

2017 Florida Child Well-being Index

Palm Beach County



35 Economic

	Current Year	%	#	Baseline Year	%	
Children in Poverty	2014	21.9	58,944	2009	21.5	Unchanged
Unemployment Rate	2015	5.0	34,867	2010	11.0	Better
High Housing Cost Burden (more than 30% income spent)	2015	44.7	256,971	2010	44.7	Unchanged
Teens Not in School and Not Working	2011-2015	6.7	4,209	2006-2010	8.8	Better

21 Education

Students Not Ready for Kindergarten	2013-2014	9.6	1,192	N.A.		
Fourth Grade Students Not Proficient in English Language Arts	2014-2015	73	9,822	N.A.		
Eight Grade Students Not Proficient in Math	2014-2015	76	6,439	N.A.		
High School Students Not Graduating on Time	2014-2015	20.6	2,967	2011-2012	23.0	Better

51 Health

Low-Birthweight Babies	2015	8.5	1,259	2010	8.9	Unchanged
Uninsured Children	2014	11.3	31,912	2009	25.7	Better
Overweight and Obese 1st, 3rd, and 6th Grade Students	2013-2014	37.6	12,998	2008-2009	39.3	Better
High School Teens who Used Alcohol/Drugs (Past 30 Days)	2014	40.7	398	2010	46.0	Better

39 Family and Community

Children in Single Parent Families	2011-2015	35.0	84,523	2006-2010	33.9	Worse
Children Living in High Poverty Areas	2011-2015	14.8	40,375	2006-2010	8.0	Worse
Children with Verified Maltreatment (per 1,000)	2015-2016	5.0	1,364	N.A.		
Youth Contacts with the Juvenile Justice System (per 1,000)	2014-2015	17.4	2,152	2009-2010	31.1	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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