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2022 KIDS COUNT® DATA PROFILE

# WEST VIRGINIA



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## ECONOMIC WELL-BEING

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	UNITED STATES			WEST VIRGINIA		
<b>Children in poverty</b> us 12,599,000   wv 82,000	21%	17%	↓ BETTER	24%	23%	↓ BETTER
<b>Children whose parents lack secure employment</b> us 19,745,000   wv 129,000	31%	27%	↓ BETTER	34%	35%	↑ WORSE
<b>Children living in households with a high housing cost burden</b> us 22,137,000   wv 78,000	39%	30%	↓ BETTER	25%	21%	↓ BETTER
<b>Teens not in school and not working</b> us 1,153,000   wv 8,000	8%	7%	↓ BETTER	12%	9%	↓ BETTER

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## EDUCATION

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	UNITED STATES			WEST VIRGINIA		
<b>Young children (ages 3 and 4) not in school</b> us 4,295,000   wv 27,000	52%	53%	↑ WORSE	64%	67%	↑ WORSE
<b>Fourth-graders not proficient in reading</b> us N.A.   wv N.A.	68%	66%	↓ BETTER	74%	70%	↓ BETTER
<b>Eighth-graders not proficient in math</b> us N.A.   wv N.A.	67%	67%	= SAME	81%	76%	↓ BETTER
<b>High school students not graduating on time</b> us N.A.   wv N.A.	21%	14%	↓ BETTER	22%	9%	↓ BETTER

N.A.: Not available

Explore data on children and families at [datacenter.kidscount.org](https://datacenter.kidscount.org).

## HEALTH

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	UNITED STATES			WEST VIRGINIA		
<b>Low birth-weight babies</b> US 297,604   WV 1,604	8.1% 2010	8.2% 2020	↑ WORSE	9.2% 2010	9.3% 2020	↑ WORSE
<b>Children without health insurance</b> US 4,017,000   WV 11,000	8% 2008-12	5% 2016-20	↓ BETTER	5% 2008-12	3% 2016-20	↓ BETTER
<b>Child and teen deaths per 100,000</b> US 21,430   WV 120	26 2010	28 2020	↑ WORSE	33 2010	31 2020	↓ BETTER
<b>Children and teens (ages 10 to 17) who are overweight or obese</b> US N.A.   WV N.A.	31% 2016-17	32% 2019-20	↑ WORSE	35% 2016-17	41% 2019-20	↑ WORSE

## FAMILY AND COMMUNITY

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	UNITED STATES			WEST VIRGINIA		
<b>Children in single-parent families</b> US 23,629,000   WV 119,000	34% 2008-12	34% 2016-20	= SAME	33% 2008-12	36% 2016-20	↑ WORSE
<b>Children in families where the household head lacks a high school diploma</b> US 8,949,000   WV 31,000	15% 2008-12	12% 2016-20	↓ BETTER	12% 2008-12	9% 2016-20	↓ BETTER
<b>Children living in high-poverty areas</b> US 6,350,000   WV 33,000	13% 2008-12	9% 2016-20	↓ BETTER	8% 2008-12	9% 2016-20	↑ WORSE
<b>Teen births per 1,000</b> US 158,043   WV 1,139	34 2010	15 2020	↓ BETTER	45 2010	23 2020	↓ BETTER

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