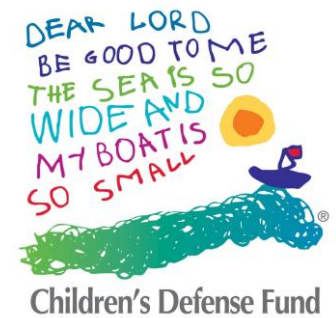


Children's Defense Fund

Children in Kansas

March 2013



723,170 children live in Kansas:

496,071 are White, non-Hispanic
46,867 are Black
121,318 are Hispanic
17,457 are Asian/Pacific Islander
6,934 are American Indian/Alaska Native
48,342 are two or more races

203,655 are under the age of 5
362,730 are ages 5 to 13
157,537 are ages 14 to 17
520,267 are ages 5 to 17

In Kansas:

A child is abused or neglected every 5 hours.

A child dies before his or her first birthday every 1 day.

Kansas Ranks:*

16th among states in percent of babies born at low birthweight.

Best state is Alaska; worst state is Mississippi

25th among states in its infant mortality rate.

Best state is Alaska; worst state is Mississippi

27th among states in per pupil expenditures.

The District of Columbia is best; Utah is the worst state

[*1st represents the best state for children and 51st represents the worst state for children in the country]

Child Poverty in Kansas

Number of poor children (and percent poor)	133,556 (18.8%)
Number of children living in extreme poverty (and percent in extreme poverty)	52,730 (7.4%)
Number of children receiving cash assistance from Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)	25,030
Maximum monthly TANF cash assistance for a family of three	\$429

Child Health in Kansas

Number of children without health insurance (and percent uninsured)	67,615 (9.4%)
Number of children enrolled in the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)	60,431
CHIP eligibility: 238 percent of federal poverty (\$56,049 for a family of four)	
Number of children enrolled in Medicaid	215,703
Children as a percent of total Medicaid enrollment	59.3%
Medicaid and CHIP participation rate	82.8%
Medicaid expenditures on children as a percent of total Medicaid expenditures	28.2%
Percent of 19-35 months-olds not fully immunized	21.0%

Child Hunger in Kansas

Number of children who receive SNAP (food stamps)	137,000
Percent of eligible persons who receive SNAP (food stamps)	69%
Number of children in the School Lunch Program	361,686
Number of children in the Summer Food Service Program	20,026
Number of women and children receiving WIC (Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children)	74,761

Early Childhood Development in Kansas

Percent of children under age 6 with all parents in the labor force	68.4%
Number of children served by Head Start	12,547
Average monthly number of children served by the Child Care Development Fund/CCDBG	20,700
Average annual cost of child care for a four-year-old in a center	\$8,305
Percent of 3-year-olds enrolled in state pre-k, Head Start, or special education programs	13.1%
Percent of 4-year-olds enrolled in state pre-k, Head Start, or special education programs	37.3%

Education in Kansas

Annual expenditure per public school pupil	\$9,972
Percent of public school fourth graders: unable to read at grade level	63.9%
unable to do math at grade level	52.3%
Percent of public school eighth graders: unable to read at grade level	64.5%
unable to do math at grade level	59.2%
Number (percentage) of 16- to 19-year-olds who are not enrolled in school and have not graduated from high school	6,727 (4.1%)

Child Welfare in Kansas

Number of children who are victims of abuse and neglect	1,729
Number of children in foster care	5,852
Number of children adopted from foster care	781
Number of grandparents raising grandchildren	19,461

Youth at Risk in Kansas

Averaged freshman high school graduation rate	84.5%
Percent of 16- to 19-year-olds unemployed	16.0%
Number of juvenile arrests	7,729
Number of children and teens in juvenile residential facilities	973
Ratio of cost per prisoner to cost per public school pupil	2.8
Number of children and teens killed by firearms	23

This fact sheet contains the most recent data as of March 20, 2013. Most of the data are from 2011 and 2010. For more information on data year, sources, and methodological notes, please visit:

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