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2023 KIDS COUNT® DATA PROFILE

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ECONOMIC WELL-BEING

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	UNITED STATES			IOWA		
Children in poverty US 12,243,000 IA 91,000	17% 2019	17% 2021	= SAME	13% 2019	13% 2021	= SAME
Children whose parents lack secure employment US 21,143,000 IA 153,000	26% 2019	29% 2021	↑ WORSE	20% 2019	21% 2021	↑ WORSE
Children living in households with a high housing cost burden US 21,857,000 IA 146,000	30% 2019	30% 2021	= SAME	20% 2019	20% 2021	= SAME
Teens not in school and not working US 1,234,000 IA 8,000	6% 2019	7% 2021	↑ WORSE	7% 2019	4% 2021	↓ BETTER

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EDUCATION

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	UNITED STATES			IOWA		
Young children (ages 3 and 4) not in school US 4,380,000 IA 46,000	53% 2012-16	54% 2017-21	↑ WORSE	52% 2012-16	57% 2017-21	↑ WORSE
Fourth-graders not proficient in reading US N.A. IA N.A.	66% 2019	68% 2022	↑ WORSE	65% 2019	67% 2022	↑ WORSE
Eighth-graders not proficient in math US N.A. IA N.A.	67% 2019	74% 2022	↑ WORSE	67% 2019	72% 2022	↑ WORSE
High school students not graduating on time* US N.A. IA N.A.	14% 2018-19	14% 2019-20	= SAME	8% 2018-19	8% 2019-20	= SAME

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

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HEALTH

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	UNITED STATES			IOWA		
Low birth-weight babies US 311,932 IA 2,519	8.3% 2019	8.5% 2021	↑ WORSE	6.8% 2019	6.8% 2021	= SAME
Children without health insurance US 4,165,000 IA 26,000	6% 2019	5% 2021	↓ BETTER	3% 2019	3% 2021	= SAME
Child and teen deaths per 100,000 US 23,198 IA 194	25 2019	30 2021	↑ WORSE	24 2019	25 2021	↑ WORSE
Children and teens (ages 10 to 17) who are overweight or obese US N.A. IA N.A.	31% 2018-19	33% 2020-21	↑ WORSE	34% 2018-19	34% 2020-21	= SAME

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FAMILY AND COMMUNITY

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	UNITED STATES			IOWA		
Children in single-parent families US 23,626,000 IA 196,000	34% 2019	34% 2021	= SAME	30% 2019	28% 2021	↓ BETTER
Children in families where the household head lacks a high school diploma US 8,269,000 IA 56,000	12% 2019	11% 2021	↓ BETTER	7% 2019	8% 2021	↑ WORSE
Children living in high-poverty areas US 6,086,000 IA 22,000	13% 2012-16	8% 2017-21	↓ BETTER	3% 2012-16	3% 2017-21	= SAME
Teen births per 1,000 US 146,973 IA 1,363	17 2019	14 2021	↓ BETTER	14 2019	13 2021	↓ BETTER

N.A.: Not available

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