Child Health
- **32,590** children 0-17 were uninsured in 2016.
- **530,617** children 0-18 were enrolled in Mississippi Medicaid and the Children’s Health Insurance Program.

Early Childhood
- **$5,045** was the average annual cost for an infant in center-based child care in 2015.
- **4 percent** of 4-year-olds were enrolled in state-funded preschool during 2015-2016.

Education
- **86 percent** of Black, **81 percent** of Hispanic and **62 percent** of White 4th grade public school students could not read at grade level in 2015.
- **92 percent** of Black and **68 percent** of White 8th grade public school students could not read at grade level in 2015.
- **77 percent** of Black, **68 percent** of Hispanic and **85 percent** of White students graduated high school on time during 2014-2015.
- **23 percent** of Black, **7 percent** of Hispanic and **9 percent** of White public secondary students had at least one out-of-school suspension in 2011-2012.

Child Welfare
- **8,730** children were abused or neglected in 2015.
- **5,486** children were in foster care on the last day of FY2016.

Juvenile Justice
- **243** children were in residential placement in 2015.
- **77 percent** were Black and **22 percent** were White.
- **27** children were in adult jails or prisons in 2015.

Gun Violence
- **31** children and teens (3.8 per 100,000) were killed with a gun in 2015.

Note: All numbers in this factsheet are included in the Children’s Defense Fund’s *The State of America’s Children®* 2017 report, and most have been rounded to the nearest whole number. Facts for states and the District of Columbia were omitted when data were not available. Citations for all data may be found in *The State of America’s Children®* 2017.