

Senator Janet Cruz Florida-Senate District 18



Families



87,881 Children under the age of 18 (18.7% of the total population)

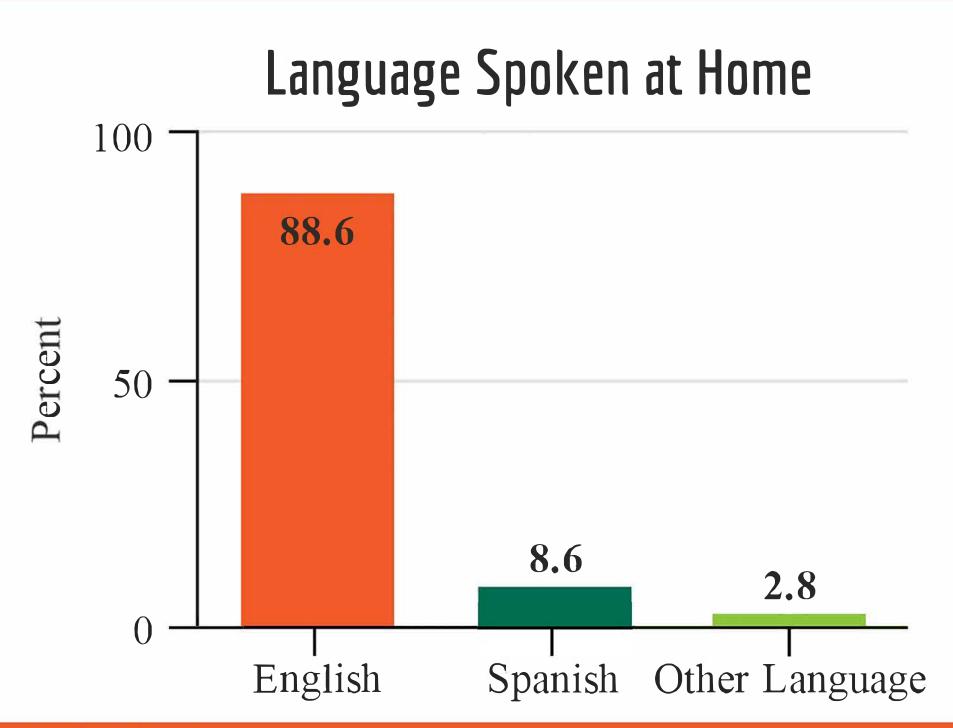
From a total of 43,148 families:



17,526 (40.6%) are headed by single parents



Of the 10,506 grandparents living with their grandchildren 45.1% are responsible for those children



Economy and Health

15,808 Families and 23,740 Children under 18 live

in poverty

12.8%

of Children under 18 live with parents who lack secure employment

13.1% of Teens 16-19 are not in school and not working

8,950

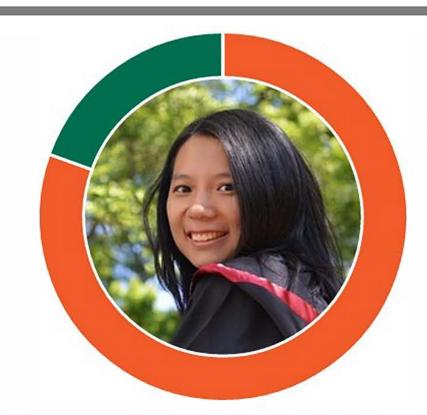
Children have no health insurance



Education



3,319 3 and 4 year olds are enrolled in school (36.7%)



80.5% High School students graduated on time

We need policies that ensure that all of Florida's Children have:



Quality early childhood educational experiences

Programs that focus on preventing juvenile justice involvement, child abuse and neglect, and substance use and abuse

Economic and educational opportunities that help parents support their families





