

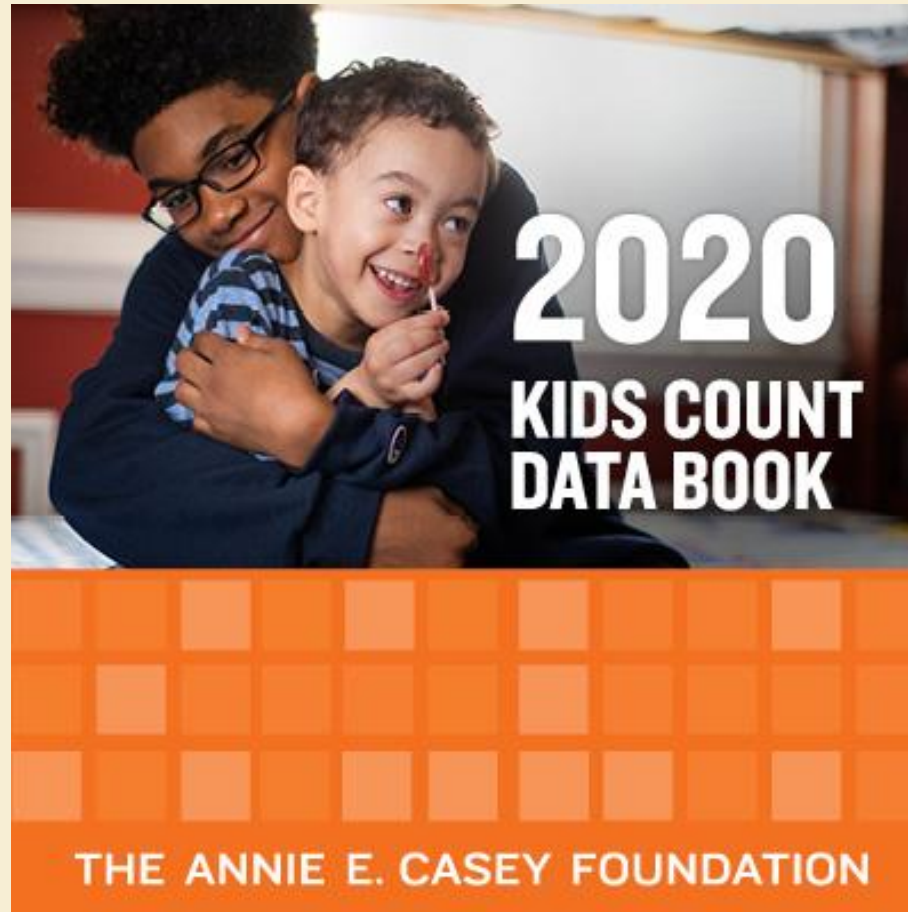


# TRENDS IN CHILD WELL-BEING AND PREPARING FOR A RECOVERY FOR KIDS

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# Unprecedented Times



# National Data Overview

# KIDS COUNT Well-Being Domains



Health



Economic



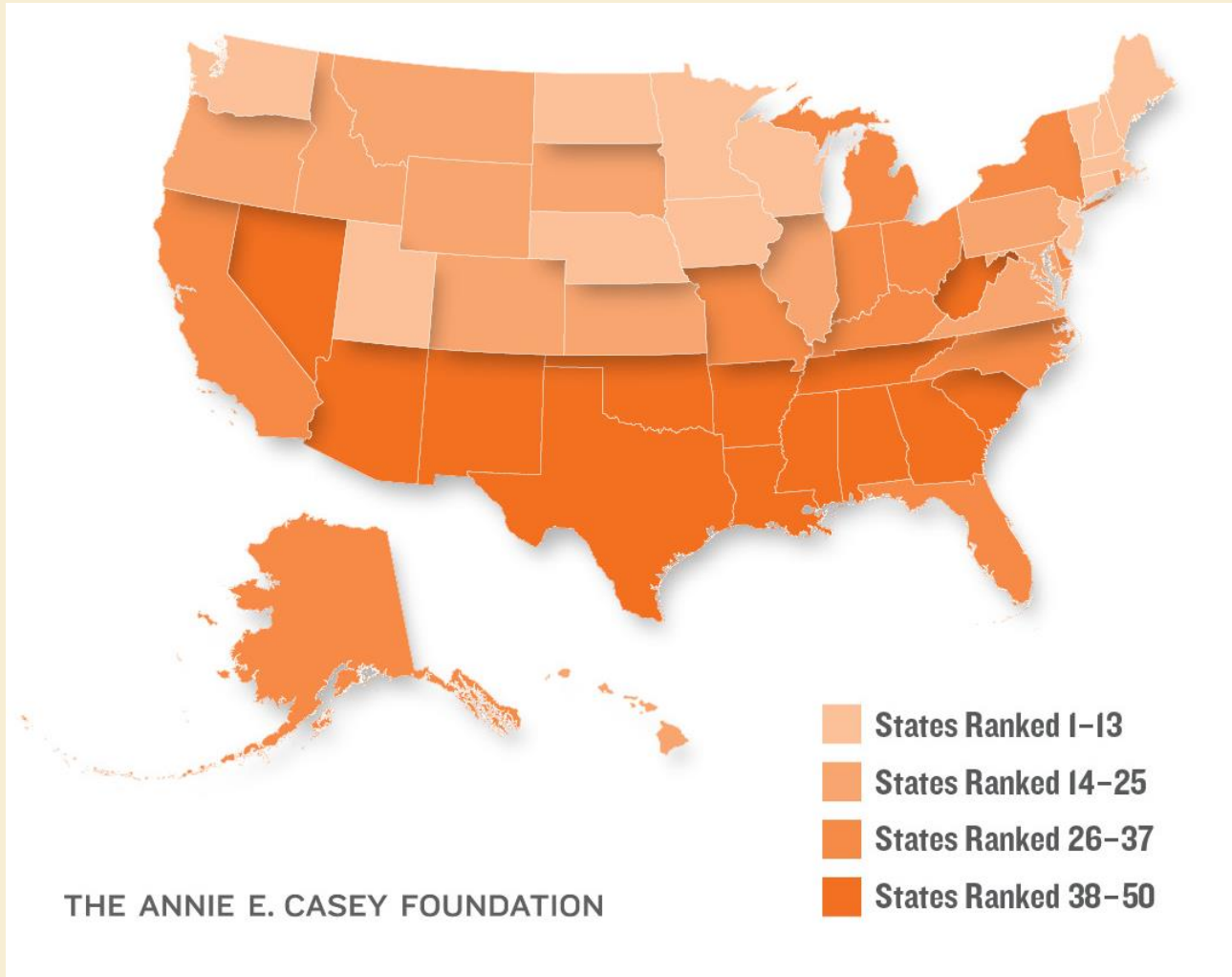
Family &  
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Education



# State-by-State Rankings for Overall Well-Being



# Health



# Health Well-Being Overview

## LOW BIRTH-WEIGHT BABIES

US: 313,752

8.1%  
2010

8.3%  
2018

WORSE

## CHILDREN WITHOUT HEALTH INSURANCE

US: 4,055,000

8%  
2010

5%  
2018

BETTER

## CHILD AND TEEN DEATHS PER 100,000

US: 19,660

26  
2010

25  
2018

BETTER

## CHILDREN AND TEENS (AGES 10 TO 17) WHO ARE OVERWEIGHT OR OBESE

US: N.A.

31%  
2016-17

31%  
2017-18

SAME



# Economic Well-Being



# Economic Well-Being Overview

## CHILDREN IN POVERTY

US: 12,998,000

22%  
2010

18%  
2018

BETTER

## CHILDREN WHOSE PARENTS LACK SECURE EMPLOYMENT

US: 19,579,000

33%  
2010

27%  
2018

BETTER

## CHILDREN LIVING IN HOUSEHOLDS WITH A HIGH HOUSING COST BURDEN

US: 22,566,000

41%  
2010

31%  
2018

BETTER

## TEENS NOT IN SCHOOL AND NOT WORKING

US: 1,186,000

9%  
2010

7%  
2018

BETTER

# Education Well-Being



# Education Well-Being Overview

## YOUNG CHILDREN (AGES 3 AND 4) NOT IN SCHOOL

US: 4,215,000

52%

2009-11

52%

2016-18

SAME

## FOURTH-GRADERS NOT PROFICIENT IN READING

US: N.A.

68%

2009

66%

2019

BETTER

## EIGHTH-GRADERS NOT PROFICIENT IN MATH

US: N.A.

67%

2009

67%

2019

SAME

## HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS NOT GRADUATING ON TIME

US: N.A.

21%

2010-11

15%

2017-18

BETTER

N.A.: Not available

# Family & Community Well-Being



# Family & Community Well-Being Overview

## CHILDREN IN SINGLE-PARENT FAMILIES

US: 23,980,000

34%  
2010

35%  
2018

WORSE

## CHILDREN IN FAMILIES WHERE THE HOUSEHOLD HEAD LACKS A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA

US: 9,205,000

15%  
2010

13%  
2018

BETTER

## CHILDREN LIVING IN HIGH-POVERTY AREAS

US: 7,717,000

13%  
2008-12

10%  
2014-18

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## TEEN BIRTHS PER 1,000

US: 179,871

34  
2010

17  
2018

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N.A.: Not available

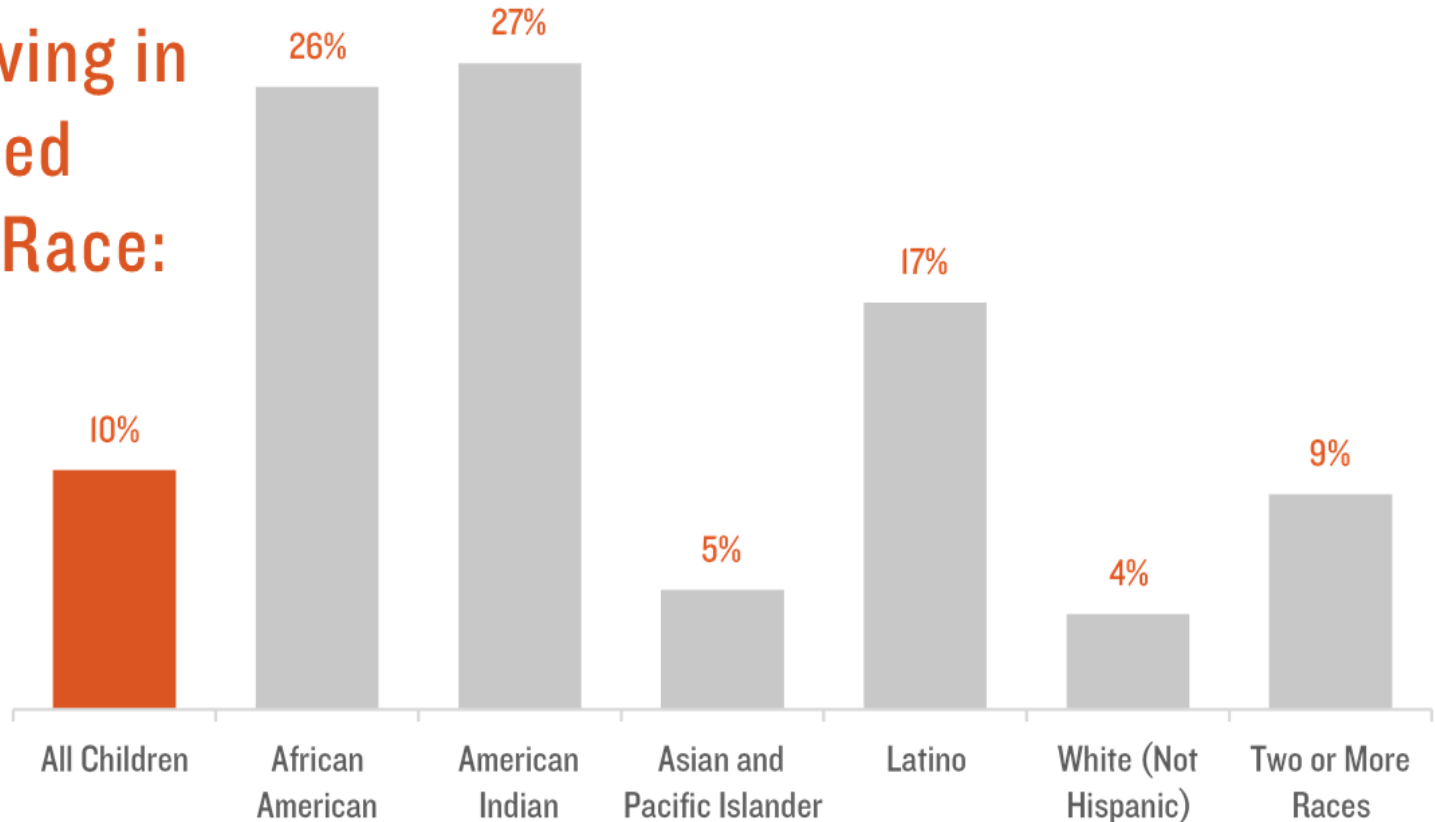


# A Closer Look at the Data

# Glaring Inequities

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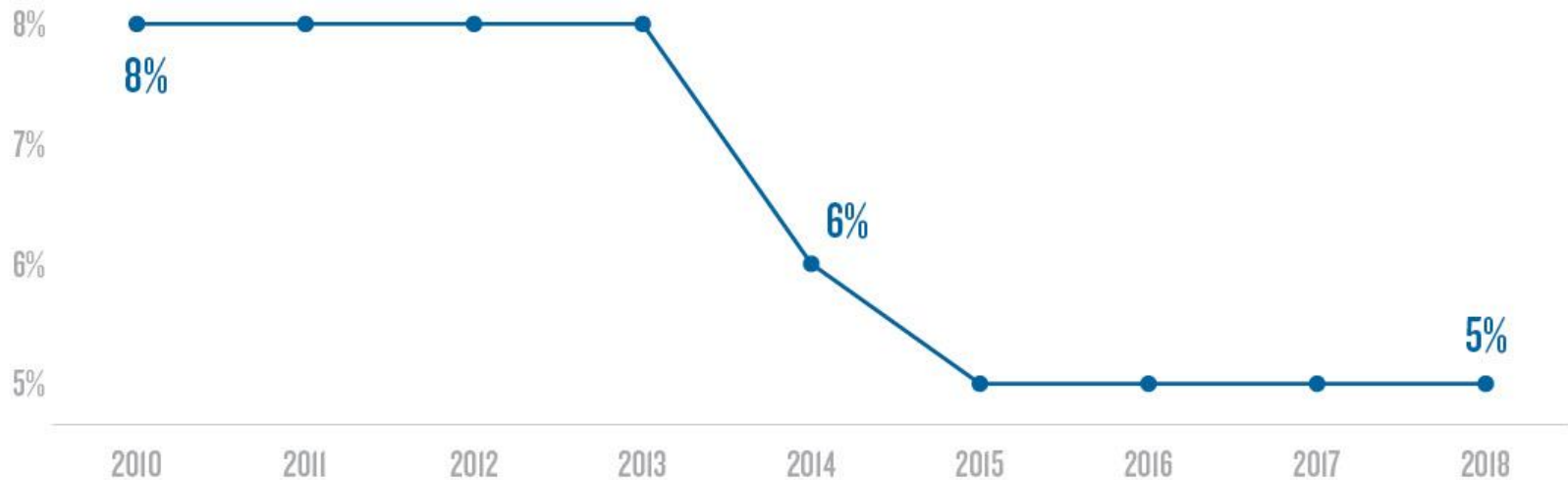
## Children Living in Concentrated Poverty by Race: 2014-18



# Glaring Inequities: Health Trends

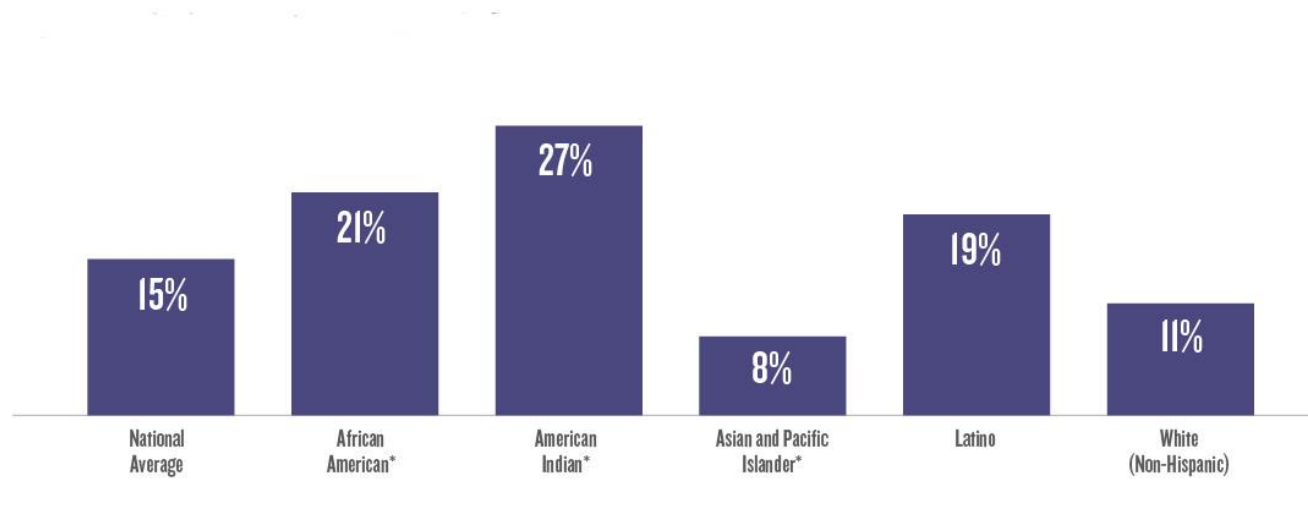
**Trend to Watch: Although the Rate Remains Unchanged, The Number of Children Without Health Insurance Has Increased for Two Consecutive Years**

Children Without Health Insurance: 2010 through 2018



# Glaring Inequities: Education Trends

## Higher Rates of On-Time High School Graduation Across the Board Yet Racial Disparities Continue to Persist



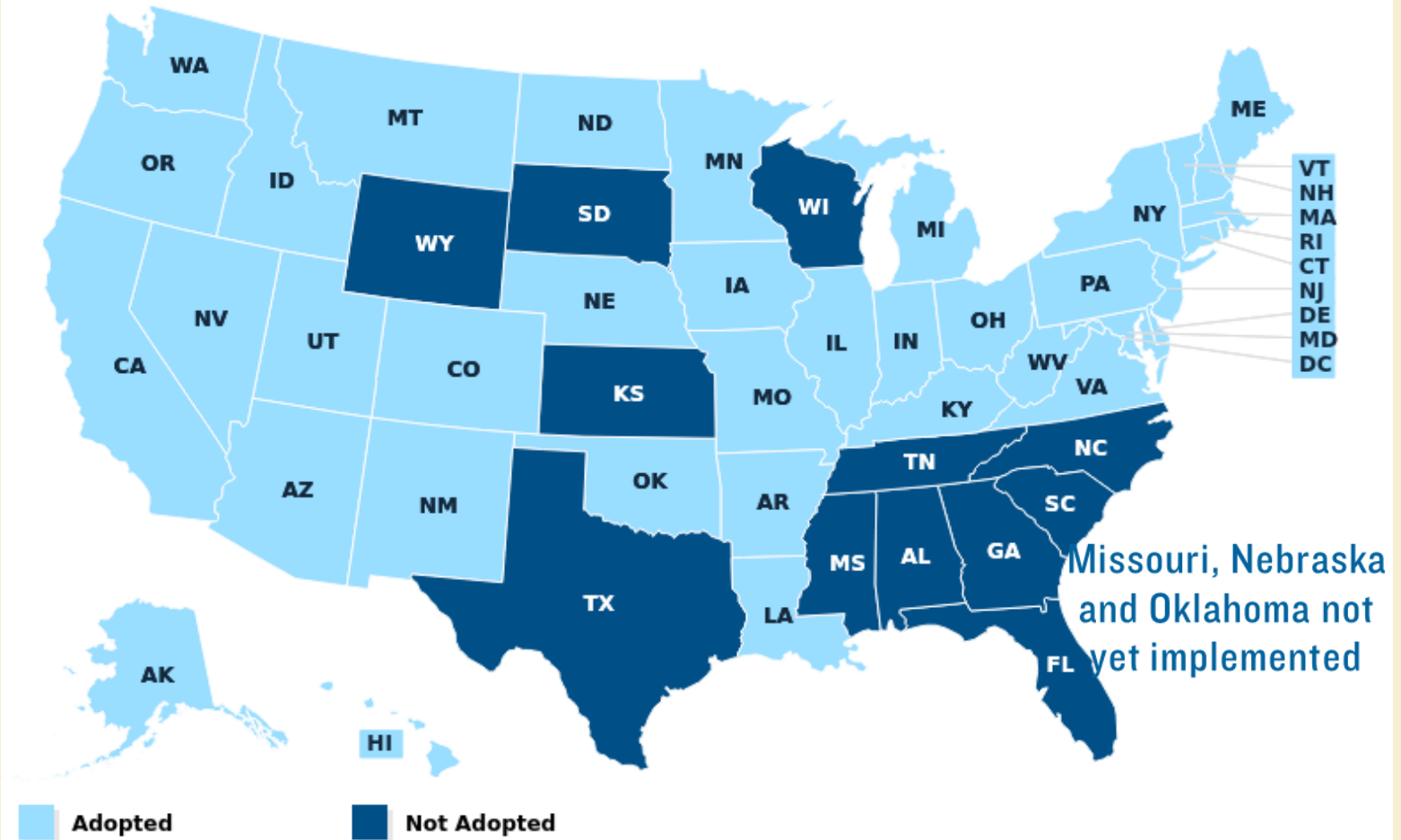
Source: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, 2017-18 Common Core of Data.  
\* Data are for non-Hispanic children.

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# What's Working

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**Status of State Action on the Medicaid Expansion Decision: Status of Medicaid Expansion Decision, August 5, 2020**

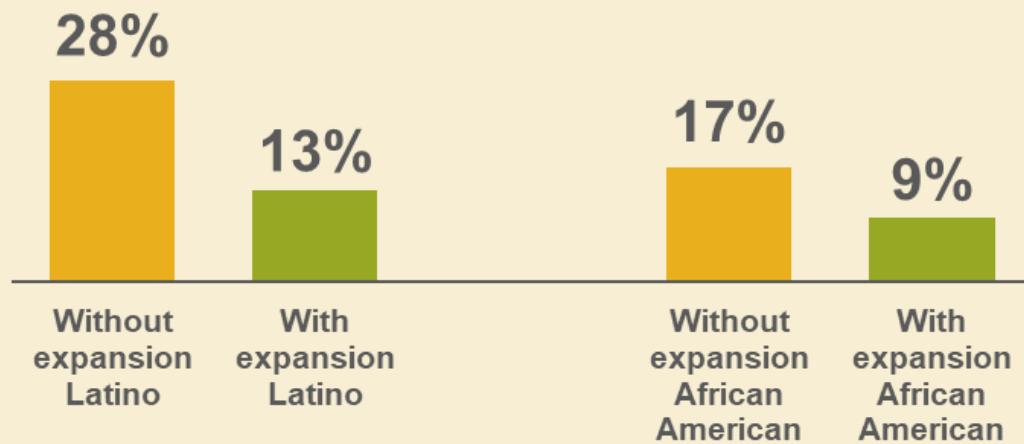


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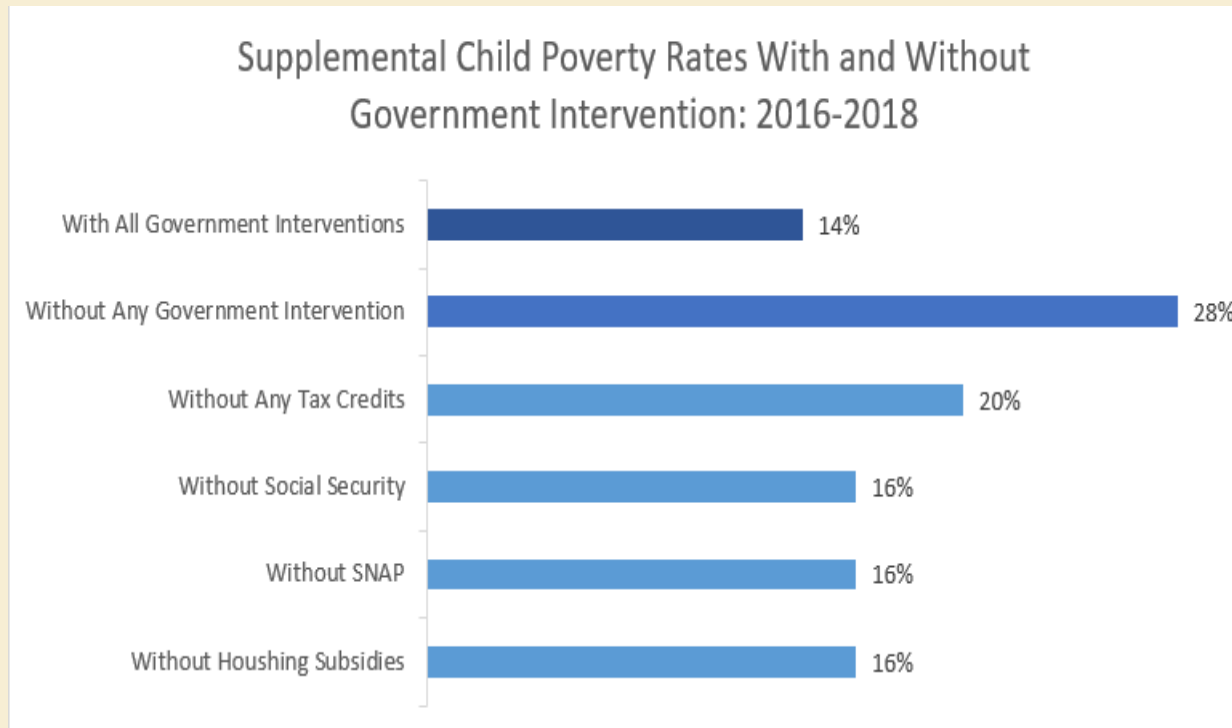


# What's Working

Young People Ages 14–24  
Uninsured in 2018



# What's Working



Source: Population Reference bureau analysis of U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey 2017 (Research File, 2018 (Bridge file) and 2019 Annual Social and Economic Supplement

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# On the horizon. . .

- More investments in youth-driven policy
- Continued push to remove systemic barriers that prevent children and families from American Dream
- Casey Foundation to release report in December looking at well-being of families during pandemic



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