

National Trends

Poverty among Children

Year	Number of Children under 18 Who Are Poor	Child Poverty Rate	Number of Children ¹ under 6 Who Are Poor	Poverty Rate for Children ¹ under 6
1959	17,552,000	27.3%	n/a	n/a
1960	17,634,000	26.9	n/a	n/a
1961	16,909,000	25.6	n/a	n/a
1962	16,963,000	25.0	n/a	n/a
1963	16,005,000	23.1	n/a	n/a
1964	16,051,000	23.0	n/a	n/a
1965	14,676,000	21.0	n/a	n/a
1966	12,389,000	17.6	n/a	n/a
1967	11,656,000	16.6	n/a	n/a
1968	10,954,000	15.6	n/a	n/a
1969	9,691,000	14.0	3,298,000	15.3%
1970	10,440,000	15.1	3,561,000	16.6
1971	10,551,000	15.3	3,499,000	16.9
1972	10,284,000	15.1	3,276,000	16.1
1973	9,642,000	14.4	3,097,000	15.7
1974	10,156,000	15.4	3,294,000	16.9
1975	11,104,000	17.1	3,460,000	18.2
1976	10,273,000	16.0	3,270,000	17.7
1977	10,288,000	16.2	3,326,000	18.1
1978	9,931,000	15.9	3,184,000	17.2
1979	10,377,000	16.4	3,415,000	17.8
1980	11,543,000	18.3	4,030,000	20.5
1981	12,505,000	20.0	4,422,000	22.0
1982	13,647,000	21.9	4,821,000	23.3
1983	13,911,000	22.3	5,122,000	24.6
1984	13,420,000	21.5	4,938,000	23.4
1985	13,010,000	20.7	4,832,000	22.6
1986	12,876,000	20.5	4,619,000	21.6
1987	12,843,000	20.3	4,852,000	22.4
1988	12,455,000	19.5	5,032,000	22.6
1989	12,590,000	19.6	5,071,000	22.5
1990	13,431,000	20.6	5,198,000	23.0
1991	14,341,000	21.8	5,483,000	24.0
1992	15,294,000	22.3	5,781,000	25.0
1993	15,727,000	22.7	6,097,000	25.6
1994	15,289,000	21.8	5,878,000	24.5
1995	14,665,000	20.8	5,670,000	23.7
1996	14,463,000	20.5	5,333,000	22.7
1997	14,113,000	19.9	5,049,000	21.6
1998	13,467,000	18.9	4,775,000	20.6
1999	12,280,000	17.1	4,162,000	18.4
2000	11,587,000	16.2	4,066,000	17.8
2001	11,733,000	16.3	4,188,000	18.2
2002	12,133,000	16.7	4,296,000	18.5
2003	12,866,000	17.6	4,654,000	19.8
2004	13,027,000	17.8	4,737,000	19.9

¹Related children in families

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census.

Table A-2

Maternal and Infant Health

Year	Infant Mortality Rates ¹				Low Birth-weight ²	Percent of Babies Born to Mothers Who Received Late ³ or No Prenatal Care		
	Total	White	Black	Black-White Ratio		Total	White	Black
1940	47.0	43.2	72.9	1.69	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
1950	29.2	26.8	43.9	1.64	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
1959	26.4	23.2	44.8	1.93	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
1960	26.0	22.9	44.3	1.93	7.7%	n/a	n/a	n/a
1961	25.3	22.4	41.8	1.87	7.8	n/a	n/a	n/a
1962	25.3	22.3	42.6	1.91	8.0	n/a	n/a	n/a
1963	25.2	22.2	42.8	1.93	8.2	n/a	n/a	n/a
1964	24.8	21.6	42.3	1.96	8.2	n/a	n/a	n/a
1965	24.7	21.5	41.7	1.94	8.3	n/a	n/a	n/a
1966	23.7	20.6	40.2	1.95	8.3	n/a	n/a	n/a
1967	22.4	19.7	37.5	1.90	8.2	n/a	n/a	n/a
1968	21.8	19.2	36.2	1.89	8.2	n/a	n/a	n/a
1969	20.9	18.4	34.8	1.89	8.1	8.1%	6.3%	18.2%
1970	20.0	17.8	32.6	1.83	7.9	7.9	6.2	16.6
1971	19.1	17.1	30.3	1.77	7.7	7.2	5.8	14.6
1972	18.5	16.4	29.6	1.80	7.7	7.0	5.5	13.2
1973	17.7	15.8	28.1	1.78	7.6	6.7	5.4	12.4
1974	16.7	14.8	26.8	1.81	7.4	6.2	5.0	11.4
1975	16.1	14.2	26.2	1.85	7.4	6.0	5.0	10.5
1976	15.2	13.3	25.5	1.92	7.3	5.7	4.8	9.9
1977	14.1	12.3	23.6	1.92	7.1	5.6	4.7	9.6
1978	13.8	12.0	23.1	1.93	7.1	5.4	4.5	9.3
1979	13.1	11.4	21.8	1.91	6.9	5.1	4.3	8.9
1980	12.6	10.9	22.2	2.04	6.8	5.1	4.3	8.8
1981	11.9	10.3	20.8	2.02	6.8	5.2	4.3	9.1
1982	11.5	9.9	20.5	2.07	6.8	5.5	4.5	9.6
1983	11.2	9.6	20.0	2.08	6.8	5.6	4.6	9.7
1984	10.8	9.3	19.2	2.06	6.7	5.6	4.7	9.6
1985	10.6	9.2	19.0	2.07	6.8	5.7	4.7	10.0
1986	10.4	8.8	18.9	2.15	6.8	6.0	5.0	10.6
1987	10.1	8.5	18.8	2.21	6.9	6.1	5.0	11.1
1988	10.0	8.4	18.5	2.20	6.9	6.1	5.0	10.9
1989	9.8	8.1	18.6	2.30	7.0	6.4	5.2	11.9
1990	9.2	7.6	18.0	2.37	7.0	6.1	4.9	11.3
1991	8.9	7.3	17.6	2.41	7.1	5.8	4.7	10.7
1992	8.5	6.9	16.8	2.43	7.1	5.2	4.2	9.9
1993	8.4	6.8	16.5	2.43	7.2	4.8	3.9	9.0
1994	8.0	6.6	15.8	2.39	7.3	4.4	3.6	8.2
1995	7.6	6.3	15.1	2.40	7.3	4.2	3.5	7.6
1996	7.3	6.1	14.7	2.41	7.4	4.0	3.3	7.3
1997	7.2	6.0	14.2	2.37	7.5	3.9	3.2	7.3
1998	7.2	6.0	14.3	2.38	7.6	3.9	3.3	7.0
1999	7.1	5.8	14.6	2.52	7.6	3.8	3.2	6.6
2000	6.9	5.7	14.1	2.47	7.6	3.9	3.3	6.7
2001	6.8	5.7	14.0	2.46	7.7	3.2	2.4	6.4
2002	7.0	5.8	14.4	2.48	7.8	3.6	3.1	6.2
2003	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	7.9	3.5	3.0	6.0

¹Infant deaths before the first birthday per 1,000 live births

²Birthweight less than 2,500 grams (5 lbs., 8 oz.)

³Prenatal care begun in the last three months of pregnancy

n/a — data not available

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, National Center for Health Statistics. Calculations by Children's Defense Fund.

Adolescent Childbearing

Year	Overall Fertility Rate ¹	Overall Unmarried Birth Rate ²	Teen Fertility Rate ³	Teen Unmarried Birth Rate ⁴
1959	118.8	21.9	89.1	15.5
1960	118.0	21.6	89.1	15.3
1961	117.1	22.7	88.6	16.0
1962	112.0	21.9	81.4	14.8
1963	108.3	22.5	76.7	15.3
1964	104.7	23.0	73.1	15.9
1965	96.3	23.5	70.5	16.7
1966	90.8	23.4	70.3	17.5
1967	87.2	23.9	67.5	18.5
1968	85.2	24.4	65.6	19.7
1969	86.1	25.0	65.5	20.4
1970	87.9	26.4	68.3	22.4
1971	81.6	25.5	64.5	22.3
1972	73.1	24.8	61.7	22.8
1973	68.8	24.3	59.3	22.7
1974	67.8	23.9	57.5	23.0
1975	66.0	24.5	55.6	23.9
1976	65.0	24.3	52.8	23.7
1977	66.8	25.6	52.8	25.1
1978	65.5	25.7	51.5	24.9
1979	67.2	27.2	52.3	26.4
1980	68.4	29.4	53.0	27.6
1981	67.4	29.5	52.2	27.9
1982	67.3	30.0	52.4	28.7
1983	65.8	30.3	51.4	29.5
1984	65.4	31.0	50.6	30.0
1985	66.2	32.8	51.0	31.4
1986	65.4	34.2	50.2	32.3
1987	65.7	36.0	50.6	33.8
1988	67.2	38.5	53.0	36.4
1989	69.2	41.6	57.3	40.1
1990	70.9	43.8	59.9	42.5
1991	69.3	45.0	61.8	44.6
1992	68.4	44.9	60.3	44.2
1993	67.0	44.8	59.0	44.0
1994	65.9	46.2	58.2	45.8
1995	64.6	44.3	56.0	43.8
1996	64.1	43.8	53.5	42.2
1997	63.6	42.9	51.3	41.4
1998	64.3	43.3	50.3	40.9
1999	64.4	43.3	48.8	39.7
2000	65.9	44.0	47.7	39.0
2001	65.3	43.8	45.3	37.0
2002	64.8	43.7	43.0	35.4
2003	66.1	44.9	41.6	34.8

¹ Births per 1,000 females ages 15-44

² Births per 1,000 unmarried females ages 15-44

³ Births per 1,000 females ages 15-19

⁴ Births per 1,000 unmarried females ages 15-19

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, National Center for Health Statistics.

Table A-4

Youth Unemployment and Joblessness

	Total Unemployment Rates ¹			Youth Jobless Rate ² for July
	All Ages	Age 16-19	Age 20-24	Age 16-19
1959	5.5%	14.6%	8.5%	49.2%
1960	5.5	14.7	8.7	47.4
1961	6.7	16.8	10.4	49.5
1962	5.5	14.7	9.0	48.0
1963	5.7	17.2	8.8	51.9
1964	5.2	16.2	8.3	50.8
1965	4.5	14.8	6.7	47.9
1966	3.8	12.8	5.3	44.0
1967	3.8	12.9	5.7	44.1
1968	3.6	12.7	5.8	44.7
1969	3.5	12.2	5.7	43.4
1970	4.9	15.3	8.2	45.5
1971	5.9	16.9	10.0	46.4
1972	5.6	16.2	9.3	44.8
1973	4.9	14.5	7.8	42.7
1974	5.6	16.0	9.1	43.0
1975	8.5	19.9	13.6	45.4
1976	7.7	19.0	12.0	43.4
1977	7.1	17.8	11.0	42.4
1978	6.1	16.4	9.6	39.9
1979	5.8	16.1	9.1	40.1
1980	7.1	17.8	11.5	42.2
1981	7.6	19.6	12.3	44.3
1982	9.7	23.2	14.9	47.9
1983	9.6	22.4	14.5	46.5
1984	7.5	18.9	11.5	43.3
1985	7.2	18.6	11.1	43.4
1986	7.0	18.3	10.7	43.3
1987	6.2	16.9	9.7	42.7
1988	5.5	15.3	8.7	40.4
1989	5.3	15.0	8.6	40.4
1990	5.5	15.5	8.8	43.6
1991	6.7	18.6	10.8	47.7
1992	7.4	20.0	11.3	48.0
1993	6.8	19.0	10.5	46.7
1994	6.1	17.6	9.7	46.0
1995	5.6	17.3	9.1	45.2
1996	5.4	16.7	9.3	46.0
1997	4.9	16.0	8.5	47.0
1998	4.5	14.6	7.9	45.3
1999	4.2	13.9	7.5	45.5
2000	4.0	13.1	7.1	46.5
2001	4.7	14.7	8.3	48.5
2002	5.8	16.5	9.7	52.3
2003	6.0	17.5	10.0	56.3
2004	5.5	17.0	9.4	56.1

¹Percent of the labor force unemployed

²Percent of the youth population ages 16-19 without a job

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. Calculations by Children's Defense Fund.

Children in the States

Population and Poverty

	All Children, 2004		2003-2004		Poor Children 1999	
	Number	Percent of total population	Number	Percent of children in the state	County with highest child poverty rate	Percent of children in the county
Alabama	1,094,533	24.2%	249,443	23.3%	Perry County	49.2%
Alaska	188,229	28.7	20,602	11.2	Wade Hampton Census Area	29.6
Arizona	1,547,260	26.9	307,425	20.3	Apache County	43.0
Arkansas	676,550	24.6	168,876	25.9	Phillips County	45.6
California	9,596,463	26.7	1,776,733	18.9	Tulare County	33.0
Colorado	1,178,889	25.6	166,972	14.5	Costilla County	32.4
Connecticut	838,788	23.9	86,736	10.5	New Haven County	13.3
Delaware	193,506	23.3	26,296	13.8	Sussex County	15.3
District of Columbia	109,547	19.8	35,876	33.9	District of Columbia	31.7
Florida	4,003,290	23.0	688,812	17.7	Hamilton County	36.0
Georgia	2,332,567	26.4	483,807	21.3	Hancock County	45.4
Hawaii	298,693	23.7	42,370	14.4	Hawaii County	21.7
Idaho	372,411	26.7	70,901	19.6	Butte County	28.5
Illinois	3,238,150	25.5	535,347	16.8	Alexander County	39.1
Indiana	1,600,295	25.7	233,548	14.8	Crawford County	25.7
Iowa	680,437	23.0	83,160	12.4	Page County	22.3
Kansas	683,491	25.0	83,972	12.5	Sheridan County	27.9
Kentucky	980,187	23.6	240,258	25.0	Owsley County	56.4
Louisiana	1,164,961	25.8	343,256	30.0	East Carroll Parish	56.8
Maine	282,129	21.4	47,072	17.1	Washington County	23.0
Maryland	1,394,808	25.1	154,847	11.4	Baltimore City	31.0
Massachusetts	1,464,189	22.8	180,161	12.5	Suffolk County	25.2
Michigan	2,533,439	25.1	439,390	17.6	Lake County	29.2
Minnesota	1,240,280	24.3	130,105	10.7	Beltrami County	22.4
Mississippi	749,569	25.8	227,656	31.0	Holmes County	52.4
Missouri	1,384,542	24.1	219,816	16.2	Pemiscot County	43.6
Montana	208,093	22.5	39,341	19.2	Roosevelt County	41.8
Nebraska	434,566	24.9	55,616	13.1	Rock County	36.6
Nevada	603,596	25.9	111,478	18.8	Mineral County	21.9
New Hampshire	304,994	23.5	28,848	9.7	Coos County	11.9
New Jersey	2,156,059	24.8	251,387	11.8	Hudson County	22.4
New Mexico	492,287	25.9	133,560	27.7	Luna County	47.1
New York	4,572,363	23.8	925,501	20.7	Bronx County	41.7
North Carolina	2,118,492	24.8	455,439	21.9	Halifax County	33.3
North Dakota	138,955	21.9	20,969	15.5	Sioux County	45.2
Ohio	2,779,212	24.3	497,574	18.3	Vinton County	28.3
Oklahoma	859,870	24.4	173,181	20.7	Harmon County	38.2
Oregon	852,357	23.7	159,768	19.1	Malheur County	26.0
Pennsylvania	2,837,009	22.9	466,274	16.8	Philadelphia County	31.6
Rhode Island	243,813	22.6	50,390	21.0	Providence County	22.7
South Carolina	1,024,700	24.4	228,903	22.8	Allendale County	48.1
South Dakota	190,874	24.8	27,377	14.8	Buffalo County	61.8
Tennessee	1,391,289	23.6	285,832	21.1	Hancock County	37.7
Texas	6,266,779	27.9	1,411,655	22.9	Starr County	59.5
Utah	740,114	31.0	97,273	13.3	San Juan County	34.9
Vermont	134,894	21.7	15,411	11.7	Orleans County	19.0
Virginia	1,804,900	24.2	227,332	12.9	Clifton Forge City	39.8
Washington	1,486,020	24.0	251,702	17.2	Okanogan County	29.0
West Virginia	384,641	21.2	92,502	24.4	McDowell County	53.0
Wisconsin	1,307,986	23.7	178,511	14.0	Menominee County	39.9
Wyoming	116,932	23.1	15,941	14.0	Fremont County	24.4
United States	73,277,998	25.0	13,245,202	18.4	Buffalo County, South Dakota	61.8

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, "Annual Estimates of the Resident Population by Selected Age Groups for the United States and States: July 1, 2004 and April 1, 2000" (2005); U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, American Community Survey 2004, Table B17001; and U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, 2000 Census of Population and Housing, SF3. Calculations by Children's Defense Fund.

State of America's Children® 2005

Table B1-2

Number and Percent of Children under 18 Who Are Poor, Based on 1999 Income

	One Race Only									
	All races		White		Black		American Indian, Alaska Native		Asian	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Alabama	237,881	21.5%	85,685	12.0%	142,772	40.5%	1,332	21.0%	973	14.0%
Alaska	22,041	11.8	8,866	7.8	958	12.7	8,164	22.7	1,055	15.8
Arizona	257,710	19.3	122,031	13.8	11,807	25.7	40,929	42.7	2,212	10.8
Arkansas	146,321	21.8	76,001	15.4	59,328	43.1	1,461	26.4	613	13.4
California	1,757,100	19.5	654,930	14.1	196,084	30.4	26,131	28.1	141,125	16.4
Colorado	121,614	11.3	71,058	8.5	10,301	22.1	2,909	24.3	2,458	10.9
Connecticut	85,908	10.4	36,005	5.8	23,268	24.5	445	17.6	1,383	6.5
Delaware	23,405	12.3	8,823	6.8	11,257	25.0	130	16.5	285	7.8
District of Columbia	35,367	31.7	1,504	9.0	31,427	37.6	97	22.9	380	23.6
Florida	627,997	17.6	295,099	12.0	253,733	33.9	3,253	25.5	7,653	12.8
Georgia	365,406	17.1	113,382	9.1	221,332	30.4	1,297	23.0	4,114	9.6
Hawaii	40,542	14.1	4,776	10.0	487	9.4	174	26.3	6,726	7.8
Idaho	51,868	14.3	41,155	12.9	366	19.8	1,738	29.4	257	10.2
Illinois	456,901	14.3	171,707	8.0	202,966	34.8	1,983	23.0	8,477	8.6
Indiana	187,801	12.2	120,413	9.3	50,754	32.3	795	17.9	1,450	11.3
Iowa	79,247	11.0	61,426	9.4	8,018	40.0	847	28.8	1,087	11.4
Kansas	83,957	12.0	52,636	9.2	14,081	29.7	1,409	19.1	1,461	13.0
Kentucky	203,547	20.8	160,848	18.8	33,399	38.8	632	32.2	717	10.5
Louisiana	319,670	26.6	82,339	12.2	224,551	47.3	2,165	26.6	3,519	23.5
Maine	40,171	13.7	36,469	13.0	695	34.3	889	39.0	559	21.7
Maryland	141,877	10.7	44,182	5.7	83,450	19.8	648	18.0	3,519	7.2
Massachusetts	177,383	12.0	93,438	8.0	28,136	27.3	1,119	27.1	10,287	17.6
Michigan	352,935	13.9	165,127	8.7	148,352	33.9	3,642	19.8	4,721	10.1
Minnesota	121,691	9.6	66,437	6.2	20,797	34.2	6,631	35.0	12,695	24.4
Mississippi	206,450	27.0	49,749	12.4	151,217	44.1	1,330	34.5	927	20.8
Missouri	220,556	15.7	135,328	12.0	69,031	34.9	1,811	27.2	1,663	12.3
Montana	42,912	19.0	30,856	15.9	188	24.8	9,327	44.7	195	15.8
Nebraska	54,477	12.3	36,103	9.5	8,702	38.3	2,167	38.9	556	10.1
Nevada	69,777	14.0	37,713	11.1	11,509	29.0	1,788	23.3	1,432	7.9
New Hampshire	23,635	7.8	20,698	7.2	682	25.6	110	18.7	380	9.3
New Jersey	227,754	11.1	89,085	6.5	81,003	24.8	1,021	21.0	8,119	6.5
New Mexico	125,218	25.0	56,661	19.7	3,222	32.7	26,003	41.0	634	14.6
New York	915,710	20.0	357,773	12.6	281,550	32.9	8,607	35.5	45,952	19.6
North Carolina	311,053	16.1	118,931	9.4	153,338	30.2	7,564	25.4	3,142	10.6
North Dakota	22,163	14.0	14,818	10.6	351	26.5	5,699	45.8	106	12.4
Ohio	408,685	14.4	228,720	10.0	146,909	36.7	1,651	24.9	3,400	11.1
Oklahoma	171,929	19.6	87,911	14.8	32,211	39.4	24,763	26.6	1,269	12.3
Oregon	121,460	14.7	84,473	12.6	4,744	29.9	3,348	26.8	2,584	10.8
Pennsylvania	421,745	14.7	234,932	10.2	129,204	35.8	1,559	30.5	9,115	16.8
Rhode Island	41,162	16.9	20,560	10.8	5,480	38.2	962	51.8	1,706	26.1
South Carolina	187,275	18.8	56,181	9.5	121,942	33.7	899	24.1	1,059	12.2
South Dakota	33,965	17.2	17,741	10.9	426	30.3	13,939	54.3	98	6.9
Tennessee	247,397	18.0	133,758	13.1	99,541	34.4	743	20.3	1,564	11.8
Texas	1,189,935	20.5	631,209	16.6	218,071	30.0	7,863	24.6	16,497	11.9
Utah	71,765	10.1	52,658	8.5	1,264	23.9	3,821	37.6	1,179	13.1
Vermont	16,595	11.4	15,318	11.1	237	21.6	176	26.3	235	15.1
Virginia	209,532	12.3	84,834	7.4	103,309	26.2	836	16.8	5,661	9.6
Washington	202,891	13.7	120,259	10.7	13,846	25.3	8,219	28.4	10,932	14.5
West Virginia	96,096	24.3	87,006	23.5	6,177	44.8	158	19.7	186	8.8
Wisconsin	150,166	11.2	77,633	6.9	45,299	41.7	4,665	27.0	7,347	23.0
Wyoming	18,215	14.5	14,315	12.7	128	17.2	1,712	42.4	61	8.8
United States	11,746,858	16.6	5,469,560	11.2	3,467,900	33.1	249,561	31.6	343,725	14.3

¹People of Hispanic origin can be of any race.
 —Too few poor children to calculate a reliable poverty rate.

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, 2000 Census of Population and Housing, SF3 tabulations.
 Calculations by Children's Defense Fund.

Children in the Nation

Table B1-2

Number and Percent of Children under 18 Who Are Poor, Based on 1999 Income (continued)

	One Race Only									
	Native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander		Other		Two or More Races		Hispanic ¹		Non-Hispanic White	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Alabama	103	33.1%	3,117	31.1%	3,899	21.8%	6,910	29.1%	83,043	11.8%
Alaska	292	22.3	431	13.8	2,275	12.7	1,347	13.6	8,452	7.7
Arizona	386	19.5	67,071	30.3	13,274	18.9	141,543	29.3	58,992	8.9
Arkansas	182	33.0	4,791	32.1	3,945	27.6	10,104	32.7	71,940	15.0
California	7,414	20.3	612,382	29.6	119,034	17.7	1,074,580	27.2	280,593	8.9
Colorado	225	19.3	26,753	24.9	7,910	14.0	56,586	22.5	46,752	6.5
Connecticut	102	28.9	19,082	35.8	5,623	18.4	34,571	30.9	24,609	4.2
Delaware	0	—	1,692	29.4	1,218	18.3	3,521	26.9	7,579	6.1
District of Columbia	51	—	1,330	23.3	578	17.9	2,786	25.6	496	3.7
Florida	398	25.0	39,019	26.1	28,842	21.4	151,007	22.2	197,154	9.9
Georgia	194	21.6	15,949	26.7	9,138	19.0	31,984	24.6	100,326	8.4
Hawaii	10,375	28.3	644	18.4	17,360	16.0	7,079	21.1	3,917	9.0
Idaho	83	22.5	6,119	28.1	2,150	18.3	11,703	28.0	36,687	12.1
Illinois	134	13.8	54,895	21.5	16,739	16.6	107,087	19.8	128,577	6.8
Indiana	79	16.3	7,073	21.1	7,237	18.9	14,640	20.2	114,214	9.0
Iowa	49	—	3,718	26.7	4,102	24.3	7,338	24.0	58,578	9.1
Kansas	67	20.8	8,409	24.7	5,894	19.5	16,142	22.6	46,710	8.6
Kentucky	31	—	2,265	30.2	5,655	28.0	4,734	27.4	158,600	18.7
Louisiana	106	29.5	2,075	22.2	4,915	25.3	7,276	24.3	79,166	12.0
Maine	3	—	279	30.7	1,277	24.2	876	26.2	35,972	12.9
Maryland	14	3.1	4,613	15.2	5,451	11.6	9,266	13.3	40,651	5.4
Massachusetts	115	—	31,948	38.0	12,340	22.4	56,209	37.2	75,715	6.8
Michigan	100	18.8	11,171	24.8	19,822	22.0	25,221	21.7	155,146	8.4
Minnesota	55	13.9	5,735	24.8	9,341	21.2	12,259	23.0	62,016	5.9
Mississippi	16	—	1,216	31.7	1,995	23.9	3,348	29.6	48,635	12.3
Missouri	150	16.7	4,125	26.0	8,448	22.7	10,164	24.8	130,900	11.8
Montana	10	—	488	29.5	1,848	25.3	2,075	27.7	29,995	15.8
Nebraska	25	—	4,289	25.1	2,635	21.1	8,496	23.8	32,758	9.0
Nevada	226	10.2	12,026	21.2	5,083	15.1	29,233	20.5	23,170	8.6
New Hampshire	0	—	916	35.3	849	15.6	1,895	26.8	19,835	7.0
New Jersey	105	16.5	35,058	25.1	13,363	16.7	73,953	22.5	60,225	4.9
New Mexico	44	—	32,461	30.8	6,193	21.2	75,278	29.6	20,286	12.4
New York	759	34.5	163,995	38.9	57,074	28.5	308,765	35.9	263,623	10.4
North Carolina	187	18.4	17,977	31.4	9,914	21.1	33,335	29.2	107,161	8.8
North Dakota	0	—	251	31.3	938	26.7	814	28.1	14,479	10.5
Ohio	170	21.5	8,696	26.9	19,139	24.4	18,666	24.4	221,404	9.8
Oklahoma	132	25.0	10,045	32.5	15,598	23.7	21,034	30.9	80,853	14.2
Oregon	479	22.6	16,737	31.7	9,095	19.1	30,156	29.1	74,637	11.8
Pennsylvania	263	23.5	30,094	42.5	16,578	24.9	54,030	37.7	219,155	9.7
Rhode Island	85	—	8,982	45.6	3,387	29.7	16,013	46.9	15,272	8.6
South Carolina	28	—	3,617	31.7	3,549	20.4	7,692	28.5	53,341	9.2
South Dakota	30	—	260	23.1	1,471	28.4	1,118	27.6	17,382	10.8
Tennessee	75	16.2	4,962	29.6	6,754	24.5	9,734	26.9	130,105	12.9
Texas	759	21.3	271,541	30.7	43,995	21.1	734,288	31.2	205,667	8.3
Utah	1,073	18.3	7,914	23.5	3,856	15.1	16,603	22.2	46,022	7.8
Vermont	2	—	108	25.4	519	16.9	346	21.1	15,144	11.0
Virginia	92	10.3	6,321	15.1	8,479	13.1	14,469	14.7	78,671	7.2
Washington	1,342	19.1	29,878	34.0	18,415	17.7	51,733	30.3	104,147	9.8
West Virginia	33	—	362	31.0	2,174	31.3	1,025	29.0	86,369	23.5
Wisconsin	51	10.1	8,050	26.7	7,121	20.2	17,695	24.6	70,992	6.5
Wyoming	2	—	1,149	28.8	848	22.0	2,443	22.7	13,471	12.5
United States	26,696	22.7	1,612,079	29.8	577,337	19.9	3,339,170	27.8	4,059,584	9.3

State of America's Children® 2005

Table B1-3

AFDC/TANF Benefit Levels and Participation

	Maximum monthly benefit for a three-person family ¹						Number of welfare (AFDC/TANF) recipients		
	July 1970		January 2003			Percent change 1970-2003	August 1996	March 2005	Percent change ³
	Actual dollars	Inflation-adjusted value in 2003 ²	Actual dollars	As percent of 2003 poverty guideline	Rank				
Alabama	\$ 65	\$ 303	\$ 215	16.9%	46	-29.0%	100,662	48,117	-52.2%
Alaska	328	1,528	923	58.1	1	-39.6	35,544	13,342	-62.5
Arizona	138	643	347	27.3	34	-46.0	169,442	98,165	-42.1
Arkansas	89	415	204	16.0	48	-50.8	56,343	18,845	-66.6
California	186	867	679	53.4	3	-21.6	2,581,948	1,092,422	-57.7
Colorado	193	899	356	28.0	32	-60.4	95,788	38,060	-60.3
Connecticut	283	1,318	636	50.0	5	-51.8	159,246	39,812	-75.0
Delaware	160	745	338	26.6	36	-54.7	23,654	12,296	-48.0
District of Columbia	195	909	379	29.8	29	-58.3	69,292	41,916	-39.5
Florida	114	531	303	23.8	38	-43.0	533,801	104,503	-80.4
Georgia	107	499	280	22.0	42	-43.8	330,302	87,979	-73.4
Hawaii	226	1,053	570	39.0	13	-45.9	66,482	20,713	-68.8
Idaho	211	983	309	24.3	37	-68.6	21,780	3,446	-84.2
Illinois	232	1,081	396	31.1	26	-63.4	642,644	97,736	-84.8
Indiana	120	559	288	22.6	41	-48.5	142,604	124,007	-13.0
Iowa	201	936	426	33.5	23	-54.5	86,146	42,942	-50.2
Kansas	222	1,034	429	33.7	22	-58.5	63,783	45,269	-29.0
Kentucky	147	685	262	20.6	44	-61.7	172,193	75,375	-56.2
Louisiana	88	410	240	18.9	45	-41.5	228,115	37,009	-83.8
Maine	135	629	485	38.1	14	-22.9	53,873	25,876	-52.0
Maryland	162	755	473	37.2	18	-37.3	194,127	54,658	-71.8
Massachusetts	268	1,249	618	48.6	7	-50.5	226,030	103,921	-54.0
Michigan	219	1,020	459	36.1	20	-55.0	502,354	216,726	-56.9
Minnesota	256	1,193	532	41.8	11	-55.4	169,744	73,880	-56.5
Mississippi	56	261	170	13.4	51	-34.8	123,828	33,795	-72.7
Missouri	104	485	292	23.0	39	-39.7	222,820	97,352	-56.3
Montana	202	941	507	39.9	12	-46.1	29,130	12,894	-55.7
Nebraska	171	797	364	28.6	31	-54.3	38,592	23,300	-39.6
Nevada	121	564	348	27.4	33	-38.3	34,261	15,531	-54.7
New Hampshire	262	1,221	625	49.1	6	-48.8	22,937	14,333	-37.5
New Jersey	302	1,407	424	33.3	24	-69.9	275,637	105,044	-61.9
New Mexico	149	694	389	30.6	27	-44.0	99,661	44,476	-55.4
New York	279	1,300	577	45.4	8	-55.6	1,143,962	322,681	-71.8
North Carolina	145	676	272	21.4	43	-59.7	267,326	65,919	-75.3
North Dakota	213	992	477	37.5	16	-51.9	13,146	7,242	-44.9
Ohio	161	750	373	29.3	30	-50.3	549,312	180,165	-67.2
Oklahoma	152	708	292	23.0	39	-58.8	96,201	26,448	-72.5
Oregon	184	857	460	36.2	19	-46.3	78,419	46,354	-40.9
Pennsylvania	265	1,235	421	33.1	25	-65.9	531,059	253,763	-52.2
Rhode Island	229	1,067	554	43.6	9	-48.1	56,560	27,157	-52.0
South Carolina	85	396	205	16.1	47	-48.2	114,273	34,955	-69.4
South Dakota	264	1,230	483	38.0	15	-60.7	15,896	5,871	-63.1
Tennessee	112	522	185	14.5	50	-64.5	254,818	185,246	-27.3
Texas	148	690	201	15.8	49	-70.8	649,018	195,944	-69.8
Utah	175	815	474	37.3	17	-41.9	39,073	23,016	-41.1
Vermont	267	1,244	709	55.8	2	-43.0	24,331	11,459	-52.9
Virginia	225	1,048	389	30.6	27	-62.9	152,845	28,126	-81.6
Washington	258	1,202	546	42.9	10	-54.6	268,927	140,461	-47.8
West Virginia	114	531	453	35.6	21	-14.7	89,039	27,219	-69.4
Wisconsin	184	857	673	52.9	4	-21.5	148,888	46,749	-68.6
Wyoming	213	992	340	26.7	35	-65.7	11,398	545	-95.2
United States ⁴	184	857	396	31.1	—	-53.8	12,077,254	4,547,143	-62.3

¹Where benefits vary by program status, benefits shown are for families required to work. Benefits in Wisconsin are for families in community service. Where benefits vary by place within a state, the highest benefit is generally shown.

²The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) inflation adjustment for converting July 1970 dollars to January 2003 dollars was 4.659.

³Some states changed the definition of their caseload. California removed two-parent families; Texas added families enrolled during a month; Wisconsin added child-only cases.

⁴Benefit levels are medians; enrollment figures are totals for 50 states and the District of Columbia.

Sources: U.S. Congress, House of Representatives, Committee on Ways and Means, 2004 Green Book, WMCP 108-6, Table 7-13, at <<http://waysandmeans.house.gov/Documents.asp?section=813>>; and U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Family Assistance, at <<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ofa/caseload/caseloadindex.htm>>. Calculations by Children's Defense Fund.



Child Support Enforcement, 2002

	Cases	Court order	Percent with court order	Collection	Percent with collection
Alabama	259,413	171,787	66.2%	113,717	43.8%
Alaska	46,385	38,452	82.9	29,733	64.1
Arizona	237,710	149,328	62.8	92,218	38.8
Arkansas	131,109	102,961	78.5	70,910	54.1
California	1,906,364	1,434,766	75.3	793,194	41.6
Colorado	134,387	112,136	83.4	62,653	46.6
Connecticut	206,731	132,409	64.0	84,369	40.8
Delaware	54,132	38,078	70.3	27,550	50.9
District of Columbia	107,951	32,014	29.7	16,910	15.7
Florida	669,165	435,620	65.1	353,708	52.9
Georgia	476,456	324,380	68.1	195,174	41.0
Hawaii	94,787	56,088	59.2	30,583	32.3
Idaho	79,772	62,280	78.1	45,410	56.9
Illinois	865,936	353,188	40.8	205,219	23.7
Indiana	311,058	219,561	70.6	143,180	46.0
Iowa	170,885	150,027	87.8	128,522	75.2
Kansas	141,158	90,210	63.9	65,341	46.3
Kentucky	312,494	218,822	70.0	132,399	42.4
Louisiana	265,642	178,942	67.4	123,955	46.7
Maine	65,084	56,732	87.2	41,201	63.3
Maryland	309,645	212,566	68.6	152,033	49.1
Massachusetts	245,921	174,559	71.0	110,235	44.8
Michigan	977,654	745,135	76.2	453,993	46.4
Minnesota	240,371	187,587	78.0	153,346	63.8
Mississippi	290,044	144,546	49.8	104,618	36.1
Missouri	390,552	308,247	78.9	172,333	44.1
Montana	40,104	30,896	77.0	24,148	60.2
Nebraska	98,137	74,628	76.0	57,606	58.7
Nevada	94,417	56,983	60.4	39,079	41.4
New Hampshire	37,391	30,669	82.0	26,961	72.1
New Jersey	340,875	268,389	78.7	227,583	66.8
New Mexico	70,294	31,140	44.3	23,890	34.0
New York	899,276	656,700	73.0	445,833	49.6
North Carolina	426,096	311,702	73.2	245,796	57.7
North Dakota	31,113	23,386	75.2	21,223	68.2
Ohio	901,429	643,410	71.4	490,479	54.4
Oklahoma	140,798	98,122	69.7	70,905	50.4
Oregon	246,669	165,046	66.9	115,226	46.7
Pennsylvania	589,847	489,368	83.0	421,739	71.5
Rhode Island	70,085	35,876	51.2	21,198	30.2
South Carolina	224,971	150,078	66.7	101,586	45.2
South Dakota	42,724	26,734	62.6	23,170	54.2
Tennessee	350,470	198,178	56.5	142,947	40.8
Texas	951,631	656,579	69.0	497,260	52.3
Utah	74,795	63,617	85.1	57,731	77.2
Vermont	24,344	20,853	85.7	15,753	64.7
Virginia	361,504	289,918	80.2	199,862	55.3
Washington	302,812	275,559	91.0	236,592	78.1
West Virginia	115,766	86,703	74.9	59,173	51.1
Wisconsin	339,882	268,455	79.0	220,246	64.8
Wyoming	39,299	30,813	78.4	22,384	57.0
United States	15,805,535	11,114,223	70.3	7,710,874	48.8

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Support Enforcement, "FY 2002 Annual Statistical Report," Tables 43, 44, and 53, at <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/cse/pubs/2003/reports/annual_statistical_report/>. Calculations by Children's Defense Fund.

State of America's Children® 2005

Table B1-5

Housing Costs

	Fair Market Rent ¹ 2005	Minimum Wage ² 2005	Fair Market Rent as a Percent of Minimum Wage ³ 2005	Persons in households paying 30 percent or more of income for housing, ⁴ 2000					
				Under age 18				Ages 18-64 All incomes Percent	Ages 65+ All incomes Percent
				All incomes		Poor			
				Number	Percent	Number	Percent		
Alabama	\$ 435	\$ 5.15	48.7%	283,882	26.9%	145,775	71.6%	21.2%	21.6%
Alaska	916	7.15	73.9	53,258	30.7	14,751	74.4	24.3	26.0
Arizona	650	5.15	72.8	412,163	31.9	164,114	71.6	25.8	24.4
Arkansas	473	5.15	53.0	172,480	27.1	95,606	74.2	20.6	20.9
California	587	6.75	50.2	3,735,942	42.4	1,351,629	83.2	33.7	31.9
Colorado	563	5.15	63.1	342,340	32.4	86,770	79.0	26.4	24.9
Connecticut	755	7.10	61.3	260,205	32.0	62,384	80.3	24.3	30.1
Delaware	616	6.15	57.8	49,444	26.7	15,011	72.9	20.9	22.3
District of Columbia	1,187	6.60	103.8	38,020	36.3	22,366	72.6	27.6	29.8
Florida	555	6.15	52.1	1,216,746	35.1	451,585	80.4	27.6	25.9
Georgia	527	5.15	59.0	608,653	29.5	241,713	74.2	23.1	25.0
Hawaii	955	6.25	88.2	106,594	40.8	28,598	79.5	32.6	24.8
Idaho	512	5.15	57.4	98,321	28.2	34,840	75.4	23.6	21.2
Illinois	523	6.50	46.4	958,183	30.8	324,143	78.8	23.6	25.2
Indiana	522	5.15	58.5	340,522	22.6	127,381	74.7	17.9	20.7
Iowa	515	5.15	57.7	143,615	20.5	53,466	73.9	17.3	17.8
Kansas	561	5.15	62.8	144,088	21.3	55,512	73.3	18.0	18.6
Kentucky	483	5.15	54.1	242,631	26.0	125,524	69.6	20.5	20.2
Louisiana	471	5.15	52.8	321,319	28.3	195,287	70.5	22.0	22.2
Maine	542	6.35	49.2	80,264	28.0	27,909	74.7	22.4	24.8
Maryland	439	5.15	49.2	390,101	30.1	97,774	77.4	23.4	25.3
Massachusetts	654	6.75	55.9	456,014	31.5	124,938	77.8	24.4	30.0
Michigan	555	5.15	62.2	639,000	25.6	254,236	78.1	19.3	21.4
Minnesota	524	5.15	58.7	294,977	23.6	83,947	73.8	18.3	21.8
Mississippi	515	5.15	57.7	213,993	29.7	125,718	69.9	22.8	23.9
Missouri	494	5.15	55.3	331,517	24.4	147,403	74.1	18.9	19.9
Montana	514	5.15	57.6	63,984	29.9	26,201	69.1	25.8	22.5
Nebraska	585	5.15	65.5	94,001	22.1	34,609	71.2	18.3	19.9
Nevada	852	5.15	95.4	171,528	35.3	49,672	80.1	28.3	31.1
New Hampshire	930	5.15	104.2	83,888	28.0	17,058	78.4	22.2	29.5
New Jersey	814	5.15	91.2	734,553	36.5	169,535	83.8	27.7	34.8
New Mexico	487	5.15	54.6	148,992	31.3	72,084	63.9	26.0	22.7
New York	513	6.00	49.3	1,760,226	39.7	690,076	84.2	30.1	33.8
North Carolina	508	5.15	56.9	539,201	29.0	207,133	75.4	22.6	23.9
North Dakota	509	5.15	57.0	28,156	18.8	12,298	63.4	17.0	20.0
Ohio	460	5.15	51.5	741,264	26.7	284,485	76.6	20.3	22.6
Oklahoma	457	5.15	51.2	209,550	25.1	105,351	69.5	20.2	19.1
Oregon	616	7.25	49.0	289,135	35.8	89,752	80.2	28.4	27.7
Pennsylvania	428	5.15	47.9	796,057	28.5	286,938	75.7	21.6	25.0
Rhode Island	774	6.75	66.2	80,847	34.0	29,297	77.7	25.4	31.6
South Carolina	484	5.15	54.2	274,117	28.8	120,723	74.2	22.5	23.2
South Dakota	607	5.15	68.0	42,284	22.8	18,472	66.5	19.0	21.5
Tennessee	476	5.15	53.3	375,687	28.3	162,843	74.3	21.9	21.9
Texas	479	5.15	53.7	1,535,480	27.5	737,580	69.6	21.8	22.8
Utah	572	5.15	64.1	220,767	31.8	52,707	81.4	25.3	18.8
Vermont	810	7.00	66.8	43,306	30.5	11,906	77.5	25.1	28.6
Virginia	476	5.15	53.3	471,815	28.5	139,218	74.6	22.2	22.3
Washington	605	7.35	47.5	515,349	35.7	146,328	78.8	28.7	27.0
West Virginia	439	5.15	49.2	99,525	26.6	57,441	68.2	20.6	17.1
Wisconsin	529	5.15	59.3	331,323	25.1	107,303	77.9	19.5	23.5
Wyoming	470	5.15	52.7	26,650	22.2	11,250	68.9	19.5	18.4
United States		5.15		21,611,957	31.4	8,098,640	76.7	24.6	25.6

¹See *Federal Register*, Vol. 69, No. 190 (October 1, 2004), pp. 59004-59010 for a detailed explanation of fair market rent. FMR is used to determine the amount of housing assistance vouchers or subsidies. The FMRs reported here are the monthly rents for a two-bedroom apartment in the lowest-cost metropolitan area in the state.

²The national minimum wage is \$5.15 per hour; some states have their own, higher, minimum wage.

³Before-tax income based on full-time, year-round work.

⁴Percent calculations limited to households with income and housing costs greater than zero and for whom poverty status and housing cost data are available.

Sources: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, "Fair Market Rents... Fiscal Year 2005," *Federal Register*, Vol. 69, No. 190 (October 1, 2004), pp. 59003-59070; U.S. Department of Labor, Employment Standards Administration, Minimum Wage and Overtime Premium Pay Standards Applicable to Nonsupervisory NONFARM Private Sector Employment Under State and Federal Laws, January 1, 2005, at <<http://www.dol.gov/esa/minwage/america.htm>>; and U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, 2000 Census of Population and Housing, unpublished tabulations extracted by the Children's Defense Fund. Calculations by Children's Defense Fund.



Number of Children Receiving Food Stamps, FY 1989, FY 1994, FY 1999 – FY 2003

	FY 1989	FY 1994	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
Alabama	203,627	280,653	216,200	201,592	215,029	212,394	225,258
Alaska	13,852	24,710	20,743	20,495	19,073	23,678	25,382
Arizona	142,460	280,587	150,380	153,290	173,284	226,840	250,572
Arkansas	103,406	134,327	130,021	119,945	135,647	139,107	156,173
California	1,130,068	2,206,228	1,336,701	1,254,677	1,131,254	1,161,171	1,150,598
Colorado	108,030	142,831	84,579	74,918	73,850	87,090	103,070
Connecticut	62,617	123,647	86,894	82,366	69,479	72,891	83,694
Delaware	15,639	28,661	19,432	16,501	16,956	20,930	24,000
District of Columbia	29,772	52,408	42,400	44,274	32,894	32,621	33,938
Florida	319,164	748,014	425,329	405,698	413,195	435,201	472,407
Georgia	247,169	415,623	328,559	292,312	282,110	334,649	378,116
Hawaii	39,780	56,673	61,446	52,062	50,093	47,816	40,569
Idaho	29,783	43,834	29,799	29,016	31,830	36,100	38,829
Illinois	480,701	546,825	397,268	379,611	416,832	409,122	470,729
Indiana	139,258	254,607	159,095	153,820	176,501	204,165	230,740
Iowa	80,704	96,003	60,457	59,176	58,884	66,004	71,171
Kansas	60,856	89,723	56,731	52,349	57,791	69,799	72,654
Kentucky	190,408	228,424	167,608	177,774	187,176	198,531	215,517
Louisiana	356,575	403,454	280,474	267,902	272,622	315,290	318,987
Maine	38,077	59,146	41,572	33,833	44,651	42,104	44,862
Maryland	127,879	206,048	142,036	104,334	97,221	103,912	124,138
Massachusetts	153,172	240,069	131,011	128,532	118,607	123,195	149,588
Michigan	445,279	539,922	343,440	314,814	323,391	385,787	413,122
Minnesota	120,559	175,763	95,861	102,834	105,419	107,834	112,063
Mississippi	224,555	252,405	152,968	143,083	153,755	172,154	176,279
Missouri	192,188	295,224	197,603	199,391	208,570	248,665	266,920
Montana	26,322	35,654	28,819	28,151	25,724	29,929	31,398
Nebraska	45,161	62,558	45,471	37,438	41,562	43,737	46,043
Nevada	19,408	45,887	28,936	32,967	34,714	51,139	54,293
New Hampshire	9,273	30,016	19,239	17,739	17,374	18,278	21,307
New Jersey	191,648	290,707	193,346	160,218	148,468	151,550	168,677
New Mexico	75,537	126,461	92,563	89,952	88,564	87,847	103,200
New York	722,389	1,094,408	718,290	627,158	656,101	623,170	639,008
North Carolina	177,509	313,632	258,261	233,276	233,795	288,035	312,225
North Dakota	18,890	22,968	16,147	14,663	16,907	18,766	19,026
Ohio	492,247	598,321	305,001	302,998	290,359	336,660	413,507
Oklahoma	123,659	190,671	131,670	128,232	128,776	160,108	189,250
Oregon	90,838	134,838	103,126	103,061	122,147	162,130	169,892
Pennsylvania	441,560	544,571	395,157	354,724	345,540	345,011	361,935
Rhode Island	29,370	51,496	41,458	41,871	40,117	40,434	37,511
South Carolina	137,577	205,812	157,901	146,533	160,349	191,374	226,053
South Dakota	25,213	24,734	22,140	23,886	21,571	25,910	24,095
Tennessee	230,158	347,335	217,141	231,108	229,189	279,527	314,756
Texas	846,306	1,406,259	800,811	753,763	792,354	910,531	1,123,744
Utah	52,402	68,105	53,059	41,425	41,757	47,657	58,796
Vermont	14,362	29,579	18,208	18,728	14,404	16,288	15,679
Virginia	148,798	275,223	168,992	148,798	150,121	169,836	181,150
Washington	153,771	231,318	152,780	134,342	142,430	155,815	170,739
West Virginia	111,043	135,908	96,025	92,058	89,288	91,317	100,044
Wisconsin	175,538	181,645	96,597	102,242	110,460	154,405	161,366
Wyoming	14,572	16,868	12,554	12,640	10,818	11,423	12,448
United States	9,429,127	14,390,783	9,332,299	8,742,570	8,819,003	9,687,927	10,605,518

Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service, unpublished tabulations from Fiscal Year QC database.

State of America's Children® 2005

Table B1-7

Participation in Child Nutrition Programs, FY 2004

	School Lunch	School Breakfast	Summer Food	Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)				Child and Adult Care Food Program (children only) ¹
				Women	Infants	Children	Total	
Alabama	557,539	175,582	39,297	28,794	33,555	57,961	120,310	41,578
Alaska	50,517	12,080	1,490	6,225	6,329	13,986	26,541	9,407
Arizona	544,948	178,678	4,773	42,555	45,838	87,591	175,984	59,327
Arkansas	322,284	133,161	11,902	24,345	24,390	40,425	89,159	29,146
California	2,788,900	934,280	106,962	313,985	290,618	688,094	1,292,697	304,431
Colorado	332,848	72,679	5,321	21,177	22,697	39,535	83,409	33,464
Connecticut	291,020	52,334	6,575	10,692	14,485	26,951	52,128	16,547
Delaware	78,017	22,546	8,648	3,886	5,242	9,173	18,301	10,684
District of Columbia	46,022	21,947	33,099	4,093	4,405	7,596	16,093	5,678
Florida	1,442,874	528,540	104,998	93,870	99,464	179,695	373,030	138,211
Georgia	1,169,724	443,342	77,877	68,736	70,166	120,926	259,828	114,705
Hawaii	125,346	38,987	5,645	8,077	8,149	16,976	33,202	8,898
Idaho	152,884	41,931	13,417	8,651	8,861	18,766	36,279	6,279
Illinois	1,057,321	213,311	63,035	67,717	81,426	126,690	275,833	116,176
Indiana	672,818	140,072	45,060	34,619	38,589	58,114	131,321	53,226
Iowa	384,626	72,587	6,769	15,533	15,316	35,339	66,188	29,567
Kansas	321,806	77,953	11,118	15,189	16,186	32,613	63,987	53,431
Kentucky	528,305	206,623	54,103	27,719	29,947	59,508	117,175	41,803
Louisiana	632,806	246,865	37,391	35,867	41,746	64,006	141,619	61,140
Maine	106,077	29,210	6,012	5,450	5,557	11,909	22,916	13,472
Maryland	426,105	118,690	36,964	27,245	30,226	50,072	107,542	45,889
Massachusetts	541,556	114,725	28,250	28,206	27,316	60,242	115,764	51,601
Michigan	849,905	218,083	38,740	52,155	53,788	115,838	221,781	68,701
Minnesota	581,317	113,869	26,961	27,793	28,058	60,826	116,677	103,277
Mississippi	401,044	181,526	23,836	23,987	31,361	47,390	102,738	31,691
Missouri	610,530	183,540	35,869	35,176	36,165	61,423	132,763	49,693
Montana	78,644	19,400	10,203	4,894	4,349	12,053	21,296	13,101
Nebraska	225,281	42,131	5,298	9,616	10,090	19,962	39,668	34,948
Nevada	146,033	44,797	3,805	11,850	13,464	20,981	46,295	9,246
New Hampshire	111,572	19,603	3,902	3,828	4,189	8,705	16,722	6,185
New Jersey	617,340	101,350	54,927	36,072	37,001	70,178	143,251	56,666
New Mexico	207,893	99,330	40,324	14,648	15,908	32,974	63,530	41,024
New York	1,799,770	493,958	405,393	118,701	122,055	232,128	472,883	229,447
North Carolina	884,746	319,174	34,181	54,881	57,288	106,749	218,918	114,755
North Dakota	77,677	15,085	3,055	3,310	3,284	7,523	14,117	16,758
Ohio	1,050,068	237,463	39,534	63,016	81,371	122,882	267,269	96,195
Oklahoma	389,194	166,830	11,214	28,699	29,946	57,491	116,136	56,635
Oregon	280,585	122,433	9,739	24,744	20,380	55,012	100,135	31,053
Pennsylvania	1,085,104	225,595	118,210	54,650	62,611	123,442	240,702	96,729
Rhode Island	85,235	22,735	7,942	5,268	5,789	11,722	22,779	9,622
South Carolina	473,091	187,995	67,067	28,298	30,086	48,400	106,784	31,224
South Dakota	103,208	20,450	3,701	4,962	5,410	11,238	21,610	11,381
Tennessee	647,082	219,971	40,188	40,303	43,015	72,076	155,394	54,307
Texas	2,770,515	1,234,653	80,136	211,771	216,730	439,085	867,586	198,711
Utah	289,404	43,808	21,986	17,494	17,761	31,534	66,788	27,863
Vermont	54,555	17,724	3,103	3,390	3,280	9,620	16,290	6,635
Virginia	700,805	178,083	45,782	33,768	34,250	63,814	131,832	47,310
Washington	506,141	137,334	23,071	37,186	36,722	85,329	159,237	72,123
West Virginia	200,588	87,625	13,898	11,898	12,017	26,417	50,332	17,112
Wisconsin	567,829	73,827	27,811	26,179	27,031	56,985	110,194	63,401
Wyoming	49,475	10,609	1,585	3,186	2,864	6,329	12,379	8,328
United States	28,418,977	8,715,103	1,910,167	1,884,351	1,966,767	3,824,271	7,675,389	2,848,773

¹Approximately 93,000 adults in day programs participated in CACFP in FY 2004.

Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service.



Children in the Nation

Table B2-1

Children's Health Insurance Coverage

	Uninsured Children under Age 19 2002-2004 ¹		Medicaid ²				Children as a Percent of 2003 Medicaid:		Number of Children Ever Enrolled in SCHIP 2004
			Children Enrolled in Medicaid				Enrollees	Expenditures	
	Number	Percent	FY 2000	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003			
Alabama	107,000	9.2%	369,234	393,885	426,858	446,910	50.0%	29.7%	79,407
Alaska	25,000	12.6	69,527	74,955	78,862	82,133	64.9	41.0	21,966
Arizona	248,000	15.3	416,475	464,422	538,685	621,160	48.6	38.7	87,681
Arkansas	70,000	9.8	267,858	301,362	340,577	378,602	56.0	34.9	NR
California	1,368,000	13.5	3,439,897	3,442,868	3,736,900	4,027,113	40.1	23.6	1,035,752
Colorado	184,000	14.9	210,332	230,852	249,941	272,855	57.6	24.3	57,244
Connecticut	75,000	8.5	216,378	225,175	244,460	250,457	49.9	14.4	21,438
Delaware	22,000	10.6	61,911	65,146	70,159	73,422	46.8	27.3	10,250
District of Columbia	11,000	9.3	77,884	78,499	78,580	80,605	51.3	25.4	6,093
Florida	664,000	15.7	1,183,121	1,306,465	1,446,388	1,536,407	54.1	24.8	419,707
Georgia	316,000	12.9	741,564	772,837	906,024	985,745	60.1	30.8	280,083
Hawaii	22,000	6.9	88,629	89,256	93,135	197,695	47.0	23.3	19,237
Idaho	49,000	12.5	96,543	113,696	130,588	138,934	66.6	28.3	19,054
Illinois	386,000	11.3	990,260	1,056,389	1,114,447	1,132,901	52.0	21.9	234,027
Indiana	162,000	9.6	454,780	499,851	536,410	565,861	59.9	23.5	80,698
Iowa	52,000	7.2	161,301	171,031	189,130	201,890	53.3	22.4	40,776
Kansas	52,000	7.2	154,951	165,490	180,449	192,292	59.1	23.2	44,350
Kentucky	111,000	10.7	367,857	392,452	403,649	421,365	52.0	28.0	94,500
Louisiana	148,000	12.0	487,484	538,733	622,989	664,460	63.0	25.0	105,580
Maine	21,000	6.8	92,383	97,040	110,827	119,776	31.7	27.3	29,171
Maryland	140,000	9.5	402,773	407,061	435,318	455,377	55.2	25.5	111,488
Massachusetts	110,000	7.1	465,540	465,870	495,235	493,808	41.4	15.8	166,508
Michigan	185,000	6.9	768,290	813,664	865,593	912,318	58.0	21.8	NR
Minnesota	84,000	6.4	303,800	318,868	337,822	363,855	49.8	23.9	4,784
Mississippi	100,000	12.6	333,366	393,963	405,954	416,038	56.9	24.4	82,900
Missouri	107,000	7.3	542,409	560,082	587,202	619,268	53.5	23.3	176,014
Montana	36,000	16.4	50,882	54,142	56,703	59,438	53.8	27.0	15,281
Nebraska	30,000	6.5	138,643	148,193	159,458	163,218	61.9	28.3	33,314
Nevada	115,000	18.1	90,796	92,201	110,054	135,505	57.4	30.2	38,519
New Hampshire	20,000	6.0	64,579	64,115	69,084	76,997	59.4	23.5	10,951
New Jersey	252,000	11.1	469,207	473,499	506,813	504,357	51.8	18.9	127,244
New Mexico	78,000	14.9	257,745	272,490	295,769	304,673	61.8	35.6	20,804
New York	469,000	9.7	1,398,471	1,528,477	1,686,999	1,868,944	41.9	14.8	826,611
North Carolina	275,000	12.3	650,470	709,945	735,862	771,801	53.2	25.5	174,259
North Dakota	12,000	8.4	31,378	31,597	33,718	36,723	47.9	15.7	5,133
Ohio	242,000	8.2	775,213	907,943	958,481	1,042,983	53.8	17.6	220,190
Oklahoma	148,000	16.2	368,715	408,766	442,139	426,537	64.0	30.3	100,761
Oregon	110,000	12.2	244,614	255,652	269,380	269,972	43.1	24.8	46,720
Pennsylvania	300,000	10.0	804,000	825,596	858,134	891,917	49.9	25.0	177,415
Rhode Island	16,000	6.2	88,535	94,096	98,926	100,864	47.8	22.7	25,573
South Carolina	91,000	8.4	420,617	475,319	493,385	516,608	52.1	29.9	75,597
South Dakota	17,000	8.4	59,752	65,400	70,673	74,456	62.2	29.4	13,397
Tennessee	141,000	9.6	654,063	681,853	720,954	700,895	42.4	17.3	
Texas	1,431,000	21.7	1,632,816	1,724,049	1,984,630	2,331,846	63.7	33.9	650,856
Utah	76,000	9.8	125,618	131,143	142,584	157,294	56.5	33.5	38,693
Vermont	8,000	5.5	65,668	67,420	68,887	69,067	43.2	29.4	6,693
Virginia	193,000	10.1	380,438	391,842	409,973	420,037	57.0	23.2	99,569
Washington	142,000	9.0	538,431	589,824	632,458	648,794	55.9	25.2	17,002
West Virginia	39,000	9.5	186,253	183,800	192,028	188,197	51.3	22.0	36,906
Wisconsin	89,000	6.4	313,634	339,853	374,294	413,568	45.8	16.7	67,893
Wyoming	15,000	12.1	30,594	35,012	42,625	47,543	61.9	27.0	5,525
United States	9.0 million	11.6	22,605,679	23,992,139	26,040,193	27,873,481	50.5	23.0	6,063,614

¹The U.S. percentage and number of uninsured are from the 2005 Current Population Survey, Annual Social and Economic Supplement. The estimated percentage of uninsured children in each state is the average of the percentages of children uninsured during the years 2002–2004. Three-year averages are used because of small sample sizes in some states. The estimated number of uninsured children in each state is calculated by applying that average percentage to the most recent estimates of the number of children younger than 19 in each state.

²Children are ages 0 through 18. Numbers include those children enrolled in Medicaid through SCHIP/Medicaid expansions, but do not include those children enrolled in separate SCHIP programs.

NR — data not reported

Sources: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, 2003, 2004, and 2005 Annual Social and Economic Supplement to the Current Population Survey; U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, July 1, 2004 state population estimates by single year of age, at <http://www.census.gov/popest/estimates.php>; U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Medicaid Statistical Information System, FFY 2000, 2001, 2002, and 2003, at <http://msis.cms.hhs.gov/cognos/cgi-bin/ppds.cgi.exe>, accessed April 20, 2005 and November 2, 2005; and U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, "FY 2004 Number of Children Ever Enrolled in SCHIP by Program Type," at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/schip/enrollment/schip04.pdf>. Calculations by Children's Defense Fund.

State of America's Children® 2005

Table B2-2

Early Prenatal Care, 2003

	Total All Races		White				Black				Hispanic ²	
	Rate	Rank	Total		Non-Hispanic		Total		Non-Hispanic		Rate	Rank
			Rate	Rank	Rate	Rank	Rate	Rank	Rate	Rank		
Alabama	83.8%	28	87.3%	22	90.0%	19	75.7%	26	75.7%	26	52.0%	49
Alaska	79.8	41	83.7	35	82.9	47	81.8	9	81.0	10	79.6	14
Arizona	76.6	46	76.9	47	88.0	31	76.0	25	79.5	16	66.7	40
Arkansas	81.3	36	83.2	37	84.6	40	73.5	33	73.4	34	71.5	26
California	87.3	11	87.4	21	90.8	8	84.1	7	84.1	7	85.2	2
Colorado	79.3	42	79.8	45	86.1	38	70.9	41	70.7	41	67.0	39
Connecticut	88.7	6	89.8	7	92.7	3	81.0	11	81.4	9	78.2	18
Delaware	84.4	24	86.2	28	88.8	25	78.8	16	79.6	15	71.9	25
District of Columbia	76.1	47	86.4	27	89.6	23	71.1	40	71.0	40	69.6	33
Florida	85.8	17	88.1	16	90.1	18	77.9	19	77.8	19	84.2	4
Georgia	84.0	27	86.2	28	90.5	12	79.1	15	79.1	17	69.1	36
Hawaii	82.4	32	85.5	32	86.3	37	89.3	2	89.1	2	80.8	9
Idaho	81.4	35	81.6	40	83.9	43	87.8	3	87.4	4	68.3	38
Illinois	85.4	19	87.7	19	91.0	5	74.2	30	74.1	30	80.0	13
Indiana	81.5	34	83.0	38	84.7	39	69.3	45	69.3	45	66.0	42
Iowa	88.9	5	89.5	10	90.6	11	76.8	23	76.8	24	74.8	23
Kansas	87.8	8	88.5	15	90.5	12	80.1	14	80.2	14	77.2	20
Kentucky	87.0	13	87.7	19	88.2	29	80.7	13	80.7	12	74.0	24
Louisiana	84.1	26	90.0	6	90.3	16	75.5	27	75.5	28	83.3	6
Maine	87.5	10	87.9	17	87.9	32	74.9	28	75.6	27	80.7	10
Maryland	83.7	29	88.7	14	91.0	5	74.6	29	75.3	29	70.1	30
Massachusetts	90.0	4	91.4	3	92.4	4	81.5	10	80.3	13	83.9	5
Michigan	86.1	16	89.0	12	89.8	21	72.8	37	72.7	38	77.6	19
Minnesota	86.5	14	88.8	13	90.5	12	72.3	39	72.3	39	71.0	28
Mississippi	84.9	21	90.7	5	91.0	5	77.8	20	77.8	19	79.6	14
Missouri	88.4	7	89.7	8	90.2	17	81.0	11	80.9	11	81.0	8
Montana	84.4	24	86.9	24	87.4	34	86.0	4	87.8	3	80.6	11
Nebraska	83.4	30	84.4	34	86.9	35	72.7	38	72.8	36	69.8	32
Nevada	75.8	48	75.8	48	84.6	40	70.7	42	70.6	42	64.1	45
New Hampshire	92.8	1	93.0	1	93.4	2	85.1	6	85.5	5	84.4	3
New Jersey	80.2	40	83.4	36	89.2	24	64.4	48	63.5	48	68.6	37
New Mexico	68.9	49	70.2	49	77.0	49	68.7	46	69.1	46	66.2	41
New York	82.4	32	85.2	33	88.6	26	73.1	35	72.8	36	76.2	21
North Carolina	84.5	23	86.9	24	90.8	8	76.8	23	76.8	24	69.6	33
North Dakota	87.3	11	89.7	8	90.0	19	85.2	5	84.8	6	79.5	16
Ohio	87.7	9	89.3	11	89.8	21	78.8	16	78.8	18	79.0	17
Oklahoma	77.8	44	79.6	46	82.0	48	69.8	44	69.8	44	65.5	43
Oregon	81.2	37	81.5	41	84.5	42	78.0	18	77.6	21	70.0	31
Pennsylvania	76.0	—	79.2	—	80.4	—	57.2	—	57.4	—	61.2	—
Rhode Island	90.9	2	92.2	2	93.5	1	82.8	8	82.1	8	86.9	1
South Carolina	77.5	45	81.0	44	83.6	45	70.5	43	70.6	42	56.9	48
South Dakota	78.4	43	82.8	39	83.4	46	64.8	47	65.5	47	64.0	46
Tennessee	83.4	30	86.2	28	88.1	30	73.0	36	73.0	35	63.7	47
Texas	80.9	38	81.1	43	88.4	28	77.0	21	77.0	23	75.5	22
Utah	80.3	39	81.2	42	83.9	43	63.2	49	61.8	49	65.1	44
Vermont	90.6	3	90.8	4	90.8	8	74.0	31	73.5	32	81.5	7
Virginia	85.3	20	87.9	17	90.4	15	76.9	22	77.3	22	71.2	27
Washington	74.0	—	75.0	—	77.6	—	67.9	—	68.9	—	63.1	—
West Virginia	85.8	17	86.2	28	86.4	36	73.5	33	73.5	32	69.3	35
Wisconsin	84.9	21	86.9	24	88.5	27	73.6	32	73.7	31	70.7	29
Wyoming	86.4	15	87.0	23	87.9	32	96.2	1	96.2	1	80.1	12
United States	84.1		85.7		89.0		75.9		75.9		77.5	

¹Care begun in the first trimester (first three months) of pregnancy

²Persons of Hispanic origin can be of any race.

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, National Center for Health Statistics, *National Vital Statistics Report*, Vol. 54, No. 2 (September 8, 2005), "Births: Final Data for 2003," Table 34. Ranks calculated by Children's Defense Fund.



Children in the Nation

Table B2-3

Low Birthweight,¹ 2003

	Total all races ²		White				Black				Hispanic ³	
	Rate	Rank	Total		Non-Hispanic		Total		Non-Hispanic		Rate	Rank
			Rate	Rank	Rate	Rank	Rate	Rank	Rate	Rank		
Alabama	10.0%	47	8.0%	43	8.1%	44	14.4%	34	14.5%	35	6.7%	24
Alaska	6.0	1	5.7	1	5.2	1	9.7	1	9.1	1	5.1	1
Arizona	7.1	17	6.9	20	6.9	20	11.3	5	12.1	7	6.9	25
Arkansas	8.9	39	7.6	39	7.7	38	14.6	36	14.6	36	6.3	18
California	6.6	10	6.1	6	6.1	5	12.3	13	12.4	11	6.0	8
Colorado	9.0	41	8.6	49	8.8	50	15.6	42	15.7	42	8.3	38
Connecticut	7.5	19	6.9	20	6.4	10	11.9	8	12.5	12	8.6	41
Delaware	9.4	45	7.8	42	7.8	41	14.2	32	14.3	33	7.7	36
District of Columbia	10.9	50	6.5	10	6.1	5	12.9	18	13.7	27	7.6	35
Florida	8.5	33	7.1	27	7.2	30	13.1	20	13.2	17	6.9	25
Georgia	9.0	41	7.1	27	7.4	34	13.0	19	13.0	14	5.7	5
Hawaii	8.6	36	6.7	17	6.5	14	12.2	12	13.3	18	8.4	40
Idaho	6.5	6	6.5	10	6.5	14	—	—	—	—	6.5	22
Illinois	8.3	31	6.9	20	7.1	26	14.4	34	14.4	34	6.4	20
Indiana	7.9	22	7.2	33	7.3	32	13.3	23	13.3	18	5.9	6
Iowa	6.6	10	6.3	8	6.3	9	13.1	20	13.3	18	6.2	14
Kansas	7.4	18	6.9	20	7.1	26	12.8	16	12.8	13	6.1	9
Kentucky	8.7	38	8.2	46	8.3	47	13.6	26	13.7	27	6.2	14
Louisiana	10.7	49	7.7	41	7.7	38	14.9	38	14.9	38	7.9	37
Maine	6.5	6	6.5	10	6.6	17	—	—	—	—	—	—
Maryland	9.1	44	7.0	25	7.1	26	12.7	15	13.0	14	7.0	27
Massachusetts	7.6	20	7.2	33	7.0	24	10.5	4	11.8	6	8.3	38
Michigan	8.2	29	6.9	20	6.9	20	14.1	31	14.1	31	6.6	23
Minnesota	6.2	4	5.8	3	5.8	3	10.3	3	10.3	2	5.1	1
Mississippi	11.4	51	8.6	49	8.6	49	15.2	40	15.2	40	7.2	31
Missouri	8.0	25	7.1	27	7.2	30	13.4	24	13.4	23	6.1	9
Montana	6.8	13	6.6	15	6.5	14	—	—	—	—	9.2	46
Nebraska	6.9	15	6.6	15	6.8	19	11.5	6	11.5	4	6.1	9
Nevada	8.1	26	7.4	37	7.7	38	13.1	20	13.3	18	7.0	27
New Hampshire	6.2	4	6.1	6	6.1	5	—	—	—	—	5.9	6
New Jersey	8.1	26	7.1	27	7.0	24	12.6	14	13.3	18	7.3	33
New Mexico	8.5	33	8.5	47	8.2	46	15.6	42	16.0	43	8.7	42
New York	7.9	22	6.8	18	6.6	17	12.0	10	12.2	9	7.5	34
North Carolina	9.0	41	7.3	35	7.6	37	14.2	32	14.2	32	6.2	14
North Dakota	6.5	6	6.3	8	6.4	10	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ohio	8.3	31	7.4	37	7.4	34	13.5	25	13.6	24	7.2	31
Oklahoma	7.8	21	7.3	35	7.5	36	13.7	29	13.6	24	6.1	9
Oregon	6.1	3	5.9	4	6.1	5	11.7	7	11.6	5	5.3	3
Pennsylvania	8.1	26	7.0	25	6.9	20	13.7	29	14.0	30	8.9	44
Rhode Island	8.5	33	8.0	43	7.8	41	11.9	8	12.3	10	8.9	44
South Carolina	10.1	48	7.6	39	7.8	41	15.0	39	15.0	39	6.4	20
South Dakota	6.6	10	6.5	10	6.4	10	—	—	—	—	9.4	47
Tennessee	9.4	45	8.0	43	8.1	44	14.8	37	14.8	37	6.1	9
Texas	7.9	22	7.1	27	7.3	32	13.6	26	13.7	27	7.0	27
Utah	6.5	6	6.5	10	6.4	10	15.2	40	15.3	41	7.0	27
Vermont	7.0	16	7.1	27	7.1	26	—	—	—	—	—	—
Virginia	8.2	29	6.8	18	6.9	20	12.8	16	13.0	14	6.3	18
Washington	6.0	1	5.7	1	5.6	2	10.1	2	11.1	3	5.6	4
West Virginia	8.6	36	8.5	47	8.5	48	12.0	10	12.1	7	—	—
Wisconsin	6.8	13	6.0	5	6.0	4	13.6	26	13.6	24	6.2	14
Wyoming	8.9	39	8.9	51	8.9	51	—	—	—	—	8.7	42
United States	7.9		6.9		7.0		13.4		13.6		6.7	

¹Birthweight less than 2,500 grams (5 lbs. 8 oz.)

²Includes races other than White and Black

³Persons of Hispanic origin can be of any race.

—Number of low birthweight births too small to calculate a reliable rate.

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, National Center for Health Statistics, *National Vital Statistics Report*, Vol. 54, No. 2 (September 8, 2005), "Births: Final Data for 2003," Table 46. Ranks calculated by Children's Defense Fund.

State of America's Children® 2005

Table B2-4

Infant Mortality, 2002

	All races			White			Black		
	Number	Rate ¹	Rank	Number	Rate ¹	Rank	Number	Rate ¹	Rank
Alabama	539	9.1	44	283	7.1	42	255	13.9	13
Alaska	55	5.5	6	27	—	—	6	—	—
Arizona	559	6.4	18	475	6.2	29	36	13.0	9
Arkansas	312	8.3	40	201	6.9	38	103	13.9	13
California	2,889	5.5	6	2,212	5.2	8	420	12.9	7
Colorado	415	6.1	14	342	5.5	12	62	21.1	35
Connecticut	274	6.5	20	191	5.5	12	74	14.2	15
Delaware	96	8.7	42	58	7.3	46	35	12.9	7
District of Columbia	85	11.3	50	16	—	—	67	14.5	17
Florida	1,548	7.5	31	893	5.8	23	629	13.6	11
Georgia	1,192	8.9	43	569	6.6	33	588	13.7	12
Hawaii	127	7.3	28	18	—	—	7	—	—
Idaho	128	6.1	14	123	6.1	27	1	—	—
Illinois	1,339	7.4	29	780	5.6	17	519	16.3	26
Indiana	657	7.7	35	503	6.8	36	143	15.3	23
Iowa	199	5.3	4	179	5.1	6	17	—	—
Kansas	281	7.1	26	228	6.5	32	44	15.2	22
Kentucky	392	7.2	27	318	6.6	33	70	14.2	15
Louisiana	665	10.3	48	253	6.9	38	401	15.0	20
Maine	59	4.4	1	56	4.3	1	1	—	—
Maryland	551	7.5	31	240	5.3	9	298	12.3	4
Massachusetts	395	4.9	2	302	4.5	2	76	9.1	1
Michigan	1,057	8.1	37	619	6.0	25	416	18.5	32
Minnesota	364	5.4	5	290	5.0	5	50	10.3	3
Mississippi	428	10.3	48	155	6.9	38	269	14.8	19
Missouri	637	8.5	41	443	7.1	42	189	17.1	27
Montana	83	7.5	31	68	7.1	42	3	—	—
Nebraska	178	7.0	24	141	6.1	27	30	20.8	34
Nevada	197	6.0	12	138	5.1	6	48	18.4	31
New Hampshire	72	5.0	3	72	5.3	9	0	—	—
New Jersey	655	5.7	9	382	4.5	2	255	12.8	6
New Mexico	174	6.3	16	132	5.7	22	11	—	—
New York	1,519	6.0	12	977	5.4	11	493	9.9	2
North Carolina	959	8.2	39	505	5.9	24	430	15.6	24
North Dakota	49	6.3	16	38	5.6	17	2	—	—
Ohio	1,180	7.9	36	761	6.2	29	400	17.7	29
Oklahoma	410	8.1	37	279	7.1	42	81	17.2	28
Oregon	260	5.8	10	229	5.6	17	13	—	—
Pennsylvania	1,091	7.6	34	772	6.6	33	305	15.1	21
Rhode Island	90	7.0	24	71	6.4	31	15	—	—
South Carolina	507	9.3	46	213	6.0	25	287	15.8	25
South Dakota	70	6.5	20	42	4.9	4	3	—	—
Tennessee	727	9.4	47	419	7.0	41	299	18.3	30
Texas	2,368	6.4	18	1,773	5.6	17	561	13.5	10
Utah	273	5.6	8	255	5.5	12	6	—	—
Vermont	28	—	—	28	—	—	0	—	—
Virginia	741	7.4	29	394	5.5	12	323	14.6	18
Washington	456	5.8	10	366	5.5	12	43	12.7	5
West Virginia	188	9.1	44	169	8.5	47	19	—	—
Wisconsin	472	6.9	23	329	5.6	17	121	18.9	33
Wyoming	44	6.7	22	42	6.8	36	0	—	—
United States	28,034	7.0		18,369	5.8		8,524	14.4	

¹Infant deaths (before the first birthday) per 1,000 live births

—Number of infant deaths too small to calculate a stable rate

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, National Center for Health Statistics, *National Vital Statistics Report*, Vol. 53, No. 5, "Deaths: Final Data for 2002" (October 12, 2004), Table 32. Ranks calculated by Children's Defense Fund.

Immunization Status of Two-year-olds¹ in 2003 and 2004
Percent of two-year-olds who received all recommended immunizations in the series

	4:3:1:3 series ²			4:3:1:3:3 series ³		
	1995	2003	2004	1995	2003	2004
Alabama	73.1%	82.2%	83.0%	45.8%	80.4%	82.3%
Alaska	74.0	81.4	76.1	54.3	79.7	75.3
Arizona	68.7	78.8	81.0	51.2	76.9	78.6
Arkansas	73.4	79.5	84.9	53.6	76.5	82.4
California	70.3	79.6	83.1	57.7	77.4	81.3
Colorado	74.9	68.6	80.1	51.4	67.5	77.1
Connecticut	85.9	94.6	88.7	63.9	94.0	87.8
Delaware	67.5	79.6	86.4	54.7	76.3	86.0
District of Columbia	68.6	77.2	86.0	49.8	76.2	82.5
Florida	74.0	82.7	89.7	53.4	81.0	88.5
Georgia	76.8	76.6	85.5	61.7	76.6	84.7
Hawaii	75.2	82.8	82.6	66.2	82.0	81.2
Idaho	66.0	81.6	82.6	40.7	78.1	80.6
Illinois	77.8	84.6	83.7	57.2	82.9	82.7
Indiana	73.9	81.7	81.3	41.8	79.0	79.0
Iowa	82.7	82.6	86.1	47.7	81.1	86.1
Kansas	69.8	77.7	79.5	35.7	75.7	77.5
Kentucky	81.4	81.2	80.4	59.6	81.0	79.1
Louisiana	76.6	72.4	76.3	61.8	69.9	74.9
Maine	88.1	81.8	85.0	46.6	78.6	82.1
Maryland	76.6	84.3	81.3	59.2	81.3	80.0
Massachusetts	81.4	91.7	90.9	70.7	90.7	89.1
Michigan	67.9	82.9	81.3	46.7	81.5	81.2
Minnesota	75.0	84.4	85.7	41.2	83.9	85.2
Mississippi	79.4	84.0	85.8	38.1	83.6	84.0
Missouri	74.5	84.2	86.0	50.5	83.3	81.6
Montana	70.7	84.6	81.6	44.7	80.0	78.2
Nebraska	71.0	82.0	83.0	49.2	80.4	82.3
Nevada	66.8	78.1	70.6	55.9	75.7	68.4
New Hampshire	88.7	88.4	89.0	72.7	86.5	86.3
New Jersey	70.4	75.8	83.3	60.5	75.0	82.7
New Mexico	74.0	77.0	84.8	43.8	75.2	83.5
New York	74.0	81.9	82.8	62.6	78.6	82.2
North Carolina	80.0	88.6	82.3	62.5	86.7	81.6
North Dakota	78.6	82.5	84.0	65.7	80.4	82.0
Ohio	71.3	84.2	82.2	47.7	82.3	79.5
Oklahoma	73.8	72.3	72.6	42.3	70.5	72.1
Oregon	71.3	79.3	81.1	56.6	76.5	78.9
Pennsylvania	76.5	86.9	87.1	62.2	86.2	85.7
Rhode Island	82.5	87.3	88.2	58.5	85.2	86.7
South Carolina	78.2	84.6	82.2	72.2	84.3	79.8
South Dakota	78.7	83.4	88.0	27.5	80.9	86.1
Tennessee	74.0	80.5	83.2	57.8	78.8	82.4
Texas	70.5	77.2	74.4	52.4	74.8	72.5
Utah	65.0	80.2	75.2	43.7	78.8	71.3
Vermont	86.5	89.5	88.8	55.8	83.6	85.0
Virginia	69.1	84.8	83.4	52.8	84.0	81.0
Washington	76.4	79.7	81.2	57.0	75.3	77.7
West Virginia	73.0	77.4	87.7	28.9	74.6	86.6
Wisconsin	75.3	82.7	85.1	53.1	81.2	82.9
Wyoming	75.2	77.2	84.1	18.9	75.8	83.3
United States	73.7	81.3	82.5	55.1	79.4	80.9

¹Children are between 19 and 35 months of age.

²4:3:1:3 series includes four or more doses of diphtheria, tetanus, and pertussis vaccine (DTP,DTaP,or DT); three or more doses of poliovirus vaccine; one or more doses of measles-containing vaccine; and three or more doses of *Haemophilus influenzae* type b (Hib) vaccine.

³4:3:1:3:3 series includes all of the vaccines in the 4:3:1:3 series and three or more doses of hepatitis B (HepB) vaccine. The addition of hepatitis B to the recommended series was more recent (late in 1991) and therefore the 1995 rates that include HepB are far lower than the rates that do not include HepB.

Sources: "Hepatitis B Virus: A Comprehensive Strategy for Eliminating Transmission in the United States Through Universal Childhood Vaccination: Recommendations of the Immunization Practices Advisory Committee (ACIP)," *Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report*, 40(RR-13) (November 22, 1991); and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Immunization Surveys, 1995, 2003, and 2004, Tables 28 and 29, at <<http://www.cdc.gov/nip/coverage/NIS/95/toc-95.htm>>, <<http://www.cdc.gov/nip/coverage/NIS/03/toc-03.htm>>, and <<http://www.cdc.gov/nip/coverage/NIS/04/toc-04.htm>>.

State of America's Children® 2005

Table B3-1

Parents in the Labor Force, 2003

	Mothers in the labor force by age of youngest child (percent)		Children with mothers in the labor force (percent)		Children with all parents in the labor force (percent)	
	Under age 6	Ages 6-17	Under age 6	Ages 6-17	Under age 6	Ages 6-17
Alabama	66.2%	73.2%	66.2%	71.2%	64.2%	69.2%
Alaska	67.0	76.5	62.2	73.2	64.4	72.4
Arizona	56.2	73.0	53.7	65.4	53.8	63.9
Arkansas	64.8	77.7	62.8	72.5	62.9	69.1
California	54.4	70.0	53.5	63.7	54.4	62.2
Colorado	61.7	76.9	59.5	70.3	59.8	69.0
Connecticut	64.7	78.8	60.6	71.8	61.0	70.6
Delaware	70.1	78.9	71.7	75.1	71.8	72.0
District of Columbia	71.9	77.0	67.4	75.9	67.2	74.7
Florida	65.5	76.4	63.5	72.9	63.8	70.4
Georgia	64.6	76.3	61.8	71.7	61.7	69.5
Hawaii	65.1	76.6	63.2	72.5	62.5	69.2
Idaho	52.8	74.4	50.4	65.3	49.6	64.8
Illinois	61.6	76.2	60.0	69.4	59.2	67.5
Indiana	62.8	77.6	59.5	70.0	59.2	68.7
Iowa	75.5	84.8	72.6	80.1	71.0	76.9
Kansas	70.4	83.9	67.4	78.9	66.8	77.0
Kentucky	64.0	72.9	60.6	69.6	59.2	66.8
Louisiana	64.7	72.9	63.2	70.0	62.4	67.9
Maine	61.1	81.5	60.8	75.6	61.6	72.8
Maryland	69.7	80.9	67.8	75.6	66.3	73.2
Massachusetts	65.1	77.9	64.0	72.4	63.7	70.3
Michigan	64.2	76.3	60.8	70.7	60.4	69.0
Minnesota	70.7	84.1	66.2	79.3	64.9	77.4
Mississippi	70.1	71.3	68.0	69.0	67.0	66.2
Missouri	65.6	80.3	64.0	73.8	63.8	71.7
Montana	67.7	82.4	67.4	77.8	65.2	74.0
Nebraska	73.0	83.9	71.4	79.2	70.4	77.2
Nevada	55.2	76.0	52.7	68.5	52.2	66.2
New Hampshire	59.0	80.5	55.7	73.4	55.5	72.5
New Jersey	58.6	73.2	57.8	69.0	56.6	67.8
New Mexico	60.2	77.5	60.0	73.1	61.2	69.8
New York	58.9	73.4	56.2	67.5	55.6	65.2
North Carolina	62.5	77.0	60.6	73.4	60.8	71.7
North Dakota	75.0	86.5	72.2	82.0	71.6	79.9
Ohio	68.0	78.6	65.0	74.5	64.2	72.5
Oklahoma	62.6	74.2	60.1	69.0	59.4	66.8
Oregon	56.3	77.4	55.7	68.8	56.2	66.3
Pennsylvania	60.9	76.7	58.7	70.7	58.5	68.8
Rhode Island	64.3	76.9	62.2	73.6	61.5	71.2
South Carolina	69.2	78.0	65.7	74.4	65.5	71.3
South Dakota	76.2	83.5	72.0	83.2	70.6	80.7
Tennessee	66.3	73.7	61.6	70.8	59.8	69.0
Texas	58.9	72.2	56.7	66.9	56.4	65.5
Utah	52.1	73.8	48.3	62.1	47.5	60.7
Vermont	67.8	85.4	64.2	82.3	63.4	80.9
Virginia	64.6	76.2	64.0	71.0	62.9	69.0
Washington	60.3	72.8	54.4	68.4	54.0	66.4
West Virginia	57.1	66.8	57.7	64.5	57.1	60.4
Wisconsin	70.3	83.8	67.6	78.8	66.0	77.1
Wyoming	63.2	81.4	58.1	74.7	59.1	75.0
United States	62.1	75.5	59.8	70.1	59.5	68.2

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, American Community Survey, 2004, Tables B23003 and B23008, downloaded from American Fact Finder at <http://factfinder.census.gov/servlet/DataSetTableListServlet?_ds_name=ACS_2004_EST_G00_&_type=table&_program=ACS&_lang=en&_ts=151510875446>, October and November 2005, and Table R2302, at <http://factfinder.census.gov/servlet/GRTTable?_bm=y&_geo_id=D&_box_head_nbr=R2302&_ds_name=ACS_2004_EST_G00_&_state=grt&_lang=en&_mt_name=>>.

Calculations by Children's Defense Fund.

Child Care Assistance

		Income Cutoff for Child Care Assistance, ¹ 2004			Number of Children Served by the Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG): Average Monthly Enrollment			
		Annual Income Cutoff	Percent of State Median Income	Percent of Federal Poverty Guidelines				
					2001	2002	2003	2004
Alabama	\$	19,836	43%	127%	34,000	32,300	30,400	29,200
Alaska		46,248	77	295	6,300	6,200	5,300	4,400
Arizona		25,188	53	161	28,100	26,600	29,100	38,600
Arkansas		25,311	63	162	9,300	10,400	12,900	14,700
California ²		35,100	66	224	202,000	163,300	153,600	159,000
Colorado	19,838 - 34,344		35 - 60	127 - 219	24,500	25,100	22,800	20,600
Connecticut		34,735	50	222	13,700	15,300	11,700	10,300
Delaware		30,528	50	195	7,500	6,300	6,800	6,400
District of Columbia		34,700	67	221	13,500	9,200	8,500	7,400
Florida		23,505	49	150	80,500	96,000	121,200	105,200
Georgia		24,416	49	156	57,800	63,800	61,900	59,500
Hawaii		44,136	80	282	8,900	11,400	11,200	10,000
Idaho		20,742	48	132	9,700	7,600	7,800	10,300
Illinois		27,936	50	178	103,000	88,900	85,700	85,800
Indiana		19,080	36	122	38,100	41,400	34,300	34,100
Iowa		21,936	42	140	15,300	15,400	14,100	16,400
Kansas		28,236	54	180	14,900	15,500	16,000	17,700
Kentucky		22,890	50	146	37,700	39,100	39,900	34,300
Louisiana		31,152	72	199	38,700	45,700	54,600	51,800
Maine		41,715	85	266	2,100	3,600	4,500	4,000
Maryland		29,990	43	191	21,200	28,100	30,000	24,000
Massachusetts		28,968	43	185	32,700	32,500	32,200	34,300
Michigan		23,880	42	152	50,100	38,400	61,200	44,500
Minnesota		26,705	44	170	26,400	26,600	25,700	22,100
Mississippi		30,999	79	198	8,400	19,900	23,300	25,100
Missouri		17,784	35	113	35,900	34,500	37,900	38,300
Montana		22,536	56	144	7,200	6,800	5,200	5,100
Nebraska		18,312	36	117	12,800	12,300	12,000	13,400
Nevada		37,344	75	238	7,000	8,400	6,100	4,300
New Hampshire		29,004	48	185	6,600	7,000	7,300	6,600
New Jersey		30,520	45	195	44,200	43,300	37,500	38,700
New Mexico		23,508	60	150	22,800	22,700	22,100	22,400
New York ³		31,340	56	200	180,800	138,100	142,700	140,000
North Carolina		35,352	74	226	81,700	77,300	88,300	99,600
North Dakota		29,556	64	189	4,700	4,600	4,700	4,900
Ohio		23,505	44	150	84,000	86,800	52,100	55,600
Oklahoma		35,655	79	228	38,700	34,500	21,300	21,800
Oregon		23,505	48	150	25,600	24,200	22,100	21,200
Pennsylvania		30,420	55	194	65,100	51,400	60,700	63,200
Rhode Island		34,335	58	219	4,300	4,900	5,800	5,900
South Carolina		26,705	54	170	20,300	22,300	23,000	20,200
South Dakota		31,344	62	200	3,400	3,700	4,300	4,400
Tennessee		28,260	60	180	59,600	49,900	52,100	39,200
Texas	22,896 - 40,416		48 - 85	146 - 260	105,500	116,200	117,300	119,000
Utah		27,768	56	177	9,900	9,100	8,900	9,000
Vermont		31,032	59	198	3,500	3,300	3,700	3,300
Virginia	22,896 - 38,160		39 - 65	146 - 244	15,900	24,000	25,800	27,200
Washington		30,528	55	195	51,200	52,500	52,900	54,900
West Virginia		21,228	51	135	7,800	9,600	9,200	10,000
Wisconsin		28,990	53	185	26,300	22,600	18,200	27,600
Wyoming		29,004	59	185	3,200	3,600	4,100	4,500
United States ⁴					1,813,800	1,743,100	1,751,300	1,732,500

¹ The annual income cutoffs shown in the table represent the maximum income a family can have when they apply for child care assistance. Some states allow families, once receiving assistance, to continue receiving assistance up to a higher income level than that initial cutoff.

² California serves a significant number of families and children through State funds, which resulted in the state's revising its estimate of the number of children served by the Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG) in FY 2002. The state recognized and corrected their reporting to show that only 86% of families and children are being served (as opposed to 100%). The other 14% are actually being served by non-CCDBG funds.

³ Prior to FY 2002, New York reported children based on a payments system which allowed for a child to be counted more than once. Beginning with FY 2002, the state revised their reporting system, which eliminated double-counting.

⁴ United States totals include Guam for 2001-2003, the Northern Mariana Islands for 2001-2004, American Samoa for 2002-2004, and the Virgin Islands for 2004.

Sources: *Federal Register*, Vol. 68, No. 72 (April 15, 2003), pp. 18230-18232; *Federal Register*, Vol. 69, No. 30 (February 13, 2004), pp. 7336-7338; Karen Schulman and Helen Blank "Child Care Assistance Policies 2001-2004: Families Struggling to Move Forward, States Going Backward" (National Women's Law Center, September 2004); and U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Child Care and Development Fund Statistics, at <<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ccb/research/index.htm>>.

Table B3-3

Head Start Enrollment, 2003–2004

Race, ethnicity of enrollees (percentage distribution)²

	Total Enrollment ¹	American Indian, Alaska Native	Asian	Black	Hispanic, Latino	Native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander	White	Bi-racial, multi-racial	Other	Unknown
Alabama	16,374	0.3%	0.1%	73.5%	3.0%	0.0%	21.4%	1.4%	0.0%	0.3%
Alaska	1,634	45.2	5.5	7.5	5.9	1.4	23.9	9.9	0.0	0.7
Arizona	13,215	4.4	0.4	5.0	68.6	0.1	16.2	4.6	0.1	0.4
Arkansas	10,879	0.5	0.4	43.6	7.3	0.3	45.1	2.5	0.0	0.3
California	98,933	0.5	5.2	11.8	65.7	0.8	10.8	4.0	0.3	0.8
Colorado	9,820	1.4	1.0	8.4	56.9	0.5	24.2	4.3	0.0	3.2
Connecticut	7,148	0.2	1.9	35.6	36.8	0.3	17.9	5.7	0.5	1.1
Delaware	2,197	0.3	1.0	57.1	22.2	0.0	12.8	5.2	0.3	1.2
District of Columbia	3,403	0.0	1.0	79.3	18.2	0.0	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.7
Florida	35,574	0.3	0.7	55.6	23.0	0.1	16.1	2.8	0.2	1.3
Georgia	23,450	0.1	0.5	69.4	10.0	0.4	16.7	2.2	0.0	0.5
Hawaii	3,063	0.5	19.6	3.9	5.6	48.8	11.5	9.3	0.0	0.8
Idaho	2,957	1.7	0.4	1.2	24.2	0.3	65.3	5.3	0.0	1.7
Illinois	39,672	0.2	1.3	50.3	25.5	0.1	18.8	3.3	0.0	0.5
Indiana	14,234	0.2	0.5	27.3	10.2	0.1	55.7	5.7	0.0	0.5
Iowa	7,775	0.5	0.9	12.9	12.4	0.1	64.2	8.3	0.1	0.4
Kansas	7,949	0.9	0.8	17.0	24.1	0.1	47.9	8.7	0.1	0.4
Kentucky	16,071	0.1	0.5	18.9	3.3	0.0	72.3	4.5	0.2	0.2
Louisiana	21,982	0.3	0.6	81.8	1.7	0.0	14.2	1.1	0.1	0.2
Maine	3,979	1.1	1.4	3.4	1.9	0.1	86.5	3.1	0.0	2.5
Maryland	10,344	0.1	1.1	65.2	10.0	0.1	18.5	4.2	0.2	0.6
Massachusetts	12,892	0.5	4.6	18.5	36.2	0.2	32.2	5.2	1.9	0.6
Michigan	35,124	1.0	1.1	37.9	8.6	0.1	45.1	5.4	0.1	0.7
Minnesota	10,339	3.5	5.3	22.9	16.8	0.0	45.3	4.3	0.2	1.8
Mississippi	26,754	0.1	0.4	83.6	1.0	0.0	13.8	0.9	0.0	0.3
Missouri	17,473	0.2	1.4	36.5	5.3	1.1	50.8	4.2	0.0	0.4
Montana	2,945	9.8	0.5	1.1	3.0	0.1	75.9	8.2	0.1	1.2
Nebraska	5,080	2.2	1.0	15.8	23.9	0.2	50.5	6.0	0.0	0.5
Nevada	2,754	1.4	1.4	22.1	53.1	0.9	16.7	4.1	0.4	0.0
New Hampshire	1,632	0.4	1.4	4.3	7.3	0.1	79.4	5.9	0.4	0.8
New Jersey	15,130	0.4	2.0	43.4	36.0	0.1	10.8	3.7	1.0	2.8
New Mexico	7,451	7.5	0.6	2.9	69.7	3.4	10.4	4.1	0.1	1.3
New York	49,300	0.4	3.5	28.5	32.9	0.5	28.6	4.6	0.5	0.5
North Carolina	19,098	1.7	0.7	59.5	14.2	0.0	19.9	3.6	0.3	0.3
North Dakota	2,353	11.4	0.7	2.6	2.7	0.1	68.1	6.5	0.0	7.9
Ohio	38,029	1.7	0.7	39.8	4.8	0.0	46.2	5.5	0.2	1.0
Oklahoma	13,474	15.1	0.5	21.7	14.0	0.3	42.6	5.3	0.0	0.6
Oregon	8,716	1.9	1.8	7.3	30.3	0.4	48.2	6.7	0.2	3.0
Pennsylvania	30,868	0.1	1.7	35.8	11.3	0.1	44.3	5.3	0.1	1.2
Puerto Rico	37,498	0.0	0.0	0.0	99.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2
Rhode Island	3,150	1.2	2.9	13.7	32.1	0.2	40.3	8.0	0.2	1.4
South Carolina	12,248	0.5	0.1	87.0	2.7	0.0	7.3	2.3	0.0	0.0
South Dakota	2,827	19.7	0.9	3.7	4.2	0.1	68.0	2.8	0.0	0.5
Tennessee	16,437	0.1	0.4	43.2	4.4	0.1	48.6	3.1	0.0	0.1
Texas	67,785	0.2	0.7	20.3	62.1	0.2	11.5	2.1	0.0	2.8
Utah	5,518	3.9	1.1	1.5	31.6	1.4	49.8	10.4	0.1	0.2
Vermont	1,569	0.5	1.0	2.2	1.3	0.0	87.1	4.9	0.0	2.9
Virginia	13,768	0.2	2.3	50.8	11.4	0.4	30.0	3.9	0.0	1.0
Washington	11,118	2.3	5.7	10.3	27.3	1.0	40.4	10.7	0.1	2.2
West Virginia	7,650	0.2	0.2	8.4	0.6	0.1	85.5	4.3	0.0	0.7
Wisconsin	13,532	1.3	3.5	24.9	17.9	0.2	42.9	6.8	0.0	2.5
Wyoming	1,793	1.7	0.4	2.5	22.1	0.8	67.9	4.3	0.0	0.1
United States ³	844,958	1.2	1.9	34.3	27.2	0.5	29.5	4.1	0.2	1.0

¹Total enrollment refers to "funded" enrollment slots rather than "actual" enrollment slots.

²The percentage distribution of race/ethnicity was obtained by using "actual" enrollment data from the 2003–2004 Program Information Report Database.

³The United States total excludes the Virgin Islands, Outer Pacific grantees, American Indian programs, and Migrant and Seasonal Worker programs. These programs have a combined enrollment of 60,893 children.

Sources: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Head Start Bureau, Head Start Program Fact Sheet Fiscal Year 2004, at <<http://www2.acf.dhhs.gov/programs/hsb/research/2005.htm>>, accessed April 28, 2005, and the Head Start 2003–2004 Program Information Report (PIR). Calculations by Children's Defense Fund.



State Prekindergarten Initiatives

	State Investment		Enrollment in prekindergarten programs, 2002-2003 percent enrolled			
	State program	State funded Head Start	State prekindergarten program		State prekindergarten program, Head Start, or IDEA preschool program	
			3-year-olds	4-year-olds	3-year-olds	4-year-olds
Alabama	✓		0.0%	2.2%	11.9%	23.8%
Alaska		✓	0.0	0.0	16.9	22.3
Arizona	✓		0.0	5.1	9.9	23.7
Arkansas	✓		2.4	6.1	19.9	35.3
California	✓		2.2	8.7	11.2	25.0
Colorado	✓		1.5	13.8	10.3	28.7
Connecticut	✓	✓	3.4	10.4	12.7	24.2
Delaware	✓	✓	0.0	8.5	10.1	24.6
District of Columbia	✓		n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Florida			0.0	0.0	9.3	16.2
Georgia	✓		0.0	54.3	11.6	68.1
Hawaii	✓		0.0	6.2	10.8	21.1
Idaho		✓	0.0	0.0	8.1	19.4
Illinois	✓		8.0	24.4	19.9	41.5
Indiana			0.0	0.0	9.6	15.3
Iowa	✓		1.3	4.5	12.1	20.5
Kansas	✓		0.0	14.7	13.1	32.6
Kentucky	✓		10.5	27.7	29.5	60.8
Louisiana	✓		0.0	20.9	17.1	43.2
Maine	✓	✓	0.0	10.8	17.6	39.4
Maryland	✓	✓	2.0	26.3	11.5	39.9
Massachusetts	✓	✓	10.6	10.5	20.9	25.5
Michigan	✓		0.0	19.2	13.6	39.2
Minnesota	✓	✓	1.3	2.1	12.1	18.0
Mississippi			0.0	0.0	28.7	43.2
Missouri	✓		2.4	4.3	16.1	22.2
Montana			0.0	0.0	17.0	27.1
Nebraska	✓		1.5	2.5	14.2	20.2
Nevada	✓		0.7	1.5	6.3	11.1
New Hampshire			0.0	0.0	7.7	10.9
New Jersey	✓		14.6	24.1	23.2	35.4
New Mexico	✓		0.8	2.5	14.3	28.3
New York	✓		0.6	29.7	14.1	56.2
North Carolina	✓		0.0	5.6	8.9	21.9
North Dakota			0.0	0.0	17.8	31.0
Ohio	✓	✓	6.2	9.5	19.1	26.6
Oklahoma	✓	✓	0.0	59.4	16.4	82.4
Oregon	✓	✓	3.0	5.8	13.4	22.7
Pennsylvania	✓		0.0	1.8	11.7	18.9
Rhode Island	✓	✓	0.0	0.0	11.6	23.3
South Carolina	✓		1.9	32.3	16.4	51.1
South Dakota			0.0	0.0	19.9	26.9
Tennessee	✓		1.1	3.2	10.1	22.0
Texas	✓		4.1	43.0	14.7	57.6
Utah			0.0	0.0	7.2	14.9
Vermont	✓		7.0	9.8	19.9	26.6
Virginia	✓		0.0	6.3	8.0	20.1
Washington	✓		1.8	6.9	10.0	21.8
West Virginia	✓		9.5	28.9	27.4	57.9
Wisconsin	✓	✓	1.0	24.8	14.8	43.0
Wyoming			0.0	0.0	19.8	30.5
United States	40 states	13 states	2.5	16.1	13.8	34.0

n/a — data not available

Source: National Institute for Early Education Research (NIEER), *The State of Preschool: 2004 State Preschool Yearbook* (2004), Table 3 and State Profiles pages.

Table B3-5

**State Minimum Training for Early Childhood Education Providers¹
Pre-service and In-service Requirements, as of August 2004**

	Is training required for providers in:			
	Small Family Child Care Homes		Large Family Child Care Homes	
	Pre-service	In-service during Orientation or Initial Licensure	Pre-service	In-service during Orientation or Initial Licensure
Alabama	✓		✓	
Alaska				
Arizona			✓	
Arkansas				
California	✓		✓	
Colorado		✓		✓
Connecticut				
Delaware	✓	✓	✓	
District of Columbia			NC	NC
Florida	✓		✓	✓
Georgia				
Hawaii	✓		✓	
Idaho				
Illinois			✓	✓
Indiana		✓		✓
Iowa				
Kansas				
Kentucky		✓		✓
Louisiana			NC	NC
Maine			NC	NC
Maryland	✓		NC	NC
Massachusetts	✓		✓	
Michigan				✓
Minnesota		✓		✓
Mississippi			✓	
Missouri			✓	
Montana		✓		✓
Nebraska				
Nevada		✓		✓
New Hampshire				
New Jersey			NC	NC
New Mexico				
New York		✓		✓
North Carolina			NC	NC
North Dakota		✓		✓
Ohio				
Oklahoma				
Oregon	✓			
Pennsylvania				
Rhode Island			✓	
South Carolina				✓
South Dakota				
Tennessee		✓		✓
Texas	✓		✓	
Utah				
Vermont			✓	
Virginia				
Washington	✓		NC	NC
West Virginia				
Wisconsin		✓	NC	NC
Wyoming			✓	
Total	10	11	14	13

✓ — training required

Blank — no training required

NC — No Category. "No Category" means that a state does not delineate the specified category in the types of care it licenses. For example, Maine has one category for family child care; it does not delineate large family child care homes. In this state, the care of less than three children is exempt from licensing, and family child care homes may serve 3-12 children. Care of 13 or more children, whether in a residential setting or another facility, is regulated by center licensing rules.

¹Several states have county or city licensing regulations that may supercede the state requirement; these regulations are not included in this table. If a state's training requirements can be fulfilled by training that is not specific to early childhood care and education (such as first aid/CPR), it is reported as "no training required."

Sources: Child Care Licensing Requirements (August 2004): Minimum Early Childhood Education (ECE) Preservice Qualifications, Orientation/Initial Licensure, and Annual Ongoing Training Hours for Family Child Care Providers, by Sarah LeMoine of the National Child Care Information Center at <<http://nccic.org>>.



Annual Wages of Child Care Workers and Early Childhood Teachers, 2004

	Head Start teachers (mean)	Child care workers (median)	Preschool teachers (median)	Kindergarten teachers (median)	Elementary teachers (median)
Alabama	\$ 19,355	\$ 13,560	\$ 19,890	\$ 40,330	\$ 39,310
Alaska	22,370	18,860	26,580	47,110	48,660
Arizona	23,597	16,130	18,520	36,780	34,040
Arkansas	20,895	13,420	16,490	35,440	35,920
California	28,326	19,380	22,470	51,390	51,090
Colorado	23,816	18,030	21,390	38,850	40,620
Connecticut	28,237	19,480	22,490	55,600	55,380
Delaware	28,792	16,600	21,200	45,960	49,060
District of Columbia	30,093	17,910	26,460	34,890	42,790
Florida	22,480	15,200	19,250	40,530	38,780
Georgia	22,886	15,280	19,260	43,440	44,660
Hawaii	28,422	15,580	24,660	38,290	39,370
Idaho	18,699	15,610	17,330	25,420	42,700
Illinois	25,054	17,920	21,380	33,420	41,370
Indiana	21,644	16,890	19,180	40,550	45,200
Iowa	23,264	14,750	18,430	34,830	33,540
Kansas	22,799	16,460	21,530	35,400	35,920
Kentucky	22,256	15,180	17,450	39,410	38,940
Louisiana	21,368	13,330	18,460	36,810	35,940
Maine	22,588	17,910	21,100	39,060	40,200
Maryland	27,523	19,720	20,980	37,200	44,670
Massachusetts	23,673	20,820	25,520	52,040	53,020
Michigan	28,762	19,100	23,430	45,630	53,000
Minnesota	23,902	17,060	25,420	42,580	43,290
Mississippi	18,127	13,630	21,430	31,580	32,630
Missouri	20,603	15,950	19,390	33,590	34,480
Montana	17,002	16,320	20,250	33,330	35,630
Nebraska	21,413	15,210	18,750	38,860	37,900
Nevada	20,995	16,630	18,120	34,830	40,530
New Hampshire	22,507	18,400	22,060	35,360	43,270
New Jersey	30,304	17,130	25,850	45,370	48,050
New Mexico	21,952	15,400	16,980	36,560	36,090
New York	30,389	21,920	—	—	61,500
North Carolina	22,204	16,760	17,030	35,670	36,850
North Dakota	22,976	14,420	17,430	30,930	34,380
Ohio	21,573	16,480	18,760	45,030	45,270
Oklahoma	22,700	13,940	16,820	30,890	33,480
Oregon	24,142	17,000	21,960	38,920	43,780
Pennsylvania	22,571	16,460	21,170	41,980	49,450
Rhode Island	24,542	19,160	28,620	50,580	57,790
South Carolina	18,163	14,740	16,180	39,270	38,650
South Dakota	24,105	14,770	24,190	30,600	32,140
Tennessee	22,273	14,750	15,620	36,330	37,900
Texas	25,736	14,010	18,610	40,110	41,240
Utah	18,954	15,360	17,500	37,720	39,520
Vermont	22,201	17,360	22,280	43,660	41,970
Virginia	27,078	15,910	19,630	42,240	47,200
Washington	24,757	17,300	22,940	41,340	44,430
West Virginia	22,740	14,180	15,750	39,390	39,850
Wisconsin	26,416	17,720	20,570	38,490	42,780
Wyoming	16,820	14,790	20,020	38,060	40,700
United States	24,211	16,760	20,980	41,400	43,160

— Data not reported

Sources: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Head Start Bureau, 2003–2004 Program Information Report (PIR); and U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, at <http://data.bls.gov/oes/search.jsp?data_tool=OES>.

Table B3-7

**Maximum Number of Children Allowed Per Caretaker
and Maximum Group Size in Child Care Centers¹
Selected Ages, 2004**

	Children Per Caretaker			Maximum Group Size		
	9 Months	27 Months	4 Years	9 Months	27 Months	4 Years
Alabama	4:1	7:1	16:1	NR	NR	NR
Alaska	5:1	6:1	10:1	10	12	20
Arizona	5:1 or 11:2	8:1	15:1	NR	NR	NR
Arkansas	6:1	9:1	15:1	12	18	30
California	4:1	6:1	12:1	NR	12	NR
Colorado	5:1	7:1	12:1	10	14	24
Connecticut	4:1	4:1	10:1	8	8	20
Delaware	4:1	10:1	15:1	NR	NR	NR
District of Columbia	4:1	4:1	10:1	8	8	20
Florida	4:1	11:1	20:1	NR	NR	NR
Georgia	6:1	10:1	18:1	12	20	36
Hawaii	4:1	8:1	16:1	8	NR	NR
Idaho	6:1	12:1	12:1	NR	NR	NR
Illinois	4:1	8:1	10:1	12	16	20
Indiana	4:1	5:1	12:1	8	10	24
Iowa	4:1	6:1	12:1	NR	NR	NR
Kansas	3:1	7:1	12:1	9	14	24
Kentucky	5:1	10:1	14:1	10	20	28
Louisiana	5:1	11:1	15:1	NR	NR	NR
Maine	4:1	5:1	10:1	8	10	30
Maryland	3:1	6:1	10:1	6	12	20
Massachusetts	3:1 or 7:2	4:1 or 9:2	10:1	7	9	20
Michigan	4:1	8:1	12:1	NR	NR	NR
Minnesota	4:1	7:1	10:1	8	14	20
Mississippi	5:1	12:1	16:1	10	14	20
Missouri	4:1	8:1	10:1	8	16	NR
Montana	4:1	8:1	10:1	NR	NR	NR
Nebraska	4:1	6:1	12:1	12	NR	NR
Nevada	6:1	10:1	13:1	NR	NR	NR
New Hampshire	4:1	6:1	12:1	12	18	24
New Jersey	4:1	10:1	12:1	20	20	20
New Mexico	6:1	10:1	12:1	NR	NR	NR
New York	4:1	5:1	8:1	8	12	21
North Carolina	5:1	10:1	20:1	10	20	25
North Dakota	4:1	5:1	10:1	8	10	20
Ohio	5:1 or 2:12	7:1	14:1	12	14	28
Oklahoma	4:1	8:1	15:1	8	16	30
Oregon	4:1	5:1	10:1	8	10	20
Pennsylvania	4:1	6:1	10:1	8	12	20
Rhode Island	4:1	6:1	10:1	8	12	20
South Carolina	6:1	10:1	18:1	NR	NR	NR
South Dakota	5:1	5:1	10:1	20	20	20
Tennessee	4:1	7:1	13:1	8	14	20
Texas	4:1	11:1	18:1	10	22	35
Utah	4:1	7:1	15:1	8	14	30
Vermont	4:1	5:1	10:1	8	10	20
Virginia	4:1	10:1	12:1	NR	NR	NR
Washington	4:1	7:1	10:1	8	14	20
West Virginia	4:1	8:1	12:1	8	16	24
Wisconsin	4:1	6:1	13:1	8	12	24
Wyoming	4:1	8:1	12:1	10	18	30
Maximum Recommended Level ²	3:1 to 4:1	4:1 to 6:1	8:1 to 10:1	6 to 8	8 to 10	16 to 20

NR — not regulated

¹ There may be some exceptions to these ratio and group size requirements in some states under certain circumstances. For example, some states have different requirements for small centers, classes with mixed-age groups, or different levels of licensing. See original source for details.

² Maximum Recommended Level: As recommended in the accreditation guidelines developed by the National Association for the Education of Young Children and in the National Health and Safety Performance Standards developed by the American Public Health Association and the American Academy of Pediatrics.

Sources: State data compiled and posted by the National Child Care Information Center at <<http://nccic.org>> from licensing regulations posted on the National Resource Center for Health and Safety in Child Care at <<http://nrc.uchsc.edu>>. "Child Care Licensing Requirements: Child:Staff Ratios and Maximum Group Size Requirements" (August 2003). Maximum recommended levels obtained from the accreditation guidelines developed by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) and "Caring for Our Children: National Health and Safety Performance Standards: Guidelines for Out-of-Home Child Care."



Child Care Costs vs. College Tuition Costs, 2000

Table B3-8

	Child care costs for a 4-year-old ¹	Tuition at a 4-year public college ²	College tuition as a percent of child care costs
Alabama	\$ 3,672	\$ 2,833	77.2%
Alaska	6,019	2,855	47.4
Arizona	4,352	2,252	51.7
Arkansas	3,640	2,785	76.5
California	4,858	2,559	52.7
Colorado	5,096	2,775	54.5
Connecticut	6,405	4,435	69.2
Delaware	5,510	4,642	84.2
District of Columbia	—	2,070	—
Florida	4,255	2,244	52.7
Georgia	4,992	2,524	50.6
Hawaii	5,505	2,965	53.9
Idaho	4,814	2,458	51.1
Illinois	5,304	4,038	76.1
Indiana	4,732	3,646	77.0
Iowa	6,198	2,998	48.4
Kansas	4,889	2,439	49.9
Kentucky	4,368	2,723	62.3
Louisiana	4,160	2,430	58.4
Maine	5,790	4,122	71.2
Maryland	4,774	4,552	95.3
Massachusetts	8,121	4,105	50.5
Michigan	4,830	4,538	94.0
Minnesota	7,436	3,800	51.1
Mississippi	3,380	2,872	85.0
Missouri	4,784	3,701	77.4
Montana	4,680	3,011	64.3
Nebraska	4,680	2,930	62.6
Nevada	4,862	2,034	41.8
New Hampshire	6,520	6,083	93.3
New Jersey	5,252	5,255	100.1
New Mexico	4,801	2,340	48.7
New York	8,060	3,983	49.4
North Carolina	5,876	2,054	35.0
North Dakota	4,627	2,990	64.6
Ohio	5,672	4,495	79.2
Oklahoma	4,108	2,183	53.1
Oregon	5,580	3,582	64.2
Pennsylvania	6,188	5,610	90.7
Rhode Island	6,365	4,318	67.8
South Carolina	3,900	3,638	93.3
South Dakota	4,243	3,210	75.7
Tennessee	4,420	2,698	61.0
Texas	4,160	2,644	63.6
Utah	4,550	2,147	47.2
Vermont	5,980	6,913	115.6
Virginia	4,857	3,733	76.9
Washington	6,604	3,357	50.8
West Virginia	4,238	2,549	60.1
Wisconsin	6,104	3,313	54.3
Wyoming	4,056	2,416	59.6
United States		3,351	

¹Average annual cost in a child care center in an urban area; see source for specific urban area in each state.

²Annual tuition at a four-year public college or university in the state

Sources: Karen Schulman, *The High Cost of Child Care Puts Quality Care Out of Reach for Many Families* (Children's Defense Fund, 2000), Table A-1; and U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, *Digest of Education Statistics 2000* (2001), Table 314. Calculations by Children's Defense Fund.

State of America's Children® 2005

Table B4-1

Participants in Federal Education and Disability Programs

	Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), 2003, ages:								Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Child Recipients December 2003
	Title I 2000-2001	3-5	6-11	12-17	6-17	14-21	18-21	Total 3-21	
Alabama	294,838	7,843	36,845	43,203	80,048	32,686	5,165	93,056	27,318
Alaska	25,009	1,968	7,941	7,400	15,341	5,099	650	17,959	1,054
Arizona	362,960	11,952	47,524	47,736	95,260	34,327	4,913	112,125	15,527
Arkansas	161,888	10,670	24,402	28,840	53,242	21,759	2,881	66,793	15,356
California	2,622,815	61,950	285,774	302,394	588,168	215,682	25,645	675,763	92,830
Colorado	107,713	9,673	33,871	34,943	68,814	25,747	3,960	82,447	6,580
Connecticut	79,496	8,135	27,799	34,304	62,103	25,886	3,714	73,952	6,277
Delaware	22,059	2,031	7,586	8,013	15,599	5,835	787	18,417	2,970
District of Columbia	65,442	301	4,199	7,092	11,291	6,214	1,650	13,242	3,923
Florida	870,114	35,258	168,163	175,871	344,034	128,187	18,466	397,758	77,253
Georgia	499,009	20,260	86,021	78,829	164,850	53,988	5,838	190,948	30,768
Hawaii	68,868	2,284	8,489	11,731	20,220	8,520	762	23,266	1,378
Idaho	45,186	3,807	12,290	11,914	24,204	8,491	1,081	29,092	3,537
Illinois	469,040	32,718	132,360	138,588	270,948	101,859	14,445	318,111	42,616
Indiana	115,095	18,439	75,518	70,132	145,650	52,066	7,807	171,896	19,019
Iowa	59,854	5,985	28,224	35,861	64,085	26,750	3,647	73,717	6,283
Kansas	89,862	9,190	26,241	26,878	53,119	20,207	2,830	65,139	6,618
Kentucky	302,295	20,219	44,126	36,128	80,254	25,828	3,310	103,783	25,203
Louisiana	351,870	11,386	42,385	42,771	85,156	32,814	5,391	101,933	29,477
Maine	26,702	4,647	14,999	16,585	31,584	12,050	1,553	37,784	3,196
Maryland	149,387	12,105	45,728	51,973	97,701	36,644	4,059	113,865	14,039
Massachusetts	237,176	14,822	62,926	73,611	136,537	54,786	7,683	159,042	16,646
Michigan	520,844	23,465	98,826	104,280	203,106	76,684	11,721	238,292	35,563
Minnesota	155,466	12,987	45,653	50,699	96,352	37,695	4,854	114,193	9,595
Mississippi	273,129	7,994	29,596	26,353	55,949	19,619	2,905	66,848	21,261
Missouri	207,754	15,140	59,025	62,433	121,458	46,594	6,995	143,593	18,075
Montana	38,695	1,798	8,038	8,748	16,786	6,357	851	19,435	1,803
Nebraska	48,157	4,445	19,675	18,398	38,073	13,410	2,043	44,561	3,401
Nevada	58,038	4,933	19,188	19,590	38,778	13,634	1,490	45,201	5,234
New Hampshire	17,980	2,586	11,785	15,476	27,261	11,501	1,464	31,311	1,714
New Jersey	252,512	18,545	104,761	107,504	212,265	79,424	10,462	241,272	20,901
New Mexico	118,610	5,656	19,846	23,754	43,600	17,903	2,558	51,814	6,261
New York	828,609	55,588	162,610	201,677	364,287	152,531	22,790	442,665	68,062
North Carolina	320,919	21,018	84,088	81,822	165,910	57,890	7,028	193,956	33,416
North Dakota	19,837	1,501	5,748	6,047	11,795	4,592	748	14,044	940
Ohio	448,333	19,659	100,019	119,279	219,298	91,121	14,921	253,878	41,422
Oklahoma	247,536	7,769	38,336	42,083	80,419	31,598	4,857	93,045	11,594
Oregon	107,960	7,453	32,161	33,230	65,391	23,974	3,239	76,083	7,505
Pennsylvania	458,549	24,459	106,963	128,266	235,229	95,930	13,571	273,259	50,909
Rhode Island	20,233	2,930	13,402	14,616	28,018	10,590	1,275	32,223	3,757
South Carolina	227,275	11,818	48,331	46,469	94,800	33,865	4,459	111,077	17,718
South Dakota	21,385	2,540	8,094	6,323	14,417	4,751	803	17,760	1,879
Tennessee	288,487	11,121	50,688	54,957	105,645	41,386	5,861	122,627	21,915
Texas	2,072,206	40,607	206,319	235,211	441,530	174,426	24,634	506,771	65,233
Utah	64,371	6,733	25,976	22,598	48,574	16,483	2,438	57,745	3,839
Vermont	24,051	1,378	4,893	6,667	11,560	5,113	732	13,670	1,496
Virginia	145,194	16,422	69,686	78,452	148,138	58,870	8,228	172,788	20,290
Washington	206,382	13,010	53,297	51,786	105,083	37,882	5,580	123,673	13,097
West Virginia	130,808	5,604	21,542	21,351	42,893	16,128	2,275	50,772	8,219
Wisconsin	173,690	15,393	47,714	57,866	105,580	45,018	6,855	127,828	15,429
Wyoming	13,977	2,211	5,321	5,315	10,636	3,923	583	13,430	817
United States	14,537,665	670,406	2,724,992	2,936,047	5,661,039	2,164,317	302,457	6,633,902	959,213

Sources: U.S. Department of Education, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, *State ESEA Title I Participation Information for 2000-2001: Final Summary Report* (2004), Table 8; U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, 27th Annual Report, Data Tables for OSEP State Reported Data, Table AA1, at <http://www.ideadata.org/tables27th_ar_aa1.htm>; and Social Security Administration, SSI Annual Statistical Report, Table 9, at <http://www.socialsecurity.gov/policy/docs/statcomps/ssi_asr/2003>. Calculations by Children's Defense Fund.



Public School Education

	Pupil/ teacher ratio Fall 2001	High school completion rate 1999-2001	Expenditures per pupil 2000-2001	
			Dollars	Rank
Alabama	15.8	82.0%	\$ 5,885	44
Alaska	16.7	90.9	9,216	7
Arizona	20.0	77.6	5,278	49
Arkansas	13.6	86.7	5,568	48
California	20.5	85.1	6,987	25
Colorado	16.8	82.4	6,567	34
Connecticut	13.7	93.6	10,127	4
Delaware	15.3	90.8	8,958	9
District of Columbia	13.9	88.2	12,046	1
Florida	18.6	83.8	6,170	39
Georgia	15.9	84.7	6,929	27
Hawaii	16.8	91.3	6,596	33
Idaho	17.8	88.3	5,725	46
Illinois	16.0	88.4	7,643	17
Indiana	16.7	89.4	7,630	18
Iowa	13.9	92.4	6,930	26
Kansas	14.2	88.2	6,925	28
Kentucky	16.2	87.4	6,079	41
Louisiana	16.6	82.6	6,037	42
Maine	12.3	93.6	8,232	13
Maryland	16.0	84.9	8,256	11
Massachusetts	14.1	91.4	9,509	5
Michigan	17.5	88.1	8,278	10
Minnesota	16.0	93.1	7,645	16
Mississippi	15.8	84.3	5,175	50
Missouri	13.9	90.4	6,657	31
Montana	14.6	92.4	6,726	30
Nebraska	13.5	90.8	7,223	24
Nevada	18.5	79.6	5,807	45
New Hampshire	14.1	86.6	7,286	22
New Jersey	12.9	89.3	11,248	2
New Mexico	14.7	85.0	6,313	37
New York	13.7	86.8	10,716	3
North Carolina	15.4	84.7	6,346	36
North Dakota	13.2	96.8	6,125	40
Ohio	15.0	87.0	7,571	19
Oklahoma	14.9	86.0	6,019	43
Oregon	19.4	86.3	7,528	21
Pennsylvania	15.4	89.8	8,210	14
Rhode Island	14.2	85.5	9,315	6
South Carolina	14.8	84.5	6,631	32
South Dakota	13.6	91.6	6,191	38
Tennessee	15.9	86.6	5,687	47
Texas	14.7	79.9	6,539	35
Utah	21.8	88.9	4,674	51
Vermont	11.8	86.6	9,153	8
Virginia	13.0	88.2	7,281	23
Washington	19.2	88.3	6,750	29
West Virginia	14.0	88.5	7,534	20
Wisconsin	14.4	90.3	8,243	12
Wyoming	12.5	87.3	7,835	15
United States	15.9	86.3	7,376	

Sources: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, *Digest of Education Statistics* 2003 (2004), Tables 66 and 170; and U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, *Dropout Rates in the United States: 2001* (2004), Table A8. Calculations by Children's Defense Fund.

Table B4-3

Reading and Math Achievement of 4th Graders
Percent of fourth grade public school students performing below grade level, 2005

	Reading						Math					
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian, Pacific Islander	American Indian, Alaska Native	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian, Pacific Islander	American Indian, Alaska Native
Alabama	78%	68%	92%	—	—	—	79%	70%	93%	—	—	—
Alaska	74	64	76	81%	81%	91%	66	56	80	77%	64%	85%
Arizona	76	63	88	89	64	—	72	57	87	86	57	—
Arkansas	71	63	90	79	—	—	66	58	90	75	—	—
California	78	63	89	90	65	77	72	54	88	86	49	73
Colorado	64	54	82	83	58	—	61	51	82	82	58	—
Connecticut	61	53	88	85	51	—	57	47	89	85	43	—
Delaware	65	54	85	78	45	—	64	50	85	82	30	—
District of Columbia	89	30	92	88	—	—	91	22	95	89	—	—
Florida	70	61	87	75	57	—	64	51	84	72	34	—
Georgia	74	63	88	86	43	—	70	57	88	78	43	—
Hawaii	77	63	79	73	81	—	73	58	84	79	75	—
Idaho	67	63	—	89	—	—	59	56	—	83	—	—
Illinois	70	58	91	86	56	—	68	56	91	86	34	—
Indiana	70	65	88	89	—	—	62	55	87	79	—	—
Iowa	67	64	88	85	60	—	63	60	85	83	—	—
Kansas	67	63	90	86	45	—	53	48	76	70	29	—
Kentucky	70	67	85	—	—	—	73	71	91	—	—	—
Louisiana	80	68	91	—	—	—	76	62	91	—	—	—
Maine	64	65	—	—	—	—	61	61	—	—	—	—
Maryland	68	55	88	79	45	—	62	47	86	74	41	—
Massachusetts	56	49	80	89	53	—	51	43	82	86	36	—
Michigan	69	62	90	—	—	—	63	54	92	—	—	—
Minnesota	62	57	90	82	72	—	53	46	85	85	60	—
Mississippi	82	69	93	—	—	—	81	68	93	—	—	—
Missouri	68	62	86	79	—	—	69	63	91	90	—	—
Montana	64	61	—	64	—	87	61	59	—	70	—	83
Nebraska	67	60	90	88	—	—	64	56	93	90	—	—
Nevada	79	72	90	88	76	—	74	62	90	87	58	—
New Hampshire	61	61	—	—	—	—	53	52	—	83	—	—
New Jersey	62	54	85	81	43	—	54	45	83	75	26	—
New Mexico	79	64	76	86	—	92	81	66	94	87	—	91
New York	66	57	83	83	50	—	64	51	87	83	39	—
North Carolina	70	61	87	83	69	—	60	48	83	74	37	—
North Dakota	65	62	—	—	—	91	59	57	—	—	—	87
Ohio	65	59	90	76	—	—	57	49	84	79	—	—
Oklahoma	74	70	90	83	—	78	72	64	89	84	—	79
Oregon	70	66	85	90	65	—	63	58	88	86	46	—
Pennsylvania	64	58	85	81	53	—	59	50	87	84	—	—
Rhode Island	70	64	85	89	71	—	69	63	91	91	61	—
South Carolina	74	64	89	71	—	—	64	47	87	70	—	—
South Dakota	67	63	—	—	—	86	60	55	—	—	—	87
Tennessee	73	67	89	87	—	—	72	65	91	74	—	—
Texas	71	56	85	81	53	—	60	40	82	72	28	—
Utah	65	62	—	86	70	—	63	59	—	87	67	—
Vermont	62	62	—	—	—	—	57	56	—	—	—	—
Virginia	63	55	85	74	47	—	60	50	86	78	36	—
Washington	65	60	80	86	60	—	58	52	74	83	54	—
West Virginia	74	74	85	—	—	—	74	75	83	—	—	—
Wisconsin	67	62	90	80	66	—	60	52	93	84	71	—
Wyoming	66	62	—	84	—	—	58	55	—	69	—	—
United States	70	61	88	85	60	81	65	53	87	81	46	78

—Data not reported; number of students too small to calculate a reliable rate

Sources: U.S. Department of Education, National Assessment of Education Progress, *The Nation's Report Card: Reading 2005* (2005), Figure 11 and Table A-4; and U.S. Department of Education, National Assessment of Education Progress, *The Nation's Report Card: Mathematics 2005* (2005), Figure 11 and Table A-4. Calculations by Children's Defense Fund.

Child Abuse and Neglect, 2003

	Child victims of abuse and neglect		Type of abuse or neglect (percentage distribution) ²						
	Number	Rate ¹	Neglect	Medical neglect	Physical abuse	Sexual abuse	Psychological maltreatment	Other	Unknown or missing
Alabama	9,290	8.4	39.6%	—	38.6%	24.7%	1.3%	—	—
Alaska	7,996	42.2	59.8	—	21.8	7.2	11.3	—	—
Arizona	4,838	3.2	74.4	—	22.2	6.0	0.9	—	—
Arkansas	7,232	10.6	54.5	3.0%	18.9	29.2	1.1	0.3%	—
California	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Colorado	8,137	7.1	46.6	1.4	21.5	11.5	5.0	—	18.0%
Connecticut	12,256	14.7	68.1	3.1	11.5	4.5	33.6	0.9	2.2
Delaware	1,236	6.2	36.5	4.0	25.1	12.4	22.6	6.6	—
District of Columbia	2,518	23.2	82.3	—	19.5	4.9	—	—	—
Florida	138,499	35.3	30.2	1.9	13.9	4.5	2.4	67.3	—
Georgia	43,923	19.1	79.6	4.5	9.9	5.0	3.5	4.3	—
Hawaii	4,046	13.6	16.9	1.6	11.9	5.7	2.5	88.2	—
Idaho	1,527	4.1	70.1	2.0	16.9	7.7	0.5	9.4	—
Illinois	28,344	8.8	58.3	3.4	34.8	19.2	0.2	0.0	—
Indiana	21,205	13.2	66.9	2.9	17.6	20.3	—	—	—
Iowa	13,303	19.2	74.0	1.5	15.5	6.7	1.3	9.4	—
Kansas	5,682	8.2	26.5	2.5	25.7	15.2	18.2	22.2	0.8
Kentucky	18,178	18.3	79.2	—	17.5	5.9	1.1	—	—
Louisiana	11,432	9.7	76.9	—	22.0	7.4	3.9	0.4	—
Maine	4,719	16.5	71.9	—	27.2	14.3	58.0	—	—
Maryland	16,688	12.1	57.5	—	32.0	12.5	0.3	—	—
Massachusetts	36,558	24.6	89.8	—	16.2	3.1	0.3	0.0	—
Michigan	28,690	11.3	70.5	2.2	20.1	5.5	4.1	3.2	—
Minnesota	9,230	7.4	72.8	1.4	19.7	10.3	0.8	—	—
Mississippi	5,940	7.8	55.0	3.1	22.8	15.1	9.3	0.3	—
Missouri	10,183	7.2	50.4	3.2	27.9	27.9	6.1	2.6	—
Montana	1,951	9.0	38.7	1.6	59.1	8.7	15.5	0.3	—
Nebraska	3,875	8.8	72.7	0.1	21.2	10.0	8.0	—	—
Nevada	4,578	7.9	82.1	1.2	16.0	3.8	6.8	—	—
New Hampshire	1,043	3.4	62.9	2.2	19.4	20.8	1.5	—	—
New Jersey	8,123	3.8	51.9	12.5	25.6	9.3	4.2	—	0.2
New Mexico	6,238	12.4	67.6	2.4	32.2	6.2	5.5	0.0	—
New York	75,784	16.7	90.4	3.6	12.8	4.0	0.9	25.1	—
North Carolina	32,847	15.7	90.3	2.1	3.1	3.6	0.4	0.5	—
North Dakota	1,494	10.2	88.2	—	22.1	11.8	53.0	—	—
Ohio	47,444	16.9	53.6	0.0	22.9	15.5	13.9	—	—
Oklahoma	12,529	14.3	86.5	3.6	18.8	7.4	4.4	—	0.0
Oregon	10,368	12.2	25.6	4.5	11.1	10.7	3.9	57.7	—
Pennsylvania	4,571	1.6	3.9	2.6	36.6	57.2	1.4	—	—
Rhode Island	3,290	13.5	78.5	2.2	17.9	6.8	0.2	2.3	—
South Carolina	11,143	10.9	64.8	4.1	34.7	7.8	1.3	0.2	—
South Dakota	4,346	22.2	73.1	—	20.8	4.2	17.7	—	0.1
Tennessee	9,421	6.8	49.3	2.1	32.7	24.6	0.6	0.3	—
Texas	50,522	8.1	63.8	4.8	26.9	14.6	2.1	—	—
Utah	12,366	16.6	20.9	0.5	14.2	19.6	44.0	15.8	—
Vermont	1,233	9.0	4.8	3.2	52.8	42.1	1.2	—	—
Virginia	6,485	3.6	59.9	2.9	24.5	16.7	1.7	—	—
Washington	6,020	4.0	78.2	0.7	19.8	7.6	1.1	0.1	—
West Virginia	8,875	22.7	53.7	1.1	32.0	6.6	21.0	5.3	—
Wisconsin	10,174	7.6	25.0	0.7	13.8	41.4	0.3	23.1	—
Wyoming	786	6.5	65.0	1.1	14.8	11.3	10.3	5.6	—
United States ³	906,000	12.4	60.9	2.3	18.9	9.9	4.9	16.9	0.2

¹Number of child victims per 1,000 children

²Totals may be greater than 100 percent because some victims were subject to multiple types of maltreatment.

³The United States total is an estimate by the Children's Bureau; a more accurate figure is not possible because California did not report data for 2003.

— no data reported by state

Note: Because of differences in definitions and reporting requirements, data may not be comparable from state to state.

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Children's Bureau, *Child Maltreatment 2003* (2005), Tables 3-2, 3-3, and 3-4.

State of America's Children® 2005

Table B5-2

Foster Care, FY 1999 – FY 2003

	Number of children in care on last day of year					Children in care, FY 2001, by race/ethnicity			
	FY1999	FY2000	FY2001	FY2002	FY2003	Black		White	Other
						Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Non-Hispanic	Non-Hispanic
Alabama	5,511	5,621	5,859	5,883	6,079	51%	1%	47%	1%
Alaska	2,248	2,193	1,993	2,072	2,040	9	1	28	62
Arizona	7,034	6,475	6,050	6,173	7,469	11	33	48	9
Arkansas	2,919	3,045	2,959	2,971	3,000	35	2	58	5
California	117,937	112,807	107,168	100,451	97,261	31	36	27	6
Colorado	7,639	7,533	7,138	9,209	8,754	15	29	51	5
Connecticut	7,487	6,996	7,440	6,007	6,742	36	26	34	4
Delaware	1,193	1,098	1,023	886	814	61	7	32	0
District of Columbia	3,466	3,054	3,339	3,321	3,092	91	1	0	7
Florida	34,292	36,608	32,477	31,963	30,677	44	8	45	3
Georgia	11,991	11,204	13,175	13,149	13,578	56	3	37	3
Hawaii	2,205	2,401	2,584	2,762	2,967	2	2	11	85
Idaho	959	1,015	1,114	1,246	1,401	2	12	77	8
Illinois	34,327	29,565	28,202	24,344	21,608	72	5	20	2
Indiana	8,933	7,482	8,383	8,640	8,899	38	5	54	3
Iowa	4,854	5,068	5,202	5,238	5,011	12	5	70	13
Kansas	6,774	6,569	6,409	6,190	5,781	21	5	68	6
Kentucky	5,942	6,017	6,165	6,814	6,895	19	1	73	7
Louisiana	5,581	5,406	5,024	4,829	4,541	61	1	36	2
Maine	3,154	3,191	3,226	3,084	2,999	2	2	75	21
Maryland	13,455	13,113	12,564	12,026	11,521	78	1	19	2
Massachusetts	11,169	11,619	11,568	12,510	12,608	19	22	52	7
Michigan	20,300	20,034	20,896	21,251	21,376	47	4	45	5
Minnesota	8,996	8,530	8,167	8,052	7,338	21	6	52	21
Mississippi	3,196	3,292	3,443	2,686	2,812	54	1	42	3
Missouri	12,577	13,181	13,394	13,029	11,900	37	1	60	1
Montana	2,156	2,180	2,008	1,912	1,866	1	4	57	38
Nebraska	5,146	5,674	6,254	6,377	6,091	17	8	66	9
Nevada	N/A	1,615	2,959	3,291	3,599	22	12	52	14
New Hampshire	1,385	1,311	1,288	1,291	1,217	3	5	86	6
New Jersey	9,494	9,794	10,666	11,442	12,801	62	7	23	8
New Mexico	1,941	1,912	1,757	1,885	2,100	7	55	27	12
New York	51,159	47,118	43,365	40,753	37,067	46	17	17	21
North Carolina	11,339	10,847	10,130	9,527	9,534	47	6	43	4
North Dakota	1,131	1,129	1,167	1,197	1,238	3	3	59	35
Ohio	20,078	20,365	21,584	21,038	19,323	47	3	44	6
Oklahoma	8,173	8,406	8,674	8,812	9,194	19	6	49	26
Oregon	9,278	9,193	8,966	9,101	9,381	9	8	61	21
Pennsylvania	22,690	21,631	21,319	21,410	21,768	51	9	39	1
Rhode Island	2,621	2,302	2,414	2,383	2,334	20	16	58	6
South Carolina	4,545	4,525	4,774	4,818	4,894	60	2	38	1
South Dakota	1,101	1,215	1,367	1,396	1,580	2	4	29	65
Tennessee	10,796	10,144	9,679	9,359	9,487	36	2	59	3
Texas	16,326	18,190	19,739	21,353	22,191	28	35	33	4
Utah	2,273	1,805	1,957	2,025	2,033	4	18	55	24
Vermont	1,445	1,389	1,382	1,526	1,409	2	1	97	1
Virginia	6,778	6,789	6,866	7,109	7,046	50	4	43	4
Washington	8,688	8,945	9,101	9,669	9,213	12	12	59	18
West Virginia	3,169	3,388	3,298	3,220	4,069	8	1	84	7
Wisconsin	10,868	10,504	9,497	8,744	7,824	60	5	32	3
Wyoming	774	815	965	929	1,055	3	7	86	4
United States	557,493	544,303	536,138	525,353	515,477	38	17	38	8

Sources: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Adoption and Foster Care Analysis and Reporting System (AFCARS), as of April 2005, at <<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/cb/dis/tables/entryexit2002.htm>>; and U.S. Congress, House of Representatives, Committee on Ways and Means, WMCP 108-6 (2004), Table 11-30, at <<http://waysandmeans.house.gov/Documents.asp?section=813>>.

Children in the Nation

Table B5-3

Kinship Care

Grandparents responsible for own grandchildren, 2004

	Children living in relative-headed households, 2000				Total number	Number responsible for one year or more	Number in labor force	Poor	
	Not child of householder, household headed by:		No parents present, household headed by:					Number	Percent
	Any relative	Grandparent	Any relative	Grandparent					
Alabama	108,137	89,126	51,486	38,164	58,215	45,160	29,321	13,435	23.1%
Alaska	9,963	7,415	5,110	3,222	5,532	3,955	3,447	692	12.5
Arizona	128,829	93,146	54,833	31,254	59,180	48,007	38,299	10,929	18.5
Arkansas	60,414	49,040	30,111	21,927	38,964	30,031	23,918	8,756	22.5
California	940,397	618,927	389,631	195,269	248,355	193,385	143,605	39,253	15.8
Colorado	65,826	47,430	28,185	16,329	35,061	24,497	19,083	4,703	13.4
Connecticut	49,307	37,604	21,123	12,825	12,365	10,895	8,080	1,295	10.5
Delaware	17,388	13,593	7,803	4,858	9,026	7,629	5,553	2,476	27.4
District of Columbia	22,458	17,216	10,702	7,148	5,733	4,742	2,990	1,535	26.8
Florida	336,313	253,936	151,492	94,477	125,456	92,795	74,918	25,957	20.7
Georgia	214,593	162,628	98,773	62,874	99,149	76,861	56,630	21,629	21.8
Hawaii	47,677	37,638	13,814	8,341	14,225	11,543	8,147	1,650	11.6
Idaho	15,596	11,938	7,087	4,642	8,741	6,972	4,468	1,313	15.0
Illinois	284,268	210,046	119,676	72,416	101,960	78,669	64,343	19,006	18.6
Indiana	92,856	75,496	39,180	27,395	56,026	44,604	39,610	9,893	17.7
Iowa	26,683	20,820	11,230	7,203	11,732	8,846	7,184	1,095	9.3
Kansas	34,813	26,532	16,184	10,171	18,481	13,933	12,623	2,456	13.3
Kentucky	64,352	53,049	30,241	22,004	37,732	28,947	18,538	10,000	26.5
Louisiana	142,066	115,446	64,866	46,094	50,230	39,958	26,159	13,734	27.3
Maine	10,882	8,931	4,326	2,910	7,029	5,700	3,441	1,553	22.1
Maryland	126,100	97,312	54,323	34,503	49,490	36,762	29,163	9,855	19.9
Massachusetts	82,879	64,230	30,615	18,366	26,669	24,456	19,368	2,787	10.5
Michigan	174,773	136,950	71,200	45,805	68,962	54,055	39,321	12,721	18.4
Minnesota	43,731	31,704	19,053	10,882	17,852	11,353	13,644	1,363	7.6
Mississippi	99,370	81,613	46,693	33,929	49,977	37,645	26,705	15,179	30.4
Missouri	90,911	73,805	39,188	27,454	42,299	29,905	25,927	6,699	15.8
Montana	11,200	9,077	5,161	3,539	7,384	4,540	3,904	1,894	25.7
Nebraska	17,482	12,901	8,321	5,120	12,983	9,598	9,816	1,726	13.3
Nevada	42,722	29,650	19,278	11,105	16,970	13,313	9,639	1,730	10.2
New Hampshire	11,007	9,035	3,869	2,585	3,992	3,494	2,903	604	15.1
New Jersey	165,351	124,046	63,514	36,633	51,163	44,047	30,187	5,926	11.6
New Mexico	49,959	40,068	21,279	14,630	23,502	19,484	11,503	6,834	29.1
New York	401,228	294,137	165,493	95,352	123,315	92,978	66,965	29,756	24.1
North Carolina	166,356	129,180	80,126	53,366	91,837	73,830	56,844	21,995	24.0
North Dakota	4,807	3,692	2,414	1,533	2,774	1,727	1,631	312	11.2
Ohio	180,287	146,615	76,794	53,208	84,196	67,219	51,909	16,855	20.0
Oklahoma	69,419	55,032	34,185	23,815	41,021	29,615	22,374	5,578	13.6
Oregon	47,903	34,848	20,735	12,499	22,955	16,942	14,948	2,877	12.5
Pennsylvania	194,659	158,607	76,356	51,929	77,514	57,400	40,824	12,826	16.5
Rhode Island	13,621	10,745	5,170	3,305	5,503	4,553	3,080	1,519	27.6
South Carolina	107,140	87,261	49,894	36,042	53,881	45,905	32,796	15,954	29.6
South Dakota	10,051	7,934	5,146	3,514	5,463	4,217	3,126	1,487	27.2
Tennessee	122,414	98,495	56,682	39,444	66,178	51,286	41,450	12,731	19.2
Texas	579,486	438,768	244,100	152,951	256,204	200,245	154,687	58,388	22.8
Utah	39,030	29,446	13,756	7,988	18,734	13,177	11,394	1,213	6.5
Vermont	4,636	3,757	1,838	1,231	1,939	1,689	1,490	152	—
Virginia	130,792	101,025	56,663	37,041	59,408	49,946	28,765	8,738	14.7
Washington	78,283	56,010	35,761	20,495	36,302	25,795	20,708	3,294	9.1
West Virginia	26,536	22,655	10,809	8,146	19,999	15,675	10,786	3,884	19.4
Wisconsin	56,808	42,865	25,373	15,445	29,010	21,830	19,578	6,456	22.3
Wyoming	6,013	4,777	2,738	1,880	4,026	2,900	2,808	433	10.8
United States	5,827,772	4,386,197	2,502,380	1,553,258	2,374,694	1,842,710	1,398,600	463,126	19.5

— Number in sample too small to calculate a reliable rate

Sources: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, 2000 Census of Population and Housing; and U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, 2004 American Community Survey, Tables B10050, B10058, and B10059. Calculations by Children's Defense Fund.

State of America's Children® 2005

Table B5-4

Adoptions from Foster Care, FY 1995 – FY 2003

	FY1995	FY 1996	FY 1997	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
Alabama	128	153	136	115	153	202	238	249	329
Alaska	103	112	109	95	137	202	278	230	208
Arizona	215	383	474	—	761	853	938	793	839
Arkansas	84	185	146	258	318	325	362	297	385
California	3,094	3,153	3,614	4,418	6,416	8,818	9,156	8,840	7,433
Colorado	338	454	458	581	719	711	749	992	1,024
Connecticut	198	146	278	314	403	499	444	617	342
Delaware	38	46	33	62	33	103	117	133	101
District of Columbia	86	113	132	140	166	319	231	253	240
Florida	904	1,064	992	1,549	1,355	1,629	1,508	2,309	2,786
Georgia	383	537	558	727	1,143	1,091	1,001	1,135	1,091
Hawaii	42	64	150	301	281	280	260	366	318
Idaho	46	40	47	57	107	140	132	118	138
Illinois	1,759	2,146	2,695	4,656	7,028	5,664	4,106	3,634	2,701
Indiana	520	373	592	800	764	1,160	901	923	761
Iowa	227	383	440	525	764	729	661	886	1,130
Kansas	333	292	421	419	566	468	428	475	546
Kentucky	197	214	222	211	360	398	548	559	612
Louisiana	292	321	310	311	356	476	470	487	497
Maine	85	144	96	125	202	379	367	317	404
Maryland	324	413	290	480	594	552	815	949	734
Massachusetts	1,073	1,113	1,161	1,100	922	861	778	808	733
Michigan	1,717	1,950	2,047	2,257	2,446	2,804	2,980	2,848	2,622
Minnesota	232	239	302	429	633	614	567	626	644
Mississippi	109	101	131	170	237	288	266	227	182
Missouri	538	600	533	640	849	1,265	1,101	1,542	1,403
Montana	104	98	143	152	187	238	275	247	224
Nebraska	208	168	180	—	279	293	310	315	274
Nevada	155	145	148	—	123	231	244	254	296
New Hampshire	51	59	24	51	62	97	95	114	131
New Jersey	616	678	570	815	732	832	1,030	1,385	935
New Mexico	141	148	152	197	258	347	369	275	220
New York	4,579	4,590	4,979	4,819	4,864	4,234	3,935	3,791	3,862
North Carolina	289	417	694	882	949	1,337	1,327	1,324	1,296
North Dakota	42	41	57	111	143	108	145	137	120
Ohio	1,202	1,258	1,400	1,015	1,868	2,044	2,230	2,396	2,420
Oklahoma	226	371	418	505	830	1,096	959	1,014	1,152
Oregon	427	468	441	665	765	831	1,071	1,115	849
Pennsylvania	1,018	1,127	1,526	1,516	1,454	1,712	1,564	2,020	1,946
Rhode Island	216	341	226	222	292	260	267	256	264
South Carolina	231	220	318	465	456	378	384	345	280
South Dakota	42	72	55	55	84	94	97	145	144
Tennessee	458	330	195	337	382	431	646	922	954
Texas	804	746	1,091	1,602	2,056	2,045	2,325	2,299	2,504
Utah	283	124	268	334	369	303	349	346	311
Vermont	62	83	80	118	139	117	116	153	167
Virginia	320	298	276	235	326	448	495	424	487
Washington	645	521	656	878	1,047	1,141	1,204	1,077	1,315
West Virginia	139	188	220	211	312	352	362	361	322
Wisconsin	360	511	530	643	642	736	754	1,028	1,187
Wyoming	10	20	16	32	45	61	46	52	56
United States	25,693	27,761	31,030	36,600	46,377	50,596	50,001	52,408	49,919

— Data not available

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Children's Bureau, "Adoptions of Children with Public Welfare Agency Involvement by State FY 1995 - FY 2003," at <<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/cb/dis/adoptchild03b.pdf>>. Calculations by Children's Defense Fund.

Children in the Nation

Table B6-1

Youth at Risk

	Dropouts, 2000 ¹		Youth unem- ployment rate 2004 ²	Number of juvenile arrests 2004 ³	Juvéniles in juvenile and adult corrections facilities, 2000			Cost per pupil 2000-2001	Cost per prisoner FY 2001	Ratio, per prisoner to per pupil
	Number	Percent			Juvenile facilities	Adult facilities	Total			
Alabama	30,593	12.0%	15.7%	13,596	1,731	236	1,967	\$ 5,885	\$ 8,128	1.4
Alaska	3,342	8.9	22.5	4,520	357	37	394	9,216	36,730	4.0
Arizona	42,567	14.8	21.1	52,893	1,872	898	2,770	5,278	22,476	4.3
Arkansas	14,903	9.6	24.1	9,358	898	353	1,251	5,568	15,619	2.8
California	194,720	10.2	20.8	204,602	14,644	1,604	16,248	6,987	25,053	3.6
Colorado	29,530	12.2	20.6	43,373	2,013	159	2,172	6,567	25,408	3.9
Connecticut	12,509	7.4	16.4	19,671	894	452	1,346	10,127	26,856	2.7
Delaware	4,568	10.4	9.9	6,767	91	14	105	8,958	22,802	2.5
District of Columbia	3,265	10.2	30.4	338	46	39	85	12,046	26,670	2.2
Florida	94,312	12.0	15.4	121,143	6,320	1,455	7,775	6,170	20,190	3.3
Georgia	63,906	13.8	16.3	24,054	4,125	910	5,035	6,929	19,860	2.9
Hawaii	3,757	6.1	15.0	9,542	193	10	203	6,596	21,637	3.3
Idaho	7,193	8.2	16.9	15,567	597	72	669	5,725	16,319	2.9
Illinois	69,581	10.0	18.0	36,581	3,903	868	4,771	7,643	21,844	2.9
Indiana	35,469	9.8	14.4	34,024	2,895	571	3,466	7,630	21,841	2.9
Iowa	10,413	5.8	12.2	18,872	1,215	74	1,289	6,930	22,977	3.3
Kansas	13,302	8.1	15.2	12,426	1,159	111	1,270	6,925	21,381	3.1
Kentucky	26,345	11.6	21.7	7,829	1,531	186	1,717	6,079	17,818	2.9
Louisiana	33,820	11.7	21.2	35,055	2,396	632	3,028	6,037	12,951	2.1
Maine	4,295	6.2	13.9	8,580	389	4	393	8,232	44,379	5.4
Maryland	23,314	8.4	14.6	52,191	1,782	295	2,077	8,256	26,398	3.2
Massachusetts	21,968	6.6	13.4	14,460	2,250	195	2,445	9,509	37,718	4.0
Michigan	49,358	8.7	18.9	39,224	4,364	778	5,142	8,278	32,525	3.9
Minnesota	17,383	5.9	12.4	30,905	1,819	112	1,931	7,645	36,836	4.8
Mississippi	22,502	12.4	20.7	12,514	1,431	369	1,800	5,175	12,795	2.5
Missouri	32,898	10.2	17.4	36,935	2,434	372	2,806	6,657	12,867	1.9
Montana	4,398	8.0	11.0	—	365	69	434	6,726	21,898	3.3
Nebraska	7,522	7.0	12.6	14,577	1,405	49	1,454	7,223	25,321	3.5
Nevada	15,713	16.0	13.0	17,722	889	218	1,107	5,807	17,572	3.0
New Hampshire	4,951	7.3	12.3	7,812	417	27	444	7,286	25,949	3.6
New Jersey	29,378	7.2	13.8	60,443	2,189	110	2,299	11,248	27,347	2.4
New Mexico	13,649	12.1	18.9	10,994	553	312	865	6,313	28,035	4.4
New York	88,982	8.8	16.3	47,820	6,896	1,739	8,635	10,716	36,835	3.4
North Carolina	53,754	12.8	19.2	37,870	2,172	743	2,915	6,346	26,984	4.3
North Dakota	2,065	4.8	10.9	6,396	285	6	291	6,125	22,425	3.7
Ohio	52,892	8.3	16.3	47,954	3,954	606	4,560	7,571	26,295	3.5
Oklahoma	21,173	10.0	12.2	23,128	1,480	89	1,569	6,019	16,309	2.7
Oregon	19,893	10.4	22.3	30,109	1,497	207	1,704	7,528	36,060	4.8
Pennsylvania	47,958	7.1	18.4	104,140	6,219	440	6,659	8,210	31,900	3.9
Rhode Island	5,047	8.2	14.5	7,195	365	6	371	9,315	38,503	4.1
South Carolina	26,150	11.4	16.8	2,866	1,705	527	2,232	6,631	16,762	2.5
South Dakota	3,916	8.0	10.3	4,734	965	126	1,091	6,191	13,853	2.2
Tennessee	30,639	9.8	14.4	34,434	2,548	142	2,690	5,687	18,206	3.2
Texas	160,699	12.6	18.5	194,033	7,811	3,420	11,231	6,539	13,808	2.1
Utah	15,185	8.8	17.0	21,687	1,202	168	1,370	4,674	24,574	5.3
Vermont	2,157	5.9	11.8	1,401	120	18	138	9,153	25,178	2.8
Virginia	29,320	7.8	10.9	33,881	3,107	405	3,512	7,281	22,942	3.2
Washington	29,099	8.8	21.9	35,285	2,280	198	2,478	6,750	30,168	4.5
West Virginia	8,942	9.0	16.0	1,940	477	25	502	7,534	14,817	2.0
Wisconsin	20,476	6.4	11.9	101,245	1,837	618	2,455	8,243	28,622	3.5
Wyoming	2,413	7.6	11.2	6,704	392	56	448	7,835	28,845	3.7
United States	1,562,184	9.9	17.0	1,598,247	112,479	21,130	133,609	7,376	22,650	3.1

¹Youth ages 16-19 not enrolled in school and not high school graduates

²Youths ages 16-19

³Data incomplete for the District of Columbia, Illinois, Kentucky, Nevada, New York, and South Carolina; no data available for Montana

Sources: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, 2000 Census of Population and Housing, SF1 and SF3; U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, "Employment status of the civilian noninstitutional population by sex, race, Hispanic or Latino ethnicity, marital status, and detailed age, 2004 annual averages," at <http://stats.bls.gov/gps/home.htm>; U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2004 Annual Averages, Table 3, "Employment status of the civilian noninstitutional population by age, sex, and race," *Employment and Earnings*, January 2005; U.S. Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation, *Crime in the United States 2004* (October 2005), Tables 41 and 69; U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, *Digest of Education Statistics: 2003* (November 2004), Table 168; and U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, *State Prison Expenditures, 2001* (June 2004), Table 2. Calculations by Children's Defense Fund.

State of America's Children® 2005

Table B6-2

Teen Birth Rates,¹ 1990–2003

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Alabama	71.0	73.6	72.0	69.2	70.6	68.5	67.1	64.5	63.9	60.9	60.7	56.5	54.5	52.4
Alaska	65.3	66.0	65.2	59.7	59.5	54.5	50.8	49.3	47.5	47.7	49.0	41.0	39.5	38.6
Arizona	75.5	79.7	80.2	78.1	76.8	73.5	71.5	68.7	68.8	68.0	67.9	64.3	61.2	61.1
Arkansas	80.1	79.5	74.8	72.8	74.8	71.9	73.5	70.8	68.7	66.1	66.2	62.3	59.9	59.0
California	70.6	73.8	72.8	71.8	70.2	66.8	61.0	55.7	52.0	49.1	47.0	44.1	41.1	40.1
Colorado	54.5	58.3	58.4	55.8	55.2	52.3	50.7	49.3	50.2	50.0	51.3	47.3	47.0	43.9
Connecticut	38.8	40.1	39.0	38.8	39.7	38.6	36.6	35.1	34.9	32.7	31.1	28.2	25.8	24.8
Delaware	54.5	60.4	58.7	58.0	57.8	54.6	53.8	52.3	50.6	50.7	48.0	47.4	46.3	44.9
District of Columbia	93.1	109.6	106.7	112.8	97.0	85.2	79.2	67.1	62.0	56.0	53.2	63.6	69.1	60.3
Florida	69.1	67.9	65.2	63.7	63.0	60.2	57.2	55.8	53.9	51.7	51.1	47.7	44.5	42.5
Georgia	75.5	76.0	74.2	72.0	70.6	69.8	66.8	65.6	64.0	63.5	62.8	60.0	55.7	53.5
Hawaii	61.2	59.2	54.2	53.7	54.4	48.8	48.9	44.4	47.0	45.0	46.1	42.1	38.2	37.3
Idaho	50.6	53.9	51.5	50.3	46.1	48.7	46.9	43.0	44.6	43.5	42.9	41.0	39.1	39.3
Illinois	62.9	64.5	63.0	62.0	61.5	58.4	55.3	52.7	51.8	49.7	48.0	45.8	42.2	40.4
Indiana	58.6	60.4	58.5	57.9	57.0	56.6	55.1	52.8	52.2	50.5	49.1	46.8	44.6	43.5
Iowa	40.5	42.5	40.5	40.7	39.3	38.3	37.4	35.3	34.9	35.4	34.2	33.5	32.5	31.9
Kansas	56.1	55.4	55.6	55.5	53.3	52.0	49.4	48.4	47.5	48.1	46.1	44.3	43.0	41.2
Kentucky	67.6	68.8	64.8	63.7	64.2	62.3	61.2	59.0	57.2	56.4	55.1	51.9	51.0	49.6
Louisiana	74.2	76.0	76.1	75.9	74.5	69.9	66.8	65.9	65.6	63.0	62.1	58.6	58.1	56.0
Maine	43.0	43.5	40.0	37.1	35.6	33.9	31.7	32.3	30.7	30.2	29.2	27.3	25.4	24.9
Maryland	53.2	54.1	50.6	49.7	49.3	47.2	45.7	43.1	42.6	42.2	41.3	37.5	35.4	33.3
Massachusetts	35.1	37.5	37.5	37.2	36.4	33.3	31.1	30.4	29.5	27.4	25.9	24.9	23.3	23.0
Michigan	59.0	58.9	56.6	53.1	52.0	49.1	46.4	44.3	43.5	41.4	40.2	38.3	34.8	34.4
Minnesota	36.3	37.3	35.9	35.0	34.4	32.5	32.3	32.1	30.9	30.3	30.1	28.4	27.5	26.6
Mississippi	81.0	85.3	83.6	82.2	81.7	79.2	74.0	71.8	71.4	70.9	70.1	66.8	64.7	62.5
Missouri	62.8	64.4	63.1	59.4	58.6	55.1	53.2	51.1	51.0	49.4	48.7	46.4	44.1	43.2
Montana	48.4	46.8	46.0	46.1	41.6	42.4	39.3	38.2	38.0	36.0	36.7	36.0	36.4	35.0
Nebraska	42.3	42.4	41.1	40.5	42.9	37.8	38.9	37.4	37.5	37.5	37.7	36.8	37.0	36.0
Nevada	73.3	74.5	70.6	73.2	73.4	73.4	69.5	67.4	65.6	63.9	63.0	56.4	53.9	53.0
New Hampshire	33.0	33.1	31.3	30.5	29.9	30.3	28.2	28.2	26.8	23.8	23.3	21.1	20.0	18.2
New Jersey	40.5	41.3	38.9	37.9	39.0	37.7	35.2	34.8	34.7	32.8	31.8	28.9	26.8	25.5
New Mexico	78.2	79.5	79.7	80.6	77.0	74.0	70.5	67.8	68.7	66.8	65.6	63.2	62.4	62.7
New York	43.6	45.5	44.5	44.6	44.3	42.2	39.9	36.7	36.4	34.7	33.2	32.2	29.5	28.2
North Carolina	67.6	70.0	69.2	66.1	65.3	63.0	62.3	59.9	59.8	58.0	58.6	55.0	52.2	49.0
North Dakota	35.4	35.5	36.9	36.3	33.9	32.9	31.6	29.2	29.7	27.0	27.3	27.2	27.2	26.8
Ohio	57.9	60.5	58.0	56.7	54.9	53.4	50.4	49.8	48.5	46.5	46.0	42.8	39.5	39.4
Oklahoma	66.8	72.1	69.8	68.3	65.6	63.7	63.1	63.7	61.4	60.1	59.7	58.3	58.0	55.9
Oregon	54.6	54.8	53.0	50.8	50.2	50.1	50.5	46.2	47.1	46.1	42.8	40.3	36.8	34.4
Pennsylvania	44.9	46.7	44.8	43.7	42.9	40.9	38.4	36.1	35.9	35.1	34.0	33.0	31.6	31.2
Rhode Island	43.9	44.7	46.2	47.6	45.0	39.8	38.9	38.3	36.5	33.5	33.6	36.0	35.6	31.3
South Carolina	71.3	72.5	69.7	64.7	64.7	62.8	60.2	58.8	58.3	58.5	58.0	56.5	53.0	51.5
South Dakota	46.8	47.6	48.3	44.4	43.0	40.9	40.1	40.6	39.8	38.5	38.1	38.2	38.0	34.7
Tennessee	72.3	74.8	70.9	69.2	69.7	66.6	64.5	62.4	62.5	60.8	59.5	57.1	54.3	53.5
Texas	75.3	78.4	78.2	77.7	77.2	75.6	73.1	71.2	70.5	69.6	68.9	66.0	64.4	62.9
Utah	48.5	48.0	45.7	43.4	41.4	40.9	41.2	41.0	39.6	38.8	38.3	38.3	36.8	34.6
Vermont	34.0	39.2	35.6	34.8	32.4	28.1	29.5	26.3	23.8	25.0	23.4	23.9	24.2	18.9
Virginia	52.9	53.4	51.7	49.6	50.5	48.4	45.4	44.0	43.4	42.6	40.9	39.8	37.6	36.1
Washington	53.1	53.7	51.0	50.5	48.6	48.0	45.6	43.0	42.4	41.0	39.2	35.6	33.0	31.5
West Virginia	57.3	58.0	56.3	55.6	54.3	52.7	50.5	49.1	49.6	48.5	46.5	45.6	45.5	44.8
Wisconsin	42.6	43.7	42.0	41.0	38.8	37.9	36.9	35.8	35.2	36.3	35.2	34.1	32.3	31.3
Wyoming	56.3	54.3	49.8	49.9	48.7	47.9	44.7	43.9	48.9	41.4	41.7	39.0	39.9	40.8
United States	59.9	61.8	60.3	59.0	58.2	56.0	53.5	51.3	50.3	48.8	47.7	45.3	43.0	41.6

¹Number of births to teens ages 15-19 per 1,000 females ages 15-19

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, National Center for Health Statistics, *National Vital Statistics Report*, Vol. 52, No. 12 (August 4, 2003), "Revised Birth and Fertility Rates for the 1990s and New Rates for Hispanic Populations, 2000 and 2001: United States," Table 10; U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, National Center for Health Statistics, *National Vital Statistics Report*, Vol. 52, No. 10 (December 17, 2003), "Births: Final Data for 2002," Table 10; and U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, National Center for Health Statistics, *National Vital Statistics Report*, Vol. 54, No. 2 (September 8, 2005), "Births: Final Data for 2003," Table 10.

Firearm Deaths of Children and Teens Ages 0–19, by Manner, 2000–2002

	Total*			Homicide*			Suicide			Accident			Undetermined Intent		
	2000	2001	2002	2000	2001	2002	2000	2001	2002	2000	2001	2002	2000	2001	2002
Alabama	52	64	68	31	34	36	17	20	22	3	8	10	1	2	0
Alaska	24	19	18	2	6	7	20	11	10	2	1	1	0	1	0
Arizona	81	81	101	46	49	58	29	25	30	2	6	8	4	1	5
Arkansas	43	30	39	21	13	18	14	12	12	8	5	6	0	0	3
California	402	379	406	319	316	337	66	47	54	16	15	13	1	1	2
Colorado	38	53	53	17	23	20	19	26	30	2	3	1	0	1	2
Connecticut	14	16	15	8	12	10	6	4	4	0	0	1	0	0	0
Delaware	2	4	10	1	3	4	1	1	3	0	0	3	0	0	0
District of Columbia	28	32	36	28	29	34	0	1	1	0	2	1	0	0	0
Florida	100	111	120	58	65	81	35	38	33	7	5	5	0	3	1
Georgia	106	110	104	67	69	65	28	34	28	8	7	9	3	0	2
Hawaii	1	5	1	1	2	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Idaho	13	25	19	0	3	3	11	17	12	2	5	4	0	0	0
Illinois	186	175	146	157	139	127	23	28	15	5	6	3	1	2	1
Indiana	82	59	69	43	30	31	31	23	28	5	5	9	3	1	1
Iowa	21	27	17	1	3	6	18	22	9	2	2	2	0	0	0
Kansas	31	36	17	16	15	6	13	18	9	2	3	2	0	0	0
Kentucky	35	34	33	11	12	12	17	15	13	7	7	6	0	0	2
Louisiana	94	95	100	63	62	70	22	27	19	9	6	10	0	0	1
Maine	8	5	3	1	1	0	7	4	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Maryland	79	81	92	59	66	77	18	12	14	1	2	1	1	1	0
Massachusetts	11	24	25	9	18	22	2	5	1	0	1	2	0	0	0
Michigan	100	105	100	66	61	60	26	39	36	5	4	4	3	1	0
Minnesota	36	37	29	11	12	9	23	24	18	2	0	1	0	1	1
Mississippi	67	34	58	31	14	28	23	13	21	13	5	7	0	2	2
Missouri	81	92	72	47	55	45	27	29	25	7	4	2	0	4	0
Montana	18	13	15	3	3	2	11	9	10	3	1	1	1	0	2
Nebraska	23	18	11	12	3	5	10	14	6	0	1	0	1	0	0
Nevada	31	28	25	19	20	19	12	7	6	0	0	0	0	1	0
New Hampshire	7	8	4	2	1	1	5	7	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
New Jersey	39	25	32	23	19	24	13	5	5	2	1	3	1	0	0
New Mexico	55	27	32	31	14	15	19	11	16	5	2	1	0	0	0
New York	123	135	91	90	102	74	28	27	14	3	6	3	2	0	0
North Carolina	95	86	71	60	48	47	29	31	21	5	7	1	1	0	2
North Dakota	7	2	5	1	1	0	5	1	4	0	0	1	1	0	0
Ohio	75	85	83	40	50	52	30	26	22	4	6	6	1	3	3
Oklahoma	33	41	38	10	18	13	15	16	22	7	7	3	1	0	0
Oregon	27	17	36	3	7	14	22	9	17	2	1	2	0	0	3
Pennsylvania	110	103	113	69	63	73	37	33	35	4	6	4	0	1	1
Rhode Island	10	6	10	8	6	8	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
South Carolina	41	42	40	23	20	26	13	15	9	5	6	4	0	1	1
South Dakota	8	8	7	0	1	0	4	7	4	4	0	2	0	0	1
Tennessee	87	65	79	48	34	47	33	24	22	6	7	8	0	0	2
Texas	252	241	220	117	140	140	108	84	72	21	15	7	6	2	1
Utah	16	27	17	2	7	3	14	20	14	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vermont	4	3	2	0	2	1	4	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Virginia	72	77	72	41	50	50	26	23	17	3	3	4	2	1	1
Washington	49	38	40	23	17	17	22	20	21	2	1	1	2	0	1
West Virginia	24	13	20	9	5	7	13	5	10	2	3	3	0	0	0
Wisconsin	67	61	49	28	28	24	34	26	23	5	7	2	0	0	0
Wyoming	4	9	4	0	0	1	2	9	2	2	0	0	0	0	1
United States	3,012	2,911	2,867	1,776	1,771	1,830	1,007	928	828	193	182	167	36	30	42

*Total firearm deaths and homicide firearm deaths exclude firearm deaths by legal (police or corrections) intervention and deaths by air rifles.

Sources: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, National Center for Health Statistics, Table III: Deaths from 358 selected causes [2000]; and U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, WISQARS, at <<http://www.cdc.gov/ncipc/wisqars/>> [2001, 2002]. Calculations by Children’s Defense Fund.