

# Arizona KIDS COUNT Data Book

## STATEWIDE TRENDS FOR ARIZONA CHILDREN

Comparison of rates 1999/2000 to 2012/13

### Demographic Trends



**Birth Rate:**  
Much lower



**Children living in married couple families:** Lower



**School-age children speaking English less than very well:**  
Much lower



**Children in families where all parents are in the labor force:** Higher

### Participation in Services



**TANF cash assistance:**  
Much lower



**SNAP (food stamps):**  
Much higher



**WIC (Women, Infants and Children Nutrition):**  
Much higher



**Child care subsidy<sup>1</sup>:**  
Much lower

### Good News



**Births to mothers without a high school education:**  
Much lower



**Juveniles arrested for a violent crime:**  
Much lower



**4-year graduation rate:**  
Higher

### Bad News



**Children living in poverty:**  
Much higher



**Children living below 200% of the poverty level:** Higher



**Children in foster care:**  
Much higher



**3- and 4-year-olds enrolled in preschool:**  
Lower

Much lower and much higher = 20% or greater change.

<sup>1</sup> Comparison between years 2007 and 2013.