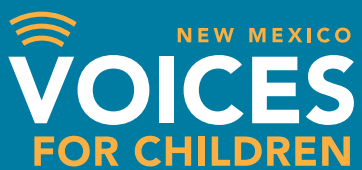


KIDS COUNT Profile

San Juan County



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KIDS COUNT in New Mexico

Every child deserves equal access to the tools and opportunities essential for long-term success: economic security, quality education, access to health supports, and a supportive family and community. The future of the Land of Enchantment is also dependent upon the foundation of these four pillars. Investing now in New Mexico's children means an investment in the future of the entire state, region, and nation.

Each year, the Annie E. Casey Foundation's KIDS COUNT program provides child well-being rankings for the 50 states. Indicators within four primary domains of well-being—economic, education, health, and family and community—are tracked and evaluated by the Casey Foundation and by New Mexico Voices for Children, the KIDS COUNT anchor in our state, to understand and tell the child well-being story in New Mexico. Over time, the results show us where we are, where we have been improving, and where we can do better. Sadly, New Mexico has not ranked well in comparison to most of the nation. We fell to 49th for overall child well-being—ahead of just Mississippi—in 2012 and, except for 2013 (when we fell to 50th), our national ranking has not budged since.



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New Mexico KIDS COUNT Profile

National Rank (2017): 49th  Unchanged since 2016 (49th)*

Domains	Indicators of child well-being			
 <p>Economic Well-Being National Rank: 48th</p>	<p>Children at or below the poverty level</p> <p>29% 141,000 children (2015)</p> <p>Improved since 2014 (30%) Worse than US average (21%)</p>	<p>Children whose parents lack secure employment</p> <p>34% 170,000 children (2015)</p> <p>Improved since 2014 (36%) Worse than US average (29%)</p>	<p>Children living in households with a high housing cost burden</p> <p>31% 153,000 children (2015)</p> <p>Unchanged since 2014 (31%) Better than US average (33%)</p>	<p>Teens (16-19) not in school and not working</p> <p>9% 10,000 teens (2015)</p> <p>Unchanged since 2014 (9%) Worse than US average (7%)</p>
 <p>Education National Rank: 50th**</p>	<p>Young children not in school</p> <p>58% 32,000 children (2013-15)</p> <p>Improved since 2012-14 (59%) Worse than US average (53%)</p>	<p>Fourth graders not proficient in reading</p> <p>77% (2015)</p> <p>Improved since 2013 (79%) Worse than US average (65%)</p>	<p>Eighth graders not proficient in math</p> <p>79% (2015)</p> <p>Worsened since 2013 (77%) Worse than US average (68%)</p>	<p>High school students not graduating on time</p> <p>31% (2014-15)</p> <p>Improved since 2013-14 (32%)* Worse than US average (17%)</p>
 <p>Health National Rank: 37th</p>	<p>Low-birthweight babies</p> <p>8.7% 2,244 babies (2015)</p> <p>Improved since 2014 (8.8%) Worse than US average (8.1%)</p>	<p>Children without health insurance</p> <p>4% 22,000 children (2015)</p> <p>Improved since 2014 (7%) Better than US average (5%)</p>	<p>Child (1-14) and teen (15-19) death rates (per 100,000)</p> <p>34 178 deaths (2015)</p> <p>Worsened since 2014 (31) Worse than US average (25)</p>	<p>Teens who abuse alcohol or drugs</p> <p>5% 9,000 teens (2013-14)</p> <p>Improved since 2012-13 (7%) Same as US average (5%)</p>
 <p>Family and Community National Rank: 49th</p>	<p>Children in single-parent families</p> <p>41% 191,000 children (2015)</p> <p>Unchanged since 2014 (41%) Worse than US average (35%)</p>	<p>Children in families where household head lacks high school diploma</p> <p>18% 89,000 children (2015)</p> <p>Unchanged since 2014 (18%) Worse than US average (14%)</p>	<p>Children living in high-poverty areas</p> <p>25% 128,000 children (2011-15)</p> <p>Improved since 2010-14 (26%) Worse than US average (14%)</p>	<p>Teen (15-19) birth rate (per 1,000)</p> <p>35 2,320 births (2015)</p> <p>Improved since 2014 (38) Worse than US average (22)</p>

*Due to a slight change in the methodology for reporting data for the indicator "High school students not graduating on time," comparisons cannot be made between previous years' and this year's overall rank, education rank, and "High school students not graduating on time" data.

Source: *KIDS COUNT Data Book*, Annie E. Casey Foundation, 2016 and 2017
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KIDS COUNT Profile: San Juan County

Demographic Information: San Juan County, in the northwest corner of the state, has significant mineral resources, primarily oil and natural gas, which have been commercially extracted since the 1950s. It is also home to a portion of the Navajo Nation—New Mexico’s largest tribe. San Juan County has a total population of 122,537 and a child population of 36,078, or 5.9 percent of the total child population of New Mexico. San Juan has the third largest share of Native American children in the state, who account for 42.3 percent of the county’s 0 to 19 demographic, followed by Non-Hispanic Whites (29.55 percent), Hispanics (26.7 percent), two or more races (5.9 percent), Blacks (0.4 percent), and Asian/Pacific Islanders (0.4 percent). Four school districts—Farmington Municipal (FMS), Central Consolidated (CCS), Bloomfield Municipal (BMS), and Aztec Municipal (AMS)—operate within the county, with a total of 24,029 enrolled students¹. Median household income for the county is \$48,624, which is higher than the state median income of 45,674. This, despite the fact that the Navajo Nation as a whole has a higher rate of poverty than the state.

Economic Well-Being: Still, the county has a slightly better child poverty rate, which is 24 percent compared to the state’s 27 percent. Thirty-nine percent of all renting households in the county have a high housing cost burden, meaning they spend 30 percent or more of their total income on housing. This is better than the state average for high housing costs of 46 percent. Like the state as a whole, 13 percent of families with children in the county do not have any parent working. Lastly, in San Juan County, 11 percent of teens are disconnected, meaning they are not in school or working. This rate is slightly worse than the state average of 10 percent.

Education: The four school districts operating within the county fare differently across the four KIDS COUNT education indicators, with Farmington Municipal Schools (FMS) outperforming the state in reading and math proficiencies. The FMS district leads San Juan County with 37 percent of fourth graders meeting or exceeding expectations in English language arts, and with 27 percent of eighth graders meeting or exceeding expectations in math. The state averages are 26 percent and 21 percent, respectively. FMS is followed by AMS (26 percent reading proficiency; 19 percent math), CCS (18 percent reading proficiency; 10 percent math), and BMS (15 percent reading proficiency; 9 percent math). FMS matches the state high school graduation rate of 71 percent, followed closely by BMS (69 percent), AMS (68 percent), and CCS (63 percent). Sixty percent of 3-and-4 year olds in the county are not currently enrolled in school. This rate is slightly worse than the state average of 59 percent.

Health: In the health domain, San Juan County is an outlier for teen death rates. The death rate for ages 15 to 19 is 99.5 deaths per 100,000 teens, which is much higher than the 64.2 deaths per 100,000 of the state as a whole. The child death rate for ages 0 to 14 is 56.3 deaths per 100,000 children, slightly better than

the state rate of 57.8 deaths per 1,000. San Juan County does better on the other health indicators. Babies are born at a low birthweight (5.5 pounds or less) at a rate of 8.2 births per 1,000, which is slightly better than the state average of 9 percent. Children in the county fare nearly the same as the state average when it comes to access to health insurance, with 5.8 percent lacking health insurance, a rate that is slightly worse than the state at 5.1 percent. Teens in San Juan County engaged in binge drinking at a rate of 11.6 percent, lower than the New Mexico average of 14.6 percent.

Family and Community: San Juan County is also something of an outlier for teen birth rates, which is 35.5 births per 1,000 females age 15 to 19. That’s higher than the state, which averages 29.4 births per 1,000 females. That gives San Juan County the 14th highest teen birth rate of the 33 counties. San Juan County’s children fare better on the other KIDS COUNT family and community indicators. Within the county, 37 percent of children reside in single-parent families, slightly lower than the state average of 38 percent. Children live in households headed by a person without a high school diploma at a rate of 15 percent, which is equal to the state. Twenty-six percent of children in the county live in high-poverty areas, where the poverty rate is 30 percent or higher. This is slightly higher than state average of 25 percent.

In conclusion, San Juan County’s child well-being data reflect the demographics and needs of an often-underrepresented and underserved child population within New Mexico. Families in this county strive to provide their children with the same opportunities as those in the state’s more urban counties. However, KIDS COUNT child well-being indicators reveal that some children in San Juan County experience disparate outcomes when compared to children statewide—particularly their teens.



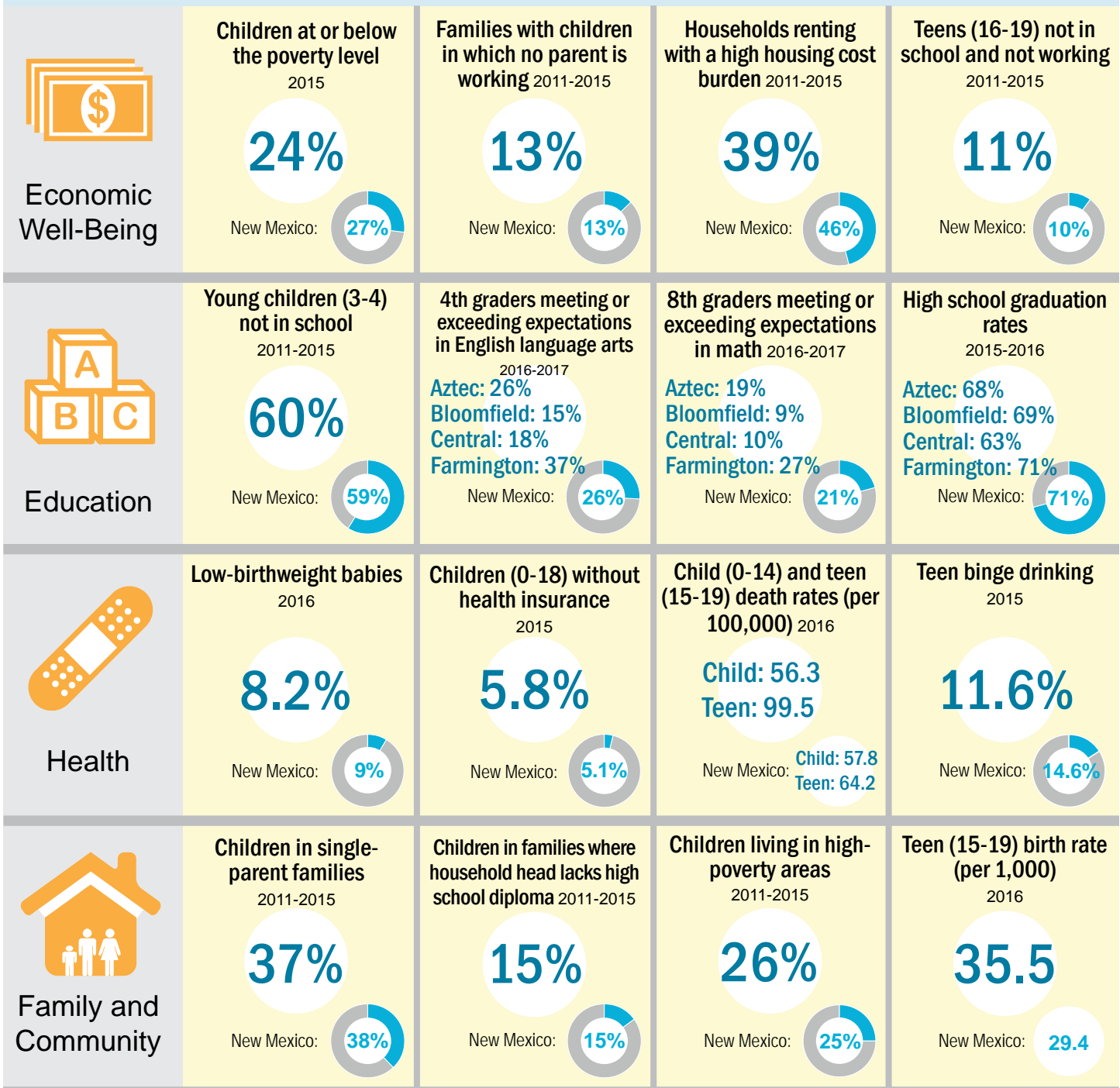
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¹New Mexico Public Education Department (NMPED), School Fact Sheets: <http://www.ped.state.nm.us/it/schoolfactsheets.html>

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Domains

KIDS COUNT Indicators of child well-being



The above data are identical to data presented in the 2017 New Mexico Kids Count Data Book
Note: Unless otherwise noted, "children" refers to ages 0-17

Sources: Children in poverty: U.S. Census, Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates; Families with no working parent: American Community Survey (ACS), Table B23007; Households with high housing cost burden: ACS Table B25070; Teens not in school/working: ACS Table B14005; Young children not in school: ACS Table B14003; English Language Arts and Math proficiencies: NM Public Education Department (PED), "PARCC Proficiencies 2017"; High school graduation rates: NM PED, "Webfiles cohort of 2016 4-Year Graduation Rates"; Low-birthweight babies: NM Department of Health (DOH), Indicator-Based Information System for Public Health (IBIS); Children without health insurance: U.S. Census Bureau, Small Area Health Insurance Estimates; Child and teen death rates: NM DOH IBIS; Teen binge drinking: NM Youth Risk and Resiliency Survey; Children in single-parent families: ACS Table B09002; Children in families where household head lacks HS diploma: ACS Table B17018; Children living in high-poverty areas: Population Reference Bureau analysis of ACS data; Teen birth rate: NM DOH IBIS

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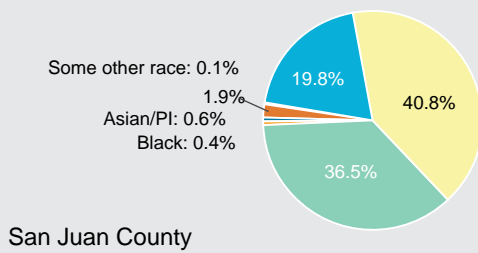
Total population (all ages) 2016

	Number	Percentage of state total population
San Juan County	122,537	5.9%
New Mexico	2,082,669	100%

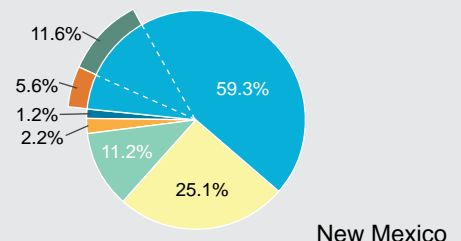
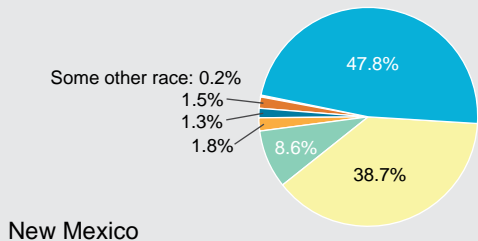
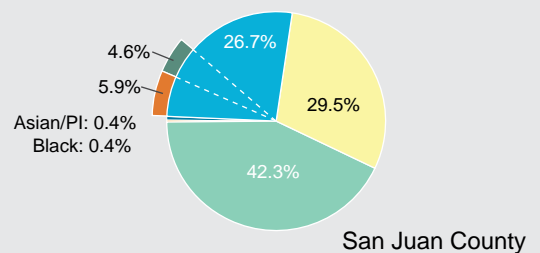
Child population (ages 0-19) 2016

	Number	Percentage of state child population
San Juan County	36,078	6.5%
New Mexico	559,130	100%

Total population (all ages) by race and ethnicity* 2016



Child population (ages 0-19) by race and ethnicity* 2016



The U.S. Census considers Hispanic an ethnicity rather than a race. Since people who identify as Hispanic may also identify as a race, the sum of all numbers may be greater than 100% due to overlap. Where that overlap is significant, the "two or more races" and/or the "some other race" categories are shown separately.

Households receiving SNAP benefits 2016

	Number	Percent
San Juan County	6,489	15.8%
New Mexico	126,654	16.6%

Families with children where no parent is in workforce 2016**

	Number	Percent
San Juan County	1,712	14%
New Mexico	25,906	12.5%

Rate of substantiated child abuse 2017

	Rate (per 1,000 children)
San Juan County	22
New Mexico	25

Median household income 2016

	Number	Percent of state median income
San Juan County	\$48,624	106%
New Mexico	\$45,674	100%

*All data shown for Whites, Native Americans, Blacks, and Asian/Pacific Islanders are for people who did not also identify as Hispanic.

**The workforce includes those who are either working or unemployed but actively seeking work.

Sources: U.S. Census American Community Survey, 5-year estimates, 2012-2016: Total population by race & ethnicity: Table DP05; Child population by race & ethnicity: Tables B01001B, B01001C, B01001D, B01001E, B01001F, B01001G, B01001H, B01001I; Families with children where no parent is in workforce: B23007; Households receiving SNAP benefits: DP03; Rate of substantiated child abuse: NM Children, Youth and Families Protected Services Division, Information request received Nov. 2017; Total and child population: B01001; Median household income: B19013

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