

2017 Florida Child Well-being Index

Hardee County



63 Economic

	Current Year	%	#	Baseline Year	%	
Children in Poverty	2014	38.8	2,783	2009	35.7	Worse
Unemployment Rate	2015	6.7	693	2010	11.5	Better
High Housing Cost Burden (more than 30% income spent)	2015	32.0	2,682	2010	32.2	Unchanged
Teens Not in School and Not Working	2011-2015	23.6	375	2006-2010	16.5	Worse

64 Education

Students Not Ready for Kindergarten	2013-2014	11.7	50	N.A.		
Fourth Grade Students Not Proficient in English Language Arts	2014-2015	81	333	N.A.		
Eight Grade Students Not Proficient in Math	2014-2015	98	314	N.A.		
High School Students Not Graduating on Time	2014-2015	40.3	151	2011-2012	36.4	Worse

61 Health

Low-Birthweight Babies	2015	6.4	25	2010	8.3	Better
Uninsured Children	2014	12.9	962	2009	32.7	Better
Overweight and Obese 1st, 3rd, and 6th Grade Students	2013-2014	37.6	493	2008-2009	44.2	Better
High School Teens who Used Alcohol/Drugs (Past 30 Days)	2012	47.2	81	2010	42.5	Worse

61 Family and Community

Children in Single Parent Families	2011-2015	36.8	2,256	2006-2010	23.0	Worse
Children Living in High Poverty Areas	2011-2015	32.3	2,353	2006-2010	41.6	Better
Children with Verified Maltreatment (per 1,000)	2015-2016	4.7	35	N.A.		
Youth Contacts with the Juvenile Justice System (per 1,000)	2014-2015	32.5	107	2009-2010	44.3	Better

We all do better when Florida's children succeed. Find out how you can act locally and at the state level to ensure:

1. children have access to healthcare.
2. we prevent child abuse, juvenile justice involvement, and substance use.
3. parents have educational and work opportunities that support their families.

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