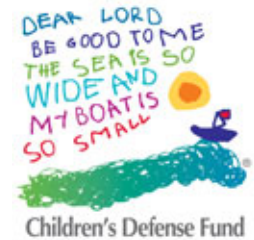


# Children's Defense Fund



## Children in the States 2011: Notes and Sources

Data for the *Children in the States* fact sheets are the most current available as of January 2011. More recent data on many of these indicators will become available throughout the year.

### CHILD POPULATION:

**Total Number of Children:** U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, "Estimates of the Resident Population by Selected Age Groups for the United States, States, and Puerto Rico: July 1, 2009." Calculations by Children's Defense Fund.

**Number of Children by race/ethnicity:** U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, "Annual State Resident Population Estimates for 6 Race Groups (5 Race Alone Groups and One Group with Two or more Race Groups) by Age, Sex, and Hispanic Origin: April 1, 2000 to July 1, 2009." Available at <http://www.census.gov/popest/states/asrh/files/SC-EST2009-alldata6-ALL.csv>. Calculations by Children's Defense Fund.

### MOMENTS:

All "moments" are calculated by Children's Defense Fund, based on data from these sources:

**Abuse and Neglect:** U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Administration on Children, Youth and Families, *Child Maltreatment 2009* (December 2010), Table 3-5. Available at <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/cb/pubs/cm09/cm09.pdf#page=31>.

**Infant Deaths:** U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, National Center for Health Statistics, *National Vital Statistics Report*, Vol. 58, No. 19, (May 2010), Table 32. Available at [http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/nvsr/nvsr58/nvsr58\\_19.pdf](http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/nvsr/nvsr58/nvsr58_19.pdf).

**Firearm Deaths:** U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, WISQARS. Available at <http://www.cdc.gov/ncipc/wisqars/>

### RANKINGS:

All rankings are calculated by Children's Defense Fund, based on data from the following sources. 1<sup>st</sup> represents the best state for children on the specific measure, 51<sup>st</sup> represents the worst state for children.

**Low Birthweight:** U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, National Center for Health Statistics, *National Vital Statistics Reports*, Vol. 57, No. 7, "Births: Final Data for 2006" (January 7, 2009), Table 36.

**Infant Mortality:** U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, National Center for Health Statistics, *National Vital Statistics Report*, Vol. 58, No. 19, (May 2010), Table 32.

**Per Pupil Expenditures:** U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, *Digest of Education Statistics 2008* (March 2009), Table 184.

## CHILD POVERTY:

**Poor Children, number and percent:** U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, 2009 American Community Survey, Table B17001.

**Children in Extreme Poverty, number and percent:** U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, 2009 American Community Survey, Table B17024.

**TANF Recipients:** U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Family Assistance, TANF Caseload Data 2009. Available at [http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ofa/data-reports/caseload/2009/2009\\_3\\_tanssp.xls](http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ofa/data-reports/caseload/2009/2009_3_tanssp.xls). Calculations by Children's Defense Fund.

Number of recipients as of September 2009.

**TANF Benefit Levels:** U.S. Congress, House of Representatives, Committee on Ways and Means, Green Book 2004, Table 7-13; U.S. Congress, House of Representatives, Committee on Ways and Means, Green Book 2008, Table 7-21; and U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Consumer Price Index. Available at <http://stats.bls.gov/cpi/>. Calculations by Children's Defense Fund.

Maximum benefit levels for a three-person family as of July 2006.

## CHILD HUNGER:

**Children Receiving Food Stamps:** U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service, unpublished tabulations from Fiscal Year QC database.

Number of children for Federal Fiscal Year 2008.

**Percent Food Stamp Eligibles:** U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service, *Reaching Those In Need: State Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Participation Rates in 2007* (November 2009), p. 5.

Participation rates are for all eligible persons, both adults and children.

**Recipients of School Lunch:** U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service, unpublished tabulations from the National Data Bank.

Participation for Federal Fiscal Year 2008. Data includes only children who receive free and reduced price lunches,

**Recipients of Summer Food Services Program:**

**WIC Recipients:** U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service, unpublished tabulations from the National Data Bank.

Participation for Federal Fiscal Year 2008.

## CHILD HEALTH:

**Uninsured Children, number and percent:** U.S. Census Bureau 2008, 2009, 2010 Annual Social & Economic Supplement (ASEC) to the Current Population Survey (CPS); Annual Estimates of the Resident Population by Single-Year of Age and Sex for the United States and States, April 1, 2000 to July 1, 2009. Available at <http://www.census.gov/popest/states/asrh/files/SC-EST2009-AGESEX-RES.csv>. Calculations by Children's Defense Fund.

The percentage and number of uninsured children in the United States are from the most recent year of data and represent coverage in 2009. NOTES: The estimated percentage of uninsured children in each state is an

average of the percentage of uninsured children in that state over three years. Three-year averages are used because of small sample sizes in some states. The average percentage of uninsured children in this table is based on the 2008, 2009 and 2010 ASEC surveys. The estimated number of uninsured children in each state is calculated by applying that average percentage to the most recent Census estimate of children younger than 19 in the state.

**CHIP Enrollment:** Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, CHIP Statistical Enrollment Data Systems (SEDS) forms CMS21E, CMS-64,21E, CMS-21waiver (02/01/10); amended 10/26/2010. Calculations by Children's Defense Fund.

**CHIP Eligibility:** Heberlein, M., Brooks, T., Guyer, T., Artiga, S., Stephens, J. "Holding Steady, Looking Ahead: Annual Findings of a 50-State Survey of Eligibility rules, Enrollment and Renewal Procedures, and Cost Sharing Practices in Medicaid and CHIP, 2010-2011." Kaiser Commission on Medicaid and the Uninsured, January 2011. Table 1. Available at <http://www.kff.org/medicaid/upload/8130.pdf>

**Medicaid Enrollment and Expenditures:** Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services: Medicaid Statistical Information System: <http://msis.cms.hhs.gov>, accessed 1/19/2011. Calculations by the Children's Defense Fund, 1/11. Calculations by Children's Defense Fund.

**Medicaid and CHIP Participation Rates:** Kenney, G., Lynch V., Cook, A., Phong, S. "Who And Where Are The Children Yet To Enroll In Medicaid And The Children's Health Insurance Program?" Health Affairs, October 2010. Available at: <http://content.healthaffairs.org/cgi/content/abstract/hlthaff.2010.0747>.

**Immunization:** Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 2009 National Immunization Survey: tab03\_antigen\_state.xls, accessed at: [http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/stats-surv/nis/data/tables\\_2009.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/stats-surv/nis/data/tables_2009.htm), January 2011. MMWR: Changes in Measurement of Haemophilus influenzae serotype b (Hib) Vaccination Coverage -- National Immunization Survey, United States, 2009, Vol 59:(33), August 27, 2010; and National, State, and Local Area Vaccination Coverage Among Children Aged 19-35 Months -- United States, 2009, Vol 59:(36), September 17, 2010. Calculations by Children's Defense Fund.

Note: The 4:3:1:3:3:1 series includes 4 or more doses of DTP/DT/DTaP, 3 or more doses of poliovirus vaccine, 1 or more doses of any measles-containing vaccine, 3 or more doses of Hib vaccine, 3 or more doses of hepatitis B vaccine, and 1 or more doses of varicella vaccine.

## **EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT:**

**Parents in the Labor Force:** U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, 2009 American Community Survey, Table B23008. Calculations by Children's Defense Fund.

**Head Start Enrollment:** Center for Law and Social Policy (CLASP), CLASP DataFinder, at <http://www.clasp.org/data>. Data are from U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 2009 Program Information Report.

**Children Served by CCDF/CCDBG:** U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Child Care Bureau, Child Care and Development Fund, Table 1, "Average Monthly Adjusted Number of Families and Children Served (FFY2009)," (Preliminary Estimates). Available at [http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ccb/data/ccdf\\_data/09acf800\\_preliminary/table1.htm](http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ccb/data/ccdf_data/09acf800_preliminary/table1.htm).

**Cost of Child Care:** National Association of Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies, "2008 Price of Child Care," March 2009. Available at [http://www.naccrra.org/randd/docs/2008\\_Price\\_of\\_Child\\_Care.pdf](http://www.naccrra.org/randd/docs/2008_Price_of_Child_Care.pdf).

**3-year-olds and 4-year-olds Enrolled in State Pre-K Programs:** National Institute for Early Education Research, *The State of Preschool 2009* (May 2010), Tables 2 and 4.

## EDUCATION:

**Per Pupil and Per Prisoner Expenditures:** U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, Justice Expenditure and Employment Abstracts, 2006 (December 2008), Table cjee0610, Detail of direct expenditure for correctional activities of State governments by character and object, fiscal 2006, at <<http://bjs.ojp.usdoj.gov/index.cfm?ty=pbdetail&iid=1022>>; U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, Prison and Jail Inmates at Midyear 2006 (June 2007), Appendix Table 2; and U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, *Digest of Education Statistics 2008* (March 2009), Table 184. Calculations by Children's Defense Fund.

**4<sup>th</sup> Grade Reading and Math Achievement:** U.S. Department of Education, National Assessment of Educational Progress, *The Nation's Report Card: Reading 2009* (2010), Tables A-11 and A-12; and U.S. Department of Education, National Assessment of Educational Progress, *The Nation's Report Card: Mathematics 2009* (2009), Tables A-11 and A-12. Calculations by Children's Defense Fund.

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Reading and Math Achievement:** U.S. Department of Education, National Assessment of Educational Progress, *The Nation's Report Card: Reading 2009* (2010), Tables A-19 and A-20; and U.S. Department of Education, National Assessment of Educational Progress, *The Nation's Report Card: Mathematics 2009* (2009), Tables A-19 and A-20. Calculations by Children's Defense Fund.

**High School Drop Outs:** U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, 2009 American Community Survey, Table B14005.

## CHILD WELFARE:

**Abuse and Neglect:** U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Administration on Children, Youth and Families, *Child Maltreatment 2009* (December 2010), Table 3-5. Available at <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/cb/pubs/cm09/cm09.pdf#page=31>.

**Children in Foster Care:** U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, "Foster Care FY2002 - FY2009 Entries, Exits, and Numbers of Children In Care on the Last Day of Each Federal Fiscal Year." Available at [http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/cb/stats\\_research/afcars/statistics/entryexit2009.pdf](http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/cb/stats_research/afcars/statistics/entryexit2009.pdf).

**Children Adopted from Foster Care:** U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Children's Bureau, "Adoptions of Children with Public Welfare Agency Involvement by State FY 2002 - FY 2009." Available at [http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/cb/stats\\_research/afcars/adoptchild09.pdf](http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/cb/stats_research/afcars/adoptchild09.pdf).

**Grandparents Raising Grandchildren:** U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, 2005-2009 American Community Survey, Table B10050.

## YOUTH AT RISK:

**Percent of Drop Outs:** U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, 2009 American Community Survey, Table B14005. Calculations by Children's Defense Fund.

Percent of teens ages 16 through 19 who are not enrolled in school and are not high school graduates.

**Averaged Freshman Graduation Rate:** U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, *Public School Graduates and Dropouts From the Common Core of Data: School Year 2007-08* (NCES 2010-341), Tables 2 and 3. Data from "NCES Common Core of Data State Dropout and Completion Data File," School Year 2007-08, Version 1a.

Percentage of high school students who graduate on time, that is, within four years of entering 9<sup>th</sup> grade.

**Teen Unemployment Rate:** U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, "Employment status of the civilian noninstitutional population by sex, race, Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, and detailed age, 2009 annual averages," preliminary. Available at <http://stats.bls.gov/lau/ptable14full2009.pdf>.

Percent of teens ages 16 through 19 in the labor force who do not have a job. The labor force is made up of those who have a job and those who are looking for work.

**Juvenile Arrests:** U.S. Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation, *Crime in the United States, 2009* (September 2010), Table 69.

**Children and Teens in Juvenile Residential Facilities:** U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, *Juveniles in Residential Placement, 1997-2008* (February 2010), p. 2. Available at <http://www.ncjrs.gov/pdffiles1/ojjdp/229379.pdf>. Calculations by Children's Defense Fund.

**Ratio, Cost Per Prisoner vs. Cost Per Pupil:** U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, *Justice Expenditure and Employment Abstracts, 2006* (December 2008), Table cjee0610, Detail of direct expenditure for correctional activities of State governments by character and object, fiscal 2006, at <http://bjs.ojp.usdoj.gov/index.cfm?ty=pbdetail&iid=1022>; U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, *Prison and Jail Inmates at Midyear 2006* (June 2007), Appendix Table 2; and U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, *Digest of Education Statistics 2008* (March 2009), Table 184. Calculations by Children's Defense Fund.

Costs are operating costs only, and do not include facility construction or renovation.

**Firearm Deaths of Children and Teens:** U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, WISQARS, at <http://www.cdc.gov/ncipc/wisqars/>, data accessed February 2008, April 2009, and June 2010. Calculations by Children's Defense Fund.

Total firearm deaths and homicides exclude legal intervention deaths (deaths as a result of law enforcement activity).