

# New Mexico KIDS COUNT Profile

National Rank (2016): 49<sup>th</sup> Unchanged since 2015 (49<sup>th</sup>)

Domains	Indicators of child well-being			
<p><b>Economic Well-Being</b> National Rank: 48<sup>th</sup></p>	<p><b>Children at or below the poverty level</b></p> <p>30% 146,000 children (2014)</p> <p>Improved since 2013 (31%) Worse than US average (22%)</p>	<p><b>Children whose parents lack secure employment</b></p> <p>36% 182,000 children (2014)</p> <p>Worsened since 2013 (35%) Worse than US average (30%)</p>	<p><b>Children living in households with a high housing cost burden</b></p> <p>31% 156,000 children (2014)</p> <p>Improved since 2013 (33%) Better than US average (35%)</p>	<p><b>Teens (16-19) not in school and not working</b></p> <p>9% 10,000 teens (2014)</p> <p>Improved since 2013 (10%) Worse than US average (7%)</p>
<p><b>Education</b> National Rank: 50<sup>th</sup></p>	<p><b>Young children not in school</b></p> <p>59% 34,000 children (2012-14)</p> <p>Improved since 11-13 (60%) Worse than US average (53%)</p>	<p><b>Fourth graders not proficient in reading</b></p> <p>77% (2015)</p> <p>Improved since 2013 (79%) Worse than US average (65%)</p>	<p><b>Eighth graders not proficient in math</b></p> <p>79% (2015)</p> <p>Worsened since 2013 (77%) Worse than US average (68%)</p>	<p><b>High school students not graduating on time</b></p> <p>28% (2012-13)</p> <p>Worsened since 11-12 (26%) Worse than US average (18%)</p>
<p><b>Health</b> National Rank: 44<sup>th</sup></p>	<p><b>Low birth-weight babies</b></p> <p>8.8% 2,282 babies (2014)</p> <p>Improved since 2013 (8.9%) Worse than US average (8%)</p>	<p><b>Children without health insurance</b></p> <p>7% 36,000 children (2014)</p> <p>Improved since 2013 (9%) Worse than US average (6%)</p>	<p><b>Child (1-14) and teen (15-19) death rates (per 100,000)</b></p> <p>31 165 deaths (2014)</p> <p>Worsened since 2013 (28) Worse than US average (24)</p>	<p><b>Teens who abuse alcohol or drugs</b></p> <p>5% 9,000 teens (2013-14)</p> <p>Improved since 12-13 (7%) Same as US average (5%)</p>
<p><b>Family and Community</b> National Rank: 48<sup>th</sup></p>	<p><b>Children in single-parent families</b></p> <p>41% 193,000 children (2014)</p> <p>Improved since 2013 (43%) Worse than US average (35%)</p>	<p><b>Children in families where household head lacks high school diploma</b></p> <p>18% 89,000 children (2014)</p> <p>Unchanged since 2013 (18%) Worse than US average (14%)</p>	<p><b>Children living in high-poverty areas</b></p> <p>26% 135,000 children (2010-14)</p> <p>Worsened since 09-13 (24%) Worse than US average (14%)</p>	<p><b>Teen (15-19) birth rate (per 1,000)</b></p> <p>38 2,543 births (2014)</p> <p>Improved since 2013 (43) Worse than US average (24)</p>

Source: KIDS COUNT Data Book, Annie E. Casey Foundation, 2015 and 2016  
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