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2023 KIDS COUNT® DATA PROFILE

ALABAMA



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ECONOMIC WELL-BEING

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	UNITED STATES			ALABAMA		
Children in poverty US 12,243,000 AL 245,000	17% 2019	17% 2021	= SAME	21% 2019	22% 2021	↑ WORSE
Children whose parents lack secure employment US 21,143,000 AL 343,000	26% 2019	29% 2021	↑ WORSE	31% 2019	31% 2021	= SAME
Children living in households with a high housing cost burden US 21,857,000 AL 287,000	30% 2019	30% 2021	= SAME	24% 2019	26% 2021	↑ WORSE
Teens not in school and not working US 1,234,000 AL 27,000	6% 2019	7% 2021	↑ WORSE	7% 2019	10% 2021	↑ WORSE

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EDUCATION

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	UNITED STATES			ALABAMA		
Young children (ages 3 and 4) not in school US 4,380,000 AL 72,000	53% 2012-16	54% 2017-21	↑ WORSE	57% 2012-16	57% 2017-21	= SAME
Fourth-graders not proficient in reading US N.A. AL N.A.	66% 2019	68% 2022	↑ WORSE	72% 2019	72% 2022	= SAME
Eighth-graders not proficient in math US N.A. AL N.A.	67% 2019	74% 2022	↑ WORSE	79% 2019	81% 2022	↑ WORSE
High school students not graduating on time* US N.A. AL N.A.	14% 2018-19	14% 2019-20	= SAME	8% 2018-19	9% 2019-20	↑ WORSE

N.A.: Not available *Graduation data may not be comparable across time due to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Explore data on children and families at datacenter.aecf.org.

HEALTH

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	UNITED STATES			ALABAMA		
Low birth-weight babies US 311,932 AL 6,053	8.3% 2019	8.5% 2021	↑ WORSE	10.5% 2019	10.4% 2021	↓ BETTER
Children without health insurance US 4,165,000 AL 47,000	6% 2019	5% 2021	↓ BETTER	3% 2019	4% 2021	↑ WORSE
Child and teen deaths per 100,000 US 23,198 AL 526	25 2019	30 2021	↑ WORSE	41 2019	44 2021	↑ WORSE
Children and teens (ages 10 to 17) who are overweight or obese US N.A. AL N.A.	31% 2018-19	33% 2020-21	↑ WORSE	34% 2018-19	37% 2020-21	↑ WORSE

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY

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	UNITED STATES			ALABAMA		
Children in single-parent families US 23,626,000 AL 408,000	34% 2019	34% 2021	= SAME	40% 2019	39% 2021	↓ BETTER
Children in families where the household head lacks a high school diploma US 8,269,000 AL 115,000	12% 2019	11% 2021	↓ BETTER	11% 2019	10% 2021	↓ BETTER
Children living in high-poverty areas US 6,086,000 AL 128,000	13% 2012-16	8% 2017-21	↓ BETTER	16% 2012-16	11% 2017-21	↓ BETTER
Teen births per 1,000 US 146,973 AL 3,641	17 2019	14 2021	↓ BETTER	26 2019	23 2021	↓ BETTER

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