

Some children are being raised by grandparents or other relatives when their parents are unable to do so. More than 2.8 million grandchildren live with grandparents who are responsible for them. One-third of them have no parent living with them.

Children Living with Grandparents or Other Relatives, 2009

	Living in households headed by:		Grandchildren living with grandparents responsible for them:		
	Grandparent	Other Relative	Total	No parent of grandchild present	
				Number	Percent
Alabama	110,977	26,954	71,625	26,980	37.7%
Alaska	12,532	3,482	6,925	2,241	32.4
Arizona	144,835	50,610	77,722	22,396	28.8
Arkansas	58,192	11,772	39,302	15,335	39.0
California	735,450	367,117	313,542	75,160	24.0
Colorado	61,202	26,556	33,170	13,047	39.3
Connecticut	48,152	11,862	23,508	8,444	35.9
Delaware	14,852	4,487	9,075	2,469	27.2
District of Columbia	13,397	6,169	5,802	1,691	29.1
Florida	315,514	97,802	171,592	58,614	34.2
Georgia	213,418	73,132	130,841	48,057	36.7
Hawaii	40,584	11,314	10,509	2,788	26.5
Idaho	18,862	6,117	11,156	3,652	32.7
Illinois	213,258	74,899	113,181	33,817	29.9
Indiana	105,558	21,877	66,730	21,124	31.7
Iowa	26,755	7,098	14,120	4,650	32.9
Kansas	31,443	11,160	18,083	7,081	39.2
Kentucky	88,582	19,953	63,493	28,348	44.6
Louisiana	121,196	29,973	75,238	29,128	38.7
Maine	11,521	3,143	5,572	2,564	46.0
Maryland	106,405	34,245	51,916	15,109	29.1
Massachusetts	73,562	22,430	30,637	8,630	28.2
Michigan	134,355	35,082	68,951	20,963	30.4
Minnesota	42,631	14,487	21,194	6,623	31.2
Mississippi	105,511	22,131	69,008	22,358	32.4
Missouri	92,581	24,177	50,460	19,245	38.1
Montana	13,540	3,678	8,829	4,195	47.5
Nebraska	19,563	4,932	11,119	4,531	40.8
Nevada	50,791	21,094	28,337	7,135	25.2
New Hampshire	13,669	2,603	6,247	1,909	30.6
New Jersey	114,430	42,586	50,741	16,147	31.8
New Mexico	51,013	11,144	29,365	9,593	32.7
New York	304,458	106,983	140,185	39,526	28.2
North Carolina	155,146	48,977	99,144	40,564	40.9
North Dakota	5,309	1,117	3,048	1,030	33.8
Ohio	158,704	40,364	90,061	33,999	37.8
Oklahoma	67,976	16,136	43,479	17,062	39.2
Oregon	49,809	14,646	27,189	8,319	30.6
Pennsylvania	172,803	41,379	85,003	32,900	38.7
Rhode Island	13,236	4,799	4,835	1,554	32.1
South Carolina	96,450	25,705	56,740	22,721	40.0
South Dakota	12,506	3,710	8,207	2,818	34.3
Tennessee	138,120	32,339	80,695	29,230	36.2
Texas	610,289	194,691	356,410	103,547	29.1
Utah	46,812	16,885	18,381	4,489	24.4
Vermont	4,365	1,138	1,928	1,115	57.8
Virginia	119,711	39,017	62,220	21,890	35.2
Washington	82,908	28,925	43,781	16,690	38.1
West Virginia	38,366	6,741	23,603	9,916	42.0
Wisconsin	57,033	19,260	29,199	9,563	32.8
Wyoming	7,303	1,603	5,027	2,399	47.7
United States	5,345,635	1,748,481	2,867,125	943,356	32.9

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, 2009 American Community Survey, Tables B09006 and B10002. Calculations by Children's Defense Fund.