 ^b	0	81	19
Iowa	441	50	9	36	0	1	85	16
Kansas	360	49	18	29	2	2	96	4
Kentucky	588	56	4	33	<1	0	87	12
Louisiana	693	18	2	79	0	<1	87	13
Maine	60	75	0	20	0	0	75	20
Maryland	495	16	10	73	0	0	89	11
Massachusetts	288	27	42	28	1	0	88	13
Michigan	1,353	38	5	50	<1	<1	78	22
Minnesota	948	33 ^b	11 ^b	44 ^b	2 ^b	9	85 ^b	15 ^b
Mississippi	198	23	3	74	0	0	80	18
Missouri	588	56	2	40	<1	<1	84	16
Montana	138	61	4	7	0	26	83	17
Nebraska	309	34	23	33	1	10	83 ^b	17
Nevada	546	30	28	34	2	<1	84	16
New Hampshire	24	63	13	25	0	0	88	13
New Jersey	513	12	26	61	<1	0	93	7
New Mexico	270	57	29	9	0	6	90	10
New York	837	28	16	51	<1	<1	86	14
North Carolina	744	22	6	66	0	4	93	7
North Dakota	78	54	4	15	4	27	81	15
Ohio	1,746	42	4	49	<1	<1	88	12
Oklahoma	345	38	8	36	<1	16	88	11
Oregon	651	59	23	12	2	3	88	12
Pennsylvania	1,566	39	10	46	<1	0	86	14
Rhode Island	108	39	17	36	0	3	97	3
South Carolina	633	25	3	71	0	0	89	11
South Dakota	171	46	7	11	0	37	81	19
Tennessee	345	37	8	50	<1	0	89	11
Texas	3,699	19	45	35	<1	<1	85	15
Utah	246	50	33	11	2	2	93	7
Vermont	18	83	0	17	0	0	100	0
Virginia	918	29	13	55	1 ^b	0	89	11
Washington	693	38	26	21	4	5	89	10
West Virginia	483	78	3	14	0	0	82	17
Wisconsin	477	34	7	52	1	4	84	16
Wyoming	147	67	14	4	0	10	78	22
United States	36,479	33%	20%	41%	1%	2%	85%	15%

^a Relative to the combined number of children in residential placement who identified as male or female, which may differ from total counts due to rounding.

^b Interpret data with caution. In these states, 30% or more of the information for age, sex, and/or race/ethnicity was imputed.

Notes: Residential placements range from non-secure community-based group homes to long-term secure facilities. Racial categories (White, Black, Asian, and American Indian/Alaska Native) exclude children of Hispanic ethnicity. Hispanic children can be of any race. U.S. totals exclude youth in tribal facilities.

Source: Sickmund, Melissa et al. 2021. "Easy Access to the Census of Juveniles in Residential Placement: 1997-2019." <http://www.ojjdp.gov/ojstatbb/ezacjrp/>.

In 2021, 4,739 children and teens were killed with guns. Half of all child and teen gun deaths occurred in just 10 states: Texas, California, Illinois, Georgia, Florida, Ohio, North Carolina, Tennessee, Louisiana, Pennsylvania, and Missouri.

Table 35: Child and Teen Gun Deaths by State, 2011-2021

	Number of Deaths		Rate per 100,000 Children and Teens		
	2021	2011-2020	2021	2011-2020 Average	2011-2020 State Rank ^a
Alabama	143	759	11.4	6.2	44
Alaska	17	187	U	9.2	48
Arizona	105	660	5.8	3.6	18
Arkansas	66	444	8.4	5.7	40
California	289	2,547	3.0	2.5	7
Colorado	82	546	5.9	3.9	23
Connecticut	22	140	2.6	1.6	3
Delaware	18	101	U	4.4	31
District of Columbia	14	133	U	9.5	-
Florida	229	1,808	4.8	3.9	23
Georgia	244	1,302	8.6	4.7	33
Hawaii	< 10	19	S	U	-
Idaho	20	193	3.9	4.0	26
Illinois	246	1,747	7.9	5.3	37
Indiana	137	898	7.7	5.1	36
Iowa	36	227	4.4	2.8	10
Kansas	63	343	8.0	4.3	30
Kentucky	93	547	8.2	4.9	34
Louisiana	203	1,022	17.0	8.3	47
Maine	<10	77	S	2.7	9
Maryland	71	543	4.7	3.6	18
Massachusetts	11	173	U	1.1	1
Michigan	117	963	4.9	3.9	23
Minnesota	43	372	2.9	2.6	8
Mississippi	114	514	14.8	6.4	46
Missouri	151	955	9.8	6.2	44
Montana	29	140	11.1	5.5	39
Nebraska	22	152	4.1	2.9	11
Nevada	39	329	5.1	4.4	31
New Hampshire	<10	53	S	1.8	4
New Jersey	45	391	2.0	1.8	4
New Mexico	46	275	8.7	5.0	35
New York	93	675	2.0	1.4	2
North Carolina	216	1,035	8.3	4.0	26
North Dakota	11	68	U	3.5	15
Ohio	221	1,241	7.6	4.2	29
Oklahoma	77	562	7.2	5.3	37
Oregon	33	282	3.4	2.9	11
Pennsylvania	181	1,202	6.0	4.0	26
Rhode Island	<10	19	S	U	-
South Carolina	128	719	10.2	5.9	42
South Dakota	13	87	U	3.7	21
Tennessee	151	957	8.8	5.7	40
Texas	501	2,902	6.0	3.6	18
Utah	39	348	3.7	3.5	15
Vermont	<10	31	S	2.2	6
Virginia	141	769	6.7	3.7	21
Washington	75	522	4.0	2.9	11
West Virginia	16	147	U	3.5	15
Wisconsin	85	451	5.9	3.1	14
Wyoming	18	91	U	6.0	43
United States	4,739	30,668	5.8	3.7	-

^a States are ranked 1-48 (two states were missing data) from lowest to highest gun death rate.

Notes: Gun deaths include homicides, suicides, accidents and deaths of unknown intent, but exclude deaths from legal intervention. Rates are not age adjusted. "S" denotes cases where the number of deaths was below 10 and the exact number was not released to protect the anonymity of the victims. "U" means the rate is unreliable because it is based on fewer than 20 deaths.

Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. 2020. "Underlying Cause of Death, 1999-2019," Detailed Mortality Files. Accessed using CDC WONDER Online Database. <https://wonder.cdc.gov/Deaths-by-Underlying-Cause.html>.