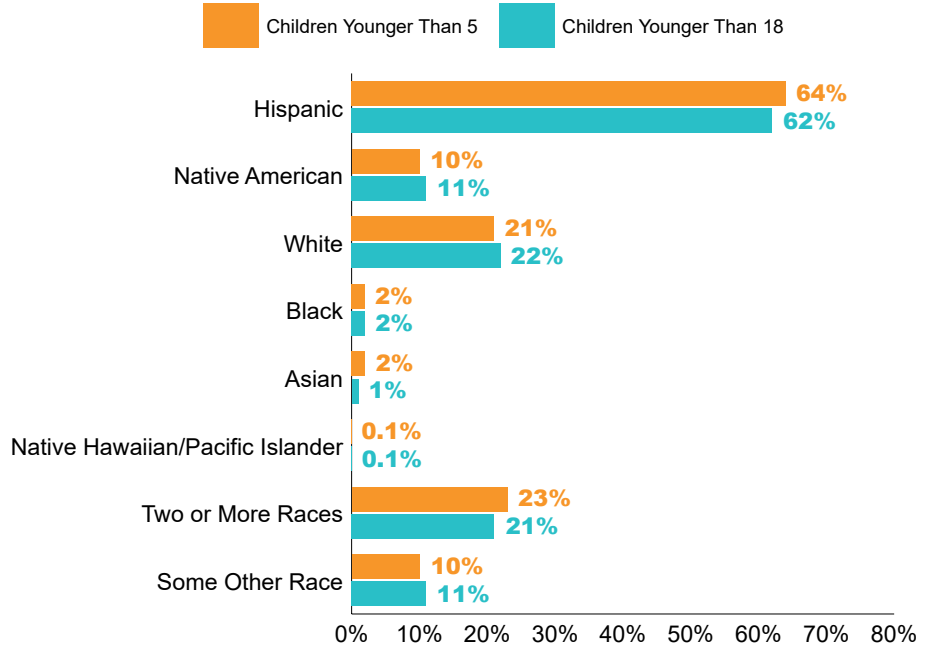


Children Younger Than 5:¹
115,927

Children Younger Than 18:¹
473,478

Child Population by Race and Ethnicity¹



Young Children (Ages 3-4)
Not in School¹

59%

Children Receiving Child
Care Assistance²

28,611

Funded Head Start
Slots³

8,795

Births Covered by
Medicaid⁴

72%

Babies Born at a
Low Birthweight⁵

9.4%

Child Food Insecurity
Rate⁶

19%

Number of Funded Home
Visiting Slots⁷

7,160

Home Visiting Need Met
(Based on Medicaid Births)⁷

50%

Families with Children with
All Parents Employed¹

66%

About the Data

Some New Mexico counties have access to a greater variety of economic opportunities for families as well as support services and programs to help them thrive. By highlighting data by county, we can discover varying needs for improvement in our systems and policies to reach every community and to improve child and family well-being.

Median Income of Families with Children¹

\$199,481

Children Living in Families with High Housing Cost Burden¹

44%

Teens (Ages 16-19) Not in School and Not Working¹

10%

Child Poverty Rate¹

24%

Grandparents Raising Grandchildren and Living in Poverty¹

25%

Children Living in High-Poverty Areas⁸

19%

Total Households Receiving Cash Assistance¹

3.7%

Total Households Receiving SNAP¹

18%

Children without Health Insurance⁹

6.9%

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