

35 Economic Well-Being

Overall Rank

	Arizona	United States	Rank
Children in Poverty	19%	17%	37
Children Whos Parents Lack Secure Employment	27%	26%	31
Children Living in Households With A High Housing Cost Burden	28%	30%	30
Teens Not in School	8%	6%	37

47 Education

Overall Rank

	Arizona	United States	Rank
Young Children (Ages 3 and 4) Not in School	61%	52%	46
Fourth-Graders Not Proficient in Reading	69%	66%	41
Eighth-Graders Not Proficient in Math	69%	67%	29
High School Students Not Graduating on Time	12%	14%	49



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Overall Rank

Since 2019, more Arizona children are living in high poverty areas and more children in the state are without health insurance, according to the 2021 KIDS COUNT® Data Book, a 50-state report of recent household data developed by the Annie E. Casey Foundation analyzing how families have fared between the Great Recession and the COVID-19 crisis. In Arizona, 15% of children live in high poverty areas compared with the national average of 9%, and in 2019, 9% of Arizona children are without health insurance compared with the national average of 6%.

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28 Health

Overall Rank

	Arizona	United States	Rank
Low Birth-Weight Babies	7.4%	8.3%	13
Children Without Health Insurance	9%	6%	46
Child And Teen Deaths Per 100,000	30%	25%	7
Children And Teens (Ages 10 to 17) Who Are Overweight Or Obese	25%	31%	6

46 Family and Community

Overall Rank

	Arizona	United States	Rank
Children in Single-Parent Families	37%	34%	36
Children in families Where The Household Head Lacks A High School Diploma	15%	12%	47
Children Living in High-Poverty Areas	15%	9%	45
Teen Births Per 1,000	18%	17%	29



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Children's Action Alliance (CAA), a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, strives to create an Arizona where all children and families thrive. CAA advocates for the well-being of more than 1.6 million Arizona children and their families at the state capitol and in the community. Since 1988, CAA works with elected officials, community partners, and coalitions to protect Arizona's ability to meet the education, health care, and human services needs of vulnerable children and families.

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