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2024 KIDS COUNT in Colorado! is an annual publication of the Colorado Children's Campaign that provides the best available state- and county-level data to measure and track the education, health and general well-being of our state's children. The report informs policy debates and community discussions, serving as a valuable resource for policymakers, community leaders, advocates and citizens.

Colorado is more than just a beautiful place – it's a state full of challenges for families due to the increasing cost of living. In the 2024 edition of *KIDS COUNT in Colorado!*, we shed light on these challenges while also showcasing why families continue to choose Colorado as their home.

Throughout this report, we feature imagery compliments of **Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO).** Since 1992, GOCO has been investing a portion of Colorado Lottery proceeds to help preserve and enhance the state's parks, trails, wildlife, rivers, and open spaces. GOCO has committed more than $1.4 billion in Lottery proceeds to more than 5,700 projects in all 64 counties without a single dollar coming from taxpayers' pockets.

GOCO is also investing in the health and happiness of our kids. Unfortunately, today the average kid spends less time outdoors than any other generation before them. That's why GOCO set the ambitious goal of changing an entire generation of kids by connecting them to the outdoor world. This led to the launch of Generation Wild, a research-led, multiyear communications campaign and grant program designed to spark a movement that would reconnect kids to the outdoor world.

These images remind us all why we, and organizations like GOCO, continue to work on behalf of families to make Colorado a state everyone can enjoy.

LETTER FROM THE GOVERNOR

Jared Polis
Governor

COLORADO
Governor Jared Polis

August 20, 2024

I am pleased to introduce the 2024 *KIDS COUNT in Colorado!* report. Each year, the Colorado Children's Campaign provides Coloradans with data and analysis that help us understand how our state is doing when it comes to early childhood, child and family health, education, and families' economic well-being.

This year's report highlights the power of Coloradans to improve lives for the nearly 1.3 million children who call our state home. Two areas worth celebrating: More families who are accessing preschool programs and better support for young people's mental health. These are developments that are setting the stage for a strong future for our children and our state. And they reflect our state's recent investments in early childhood and mental health.

At the same time, my administration continues to work alongside community members, advocates and legislators to make sure Colorado remains the best place to be a kid and raise a family.

This year, we are proud to be fully funding K-12 education for the first time in more than a decade. We also supported innovative legislation that sets Colorado on track to have the lowest child poverty rate in the country. And we continue to prioritize making housing and health care more affordable for everyday families.

Thank you to the Children's Campaign for keeping children's well-being at the center of the conversation at the capitol and beyond. And thank you for supporting, reading and using this important resource.

Sincerely,

Jared Polis
Governor
State of Colorado

Dear Community,

In 2024, information is often easy to access — whether through artificial intelligence, social media, or the constant flow of news stories — but harder to trust.

It is more important than ever to have reliable sources to turn to — especially when it comes to our children. Quality data and research are necessary to make the best decisions about challenges in our state and communities.

For more than 30 years, with the support of the Annie E. Casey Foundation and other partners, the Colorado Children's Campaign has produced the *KIDS COUNT in Colorado!* report, which brings together the most up-to-date and accurate data Coloradans need to understand what's happening for children's health, economic well-being, education, and more.

Heather Tritten
President and CEO
Colorado Children's Campaign

This year's report shows that too many kids and families are struggling to navigate higher costs of living and evaporating federal investments and social safety net programs. The data show concerning trends in health coverage, the stability of our teaching and caring workforces, and housing. In other areas, such as disparities in academic outcomes and the share of kids living in deep poverty, our progress has stagnated.

The good news: Colorado continues to take powerful steps to support kids and families. Just in 2024, the state adopted a more equitable school funding formula and passed tax credits for families with lower incomes and for careworkers. Over time, I believe we will see improvements in our poverty rate, in families' access to child care and well-resourced schools, and in our students' academic achievement and well-being as a result of these changes.

And yet this year's report reminds us that there is still much to do.

We are honored to be a source of trusted information for Colorado. And we look forward to working with you as we continue to build a world where our children come first.

Thank you for all you do for Colorado kids.

Heather Tritten
President and CEO
Colorado Children's Campaign

Lincoln Hills Cares and Mo Betta Green Marketplace. Photo by: LaRae Goldsmith.

As of 2022:

Colorado was home to

1,250,481

children.[1]

Whether they live on the Eastern Plains, the Western Slope, or somewhere in between, each one of them deserves every opportunity to reach their full potential.

About **46%** were children of color.

COLORADO CHILDREN UNDER 18 BY RACE/ETHNICITY, 2022

Race/Ethnicity	Percent
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0.2%
American Indian or Alaska Native	1%
Asian	4%
Two or More Races	5%
Black	5%
Hispanic or Latino	33%
Non-Hispanic White	54%
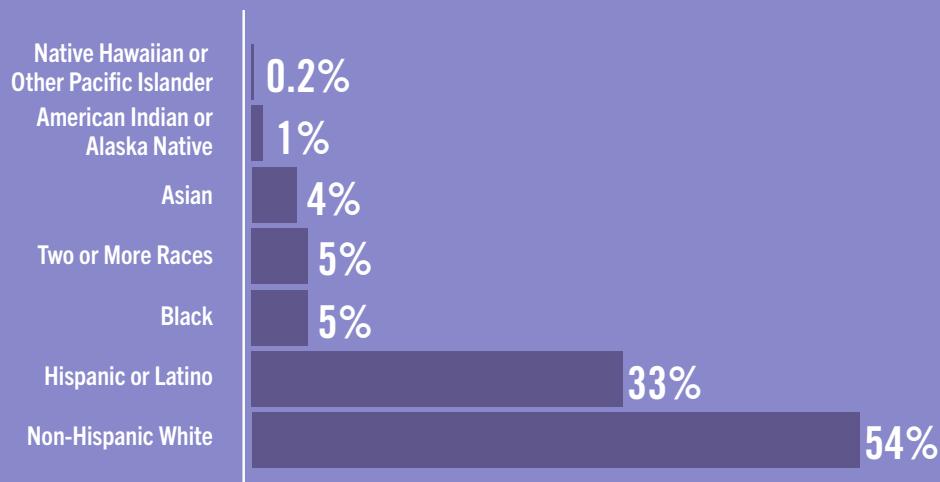
Source: Population Division, U.S. Census Bureau.

AMONG ALL COLORADO CHILDREN IN 2022:
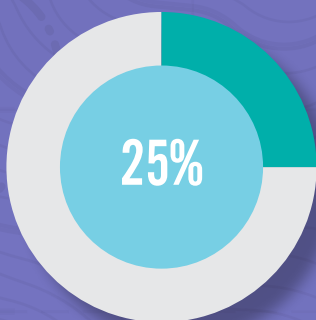
25%
Nearly **315,000** are under age 5.
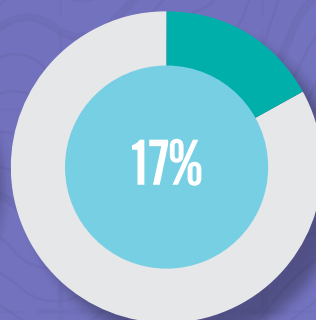
17%
151,000 Colorado children speak a language other than English at home.
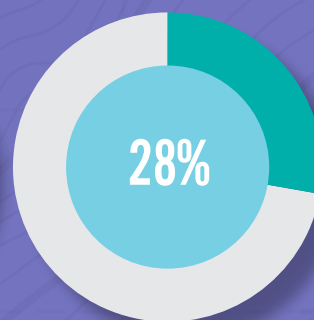
28%
323,000 children live in single-parent families.
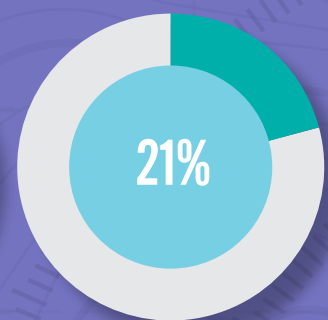
21%
259,000 children live in immigrant families.

Sources: Colorado State Demography Office and Population Reference Bureau analysis of data from the U.S. Census Bureau 2022 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates.

DEMOGRAPHICS

CHILD POPULATION BY COUNTY

As of 2022, the Front Range was home to the largest share of Colorado children, with 85% of children in the state residing in a Front Range community.[2]

However, most Front Range counties (Boulder, Denver, Pueblo, Jefferson, Arapahoe, Adams, Broomfield, El Paso, Larimer, and Teller counties) have seen their child populations decline since 2020. Douglas and Weld counties are the only two Front Range counties where the child population increased between 2020 and 2022.[3]

CHILDREN UNDER 18 BY COUNTY, 2022

AS OF 2022, THE COLORADO COUNTIES HOME TO THE LARGEST NUMBER OF CHILDREN UNDER 18 WERE:

El Paso County:
171,208 children

Arapahoe County:
150,350 children

Adams County:
132,317 children

Denver County:
131,006 children

Jefferson County:
110,567 children[4]

Legend: 104 to 1,927 | 1,928 to 6,013 | 6,014 to 16,096 | 16,097 to 70,221 | 70,222 to 171,208
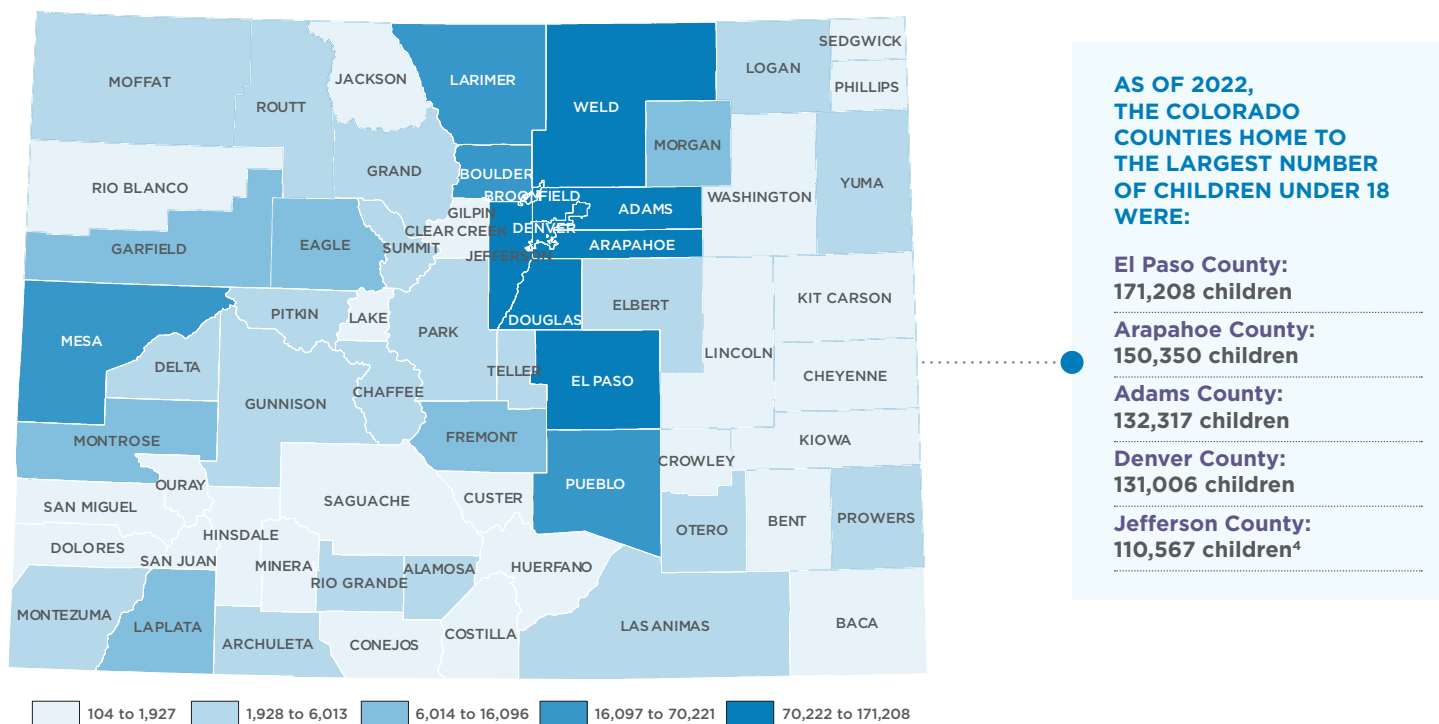
Source: Colorado State Demography Office.

BIRTHS ARE DOWN, AND NET MIGRATION IS SLOWING

Births to Colorado families are one important driver of change in the state's population of children. Colorado's birth rate has trended downward during the past decade, declining in nine out of the 10 most recent years for which data are available. After a slight uptick in 2021, Colorado's birth rate dipped again in 2022 to 51.9 births per 1,000 women ages 15 to 44 — down from 61.6 births per 1,000 a decade earlier.[5]

Migration into or out of the state also contributes to fluctuations in the child population. Colorado has long had positive net migration, meaning there are typically more people moving into the state than moving out of it. This trend was consistent in the past decade, but net migration in Colorado started to slow in the years after the COVID-19 pandemic began.[6] Net migration fell by more than half between 2019 and 2022.[7]

Roxborough State Park. Photo by Caveman Collective.

NORTH STAR GOAL: ALL FAMILIES HAVE SAFE, STABLE HOUSING AND THE FINANCIAL RESOURCES THEY NEED TO SUPPORT THEIR WELL-BEING AND ACHIEVE ECONOMIC PROSPERITY.

QUICK FACTS

$27,750

Federal poverty level (FPL) for a family of four (2022)[a]

11%
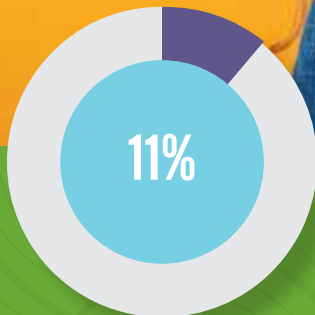
Child poverty rate (2022)[b]

6%
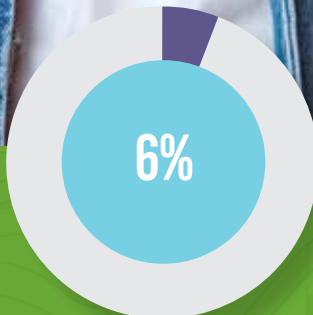
Children living in extreme poverty (below 50% of the FPL, 2022)[b]

$110,400

Median family income among households with children (2022)[b]

Sources: [a]U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; [b]U.S..Census Bureau, 2022 American Community Estimates

FAMILY ECONOMIC PROSPERITY

CHILDREN IN POVERTY

In 2022, 11% of Colorado children (133,000 kids) experienced poverty, which was not a statistically significant change from the previous year.[8] Progress toward reducing Colorado's child poverty rate has stalled in recent years, with the state's poverty rate for children remaining relatively unchanged since 2017.

IN 2022, ONE IN NINE COLORADO CHILDREN EXPERIENCED POVERTY.

PERCENT OF CHILDREN UNDER 18 IN POVERTY, 2010 TO 2022*
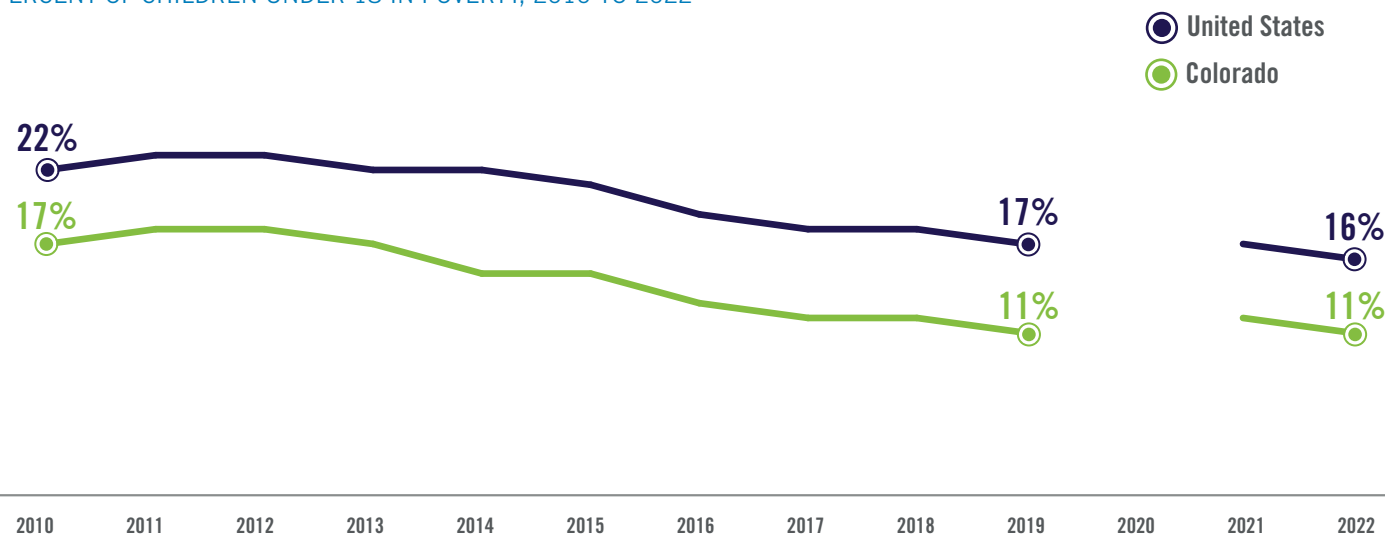
United States
Colorado

2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates, 2010 to 2022.
*Data for 2020 are unavailable due to the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on ACS data collection.

Although the official poverty measure does not show significant change in the child poverty rate from 2021 to 2022, estimates calculated using the Supplemental Poverty Measure — which accounts for the impact of non-cash benefits such as Medicaid, child care assistance and tax credits — show that the poverty rate for U.S. children **more than doubled** between 2021 and 2022. This sharp rise in poverty is largely due to the expiration of the expanded Child Tax Credit at the end of 2021 when Congress failed to renew it. The expanded CTC slashed child poverty rates during the COVID-19 pandemic, lifting millions of families out of poverty. Without the expanded credit, millions were thrust back below the poverty line in 2022.[9] Congress recently considered a proposal that would have made modest expansions to the credit for three years and benefit an estimated 192,000 kids in Colorado, but the proposal did not pass.[10]

The Federal Poverty Level (FPL) in 2022 was

$27,750

for a family of four.

Meanwhile, the **Self-Sufficiency Standard for Colorado** estimates that an Arapahoe County family of four with two adults, an infant and a preschooler would need

$108,684

to make ends meet.

CHILDREN IN POVERTY BY RACE/ETHNICITY*

Poverty does not affect all children equally. Historical and current policies and practices have limited employment and wealth-building opportunities for people of color while advantaging white people. Examples of these policies and practices include a lack of mainstream banking options in communities of color, discriminatory lending practices, redlining in the housing market and discriminatory sentencing practices in the criminal justice system.[11] As a result of these inequities, children of color in Colorado and across the U.S. are more likely than their white peers to experience poverty. **In Colorado, poverty rates for American Indian or Alaska Native children and Black or African-American children were three times as high as the rate for white children between 2018 and 2022. Hispanic or Latino children in Colorado were twice as likely as white children to experience poverty.**[12]

DUE TO HISTORIC AND PRESENT-DAY POLICIES AND PRACTICES THAT LIMIT ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY FOR FAMILIES OF COLOR, CHILDREN OF COLOR IN COLORADO ARE MORE LIKELY TO EXPERIENCE POVERTY THAN THEIR WHITE PEERS.

COLORADO CHILDREN IN POVERTY BY RACE/ETHNICITY*, 2018-2022.
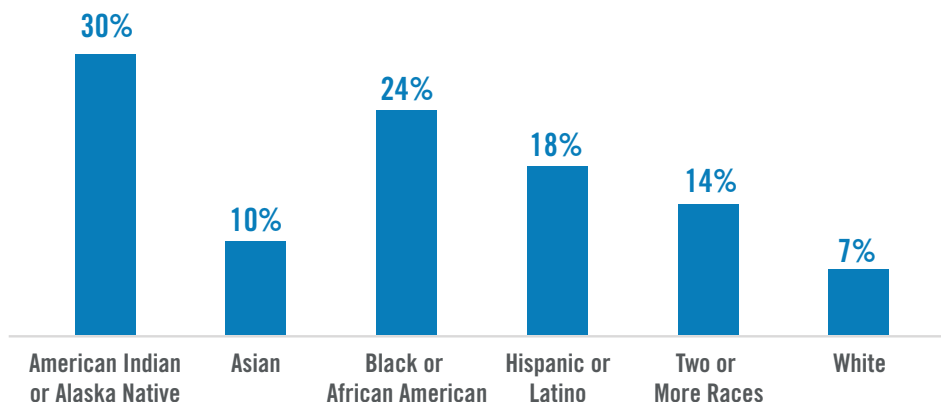
- American Indian or Alaska Native: 30%
- Asian: 10%
- Black or African American: 24%
- Hispanic or Latino: 18%
- Two or More Races: 14%
- White: 7%

Source: Author's analysis of data from the U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, 2018-2022.
*Data suppressed for Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander children due to a large margin of error.

FAMILY ECONOMIC PROSPERITY

Direct Cash Assistance: A Powerful Tool for Fighting Poverty

Most public programs intended to support families with low incomes are designed to serve specific purposes: helping families afford child care or access health care, for example. But these programs can't help them buy diapers and wipes, pay for car repairs, or purchase school supplies — basic needs that nearly all families will require at some point.

Pilot programs providing families with direct cash payments have become increasingly common in recent years, as policymakers recognize the importance and effectiveness of letting families prioritize their own needs and spend their cash payments accordingly. Evidence from policies providing direct cash payments to families is clear: direct cash reduces poverty and improves child health and educational outcomes, as well as outcomes for children into their adult years.[13] Evaluations of these guaranteed income pilot programs are still underway in many places, but early results are promising. A pilot program in Stockton, California that provided $500 monthly payments to a randomly selected group of residents during a two-year period saw improvements in participants' financial, physical and emotional health. Full-time employment levels among participants rose as well.[14] An evaluation of a Denver-based pilot providing cash transfers to people who are unhoused found that after six months, more participants reported living in rented or owned homes, more reported having full-time jobs, and fewer were sleeping outside.[15]

CHILDREN IN POVERTY BY COUNTY

Access to economic opportunity varies across Colorado communities. In some parts of the state, wages are higher, good jobs are more plentiful, and families have easier access to resources like child care or transportation that support their ability to go to work. Other communities face more barriers to employment opportunities that offer a livable wage. As a result, there are stark disparities in child poverty rates across Colorado's communities.

In 2022, child poverty rates ranged from 2% in Douglas County to 35% in Costilla County.[16] Child poverty rates tend to be lower in the state's Front Range counties and in rural-resort communities where the cost of living is high. As of 2022, the five counties with the state's highest child poverty rates were all rural counties in the southern or southeastern regions of Colorado.

CHILDREN UNDER 18 IN POVERTY BY COUNTY, 2022

HIGHEST CHILD POVERTY RATES (2022):

Costilla:	35%
Otero:	33%
Crowley:	31%
Saguache:	30%
Huerfano:	29%

LOWEST CHILD POVERTY RATES (2022):

Douglas:	2%
Pitkin:	4%
Broomfield:	6%
Routt:	6%
Jefferson:	7%

2% to 8%   9% to 12%   13% to 19%   20% to 24%   25% to 35%
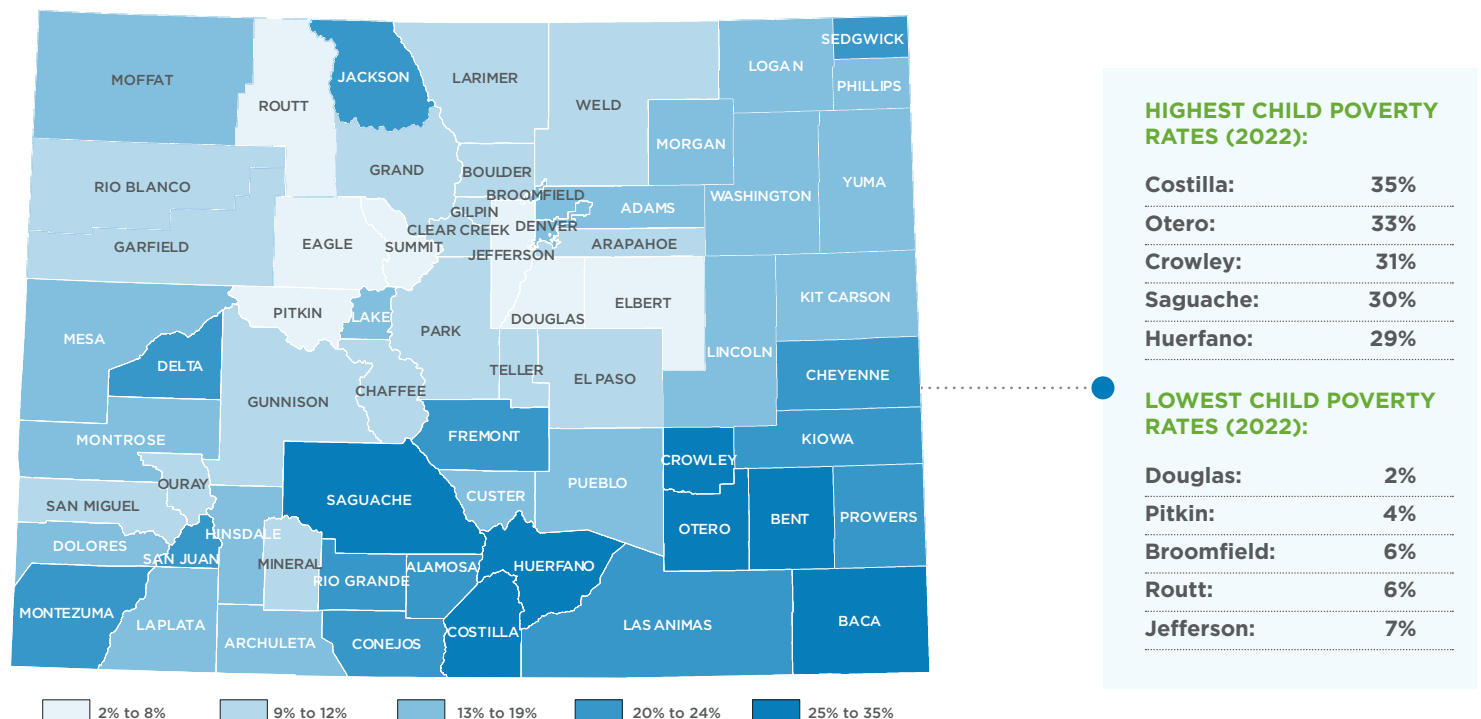
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2022 Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates (SAIPE).

Median family income among households with children ranges from $29,821 in Costilla County to $167,587 in Douglas County.

$29,821 — Costilla County
$167,587 — Douglas County
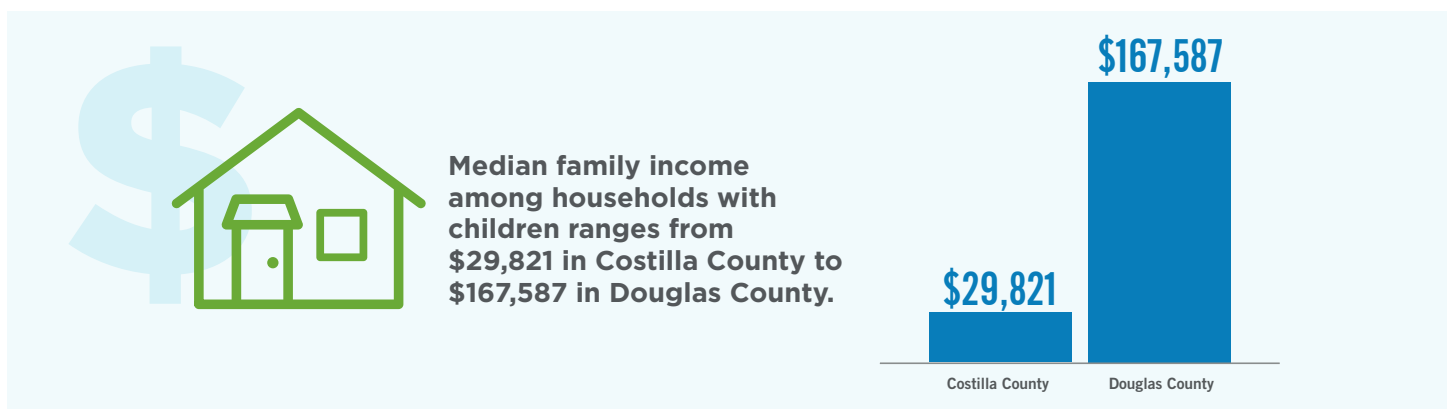
FAMILY ECONOMIC PROSPERITY

EXTREME POVERTY AND TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES (TANF)

Approximately 66,000 Colorado children (6% of all kids in the state) experienced extreme poverty in 2022.[17] Extreme poverty is defined as an annual income of less than $13,875 for a family of four — in other words, less than $9.50 per person per day.

COLORADO HAS MADE LITTLE PROGRESS AT REDUCING EXTREME POVERTY AMONG CHILDREN, DESPITE IMPROVEMENT IN OTHER ECONOMIC INDICATORS DURING THE PAST DECADE.

PERCENT OF CHILDREN UNDER 18 IN EXTREME POVERTY (<50% FPL), 2010 TO 2022*
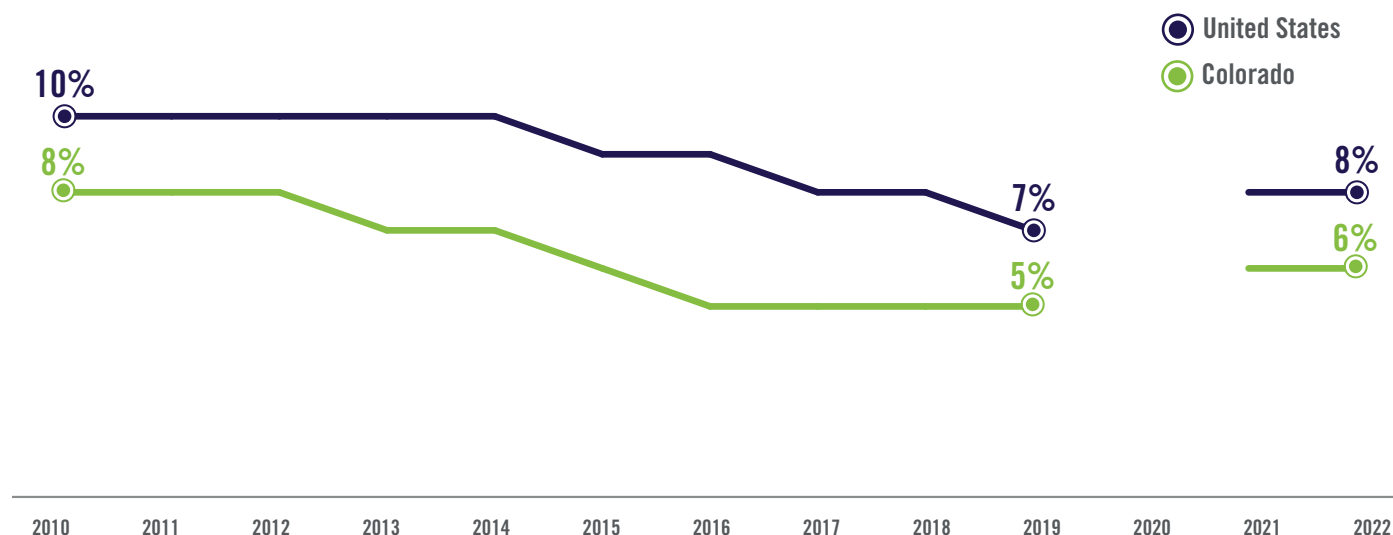
United States

Colorado

10%

8%

7%

8%

5%

6%

2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates, 2010 to 2022.
*Data for 2020 are unavailable due to the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on ACS data collection.

Children who experience this level of economic hardship are at higher risk of numerous conditions or experiences that threaten their development or well-being, including:

- Being born at a low birthweight;
- Experiencing a physical impairment that limits their ability to crawl, walk, run or play; and
- Being diagnosed with an intellectual disability or developmental delay.[18]

Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF, known in Colorado as Colorado Works), is a federal program that provides a small amount of cash assistance (known as Basic Cash Assistance, or BCA) to families with very low incomes. TANF is intended to mitigate the effects of poverty on families with children. However, its reach and impact have become less powerful over time as spending on Basic Cash Assistance payments to families has decreased and policymakers instituted work requirements and time limits on assistance. An analysis of the social safety net's effect on child poverty in the U.S. found that TANF reduced extreme poverty rates among children by 38% in 1993; by 2019, the program cut extreme poverty rates among kids by only 4%.[19]

The number of Colorado children receiving BCA through the TANF program is a fraction of the number of children living in extreme poverty. **In 2022, 45,696 Colorado children received BCA — approximately 69% of children who experienced extreme poverty.**[20] This is due in part to the fact that currently, a family of one adult and two children must make less than $421 a month to qualify for BCA in the Colorado Works Program – the equivalent of $5,052 in annual income. The eligibility or "need standard" for Colorado Works has not been updated in decades.

As of July 2024, the monthly Basic Cash Assistance payment for a family with one parent and two children was $592. Payments at this level still leave families well below the poverty line, which would equate to approximately $2,045 per month for a family with one adult and two children.[21] Basic Cash Assistance payments are also too low to allow families to afford the vast majority of housing options.[22] Based on federal standards of affordability, a family receiving a $592 monthly Basic Cash Assistance Payment could afford a monthly rent payment of approximately $178.[23] The monthly Fair Market Rent for a two-bedroom apartment in Colorado, however, is nearly ten times higher than this amount, at $1,671 per month.[24]

A FAMILY OF THREE RECEIVING THE MONTHLY TANF BASIC CASH ASSISTANCE BENEFIT WOULD NOT COME CLOSE TO BEING ABLE TO AFFORD RENT FOR A MODEST TWO-BEDROOM APARTMENT IN COLORADO.

MONTHLY TANF BENEFIT FOR A FAMILY OF THREE AS OF JULY 2024 AND FAIR MARKET RENT FOR A TWO-BEDROOM APARTMENT IN COLORADO

Monthly TANF benefit for a family of three: **$592**

Rent affordable to a family receiving TANF: **$178/month**

Two-bedroom fair market rent: **$1,671**

Sources: Center on Budget and Policy Priorities and the National Low Income Housing Coalition.

FAMILY ECONOMIC PROSPERITY

HOMEOWNERSHIP

The share of Colorado children living in households that are owned has risen substantially during the past decade, growing from 61% in 2012 to 72% in 2022. Even so, skyrocketing home prices and a lack of affordable housing options, compounded by a history of policies that have limited opportunities for families of color to purchase homes, have kept homeownership out of reach for many Colorado families. In 2022, the median value of owner-occupied housing units in Colorado was $531,100, up 31% in inflation-adjusted dollars from 2017.[25] Meanwhile, median family income among Colorado households with children rose by only 15% during this time period after adjusting for inflation.[26]

A long history of discriminatory practices in the housing market — such as redlining, restrictive covenants that barred people of color from purchasing homes in many areas, and unequal access to lending – has created inequities in homeownership rates between people of color and white people in Colorado.[27] Because homeownership is a primary source of wealth in the U.S., these disparities in homeownership rates are a major driver of the large wealth gap between people of color and white people.[28]

RACIAL AND ETHNIC DISPARITIES IN HOMEOWNERSHIP RATES IN COLORADO REFLECT A LONG HISTORY OF DISCRIMINATORY HOUSING PRACTICES AND DEPRIVE MANY FAMILIES OF WEALTH-BUILDING OPPORTUNITIES.

HOMEOWNERSHIP RATES AMONG COLORADO HOUSEHOLDS BY RACE/ETHNICITY, 2018-2022

American Indian or Alaska Native	Asian	Black or African American	Hispanic or Latino	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	Two or More Races	White
52%	65%	42%	54%	61%	56%	71%
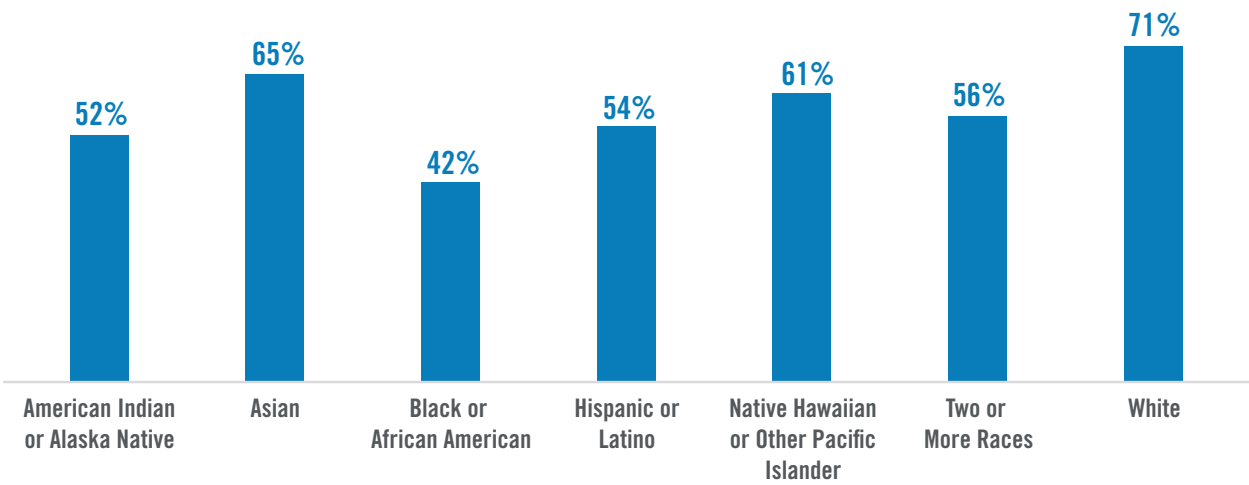
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, 2018-2022.

HOMELESSNESS AMONG CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES

Colorado school districts identified nearly 20,000 children experiencing homelessness during the 2022-23 school year.[29] The number of children identified as homeless dropped sharply during the COVID-19 pandemic, when many schools pivoted to remote learning and it became more difficult to identify students experiencing housing crises. However, the number of children experiencing homelessness has increased in subsequent years.[30]

The vast majority of Colorado students experiencing homelessness in the 2022-23 school year were "doubled-up" with another family due to economic hardship.[31] Although being doubled-up with another family may be less severe than being unsheltered, research indicates that living in crowded housing is harmful to children's academic achievement, health and behavior.[32]

AMONG COLORADO STUDENTS IDENTIFIED AS HOMELESS, 70% WERE DOUBLED-UP WITH ANOTHER FAMILY DUE TO ECONOMIC HARDSHIP.

STUDENTS IDENTIFIED AS HOMELESS, BY PRIMARY NIGHTTIME RESIDENCE, 2022-2023

Doubled-up due to economic hardship	13,656
Shelters or transitional housing	2,443
Hotels/motels	2,273
Unsheltered	1,143
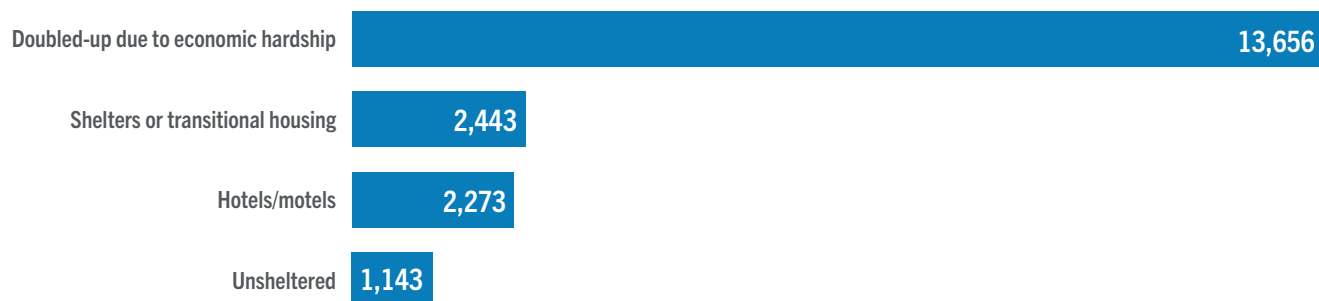
Source: Colorado Department of Education.

Evictions, foreclosures, and unaffordable housing have been responsible for a growing share of the housing crises among Colorado students experiencing homelessness. Among cases where the cause of the housing crisis was reported, evictions, foreclosures and inability to afford housing were reported as the cause of 26% of housing crises among homeless students in the 2020-21 school year. By 2023-24, they were responsible for 39%.[33] National research has found that childhood is the most common age at which a person experiences an eviction.[34]

Data sources on younger children also show that thousands of infants and toddlers in Colorado were experiencing homelessness as of 2021-2022. Nearly 2% of Colorado infants and toddlers — more than 4,500 children from ages birth through 3 — experienced homelessness in 2021-2022.[35] Early childhood development programs can help support children experiencing homelessness, yet data show that only 20% of infants and toddlers experiencing homelessness were enrolled in a home visiting program, Early Head Start or a school district-run program.[36]

FAMILY ECONOMIC PROSPERITY

HOUSING COSTS

Many Colorado communities have grappled with affordable housing shortages for decades. Recent years have brought rapid increases in housing prices and rent, leaving many families struggling to find an affordable option or cutting back on other basic needs to avoid falling behind on their mortgage or rent.

The cost of renting, in particular, has risen sharply. **Between 2013-2017 and 2018-2022, median gross rent in Colorado increased by 42% — jumping from $1,125 per month to $1,594 per month.**[37] Median rent ranged from $474 per month in Baca County to more than $1,950 per month in Douglas County between 2018 and 2022.[38]

In 2022, nearly one in three Colorado kids — and more than two in three kids in low-income families — lived in a household that was housing cost burdened.[39] A family is considered housing cost-burdened when they spend more than 30% of their income on housing.

High housing costs are straining Colorado families. Nearly one in three children lives in a household that spends more than 30% of their income on housing.

30%
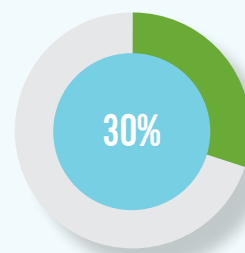
Source: Population Reference Bureau analysis of data from the 2022 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates.

Looking Forward: Policy Recommendations

⇨ Prioritize families with children in solutions to prevent and end episodes of homelessness.

⇨ Ensure that families with children experiencing homelessness have access to critical supports and services, including quality child care and home visiting.

⇨ Ensure that eviction prevention strategies prioritize the needs of families with children and that families have access to legal supports when faced with an eviction.

⇨ Make meaningful public investments in income supports for families, including through guaranteed income and other direct cash policies, and decrease barriers for families to access these income supports.

⇨ Continue to modernize Colorado's Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program to ensure that it effectively meets the needs of eligible families.

⇨ Prioritize policies that reduce deep childhood poverty in Colorado, including increased access to income supports and housing assistance for families experiencing deep poverty.

Samuels Elementary School. Photo by: moxie82inc.

NORTH STAR GOAL: ALL FAMILIES HAVE COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH INSURANCE, STRONG SOCIAL SUPPORT, HIGH-QUALITY PERINATAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH SERVICES AND AMPLE AMOUNTS OF HEALTHY FOODS.

QUICK FACTS

5%
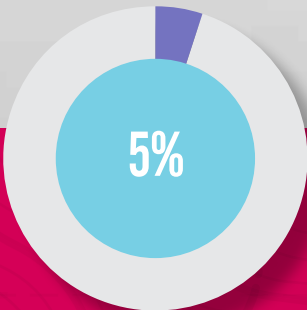
Uninsured children under 19 (2022)[a]

78%
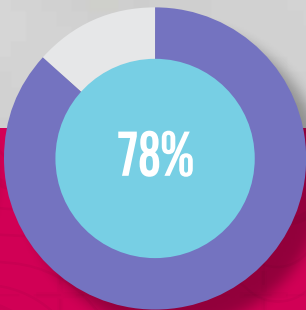
Children living with parents who report having someone they could turn to for day-to-day emotional support with parenting (2021-2022)[b]

4.5
deaths per 1,000 live births

Infant mortality rate (2022)[c]

9%
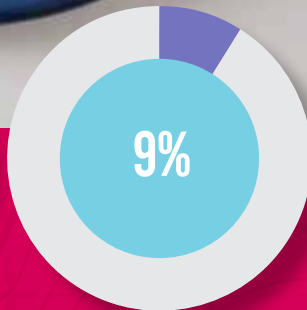
Households with children where children were not eating enough because food was unaffordable (February 2024)[d]

Sources: [a]U.S. Census Bureau, 2022 American Community Survey Estimates; [b]U.S..Department of Health and Human Services, National Survey of Children's Health, 2021-2022; [c]Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, Vital Statistics Program; [d]U.S. Census Bureau, Household Pulse Survey, 2024.

CHILD AND FAMILY HEALTH

UNINSURED CHILDREN

Health insurance matters for kids. It not only helps ensure they can see a health care provider for routine visits, sicknesses or emergencies; it also improves their long-term well-being in areas beyond their physical health. Kids with health insurance coverage are less likely to drop out of high school, more likely to graduate from college, and have higher incomes as adults.[40] **In 2022, 5% of Colorado children under 19 (approximately 62,000 kids) did not have health insurance, relatively unchanged from the previous year.**[41] It is important to note that these uninsured numbers reflect a time period before the Medicaid continuous eligibility provision expired, a policy change discussed in more detail (see page 27).

Colorado made historic progress on kids' health coverage between 2008 and 2015 as it implemented state-level policy changes like the expansion of the Child Health Plan *Plus* and provisions of the federal-level Affordable Care Act, such as the expansion of Medicaid for adults with low incomes. Beginning in 2015, however, progress stalled and even began to reverse in the years leading up to the COVID-19 pandemic. A federal-level policy change known as the continuous eligibility provision, implemented during the early weeks of the pandemic, then helped reduce the share of Colorado children without health insurance between 2019 and 2021 by ensuring tens of thousands of Colorado kids could keep their Medicaid coverage throughout the public health crisis.

COLORADO'S PROGRESS TOWARD REDUCING THE UNINSURED RATE AMONG CHILDREN HAS STAGNATED SINCE 2015.

PERCENT OF CHILDREN UNDER 19 WITHOUT HEALTH INSURANCE, 2008 TO 2022*
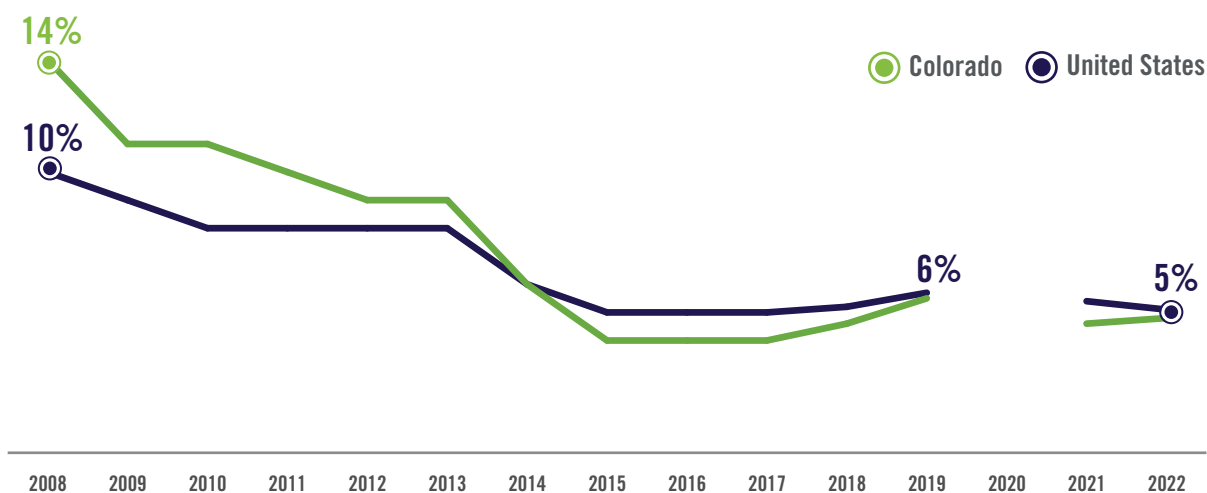
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Health Insurance Historical Tables, 2008 to 2022.

*The COVID-19 pandemic disrupted data collection for the 2020 American Community Survey (ACS), depressing response rates and requiring the U.S. Census Bureau to publish experimental estimates for 2020. Experimental estimates from 2020 are not comparable to other years of ACS data and thus are not shown here.

Unwinding of the Medicaid Continuous Eligibility Provision Puts Thousands of Colorado Kids at Risk of Being Uninsured

A federal policy change enacted in March 2020 as part of the Families First Coronavirus Response Act reduced Colorado's uninsured rate for kids between 2019 and 2021, even amid widespread job losses and economic turmoil. Known as the **continuous eligibility provision**, the policy barred states from disenrolling anyone from Medicaid while the federal public health emergency was in effect unless they voluntarily disenrolled, died or moved out of the state. In exchange, the federal government increased matching funds for states' Medicaid programs.[42] This policy change was designed to prevent the temporary loss of Medicaid coverage that many enrollees experience during a typical year for reasons often unrelated to eligibility. It drove the nation's uninsured rate to a historic low in early 2022.[43]

The continuous eligibility provision ended in the spring of 2023, at which point states began redetermining who remained eligible for Medicaid coverage — and disenrolling those who were no longer eligible or whose eligibility could not be determined.[44] **Since Colorado began terminating Medicaid coverage in June 2023, nearly 147,000 Colorado children have been disenrolled from Medicaid — a decline of 24% from May 2023 enrollment levels.** A portion of these children are likely still eligible for coverage based on their family's income, yet were disenrolled for procedural reasons like administrative or paperwork issues. One analysis found that among Americans of all ages who were disenrolled from Medicaid since the unwind began, nearly 70% had their coverage terminated for procedural reasons.[45] Of children who have been disenrolled, it is not yet clear how many are now uninsured and how many may re-enroll in Medicaid or secure coverage from another source (e.g., employer-sponsored coverage or the Child Health Plan *Plus*, etc.).

Colorado has taken some important steps to prevent children who still qualify for Medicaid from wrongly losing their coverage, but the state must do more to ensure Colorado kids have the health coverage and care they need.

SINCE THE MEDICAID UNWIND BEGAN, NEARLY 147,000 COLORADO KIDS HAVE LOST THEIR MEDICAID COVERAGE.

CHILD MEDICAID ENROLLMENT IN COLORADO, MAY 2023 TO FEBRUARY 2024

May 2023	June 2023	July 2023	August 2023	September 2023	October 2023	November 2023	December 2023	January 2024	February 2024
607,845	594,673	578,516	562,529	544,635	538,442	504,933	491,341	476,085	461,245
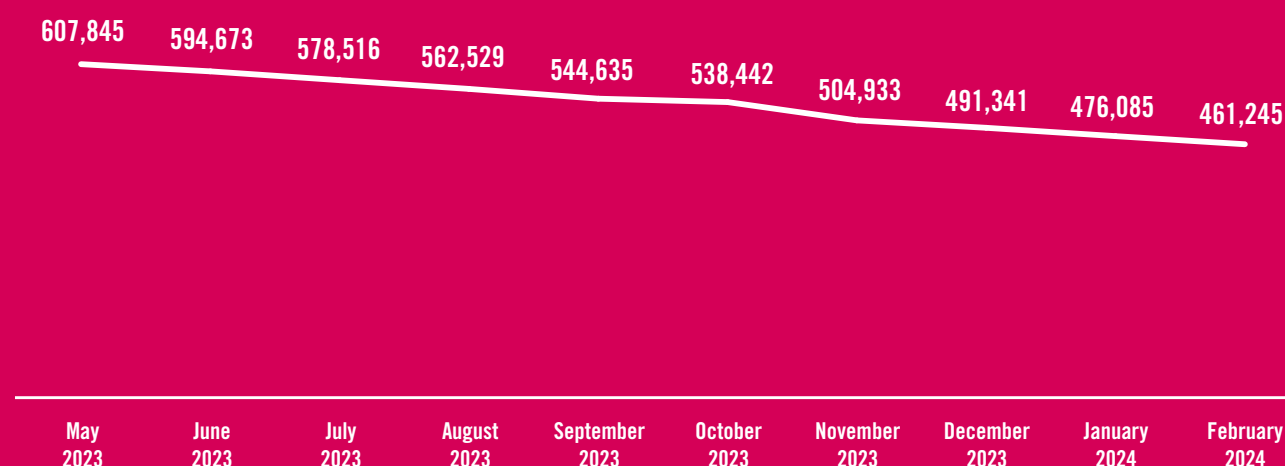
Source: Georgetown University Center for Children and Families analysis of state enrollment data.

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UNINSURED RATES BY RACE/ETHNICITY

A child's access to health care should not vary based on their race or ethnicity, yet uninsured rates in Colorado are significantly higher for children of color than for white children. **In 2022, American Indian or Alaska Native children, Hispanic or Latino children, and multiracial children had uninsured rates twice as high as the rate for white children.**[46] Research points to policies that have historically segregated people of color in occupations that often do not offer health coverage or that excluded children from certain forms of coverage based on their immigration status as important factors contributing to racial disparities in health coverage.[47]

CHILDREN OF COLOR IN COLORADO FACE MORE BARRIERS TO HEALTH COVERAGE THAN THEIR WHITE PEERS.

PERCENT OF COLORADO KIDS WITHOUT HEALTH INSURANCE BY RACE/ETHNICITY*, 2022

American Indian or Alaska Native	Asian	Black or African American	Hispanic or Latino	Two or More Races	White
7%	5%	5%	7%	6%	3%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2022 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates.
*Data for Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander children was suppressed due to a large margin of error.

UNINSURED RATES BY FAMILY INCOME

In 2022, uninsured rates for Colorado kids were highest among those living in families with incomes between 100% and 149% of the federal poverty level (between approximately $27,750 and $41,300 for a family of four in 2022). Approximately 10% of Colorado children with family incomes between 100% and 149% FPL were uninsured, compared to 5% of children overall.[48] Most children in this income range qualify for publicly funded health coverage through Medicaid or the Child Health Plan *Plus*. Higher-than-average uninsured rates among children in this income range point to a need for improved outreach and enrollment processes among families with low incomes.

The share of Colorado kids hose family incomes are at or below the federal poverty level who lack health insurance dropped markedly between 2019 and 2022, falling from 8% to 5%.[49] This decline coincides with the implementation of the Medicaid continuous eligibility provision, which prohibited states from involuntarily disenrolling anyone from Medicaid between 2020 and spring 2023. Unless Colorado takes all steps necessary to mitigate the impact of the Medicaid "unwind" on children, our state could see this progress erased in future years.

UNINSURED RATES AMONG COLORADO CHILDREN IN POVERTY FELL SIGNIFICANTLY BETWEEN 2019 AND 2022, BUT THE END OF MEDICAID CONTINUOUS COVERAGE THREATENS TO REVERSE THIS PROGRESS.

PERCENT OF COLORADO CHILDREN WITHOUT HEALTH INSURANCE BY FAMILY INCOME, 2019 AND 2022
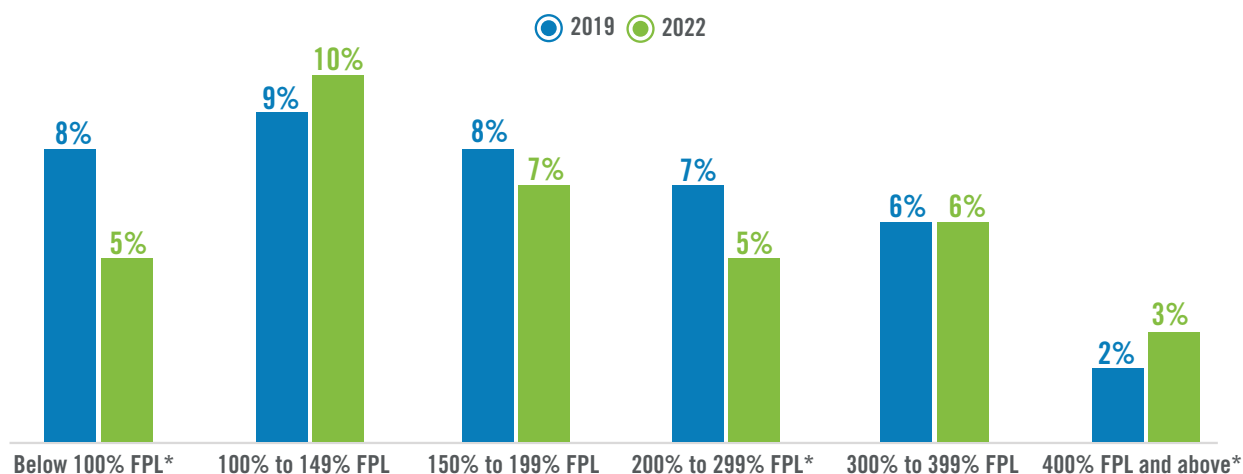
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2019 and 2022 American Community Survey Estimates.
*An asterisk denotes a statistically significant change in the uninsured rate between 2019 and 2022.

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Medicaid and Child Health Plan *Plus* (CHP+) are publicly funded programs that provide free or low-cost health coverage for Colorado kids in families with low to moderate incomes. Medicaid serves children in families earning less than 138% of the federal poverty level (approximately $38,300 for a family of four in 2022), and CHP+ serves children in families with incomes above the Medicaid eligibility cutoff but below 260% of the federal poverty level (about $72,150 for a family of four in 2022). More than half of Colorado kids were covered by one of these programs at some point during the 2022-23 fiscal year.[50]
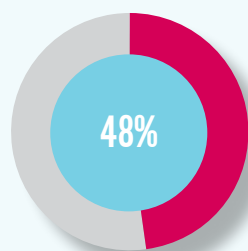
48% of Colorado kids were enrolled in Medicaid at some point during fiscal year 2022-23
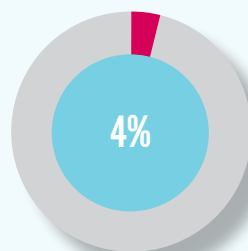
4% were enrolled in CHP+ at some point during fiscal year 2022-23

UNINSURED RATES BY COUNTY

The most recent available county-level uninsured rates show wide disparities in health coverage among children. **The share of children without health insurance in 2021 ranged from 0.7% in Crowley County to more than 15% in San Juan County.**[51]

Several of the counties that experienced large declines in their uninsured rates between 2019 and 2021 also saw significant increases in the share of children covered by Medicaid, again pointing to the importance of Medicaid continuous eligibility in boosting health coverage among kids. In Crowley County, for example, the percent of kids without health insurance fell from 7% in 2019 to 0.7% in 2021. Meanwhile, the percent of Crowley County kids enrolled in Medicaid jumped from 47% to 70% during the same time period.[52]

CHILDREN UNDER 19 WITHOUT HEALTH INSURANCE, 2021

HIGHEST UNINSURED RATES:

San Juan:	15%
Jackson:	14%
Hinsdale:	12%
Phillips:	11%
Yuma:	11%

LOWEST UNINSURED RATES:

Crowley:	0.7%
Bent:	2%
Douglas:	2%
Broomfield:	3%
Jefferson:	4%

Legend: 1% to 3% | 4% to 6% | 7% to 8% | 9% to 11% | 12% to 15%
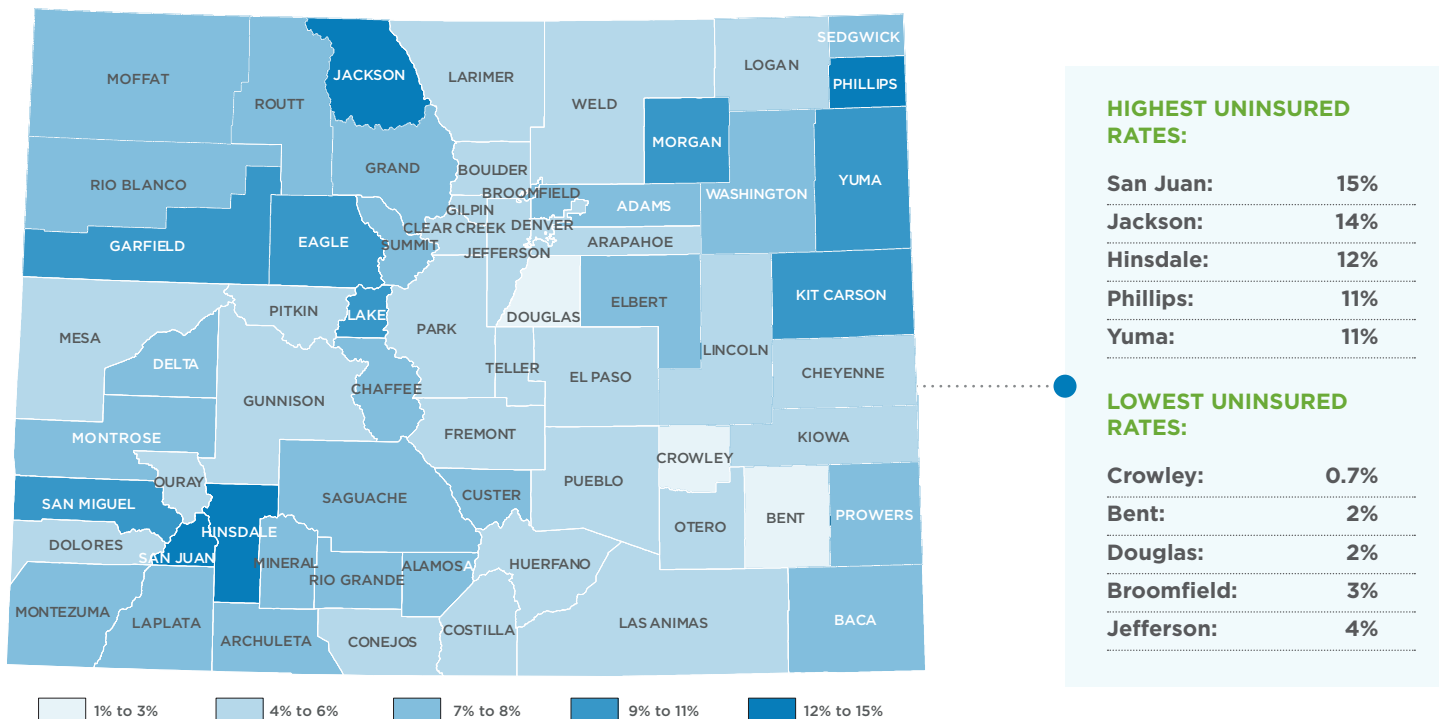
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2021 Small Area Health Insurance Estimates (SAHIE).

ORAL HEALTH CARE AND COVERAGE

Healthy teeth and gums are integral to a child's overall health, and all children should be able to visit an oral health care provider on a regular basis to prevent tooth decay and other oral health issues. Tooth decay is the most common chronic disease among young children and can lead to serious health problems and severe pain if it goes untreated.[53]

According to the 2023 Colorado Health Access Survey:

89%
of Colorado children **had some sort of insurance coverage that pays for some or all of their routine dental care,** up from 74% in 2009.[54]
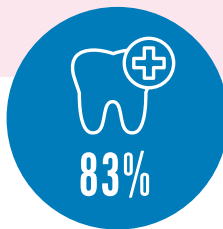
83%
of Colorado kids **had visited a dentist or dental hygienist** in the past 12 months, up from 76% in 2009.[55] Of those who had not visited an oral health care provider, the most commonly cited reasons were fear of the pain from the procedures the dentist would perform and challenges finding a dentist or hygienist to whom they could relate.[56]

5%
of Colorado kids were **unable to fully participate in regular daily activities like school or work due to dental pain.**[57]

IMMUNIZATIONS

Vaccines are a safe and cost-effective way to protect the health of individual children from illnesses with devastating health effects, such as polio, hepatitis B or whooping cough. They are also vital for protecting the community at large, including children who are too young to be vaccinated or those who cannot be vaccinated due to compromised immune systems.[58]

There has been a resurgence of some vaccine-preventable illnesses in recent years, including measles and whooping cough, as immunization rates for some important childhood vaccines have stalled or declined.[59, 60] **Data published by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment show declines in immunization rates for all vaccines among children in child care, kindergarten and the K-12 school system.**[61] Among kindergartners, immunization rates for the MMR vaccine, which protects against measles, mumps and rubella, reached their lowest level since the 2017-2018 school year when the state began publishing data.[62]

Immunization rates vary widely by county. The share of kindergartners who were fully immunized against polio, for example, ranged from only 43% in Hinsdale County to 100% in Mineral and Sedgwick counties in the 2022-23 school year.[63] Many communities have immunization rates below the levels required to protect the population at large. When immunization rates dip below the herd immunity threshold, communities can begin to see outbreaks of vaccine-preventable diseases, putting children at risk of serious health problems.

IMMUNIZATION RATES AMONG COLORADO KINDERGARTNERS HAVE DECLINED FOR ALL VACCINES IN RECENT YEARS.

PERCENT OF KINDERGARTNERS WHO ARE FULLY IMMUNIZED, BY IMMUNIZATION AND SCHOOL YEAR

● 2019-20   ● 2022-23

Immunization	2019-20	2022-23
DTaP	93%	87%
HepB	93%	91%
MMR	93%	87%
Polio	93%	87%
Varicella	90%	86%
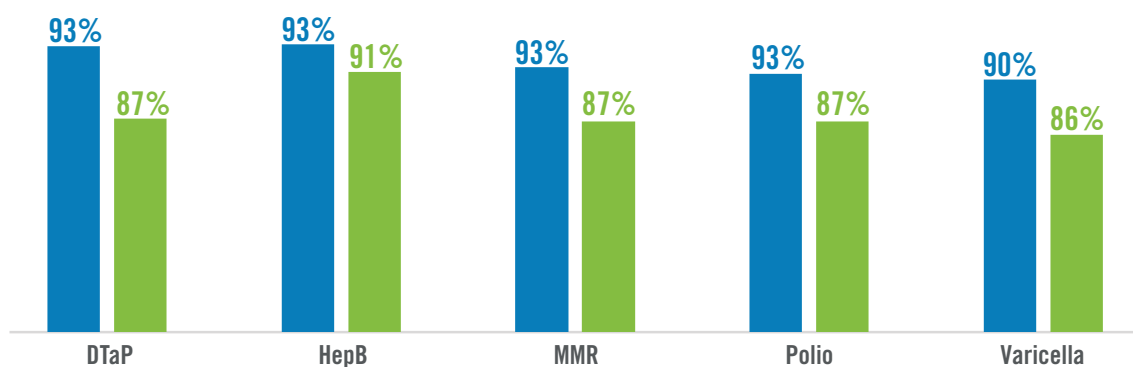
Source: Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment. Colorado Kindergarten Immunization Rates.

FOOD INSECURITY

No child in Colorado should ever go hungry or wonder where their next meal will come from. Yet, the most recent estimates suggest that approximately 118,000 Colorado kids lived in families experiencing food insecurity, meaning they were uncertain about having enough food for all household members.[64]

The share of children living in households that experienced food insecurity dropped steeply in recent years, falling from 16% in 2017-2019 to 10% in 2020-2022.[65] This decline happened during a time when the federal government temporarily expanded food assistance programs like the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP, formerly known as food stamps) to address hunger during the COVID-19 pandemic and economic downturn.

Between April 2020 and February 2023, Colorado families enrolled in SNAP were provided with increased benefits through SNAP emergency allotments implemented by the federal government. The Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer program, or P-EBT, was also created during this time to temporarily provide food assistance to families with children who faced reduced access to meals when schools and many child care providers were closed.[66] The expiration of these two programs in the spring of 2023 — coupled with the fastest increase in food prices in more than 40 years — may create a "hunger cliff" for families who experienced a sharp drop in their SNAP benefits, driving up the number of kids going hungry across the state.[67]

FOOD INSECURITY AMONG COLORADO HOUSEHOLDS WITH CHILDREN DROPPED SHARPLY IN RECENT YEARS. THE DECLINE COINCIDES WITH THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, DURING WHICH FOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS EXPANDED TO PROVIDE MORE GENEROUS BENEFITS.

PERCENT OF CHILDREN LIVING IN HOUSEHOLDS THAT EXPERIENCED FOOD INSECURITY AT SOME POINT DURING THE YEAR, 2011-2013 TO 2020-2022
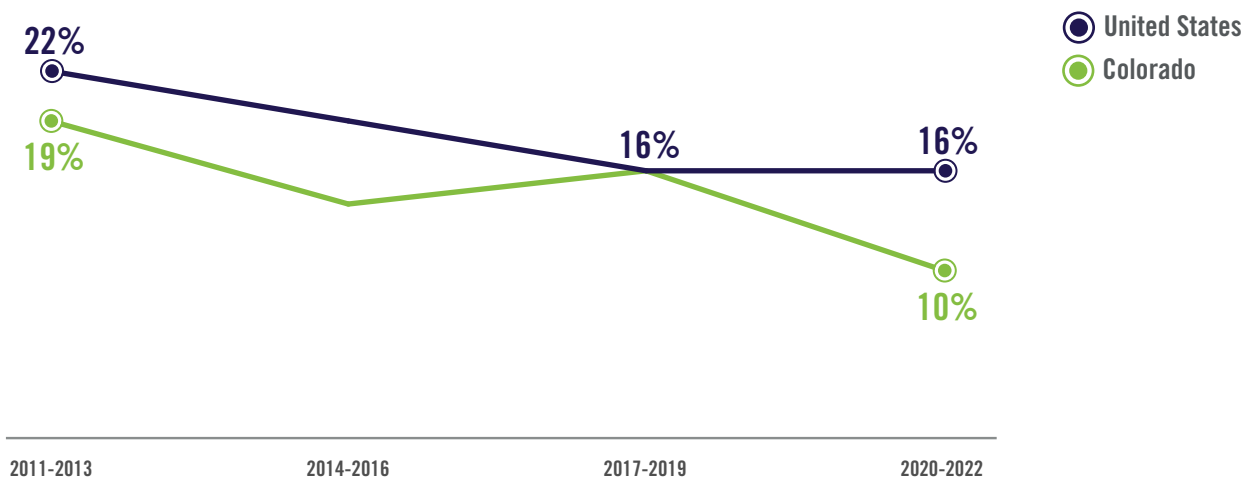
United States
Colorado

22%
19%
16%
16%
10%

| 2011-2013 | 2014-2016 | 2017-2019 | 2020-2022 |

Source: Population Reference Bureau analysis of data from the U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, Food Security Supplement.

GUN DEATHS

Gun deaths are responsible for an increasing share of deaths among children and teens. In 2020, firearms surpassed motor vehicles as the leading cause of death for American children ages 1 to 19.[68] After increasing by 50% between 2019 and 2021, the number of gun deaths among U.S. children remained high in 2022.[69]

In 2022, 104 Colorado children and youth ages 19 and under were killed by guns, up from 83 in 2021.[70] This marks the highest number of gun deaths among Colorado children and youth on record in at least 20 years.[71] Colorado's firearm death rate for kids and teens was 7.6 deaths per 100,000 people ages 19 and under in 2022, more than double the rate of 3.1 per 100,000 in 2000.[72]

The increase in gun deaths between 2021 and 2022 was largely driven by firearm homicides. Between 2021 and 2022, the number of gun deaths by homicide among children and youth rose from 40 to 57, while the number of firearm deaths by suicide rose from 39 to 41.[73]

GUN DEATHS AMONG COLORADO KIDS 19 AND UNDER JUMPED BY MORE THAN 25% BETWEEN 2021 AND 2022, REACHING THEIR HIGHEST LEVEL IN AT LEAST TWO DECADES.

GUN DEATHS AMONG COLORADANS AGES 19 AND UNDER, 2000 TO 2022
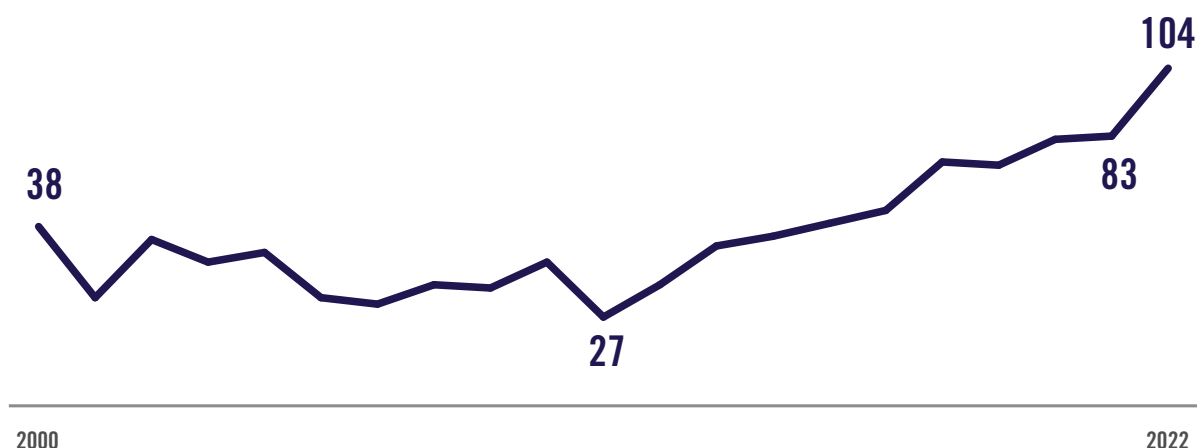
Source: Analysis of data from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Health Statistics, Underlying Cause of Death by Bridged Race, 1999-2020 and Underlying Cause of Death by Single Race, 2018-2022 on CDC WONDER Online Database, released 2023.

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Looking Forward: Policy Recommendations

⇨ Expand continuous eligibility coverage in public health insurance programs for children and simplify application and enrollment processes so that no child is ever without medical coverage.

⇨ Ensure strong implementation of recent policy wins to improve health insurance coverage including:

- Expanding access to Medicaid and CHP+ to undocumented pregnant and postpartum Coloradans and undocumented children beginning in January of 2025; and

- Implementing continuous eligibility policies for Colorado children and families covered by Medicaid and CHP+ to keep kids and families covered for longer periods of time and prevent delays in health care, beginning by January 2026.

⇨ Increase access to preventive fluoride varnish for young children, especially for those living in rural communities.

⇨ Increase access to oral health through non-traditional avenues including school-based health, integrated oral health services, and parental access to preventative fluoride.

⇨ Expand access to safe and culturally responsive birthing options with a specific focus on perinatal health care deserts and non-clinical provider support.

⇨ Implement and enforce evidence-based gun violence prevention policies, including minimum age restrictions, safe storage laws, extreme risk protection orders and waiting periods to protect Colorado kids and families from gun violence in their communities.

⇨ Stabilize funding for schools to offer free, healthy meals for all students.

Westy POWER-PODER at Standley Lake. Photo by moxie82inc.

Grant-Frontier Park. Photo by: moxie82inc.

NORTH STAR GOAL: ALL CHILDREN HAVE EQUITABLE, HIGH-QUALITY EARLY CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCES SHAPED BY WELL-SUPPORTED FAMILIES, CAREGIVERS, AND EDUCATORS THAT FOSTER SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT, HEALTH AND OVERALL WELL-BEING.

QUICK FACTS

187,579

Infants and toddlers in Colorado (ages birth to 2, 2022)[a]

127,242

Preschool-age children in Colorado (ages 3 and 4, 2022)[a]

44%

Children from 9 to 35 months who received a developmental screening in the past 12 months (2021-2022)[b]

11,865

Children served by home visiting programs (2022-2023)[c]

Sources: [a]Colorado State Demography Office, 2022 Population Estimates by Single Year of Age; [b]National Survey of Children's Health, Health Resources and Services Administration, Maternal and Child Health Bureau; [c]Colorado Home Visiting Coalition, Colorado Home Visiting Annual Report 2023.

EARLY CHILDHOOD LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT

CHILD CARE CAPACITY

With a high and increasing cost of living in Colorado, most families with young children have all available parents in the labor force in order to make ends meet — meaning child care is a basic necessity for their households.[74] Yet, finding consistent, reliable child care arrangements is an ever-present struggle for many families with young kids. Families in many communities face waitlists for child care that can be years long, and some Colorado communities lack *any* licensed care options for infants and toddlers.

The state's existing capacity in licensed child care settings is insufficient to meet the needs of working families. **As of 2022, there were 156,556 slots in Colorado's licensed child care centers, family child care homes and preschools — enough to serve about two-thirds of children under 6 living in families where all available parents are in the labor force.**[75, 76] Using licensed capacity to estimate the number of children who can be served in these settings likely results in an overestimate of the supply of child care. Licensed capacity reflects the maximum number of children who can be served under licensing regulations, but some providers serve fewer children than regulations allow due to choice or because they cannot find enough staff to keep classrooms open.

CAPACITY IN COLORADO'S LICENSED CHILD CARE CENTERS, FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES AND PRESCHOOLS IS ONLY SUFFICIENT TO SERVE TWO-THIRDS OF THE YOUNG CHILDREN WHO LIKELY NEED CARE.

LICENSED CHILD CARE AND PRESCHOOL CAPACITY AS A PERCENT OF COLORADO CHILDREN UNDER AGE 6 WITH ALL AVAILABLE PARENTS IN THE LABOR FORCE, 2022

● Children able to be served in licensed slots in child care centers, family child care homes and preschools
● Children potentially unable to access a licensed slot

156,556 (65% of children who likely need care)	83,444 (35% of children who likely need care)

Source: Author's analysis of data from the Colorado Department of Early Childhood and the U.S. Census Bureau's 2022 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates.

Care Provided by Family, Friends or Neighbors

Many young children are cared for outside of licensed child care settings, either due to family preferences or shortages of licensed care options in their communities. This informal care is often provided by family members who are not the child's parent or by friends or neighbors, and it is often referred to as Family, Friend or Neighbor (FFN) care. Families may choose FFN care for its cultural and linguistic relevance, flexibility, and affordability. Data show that FFN care is particularly common among families with infants and toddlers, families of color and families with low incomes.[77]

State-level data on the number of children cared for by an FFN provider are scarce, but national data suggest that FFN care is the most commonly used form of non-parental child care.[78] The National Survey of Early Care and Education estimates that nearly 12 million children across the U.S. are cared for by more than five million FFN providers.[79]

COST OF CHILD CARE

Child care costs are the largest monthly expense for many families with young children, outpacing even mortgage or rent payments.[80] **In 2022, the cost of full-time center-based child care for an infant in Colorado reached $19,573 per year, and full-time center-based care for a 4-year-old was $13,809 per year.**[81] A Colorado family with two young children could easily spend more than $30,000 per year on child care costs — straining budgets for all but the wealthiest families and putting child care in formal settings out of reach for most families with low to moderate incomes. **The average cost of center-based infant care is nearly *half* of the median income for a single-parent family in Colorado and nearly 16% of the median income for a married-couple family.**[82] These costs are not sustainable, forcing families to make tough choices about whether to reduce their work hours, drop out of the workforce entirely, or rely on inconsistent care arrangements.

THE AVERAGE COST OF CENTER-BASED CHILD CARE FOR AN INFANT IN COLORADO IS APPROXIMATELY ONE-SIXTH OF THE PRE-TAX MEDIAN INCOME FOR A MARRIED-COUPLE FAMILY AND NEARLY HALF OF THE MEDIAN INCOME FOR A SINGLE-PARENT FAMILY.

AVERAGE ANNUAL COST OF CENTER-BASED INFANT CHILD CARE IN COLORADO AS A PERCENT OF MEDIAN INCOME FOR SELECT FAMILY TYPES, 2022

Married-couple family: $19,573 / $99,507
Single-parent family: $19,573 / $20,060
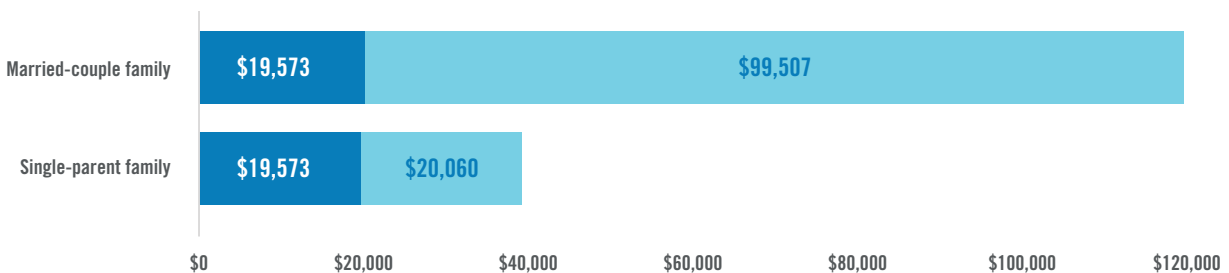
Source: Child Care Aware of America. (2022). 2022 Child Care Affordability Analysis.

Although the price families pay for child care is very high, most providers are operating on razor-thin margins because care is costly to provide and the child care market is broken. One source estimates that the cost to providers to provide full-time, center-based infant care in Colorado is $1,446 per child per month, equating to more than $17,300 per year.[83] Increasing the quality of care results in higher costs: to pay infant teachers the same salary as kindergarten teachers, for example, would increase the monthly per-child cost of providing care to $1,631.[84] In most cases, providers cannot afford to charge any less, and most families cannot afford to pay any more. Making child care more affordable for families while ensuring it is high-quality and sustainable for providers will require additional public funding for the child care system.

THE CHILD CARE WORKFORCE

Child care educators are the backbone of the child care sector. They are the nurturing, familiar faces children see each day when they enter their classrooms, and they play a central role in supporting the rapid social and cognitive development children experience during their earliest years. Beyond their impact on the children in their care, their work is critical to the economy. Without the child care workforce, parents cannot work to support their families, and employers cannot recruit and retain the talent they need to operate a successful business.

Wages for child care providers, however, do not reflect the indispensable work they do. **In 2022, the median annual wages for a child care teacher in Colorado were $34,830 — only 54% of the median earnings for full-time, year-round workers in Colorado.**[85, 86] Median wages vary widely across the state: among counties for which data were available, median annual wages for child care educators were lowest in Archuleta County ($28,902) and highest in Eagle County ($40,962).

Low wages contribute to an ongoing workforce crisis in the early childhood field as programs struggle to hire and retain teachers and other staff. A 2024 survey conducted by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) found that 37% of child care center directors and family child care home operators reported that their program was experiencing a staffing shortage.[87]

Among the 29 counties for which data were available, 13 counties had median wages for child care educators that were **below the Self-Sufficiency Standard for a single adult.** Summit, Douglas and Broomfield counties had the largest gap between median wages for child care educators and their county's Self-Sufficiency Standard.

Source: Author's analysis of data from the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment, the Center for Women's Welfare, and the Colorado Center on Law and Policy.

MEDIAN ANNUAL WAGES FOR CHILD CARE EDUCATORS BY COUNTY, 2022

Legend: $28,902 to $29,856 | $29,856 to $31,679 | $31,679 to $33,935 | $33,935 to $37,470 | $37,470 to $40,962 | No Data

Source: Colorado Department of Labor and Employment. 2022 Occupational Employment and Wage Statistics.
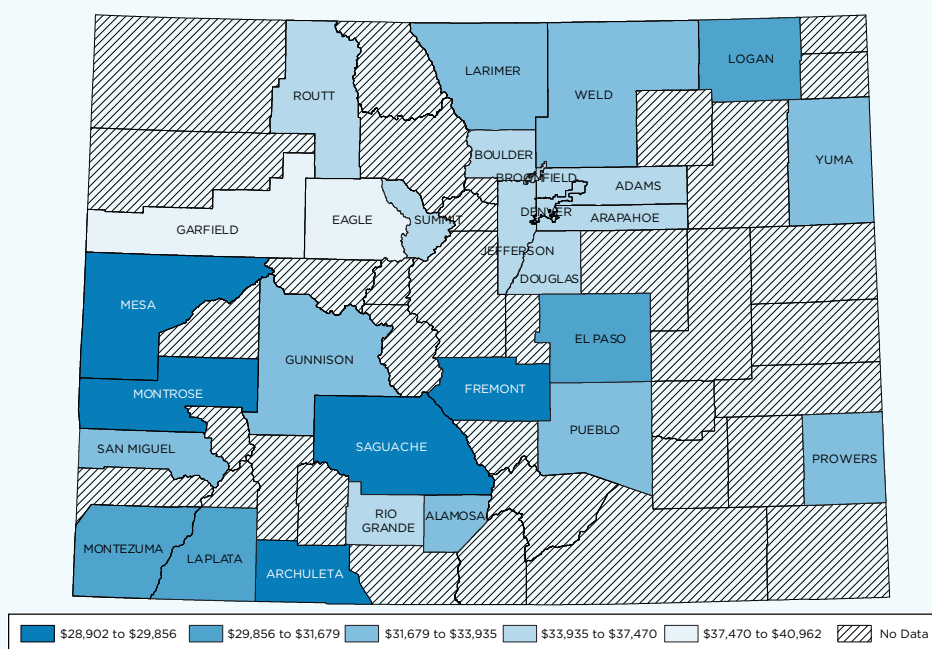
Due to the demographics of the child care workforce, the inadequate wages for child care staff disproportionately affect women and people of color. **As of the 2020-21 school year, people of color made up 33% of Colorado's early care and education professionals, compared to 28% of working-age people in the state.**[88] ECE professionals who work with infants and toddlers typically earn less than those who work with preschool-age children, and Colorado's infant and toddler teachers are more likely to be people of color than staff working with other age groups.[89, 90] More than 40% of assistant teachers and 36% of lead teachers working with children ages birth to 2 were people of color as of 2020-21.[91] In comparison, 35% of assistant teachers and 28% of lead teachers working with children ages 3 to 5 were people of color.[92]

Among Colorado child care providers surveyed in February 2024:
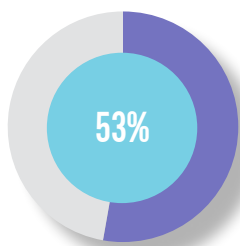
53% reported they were **more burned out** compared to the same time last year.[93]
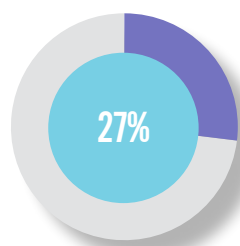
27% reported their **economic situation had worsened** since the same point last year.[94]
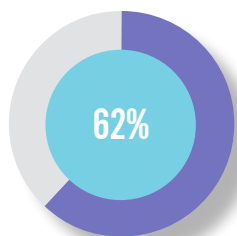
62% reported that at least one child care center in their community had closed in the past year.[95]

HOME VISITING PROGRAMS

Home visiting programs are voluntary programs designed to support families with babies and young children. They are typically delivered in a family's home environment and can offer help with parenting strategies, connect families to other needed resources, and promote early learning. Research has found that these programs can improve health outcomes among infants and mothers, prevent child abuse or neglect, and help ensure children are ready for school.[96] One analysis estimates that Colorado's home visiting models yield $1.50 to $6 in benefits for each dollar spent on programming.[97]

Home visiting models offered in Colorado include Nurse-Family Partnership, Healthy Families America, Healthy Steps, Baby Bear Hugs, Home-Based Head Start, SafeCare Colorado, Child First, Family Connects, Parents as Teachers, and Home Instruction for the Parents of Preschool Youngsters (HIPPY).[98] The Colorado Home Visiting Coalition reports that **11,865 young children in Colorado were served through a home visiting program in 2022-2023, receiving a total of 93,807 visits**. Nearly all children served (96%) lived in families with incomes below 200% of the federal poverty level (below $62,400 for a family of four in 2024), and approximately two in five families served spoke a language other than English.*

The reach of home visiting programs varies widely by county. According to the Colorado Home Visiting Coalition, the percent of children under 6 who received services through a home visiting model in 2022-23 ranged from zero in Hinsdale and Jackson counties to nearly 23% in Logan County.[99]

CHILDREN UNDER 6 WHO RECEIVED HOME VISITING SERVICES BY COUNTY, 2022-23

0% to 2% | 3% to 5% | 6% to 8% | 9% to 15% | 16% to 23%
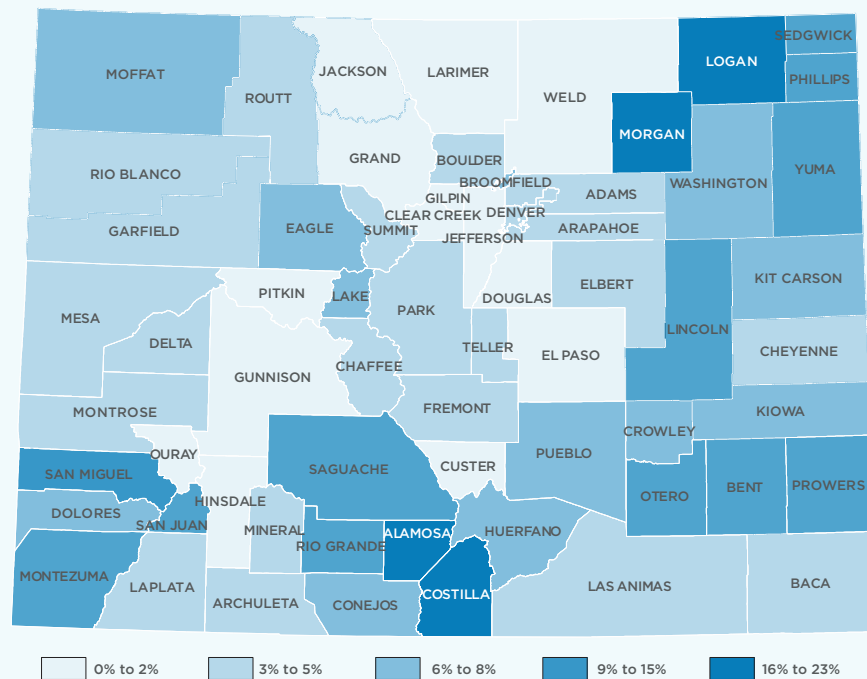
Source: Colorado Home Visiting Coalition.

* Data by income excludes Family Connects, Healthy Steps and Head Start. Data by language excludes Nurse Family Partnership,

PRESCHOOL ENROLLMENT

High-quality preschool yields benefits for kids, including higher test scores, increased likelihood of graduating from high school, and better health in their adult years.[100] Colorado's preschool landscape experienced major changes in the fall of 2023 when the first class of 3- and 4-year-olds participated in the state's newly implemented Universal Preschool Colorado (UPK) program. Initiated by a successful 2020 ballot measure that increased nicotine taxes to fund preschool, UPK provides 15 hours a week of free preschool to all young children in the year before kindergarten. Colorado 4-year-olds with certain risk factors can receive 30 hours of free preschool, and 3-year-olds with certain risk factors can receive 10 hours of free preschool.

As of January 2024, 44,845 children were enrolled in UPK.[101] This number is approximately 60% of children who are eligible for the program.[102] Among 4-year-olds who were enrolled:

68% receive funding for **15 hours per week;**

24% receive funding for **10 hours per week;** and

9% receive funding for **30 hours per week.**[103]

In comparison to the Colorado Preschool Program (CPP), which preceded UPK and only served children with qualifying factors that put them at risk of not being ready for school, UPK is serving a lower share of children in low-income families. Data from 2023 show that more than 70% of children served in CPP lived in families with low incomes. The new program uses a higher threshold for determining which children live in low-income families. Using this higher threshold of 270% of the federal poverty level, about half of children served in UPK were considered to be living in low-income families.[104]

Because of lags in data sources, UPK's impact on preschool enrollment rates among 3- and 4-year-olds in Colorado is not yet reflected in Census Bureau data. The most recent data available from the Census Bureau's American Community Survey show that **preschool enrollment among young Colorado children rebounded in 2022 after dropping steeply during the worst of the COVID-19 pandemic. In 2022, 51% of 3- and 4-year-olds in Colorado were enrolled in preschool, up from 46% in 2021.**[105]

Children of color face more obstacles to preschool participation than their white peers, including limited availability of high-quality programs in their communities or difficulty affording preschool.[106] **On average, between 2018 and 2022, preschool participation rates ranged from 40% of Hispanic or Latino children in Colorado to 53% of white children.**[107]

EARLY CHILDHOOD LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Preschool participation also varies widely by county. Between 2018 and 2022, county-level preschool enrollment rates ranged from 31% in Montrose County to 71% in Routt County.[108]

3- AND 4-YEAR-OLDS ENROLLED IN PRESCHOOL BY COUNTY, 2018-2022

Legend: ■ 31% to 35% ■ 36% to 44% ■ 45% to 52% ☐ 53% to 58% ☐ 59% to 71% ▨ Data suppressed due to large margin of error
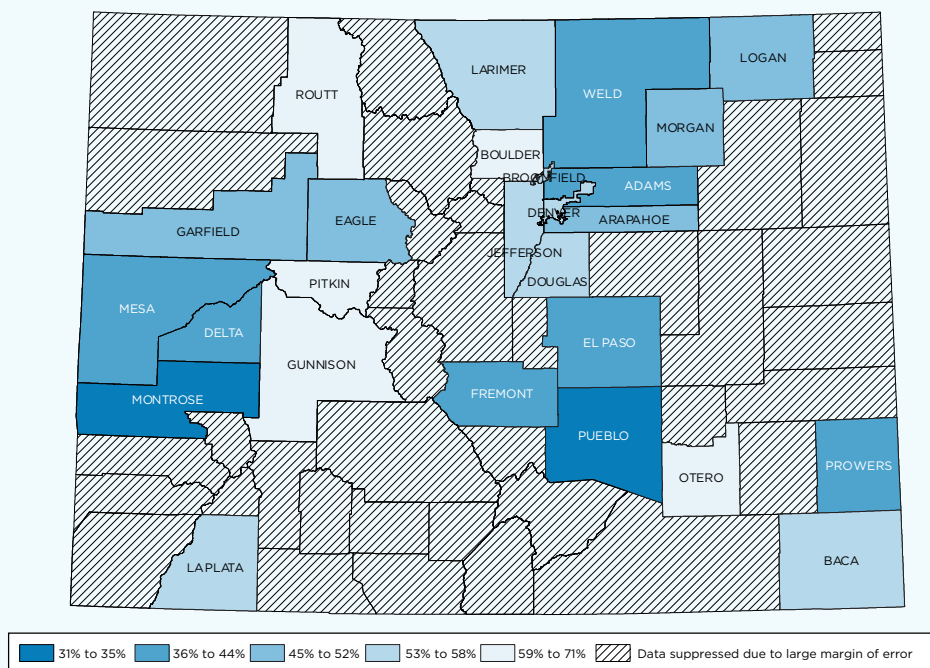
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2018-2022 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates.

Nature Kids Lafayette Discovery Zone. Photo by moxie82inc.

KINDERGARTEN READINESS

Every Colorado child deserves high-quality early learning experiences that prepare them for success in kindergarten and beyond. Public schools across the state assess incoming kindergartners' skills and knowledge at the beginning of each school year to identify children who may need additional support and to understand how well Colorado is preparing its young learners for school success.

Kindergarten school readiness (KSR) assessments used in Colorado schools measure children's preparedness for kindergarten across **six domains:**

1. **Physical well-being and motor development** (including the ability to use small and large muscles to engage in learning activities and to meet his or her own needs);

2. **Social and emotional development** (including the ability to follow limits, persist with learning tasks and make friends);

3. **Language and comprehension development** (including the ability to listen and understand and to express his or her thoughts and needs);

4. **Cognition** (including the ability to persist, solve problems and organize information);

5. **Literacy** (including foundational reading skills, writing and comprehension); and

6. **Mathematics** (including early numeracy skills such as understanding numbers and quantities).[109]

In the fall of the 2023-24 school year, the share of kindergartners meeting or exceeding expectations in these domains ranged from 66% in literacy to 77% in physical well-being and motor development. Between the 2022-23 and 2023-24 school year, the percent of kindergartners meeting or exceeding expectations increased slightly in social-emotional development, physical and motor development, language comprehension and math. It declined in cognition and literacy, with literacy seeing a particularly steep drop from 74% to 66%.[110]

COLORADO KINDERGARTNERS WERE LEAST LIKELY TO MEET AGE-LEVEL EXPECTATIONS IN LITERACY AND MOST LIKELY TO MEET EXPECTATIONS IN PHYSICAL AND MOTOR DEVELOPMENT AT THE OUTSET OF THE 2023-24 SCHOOL YEAR.

PERCENT OF COLORADO KINDERGARTNERS MEETING OR EXCEEDING AGE-LEVEL EXPECTATIONS ON KINDERGARTEN SCHOOL READINESS ASSESSMENTS, 2023-24
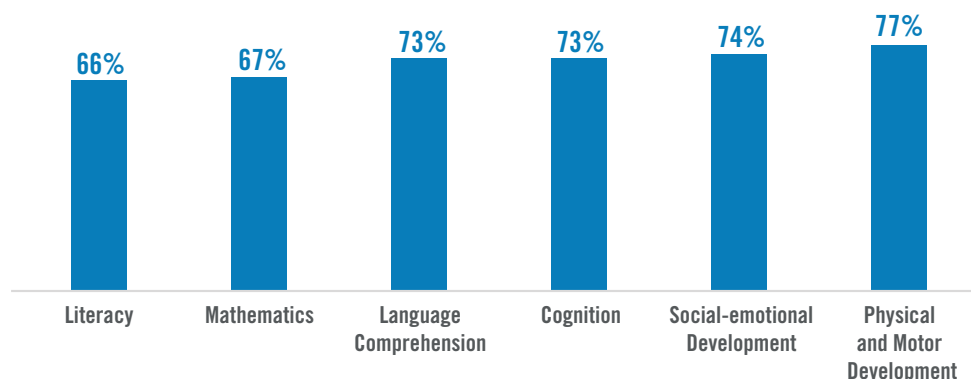
Source: Colorado Department of Education. *CAP4K 2024 Annual Legislative Report.*

Looking Forward: Policy Recommendations

⇨ **Fully fund the construction of Early Childhood Integrated Data System** that includes publicly available, regularly updated, disaggregated and deidentified data about the accessibility of early childhood programs and services. This data trust should also include data about the early childhood workforce, including Family, Friend, and Neighbor (FFN) providers, because we know that children thrive when the adults taking care of them can also thrive.

⇨ **Increase public funding for child care.** We envision a future Colorado where child care is fully funded as a public good like K-12 education, or roads. However, we know that our existing approach to child care is broken and that families continue to struggle to find and afford care across the state as providers struggle to keep their doors open. While we work toward our long-term vision, we must fight to continue to increase state funding for essential programs and services, including Colorado's Child Care Assistance Program and infant and toddler child care statewide.

⇨ **Pay Colorado's early childhood providers what they're worth,** recognizing the vital support they provide to our economies and communities. This includes FFN providers.

⇨ **Prioritize the evaluation of the Colorado Universal Preschool Program's targeted *and* universal components.** The Colorado Universal Preschool Program was designed to be both universal and targeted, offering a 15 hours per week of preschool to all 4-year-olds, in their year prior to kindergarten, and more hours per week for children with certain qualifying factors, who likely face the most barriers to opportunity. While the significant increase in enrollment for all 4-year-olds in Colorado is cause for celebration, it is vitally important that children who need this critical support the most are able to access it.

⇨ **Increase public awareness of and state funding for home visiting and other family support services,** which are essential lifelines for families in our state.

Panorama Park. Photo by Ariel Lobdell, Olivedia Productions.

Catamount Center. Photo by: moxie82inc.

NORTH STAR GOAL: ALL YOUTH BELIEVE THEY BELONG, FEEL VITAL TO THEIR COMMUNITIES, AND HAVE THE RESOURCES, OPPORTUNITIES, AND SUPPORT THEY NEED TO THRIVE IN ADOLESCENCE AND BEYOND.

QUICK FACTS

Lamar. Photo by: moxie82inc.

31%
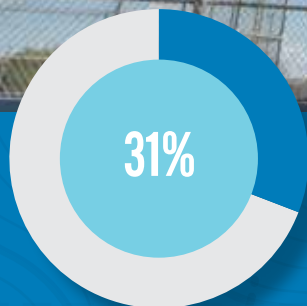
PK-12 students who were chronically absent (2022-23)[a]

8%
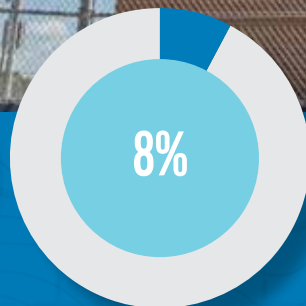
Students who received out-of-school suspensions (2022-23)[b]

46th

Colorado's average starting teacher salary, ranked against other states (2022-23)[c]

17%
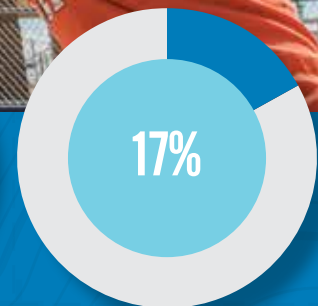
Colorado teachers who left their job (2023-24)[d]

Sources: [a]Colorado Department of Education (2023) Chronic Absenteeism.
[b]Colorado Department of Education (2023) Discipline Data. [c]National Education Association (2023). Educator Pay Data.
[d] Colorado Department of Education (2023) Personnel Turnover.

YOUTH SUCCESS

HEARING FROM YOUTH

Data gives us important information, but to understand more fully what is happening with Colorado's young people, we need to ask them directly. This year, the Colorado Children's Campaign partnered with the YouthScan Project, a project of Colorado nonprofit YouthRoots, to learn more about what youth are saying about school climate, substance abuse, mental health, absenteeism, and gun violence. The YouthScan Project empowers thousands of youths whose voices are not being heard to share their point of view, deepen understanding, and help drive solutions.

The YouthScan Project is an innovative initiative to solve the problem: How can we center youth voice at scale in Colorado?

Youth know the issues in their communities three years before adults. The YouthScan Project is a digital initiative that puts youth voices front and center in the decisions that impact their lives in real time.

THE **YOUTHSCAN PROJECT**   A program of   **YOUTH ROOTS**

PK-12 EDUCATION

Schools are a microcosm of our larger society, and prioritizing our young people's education and success is vital. Equipping our schools to provide students with the resources they need, safe environments, and a sense of belonging will support successful outcomes for Colorado's youth and for our state.

SNAPSHOT: ENROLLMENT IN COLORADO PUBLIC SCHOOLS, 2023-24

881,464 **students were enrolled in Colorado public schools. This is an 0.2% decrease from the previous school year. Of these students:**

50%	46%	13%	13%	8%
were students of color	were identified as eligible for free and reduced-price lunch	were identified as English Language Learners	received special education services	were identified as gifted and talented
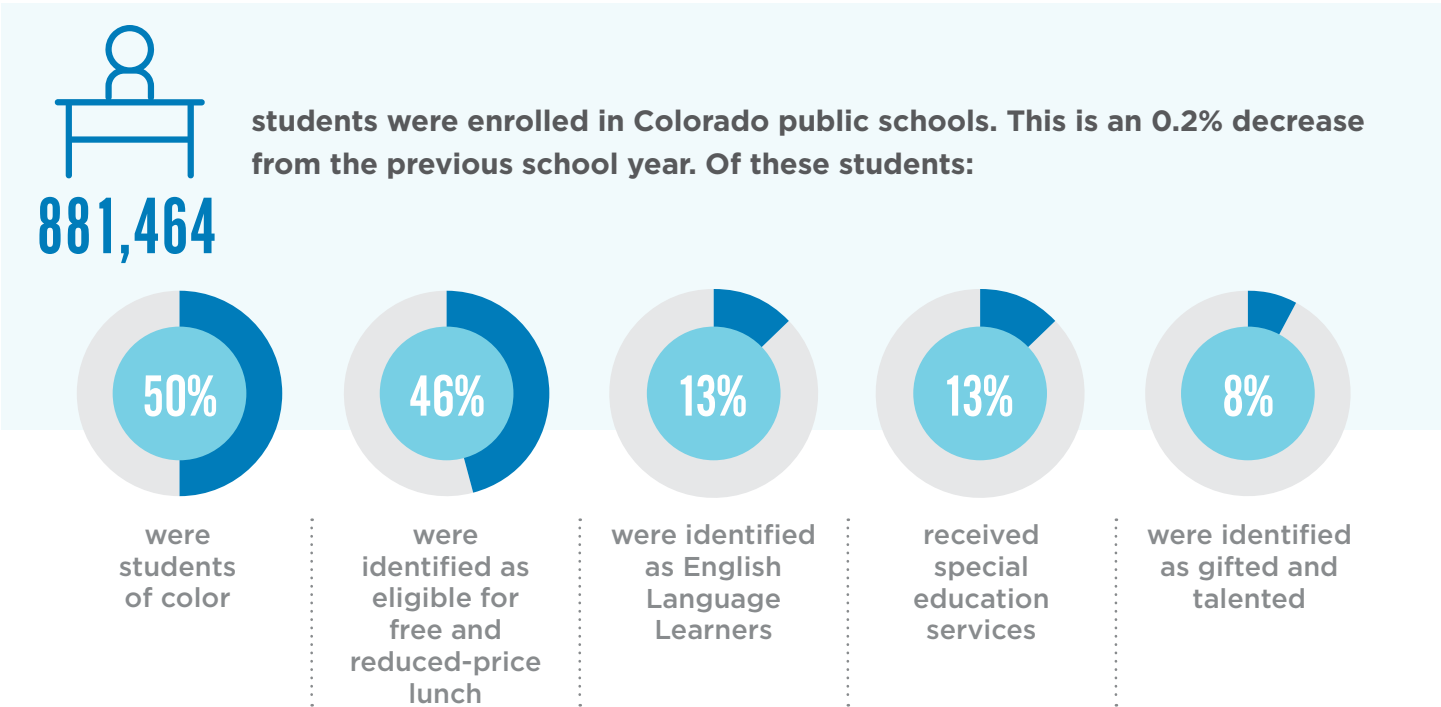
Source: Colorado Department of Education (2023)

SCHOOL FUNDING

Without adequate funding, schools face difficulty hiring and retaining staff, paying for updated materials and technology, and maintaining safe, welcoming school buildings — all elements of a high-quality education that every student deserves. School funding in Colorado is both inadequate and inequitable. For many years, Colorado's per-pupil funding has fallen far short of the national average. Until recently, the formula for determining how funding is distributed to school districts across the state was outdated and directed a greater share of funding to wealthy, higher cost-of-living districts than to districts where students face the most barriers to educational opportunity.

During the 2024 legislative session, Colorado legislators passed a new bill that updates the school funding formula for the first time in 30 years. This new formula will direct more funding to students living in poverty, students with special needs, and English language learners, and it will distribute funds for schools more equitably across Colorado.

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However, in the 2023-24 school year, schools were still receiving funding through the old formula. In the 2023-24 school year, Colorado's school funding formula directed **$1.3 billion** through the cost-of-living factor, which overwhelmingly goes to districts with wealthy populations that can often supplement state funding for schools through local tax mechanisms known as mill levies.[111] **In comparison, the formula directed less than half that amount ($533 million) through the "at-risk" factor,** which is allocated based on the share of students in each district who are identified as eligible for free and reduced-price lunch (those living in families earning below **185% of the federal poverty level, or $57,720 for a family of four in 2024).**[112]

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

During the 2022-2023 school year, 269,582 Colorado public school students, or **31% of all public school students,** missed at least 10% of the school year, or 16 school days. This is a nearly 5 percentage point decrease from the previous academic year, but still represents a concerning number of students missing significant learning time.[113]

IN SOME COLORADO SCHOOL DISTRICTS, MORE THAN HALF OF STUDENTS MISSED AT LEAST 10% OF SCHOOL DAYS IN 2022-23

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM BY SCHOOL DISTRICT, 2022-2023

Legend: 0 to 14% | 15 to 27% | 28 to 40% | 41 to 54% | >54%
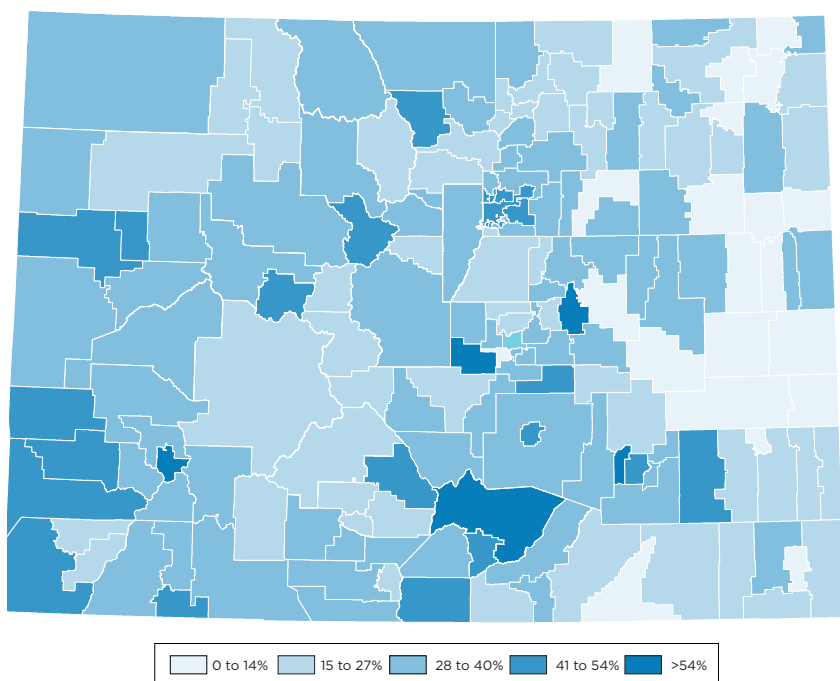
Source: Colorado Department of Education, Chronic Absenteeism

> Youth suggest better school safety and more resources/support in school would help when it comes to absenteeism.
>
> **Youth solution:** Some ideas to help solve this issue include making the students feel safer in school.

Among Colorado's 178 school districts, chronic absenteeism rates ranged from fewer than 2% of students in the Lone Star and Plainview school districts (in Washington and Kiowa counties, respectively) to almost 70% in Ouray County's Ouray R-1 school district.

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION

High school graduation is an important milestone on the path to higher education or employment. Colorado's on-time high school graduation rate, defined as the percentage of students graduating within four years, increased slightly in the 2022-2023 school year to **83%, up from 82%** in the previous school year.[114]

COLORADO'S ON-TIME HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION RATE CONTINUED TO CLIMB IN 2023

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS GRADUATING ON TIME

2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
79.0%	80.7%	81.1%	81.9%	81.7%	82.3%	83.1%

Source: Colorado Department of Education (2023) Graduation Statistics
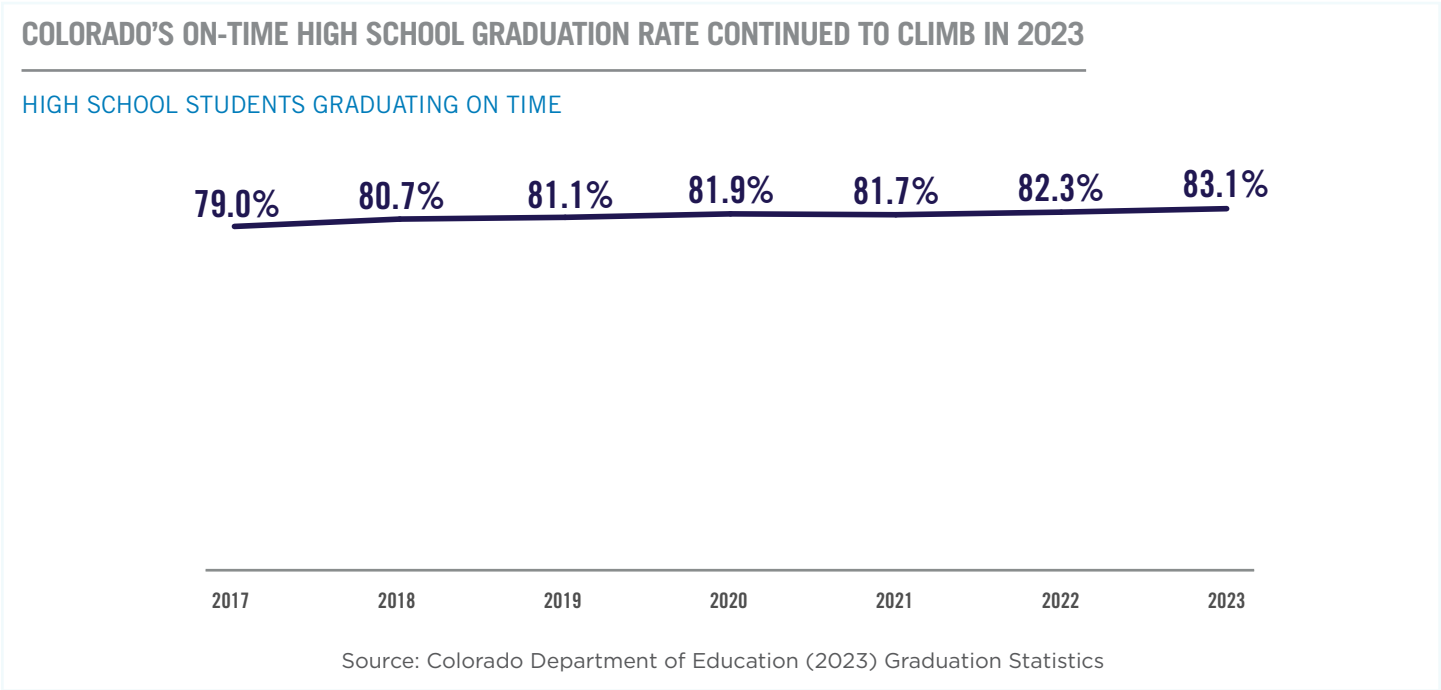
Between 2022 and 2023, on-time graduation rates increased slightly for most student groups, but significant gaps persist.

GRADUATION RATES ARE ON THE RISE, BUT NOT FOR ALL STUDENTS

PERCENTAGE POINT CHANGE IN GRADUATION RATES BY RACE/ETHNICITY, 2022 TO 2023

American Indian	Asian	Black	Hispanic/Latino	White	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander*	Two or More Races
2.6%	-.4%	1.2%	1.0%	0.7%	9.8%	2.2%

* The cohort of Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander students is very small (fewer than 200 students); thus, small changes in the number of students graduating on time will cause large year-over-year changes in the graduation rate.

Source: Colorado Department of Education (2023) Graduation Statistics.

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ON-TIME GRADUATION RATES INCREASED FOR MOST GROUPS OF STUDENTS WHO RECEIVE SPECIALIZED INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMMING.

PERCENTAGE POINT CHANGE IN GRADUATION RATES BY INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM, 2022 TO 2023

Source: Colorado Department of Education, Graduation and Completion Rates by District and Instructional Program Service Type

Students Experiencing Homelessness

In 2023, the graduation rate among students experiencing homelessness rose to 58% from 55% in 2022. Although the graduation rate for students experiencing homelessness has increased in recent years, it remains far lower than the statewide average for all students — indicating a need to prioritize educational support for these students. Through programs like McKenny-Vento, unhoused students have the right to remain in their school of origin, receive transportation to and from school, enroll in school without records, and receive academic support.[115]

THE GRADUATION RATE FOR STUDENTS EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS INCREASED IN 2023, BUT IT REMAINS FAR BELOW THE STATEWIDE AVERAGE.

PERCENT OF COLORADO HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS WHO GRADUATED ON TIME, 2017 TO 2023

Source: Colorado Department of Education. (2023). Graduation and Completion Rates by District and Instructional Program Service Type.

Youth Analysis: Youth discuss the value of having a new grading scale that is not just performance-based but based in growth and the things youth were achieving. Youth also shared that there should be more intentional investments in smaller/ marginalized communities.

Youth Solution: Investing in those communities in a meaningful way to give them a leg up when looking for access to higher education.

YOUTH SUCCESS

Migrant Students

Students who have moved within the past three years across state or school district lines with or to join a migrant parent or guardian who has obtained qualifying temporary or seasonal employment in agriculture, fishing, or dairy qualify for the Migrant Education Program.[116] This program provides additional support that addresses the unique needs of migrant students and helps minimize the impact of any educational disruptions or cultural and language barriers they may experience.[117] Migrant students' experiences and backgrounds are diverse, but obstacles to finding success in the classroom can include language barriers, differences in school culture, lack of support staff to meet the needs of new-to-country students, and financial stressors on the school.[118] Graduation rates among these students have decreased from 72% in 2020 to 67% in 2023.

In 2024, Colorado passed House Bill 24-1389, which directs $24 million to schools seeing high enrollment numbers of newcomer students.[119] Newcomer students encompass a larger group of students than those enrolled in the Migrant Education Program. For the purposes of this legislation, a newcomer student is any student who moved from another country to Colorado, who has been in the U.S. for less than one year, who is not proficient in English or has limited English proficiency, and whose enrollment in a Colorado public school is the student's first school enrollment in the U.S.[120]

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION RATES HAVE DECREASED IN RECENT YEARS AMONG COLORADO HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WHO QUALIFY FOR THE MIGRANT EDUCATION PROGRAM.

PERCENT OF MIGRANT STUDENTS IN COLORADO PUBLIC SCHOOLS WHO GRADUATED FROM HIGH SCHOOL ON TIME, 2017 TO 2023

2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
62%	67%	69%	72%	67%	69%	67%

Source: Colorado Department of Education.

YOUTH SUCCESS
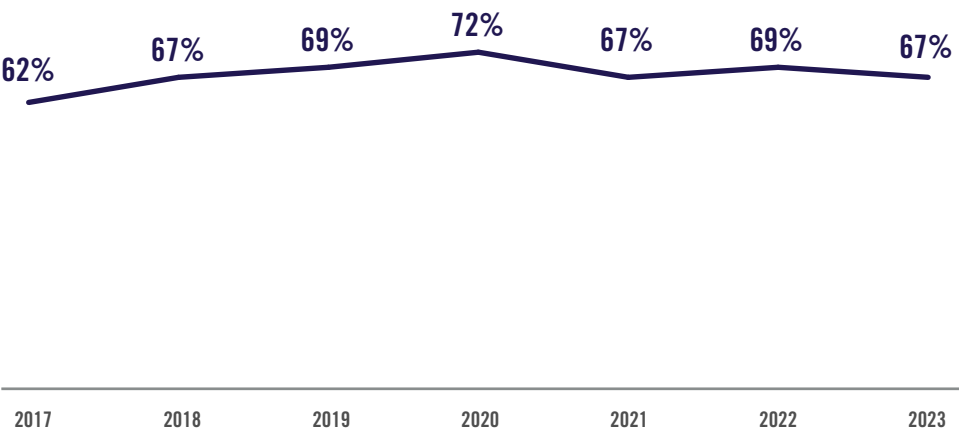
STUDENT ASSESSMENTS

In Colorado, students in grades 3 through 8 are assessed using the Colorado Measures of Academic Success (CMAS), which is aligned to the Colorado Academic Standards.

Proficiency levels in English language arts (ELA) and math increased slightly overall in 2023 but remained lower than they were before the pandemic. In 2023, 44% of Colorado students in grades 3 through 8 met or exceeded expectations in ELA, up slightly from 43% in 2022 but down from 46% in 2019. The share of students in grades 3 through 8 meeting or exceeding expectations in math also increased slightly between 2022 and 2023. It rose from 32% in 2022 to 33% in 2023 but remained below its 2019 level of 35%.[121]

From 2022 to 2023, the percentage of students meeting or exceeding expectations rose slightly across most racial and ethnic groups. Despite improvements, significant disparities persist between white students and many students of color, reflecting ongoing educational barriers that, in some cases, widened in 2023.

Differences in educational outcomes

Policies and practices such as school segregation, unequal distribution of resources, and limited access to diverse and experienced teachers have led to disparities in students' opportunities. These disparities contribute to gaps in critical measures of student achievement, such as proficiency in math and English language arts, graduation rates, and college remediation rates.[122]

The percentage of students meeting or exceeding expectations in English language arts and math is too low across all student demographics. Due to disparities in educational opportunities, students from racial minorities are disproportionately less likely than their peers to meet or exceed expectations in these crucial subjects.

DUE TO INEQUITABLE OPPORTUNITIES, MANY STUDENTS OF COLOR WERE LESS LIKELY TO MEET OR EXCEED EXPECTATIONS IN ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS AND MATH IN 2023.

PERCENT OF STUDENTS IN GRADES 3 THROUGH 8 MEETING OR EXCEEDING EXPECTATIONS ON CMAS ASSESSMENTS IN 2023

● Mathematics ● Enlgish Language Arts

	Mathematics	English Language Arts
American Indian or Alaska Native	16%	27%
Asian	56%	59%
Black or African American	17%	28%
Hispanic or Latino	16%	26%
White	44%	56%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	17%	26%
Two or More Races	39%	51%

Source: Data retrieved from the Colorado Department of Education Colorado Measurement of Academic Success Results.

SCHOOL CLIMATE

Safe, supportive school environments where kids and teens feel valued and connected are vital to their academic and social well-being. Research has found that a positive school climate is linked to an array of benefits for children and youth, including a decrease in suspensions and expulsions, improved academic outcomes, and higher graduation rates.[123]

The National School Climate Center identifies five major areas that contribute to a school's climate: **Safety, interpersonal relationships, social media, teaching and learning and the institutional environment.**[124] As a result of **House Bill 22-1376**, the Colorado Department of Education will soon collect and publish comprehensive data on indicators of school climate to be released in August 2024.

Teaching and learning

Institutional environment

Interpersonal relationships

Safety

Social media

CONTRIBUTORS TO SCHOOL CLIMATE
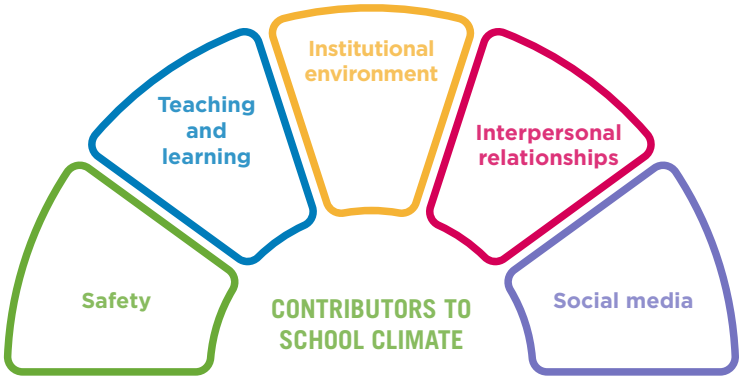
DISCIPLINE

School discipline policies and practices can affect each of these areas of school climate. Creating a positive school environment and managing student behavior effectively requires ensuring all students are supported to succeed academically, socially, emotionally, behaviorally, and mentally. Schools must be equipped with the resources to address any behaviors that might disrupt learning or compromise school safety. Schools must also proactively prevent and eliminate any discriminatory practices in how student discipline is handled.[125]

Schools provide a space for students not only to learn and grow academically, but to learn and grow in their social and emotional skills and to learn from their mistakes. Schools can provide learning opportunities and alternatives to suspension and expulsion like restorative practices or resources to support them in decision-making.

Research consistently shows that strict school discipline measures, including zero tolerance policies that enforce predetermined consequences for certain actions or behaviors, have negative impacts on the most vulnerable students. Marginalized and minoritized students, as well as those who have experienced trauma, disproportionately suffer from these disciplinary practices.[126]

Approximately 8% of Colorado students received an out-of-school suspension in the 2022-23 school year.[127] In Colorado, students of color are disproportionately likely to be suspended or expelled from school. Of the students who received an out-of-school suspension in 2022-23, 64% were students of color, yet students of color comprised only 49% of the public school population at the time.[128]

A suspension from a Colorado public school is a temporary removal of a student from the learning environment, usually lasting 1–10 days. However, the length of a suspension depends on the severity of the offense for as many as 25 days. In Colorado, expulsion from a school involves permanently removing a student from a school system for a period of up to one year, as directed by state law, local board policy, or codes of conduct.[129, 130]

Youth Analysis: Youth shared how bad interactions with teachers can negatively impact a youth's confidence and how they perceive the adults in their life.

Solution: "I have seen people lose motivation in school specifically for the classes they like because of the way the teacher runs the classroom and the admin in the school. Maybe a student-based evaluation on like how the teachers are running their classroom and how they feel about the teacher."

25 YEARS SINCE COLUMBINE

In April 2024, Colorado marked 25 years since the school shooting at Columbine High School. Since 1999, Colorado has had eight school mass shootings, defined as an incident during which a minimum of four victims were shot and either injured or killed, not including any shooter who may also have been killed or injured in the incident.[131, 132]

The Colorado Office of School Safety highlights 85 bills that have supported the safety of students in Colorado since that tragic event. Most of the bills supported prevention and intervention, including efforts to prevent suicide and bullying, resources for students who have faced abuse and sexual assault, support for students' school attendance, and tools for students to report issues related to the safety of the school or specific students.[133]

Though research on preventing school shootings is limited, gun policy plays a role in the frequency of mass shootings nationwide. Of the 85 bills that were listed by the Office of School Safety that support the safety of students, only one was related to firearms.[134]

SCHOOL SAFETY-FOCUSED BILLS PASSED BY COLORADO LEGISLATURE SINCE COLUMBINE

14 Discipline	**8** Grants & Resources	**23** Statewide Response Coordination	**6** Substance Use
15 Health	**10** Prevention	**7** Reporting & Data	**2** Discrimination

Source: Data Retrieved from Colorado Office of School Safety
https://oss.colorado.gov/resources/colorado-school-safety-legislation.
Bills were inductively coded and categorized by themes by researcher.

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Youth Analysis: Stricter gun laws that make them less accessible to youth with stronger school security.

Solution: Enforce the rules. Like adopting a kid, the social worker must check up on the family. People should check up on those buying guns to ensure they are using it properly.

YOUTH SUCCESS

TEACHERS

Teachers play a vital role in supporting and establishing a positive school culture. Research shows that student-teacher relationships contribute to a positive school environment and can have long-lasting implications for both students' academic and social development. Students who have positive relationships with their teachers are more likely to attain higher levels of achievement than students who have conflict in their relationships with teachers.[135]

However, more teachers are leaving K-12 education: **Between fall 2022 and fall 2023, Colorado's teacher turnover rate was 17%, up from 14% in the 2020-2021 school year.[136]** Nationally, teacher turnover rates are nearly 50% higher for teachers in Title I schools, which serve more students from low-income backgrounds.[137]

COLORADO'S TEACHER TURNOVER RATE HAS INCREASED SINCE THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC.

TURNOVER RATE AMONG CLASSROOM TEACHERS, 2020-21 TO 2023-24

Source: Colorado Department of Education (2024) personnel turnover
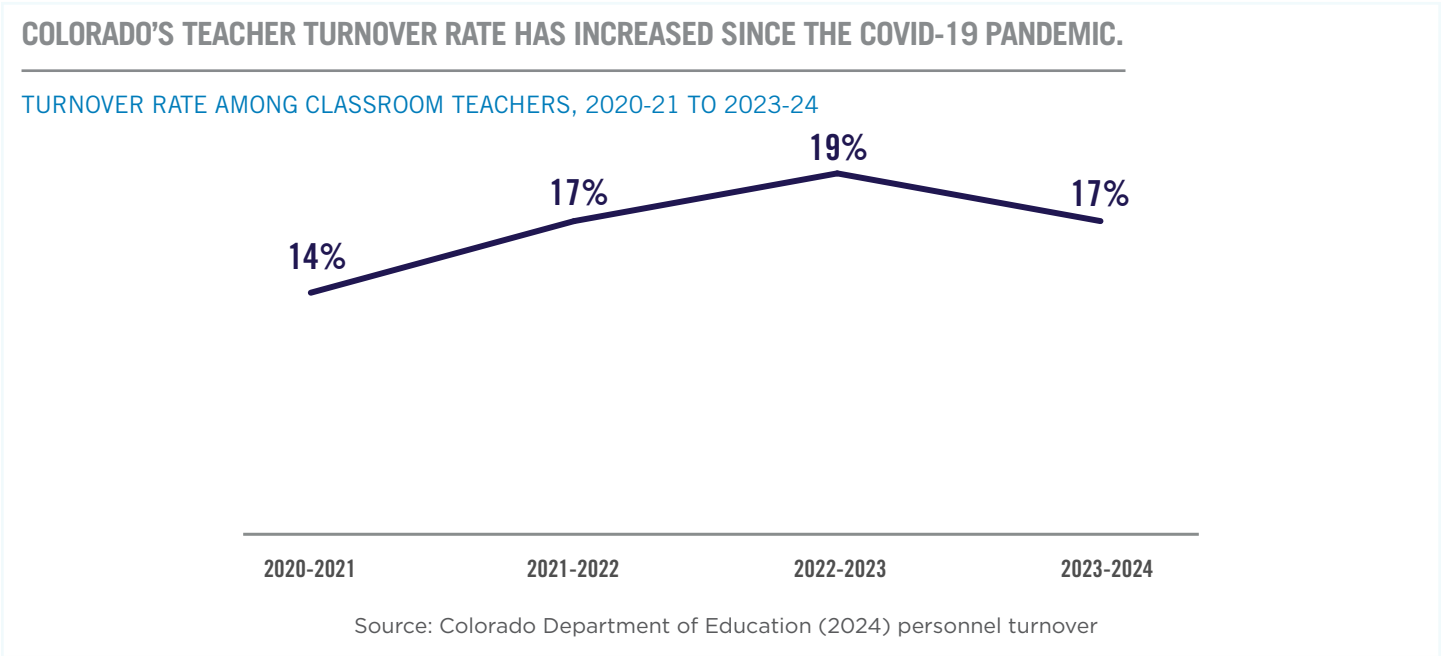
Some of the factors that drive teacher turnover include school safety, burnout, student behavior, and workload.[138] Salary also plays a role. The average teaching salary in Colorado was $68,647 in the 2023-24 school year.[139, 140] Colorado ranks 29th out of 50 states for average teacher salary and 46th in the nation for starting teacher salary.[141]

Research indicates that students from diverse backgrounds, including students of color, achieve better academic outcomes and experience fewer disciplinary issues when taught by teachers of similar backgrounds. White students have also been shown to demonstrate enhanced problem-solving abilities, critical thinking skills, and creativity when they are taught by a diverse teaching staff. **Yet just 16% of teachers in Colorado were people of color in the 2023-24 school year, while half of students were people of color.**[142, 143]

| 17% of teachers left their jobs between fall 2022 and fall 2023 | 16% of teachers in Colorado are teachers of color | $68,647 is the average teacher salary in Colorado |

Source: Colorado Department of Education (2024) Staff Statistics

Youth Analysis: Having diverse leadership also means diverse thinking. It allows for students to be open to new perspectives and learn things they wouldn't normally have been able to learn.

YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH

School counselors play a vital role in guiding students through their academic journey, offering resources and tools to enhance their social and emotional skills. They are instrumental in facilitating safe and enriching experiences both within and outside of school, and they also contribute significantly to preparing students for success after graduation.

The American School Counselor Association recommends that school districts have a student-to-counselor ratio of 250:1.[144] In the 2023-24 school year in Colorado, 84 school districts out of 178 had higher student-to-counselor ratios, and many other districts employed no school counselors — suggesting that students do not have adequate access to the services counselors provide. For example, Mapleton Public Schools had a student-to-counselor ratio of 1,170:1, Adams 14 School District had a ratio of 862:1, and Platte Canyon had a ratio of 747:1. Among the 144 districts that had a school counselor, the average student-to-counselor ratio was 316:1.[145]

In 2023-2024 school year, nearly 2% of counselor positions remained unfilled.[146] This has increased from less than 1% prior to the 2019-2020 school year.[147] The increase in unfilled counselor positions can be from job related stress, the polarization of education, school safety concerns, and salaries.[148]

The modest salaries of school counselors likely contribute to the challenges districts face in filling these positions. For instance, in 2023, the median annual salary for a school counselor was $60,660, while Colorado's average cost of living was $63,822.[149, 150]

MORE SCHOOL COUNSELOR POSITIONS ARE GOING UNFILLED

Pre-pandemic

<1% of counselor positions remained unfilled

Post-pandemic

2% of counselor positions remained unfilled
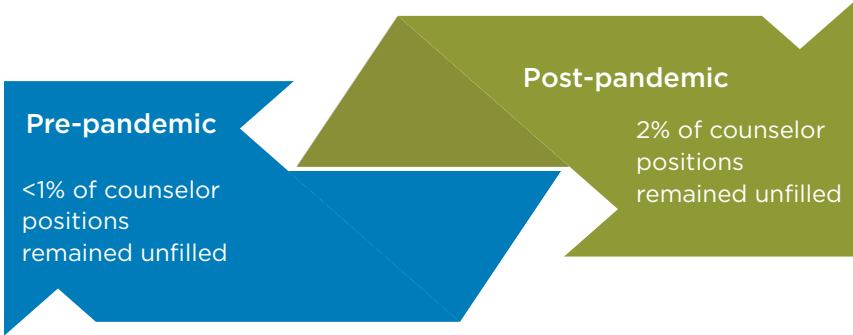
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> **Youth Analysis:** School structures should be more supportive when it comes to peer connections. In addition to wanting safe spaces with peers, youth also want adults with shared identity as counselors and support systems.
>
> **Solution:** More access to trusted adults, and ensuring inclusivity.

I MATTER

I Matter is a program that provides up to six free therapy sessions for youth in Colorado and reimburses participating licensed therapists.[151] It is open to youth 18 years of age or younger, or 21 years of age or younger if receiving special education services.

Colorado created I Matter in 2021 to provide access to mental health and substance use disorder services for youth at a time when rates of poor mental health had skyrocketed. The program also aimed to address needs that may have resulted from the COVID-19 pandemic. In 2024, the state's legislature passed a bill that would continue the program indefinitely.

I Matter has a far reach throughout Colorado, serving youth in 62 of 64 counties. Since the program's inception in October 2021 through October 2023, 10,166 youth have been served, resulting in 39,619 therapy sessions.

YOUTH SUCCESS

Looking Forward: Policy Recommendations

➪ Finalize and fully implement the at-risk measure, a more accurate and holistic means of identifying students experiencing economic disadvantage.

➪ Devote more resources to English language learner and special education students through the new public school funding formula enacted in 2024, to ensure the availability of educational opportunities and resources does not differ based on student characteristics.

➪ Collect and compile school climate-related data, publish school district-level reports, and leverage the data in shaping school climate policy, paying particular attention to chronic absenteeism rates and causes, and racial disparities in student discipline.

➪ Establish equitable, statewide funding for comprehensive afterschool and summer programming, which has academic and social-emotional benefits for children and teens.

➪ Stay the course on strong, transparent school accountability policies that allow schools and the state to accurately monitor student academic data, and to swiftly intervene with additional math, English Language Arts and science learning supports when needed.

➪ Diversify the educator workforce by supporting educators and school counselors of color.

➪ Engage educators and school counselors of color in the policymaking process.

➪ Lower the costs of becoming and being an educator through increased state investment in scholarship or loan forgiveness programs.

➪ Implement standards for principals focused on developing positive relationships and inclusive environments in schools.

➪ Bolster and scale innovative youth leadership models that allow young people greater agency over their school environments, and support school-led efforts to bring community and youth input into efforts to improve school climate, like the Community Schools model.

➪ Make additional targeted financial investments in communities with less access to behavioral health services, especially in rural areas.

Horse Gulch and Telegraph Trail, Durango. Photo by: Sean Sheridan.

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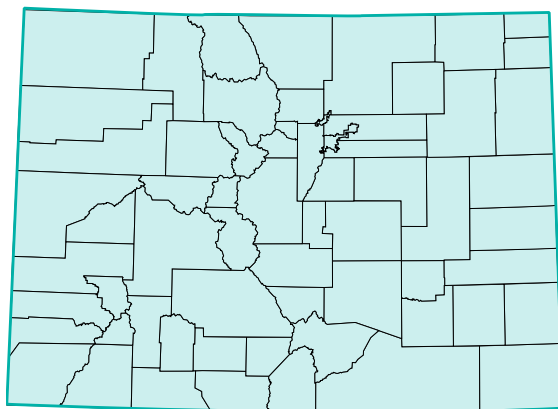
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	COLORADO
POPULATION	
2022 Total Population	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES	
2022 Births to Single Women	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS	
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH	
2022 Live Births	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	4.7%
EDUCATION	
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	43.7%

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ADAMS COUNTY

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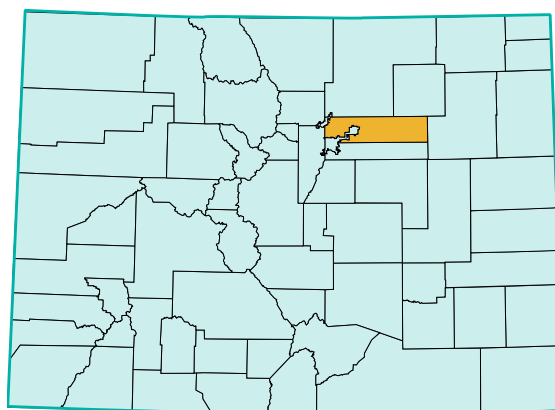
	ADAMS	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	527,501	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	132,316	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	25.1%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	33,852	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	98,464	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	29.4%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	14.4%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	16.0	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	3.6%	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	3.7	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	57.5%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	49.4%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	8.1%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$89,849	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	14.2%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	14.1%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	4.0%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	44.3%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	3,399	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	6,850	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	9.9%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	10.1%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	82.3%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	3.5%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	11.3	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	6.4	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	20.3	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	108.6	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	5.1	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	93.1	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	4.1%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	60.8%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	5.8%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	81,070	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	20.9%	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	81.8%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	35.9%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	24.1%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	33.0%	43.7%

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ALAMOSA COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

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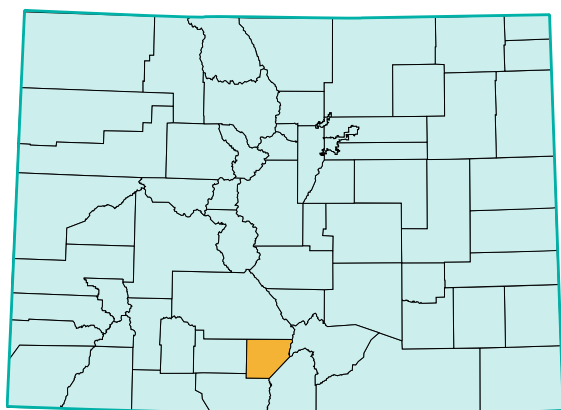
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	ALAMOSA	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	16,575	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	3,941	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	23.8%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	982	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	2,959	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	24.6%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	15.9%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	12.4	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	3.6%	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	10.2	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	72.6%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	67.9%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	4.7%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$53,942	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	21.2%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	21.3%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	9.0%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	74.1%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	127	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	196	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	9.2%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	7.2%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	83.2%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	7.1%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	7.2	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	4.8%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	71.1%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	6.6%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	2,333	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	15%	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	80.5%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	42.5%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	20.3%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	35.4%	43.7%

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ARAPAHOE COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

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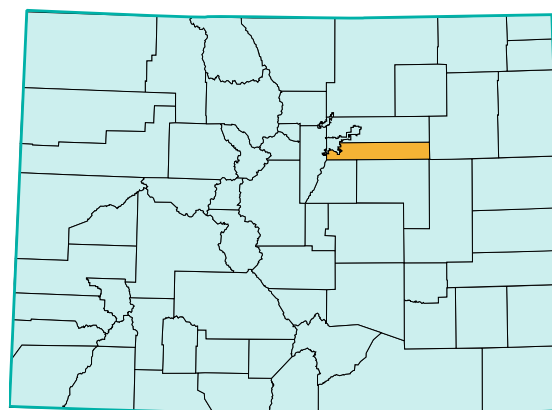
	ARAPAHOE	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	656,015	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	150,350	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	22.9%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	37,774	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	112,576	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	25.1%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	12.5%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	9.8	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	2.7%	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	4.6	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	52.4%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	46.4%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	6.0%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$93,525	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	10.0%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	9.9%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	4.0%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	30.7%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	3,182	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	7,669	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	10.6%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	10.4%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	81.3%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	3.0%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	5.9	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	4.7	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	26.4	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	85.0	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	13.2	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	66.1	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	3.4%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	49.6%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	5.2%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	115,061	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	99.1%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	22.1%	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	81.8%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	39.8%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	30.5%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	39.6%	43.7%

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ARCHULETA COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

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	ARCHULETA	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	13,986	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	2,477	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	17.7%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	580	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	1,897	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	28.0%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	18.1%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	23.1	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	6.5%	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	5.7	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	59.9%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	52.3%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	7.6%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$66,025	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	17.0%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	16.8%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	4.7%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	44.4%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	26	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	94	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	8.5%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	7.4%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	66.0%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	4.3%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	9.3	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	6.8%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	64.3%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	7.4%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	1,604	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	91.3%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	5.7%	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	93.0%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	36.1%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	20.1%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	29.7%	43.7%

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# BACA COUNTY

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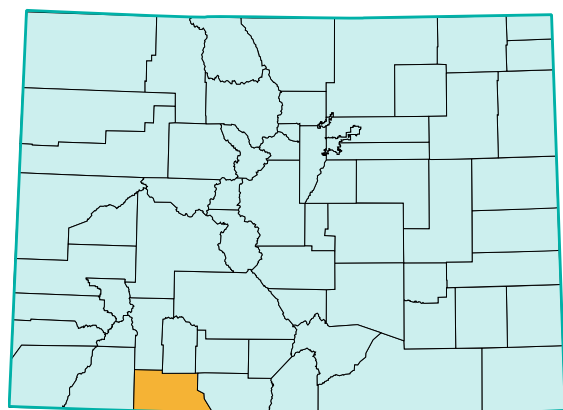LNE = Low Number of Events
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	BACA	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	3,431	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	731	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	21.5%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	190	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	541	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	39.4%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	25.0%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	34.0	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	12.5%	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	2.7	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	NR	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	NR	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	NR	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$47,147	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	26.4%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	25.5%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	9.2%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	45.2%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	NR	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	33	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	9.1%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	12.9%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	39.4%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	12.9%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	NR	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	6.1%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	81.2%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	6.5%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	940	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	NR	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	76.9%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	33.3%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	20.7%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	34.5%	43.7%

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BENT COUNTY

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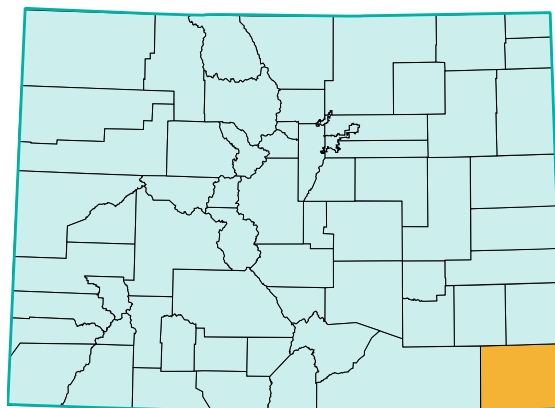|	BENT	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	5,400	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	872	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	16.2%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	207	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	665	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	41.9%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	14.3%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	71.5	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	7.1%	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	7.8	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	74.8%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	67.8%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	7.0%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$42,958	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	29.1%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	28.5%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	10.5%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	66.5%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	NR	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	43	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	9.3%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	LNE	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	72.5%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	LNE	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	NR	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	4.6%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	76.6%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	1.9%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	1,187	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	1.3%	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	51.8%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	35.4%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	26.4%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	35.6%	43.7%

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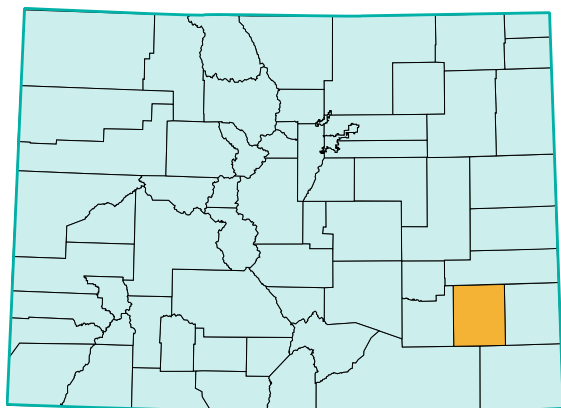
BOULDER COUNTY

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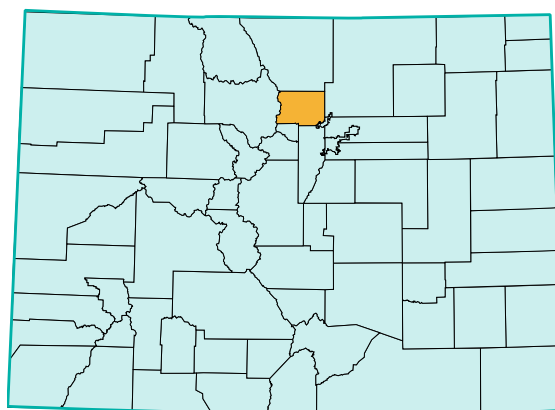
	BOULDER	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	327,424	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	58,056	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	17.7%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	12,535	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	45,521	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	18.4%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	7.2%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	4.1	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	1.4%	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	3.5	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	28.5%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	25.0%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	3.5%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$96,584	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	8.6%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	8.0%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	2.3%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	26.7%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	986	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	2,420	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	7.6%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	8.6%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	85.6%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	1.9%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	5.0	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	23.7	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	27.0	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	14.2	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	19.3	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	2.8%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	32.5%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	3.7%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	60,868	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	9.5%	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	92.3%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	55.4%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	45.2%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	54.7%	43.7%

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BROOMFIELD COUNTY

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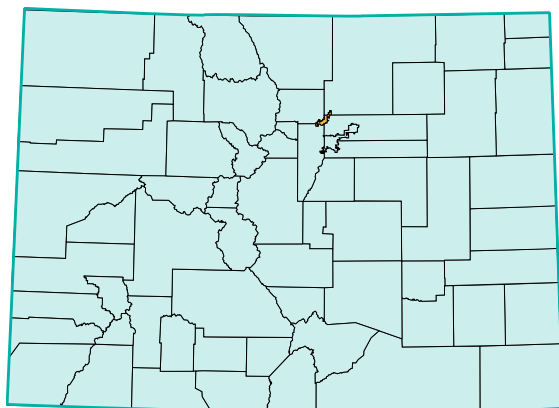
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	BROOMFIELD	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	76,155	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	16,097	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	21.1%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	3,511	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	12,586	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	13.8%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	4.4%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	3.2	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	1.5%	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	0.8	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	N/A	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	N/A	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	N/A	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$114,746	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	5.5%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	5.1%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	1.4%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	12.1%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	N/A	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	616	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	9.4%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	10.4%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	86.5%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	1.5%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	2.8	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	79.3	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	59.5	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	2.4%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	24.7%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	2.7%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	N/A	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	N/A	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	N/A	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	N/A	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	N/A	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	N/A	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	N/A	43.7%

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COUNTY DATA

CHAFFEE COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

KIDS COUNT IN COLORADO! 2024

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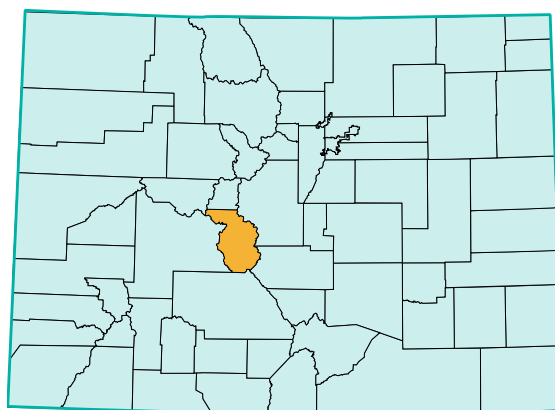
	CHAFFEE	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	20,261	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	3,031	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	15.0%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	767	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	2,264	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	16.1%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	3.9%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	6.8	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	LNE	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	6.6	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	35.4%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	32.3%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	3.1%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$75,151	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	11.2%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	10.8%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	3.9%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	24.9%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	60	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	155	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	11.0%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	11.8%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	79.2%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	4.5%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	NR	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	7.2%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	48.9%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	5.9%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	2,313	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	3.2%	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	87.0%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	53.5%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	36.5%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	50.3%	43.7%

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CHEYENNE COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

KIDS COUNT IN COLORADO! 2024
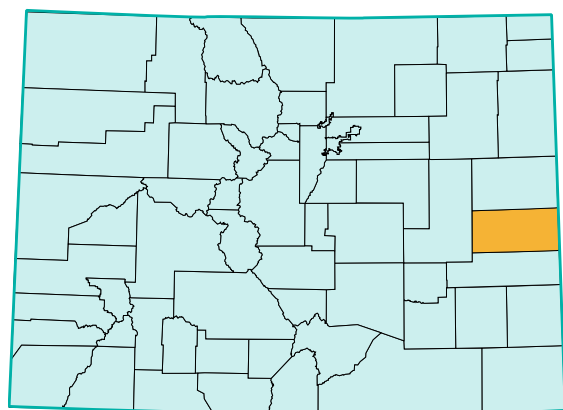
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	CHEYENNE	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	1,722	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	405	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	23.7%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	75	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	330	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	LNE	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	LNE	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	LNE	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	LNE	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	12.8	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	NR	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	NR	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	NR	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$62,891	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	20.5%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	19.2%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	NR	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	38.4%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	NR	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	9	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	LNE	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	LNE	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	77.8%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	LNE	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	NR	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	7.1%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	69.6%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	5.6%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	277	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	4.7%	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	NR	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	NR	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	NR	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	NR	43.7%

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CLEAR CREEK COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

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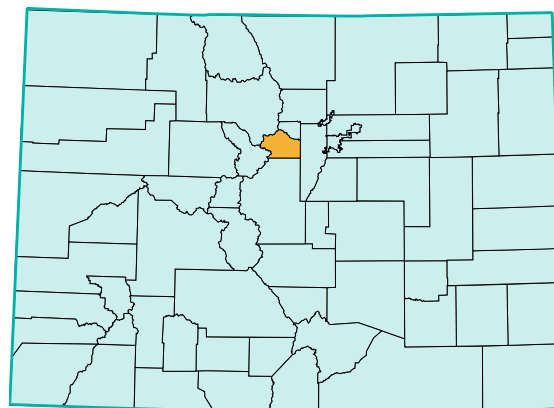
	CLEAR CREEK	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	9,366	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	1,453	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	15.5%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	379	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	1,074	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	17.3%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	LNE	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	LNE	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	LNE	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	11.4	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	27.9%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	24.2%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	3.7%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$90,350	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	10.4%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	9.9%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	NR	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	16.3%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	NR	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	75	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	9.6%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	10.8%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	78.1%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	LNE	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	NR	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	2.7%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	32.9%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	5.4%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	652	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	2.9%	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	90.9%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	47.8%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	31.1%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	38.9%	43.7%

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CONEJOS COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

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	CONEJOS	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	7,572	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	1,929	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	25.4%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	476	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	1,453	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	22.3%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	20.4%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	LNE	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	3.9%	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	7.3	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	65.8%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	57.9%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	7.9%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$49,141	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	23.0%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	23.2%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	6.9%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	35.9%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	19	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	103	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	15.5%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	12.6%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	64.1%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	10.7%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	5.7	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	5.5%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	72.1%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	5.2%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	1,536	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	NR	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	96.6%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	43.6%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	30.3%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	44.0%	43.7%

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COSTILLA COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN
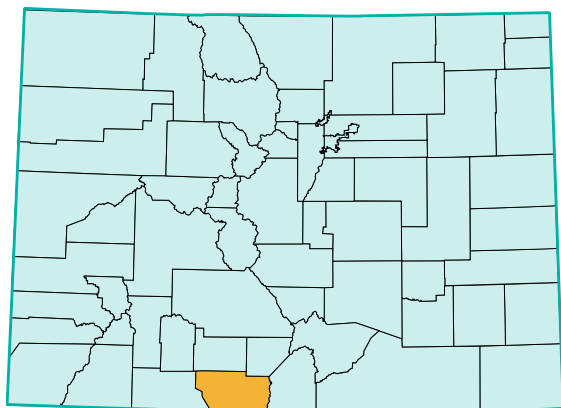
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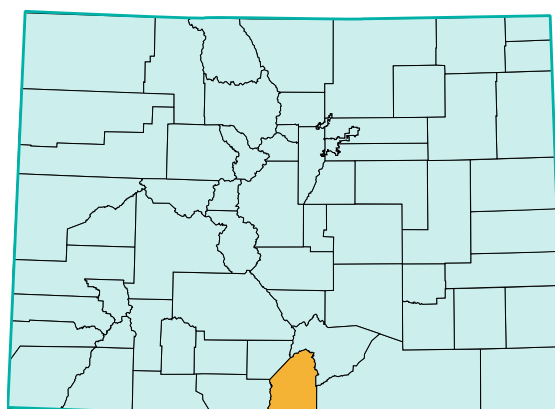
	COSTILLA	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	3,614	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	678	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	18.8%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	169	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	509	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	31.6%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	26.3%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	LNE	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	LNE	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	34.1	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	86.3%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	81.8%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	4.5%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$36,970	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	34.7%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	34.7%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	11.3%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	63.5%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	82	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	38	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	15.8%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	10.5%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	62.2%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	15.8%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	15.8	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	NR	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	101.7%**	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	5.6%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	489	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	6.3%	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	73.1%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	28.0%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	7.0%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	16.1%	43.7%

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**The number of Costilla County children reported to be enrolled in Medicaid at some point during FY 22-23 was higher than the estimated population of children ages birth through 18. Medicaid enrollment numbers reflect children who were covered by Medicaid at any point during the year and may include children who moved out of the county at some point during the year. Alternately, population estimates may underestimate the number of children residing in the county.

CROWLEY COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

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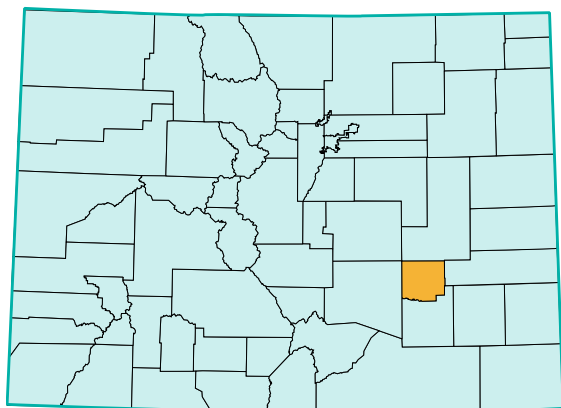
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	CROWLEY	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	5,620	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	636	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	11.3%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	149	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	487	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	38.5%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	15.4%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	LNE	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	LNE	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	28.7	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	66.9%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	60.8%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	6.1%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$49,785	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	31.4%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	29.7%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	7.8%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	76.5%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	NR	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	26	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	LNE	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	11.5%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	57.7%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	15.4%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	NR	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	5.3%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	83.1%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	0.7%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	347	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	NR	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	83.8%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	17.9%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	16.0%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	28.4%	43.7%

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CUSTER COUNTY

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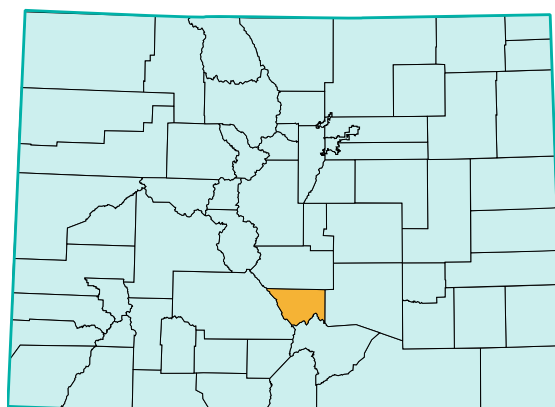
	CUSTER	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	5,338	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	800	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	14.9%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	212	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	588	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	12.0%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	28.0%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	LNE	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	LNE	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	1.2	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	53.0%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	45.3%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	7.7%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$67,766	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	18.5%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	19.1%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	NR	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	25.8%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	NR	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	50	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	8.0%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	10.0%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	64.0%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	LNE	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	NR	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	6.7%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	55.4%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	6.5%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	349	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	NR	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	95.0%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	45.0%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	21.2%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	27.7%	43.7%

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DELTA COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

KIDS COUNT IN COLORADO! 2024

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	DELTA	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	31,581	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	6,012	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	19.0%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	1,420	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	4,592	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	23.2%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	16.9%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	23.3	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	5.1%	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	19.1	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	61.2%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	50.0%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	11.2%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$53,910	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	20.2%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	19.0%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	3.2%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	38.1%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	159	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	255	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	11.4%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	13.3%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	75.9%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	9.0%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	8.6	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	6.7%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	72.5%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	6.0%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	4,614	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	97.7%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	4.8%	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	79.2%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	39.1%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	29.3%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	45.1%	43.7%

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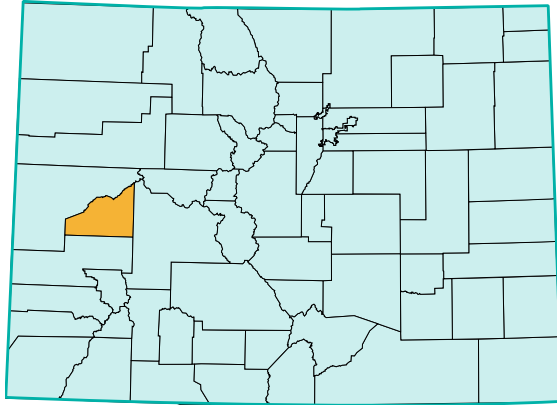
DENVER COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

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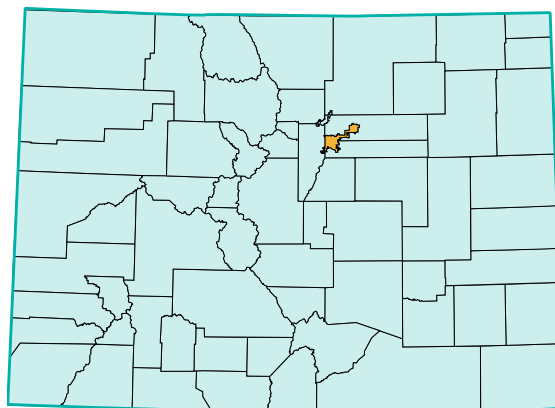
	DENVER	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	712,637	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	131,006	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	18.4%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	38,932	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	92,074	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	26.7%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	11.9%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	15.6	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	2.9%	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	7.0	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	63.0%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	55.1%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	7.9%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$87,619	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	16.7%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	16.2%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	6.5%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	37.1%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	1,110	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	8,042	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	10.6%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	10.7%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	82.0%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	2.7%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	14.4	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	4.0	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	19.1	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	101.3	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	10.1	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	89.4	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	3.3%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	61.6%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	5.0%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	88,235	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	30.0%	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	79.0%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	40.6%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	30.3%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	40.3%	43.7%

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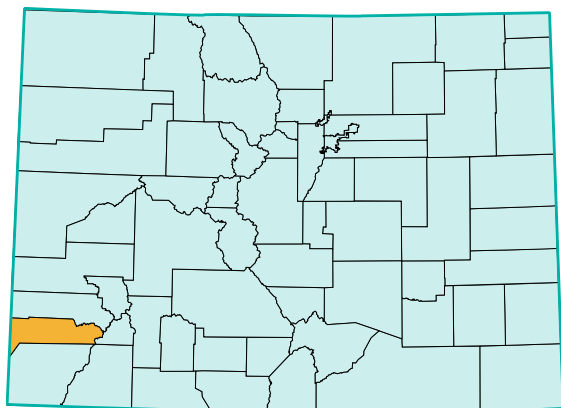
COUNTY DATA

DOLORES COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

KIDS COUNT IN COLORADO! 2024

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	DOLORES	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	2,203	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	389	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	17.8%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	80	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	309	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	26.1%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	17.4%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	LNE	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	LNE	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	10.1	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	56.0%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	45.2%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	10.7%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$56,695	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	16.3%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	15.5%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	NR	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	64.0%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	NR	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	23	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	17.4%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	21.7%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	52.2%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	LNE	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	NR	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	7.3%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	66.1%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	4.2%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	252	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	NR	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	88.9%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	NR	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	21.1%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	26.3%	43.7%

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DOUGLAS COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

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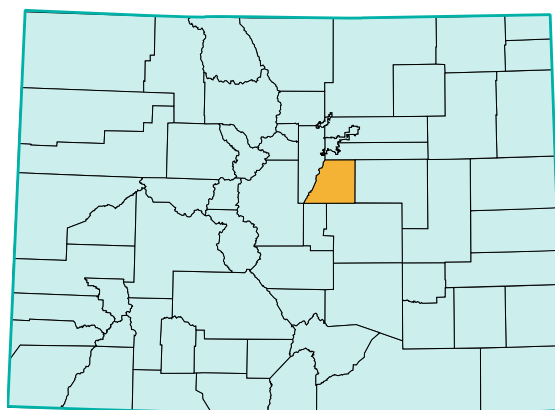
	DOUGLAS	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	376,026	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	92,824	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	24.7%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	20,022	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	72,802	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	9.7%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	2.1%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	2.6	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	0.7%	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	1.6	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	16.9%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	14.2%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	2.7%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$140,768	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	2.4%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	2.1%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	0.5%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	7.4%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	559	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	3,885	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	9.8%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	9.5%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	89.3%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	1.2%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	4.5	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	3.3	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	10.6	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	55.0	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	6.1	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	44.7	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	1.8%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	17.2%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	2.3%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	61,964	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	97.9%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	4.9%	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	90.8%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	59.2%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	50.7%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	61.6%	43.7%

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EAGLE COUNTY

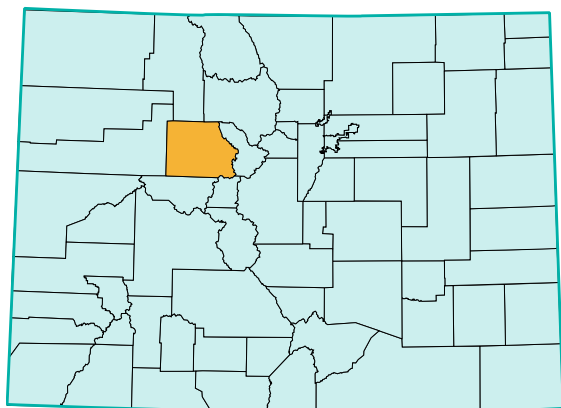**COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN**

KIDS COUNT IN COLORADO! 2024

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	EAGLE	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	55,291	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	11,603	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	21.0%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	2,716	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	8,887	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	21.3%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	13.9%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	8.1	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	3.2%	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	0.5	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	39.3%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	30.1%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	9.3%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$105,813	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	7.5%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	6.4%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	0.8%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	30.3%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	93	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	536	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	10.4%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	8.8%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	70.5%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	LNE	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	3.6	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	32.4	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	5.2%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	34.0%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	8.7%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	6,497	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	29.2%	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	87.5%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	40.5%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	26.2%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	41.9%	43.7%

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EL PASO COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

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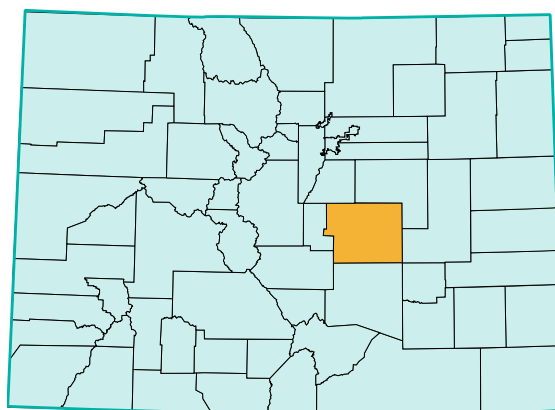
	EL PASO	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	740,552	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	171,203	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	23.1%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	45,555	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	125,648	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	23.7%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	7.0%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	13.8	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	2.8%	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	5.9	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	NR	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	NR	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	NR	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$82,248	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	10.3%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	10.1%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	4.5%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	32.1%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	1,181	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	9,077	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	10.2%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	9.3%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	78.1%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	2.3%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	11.7	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	4.7	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	16.9	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	64.0	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	9.2	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	52.4	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	3.0%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	48.8%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	4.1%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	119,102	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	95.7%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	NR	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	75.3%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	44.0%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	33.8%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	46.1%	43.7%

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ELBERT COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

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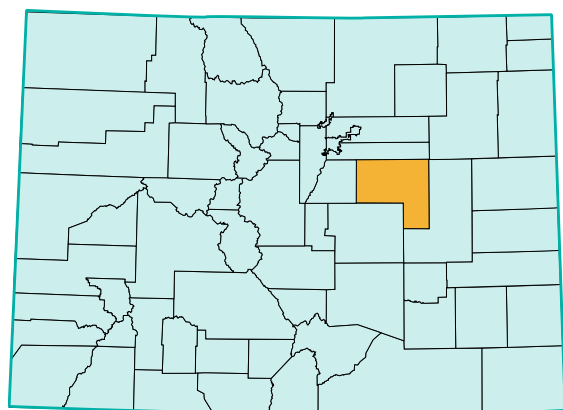
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	ELBERT	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	27,821	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	5,999	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	21.6%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	1,354	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	4,645	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	10.3%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	2.1%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	4.8	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	LNE	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	5.0	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	NR	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	NR	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	NR	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$120,394	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	7.1%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	6.1%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	0.7%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	13.6%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	NR	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	292	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	9.2%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	11.7%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	83.7%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	1.7%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	5.6	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	2.9%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	28.9%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	6.1%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	3,638	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	NR	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	93.4%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	43.0%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	33.3%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	45.2%	43.7%

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FREMONT COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

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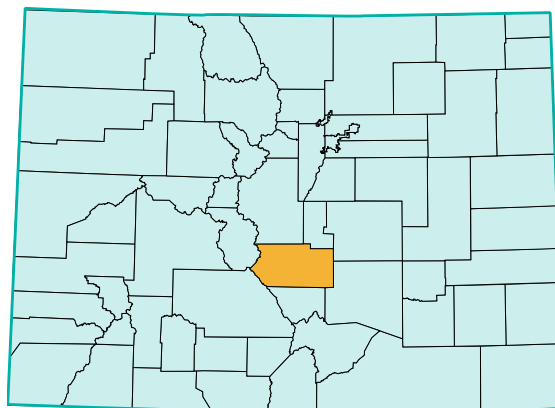
	FREMONT	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	49,570	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	7,703	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	15.5%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	1,976	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	5,727	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	26.1%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	10.3%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	14.6	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	2.4%	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	14.4	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	57.8%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	52.6%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	5.3%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$57,275	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	20.2%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	19.8%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	7.1%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	46.2%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	114	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	376	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	10.4%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	8.8%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	80.0%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	8.3%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	9.3	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	8.0	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	127.1	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	127.1	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	4.2%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	67.6%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	4.3%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	4,720	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	NR	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	83.4%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	34.8%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	21.0%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	37.6%	43.7%

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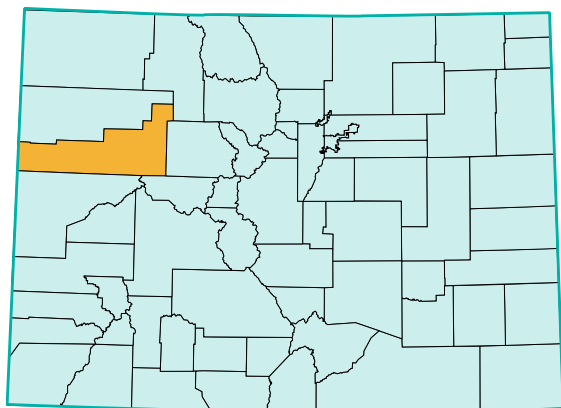
GARFIELD COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

KIDS COUNT IN COLORADO! 2024

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	GARFIELD	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	62,254	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	15,258	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	24.5%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	3,759	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	11,499	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	25.4%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	13.5%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	8.8	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	2.5%	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	3.1	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	46.0%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	35.4%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	10.6%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$86,566	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	10.3%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	9.7%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	1.8%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	37.7%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	180	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	741	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	9.3%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	7.3%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	76.4%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	2.7%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	4.1	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	36.3	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	71.0	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	27.2	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	71.0	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	7.2%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	50.8%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	10.0%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	11,803	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	99.9%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	27.3%	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	83.1%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	31.7%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	20.3%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	32.1%	43.7%

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GILPIN COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

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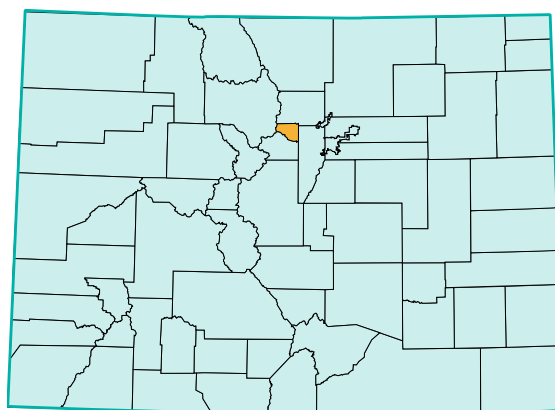
	GILPIN	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	5,895	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	934	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	15.9%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	222	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	712	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	23.3%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	LNE	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	LNE	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	LNE	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	3.1	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	37.2%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	32.8%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	4.4%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$89,805	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	8.4%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	5.6%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	NR	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	13.3%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	NR	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	43	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	14.0%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	9.5%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	84.2%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	9.3%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	NR	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	4.1%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	43.3%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	4.2%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	390	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	NR	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	90.0%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	48.3%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	35.0%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	49.7%	43.7%

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GRAND COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

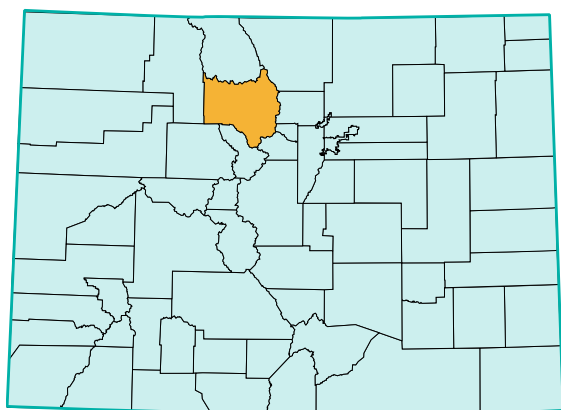*KIDS COUNT IN COLORADO! 2024*

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	GRAND	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	15,748	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	2,555	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	16.2%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	614	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	1,941	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	25.4%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	9.8%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	LNE	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	3.3%	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	1.6	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	36.1%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	28.5%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	7.7%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$88,059	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	8.7%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	8.2%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	NR	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	27.2%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	42	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	124	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	12.2%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	17.9%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	78.6%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	8.9%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	0.0	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	5.4%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	36.4%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	7.3%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	1,697	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	10.7%	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	90.3%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	37.0%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	30.0%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	44.2%	43.7%

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GUNNISON COUNTY

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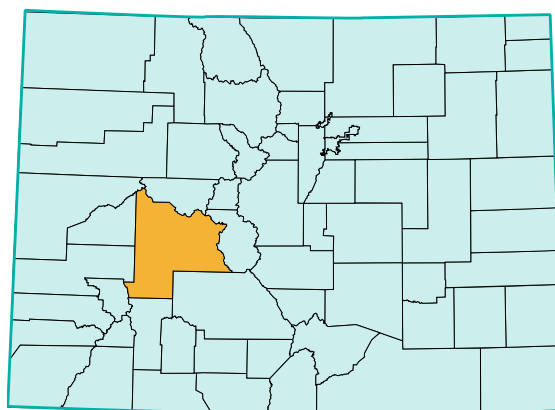
	GUNNISON	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	17,269	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	2,940	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	17.0%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	708	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	2,232	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	14.5%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	10.6%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	4.5	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	LNE	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	2.7	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	33.4%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	26.9%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	6.5%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$88,855	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	9.3%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	8.3%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	2.0%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	27.0%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	18	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	124	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	8.9%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	12.1%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	84.4%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	4.1%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	4.0	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	5.8%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	37.3%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	5.1%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	2,066	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	11.0%	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	88.1%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	43.7%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	29.4%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	44.5%	43.7%

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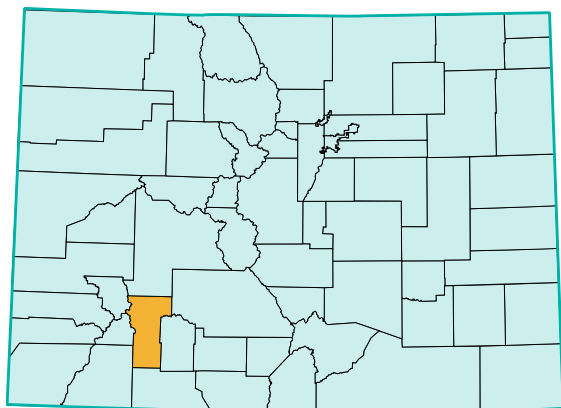
HINSDALE COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

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	HINSDALE	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	779	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	127	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	16.5%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	21	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	106	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	LNE	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	LNE	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	LNE	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	LNE	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	NR	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	46.1%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	28.9%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	17.1%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$70,675	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	16.2%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	14.3%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	NR	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	25.0%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	NR	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	3	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	LNE	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	LNE	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	100.0%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	LNE	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	0.0	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	NR	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	45.9%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	12.3%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	76	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	NR	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	NR	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	NR	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	50.0%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	71.0%	43.7%

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HUERFANO COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

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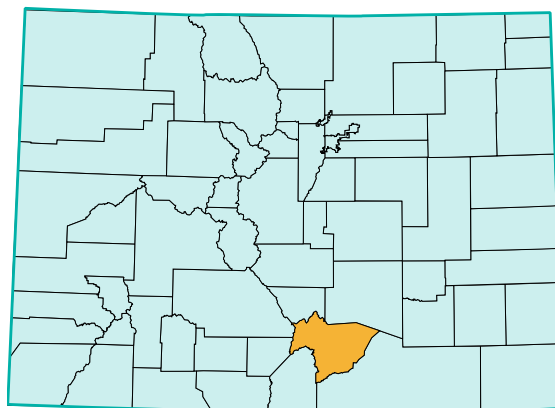
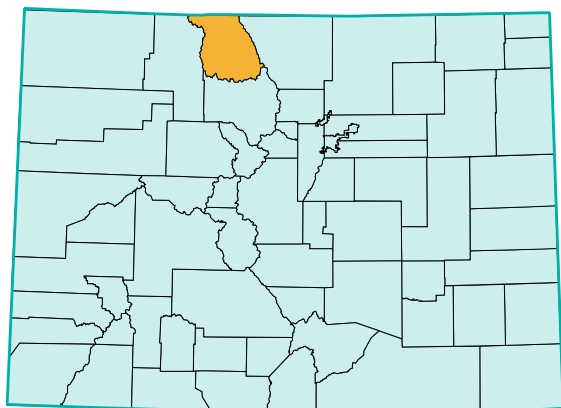|	HUERFANO	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	7,104	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	1,096	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	15.3%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	245	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	851	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	37.5%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	10.0%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	LNE	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	LNE	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	50.1	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	79.0%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	72.6%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	6.5%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$47,968	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	29.4%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	27.5%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	16.7%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	54.3%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	NR	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	40	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	10.0%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	7.5%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	65.0%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	12.5%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	NR	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	3.3%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	82.0%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	3.8%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	696	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	NR	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	84.3%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	22.9%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	8.4%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	20.2%	43.7%

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JACKSON COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

KIDS COUNT IN COLORADO! 2024

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	JACKSON	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	1,314	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	219	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	16.9%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	42	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	177	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	23.1%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	LNE	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	LNE	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	LNE	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	NR	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	29.7%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	24.5%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	5.2%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$62,439	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	19.1%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	18.4%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	NR	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	23.1%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	NR	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	13	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	LNE	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	LNE	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	69.2%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	LNE	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	NR	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	NR	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	55.7%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	13.8%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	155	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	4.5%	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	81.3%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	NR	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	28.8%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	39.0%	43.7%

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JEFFERSON COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

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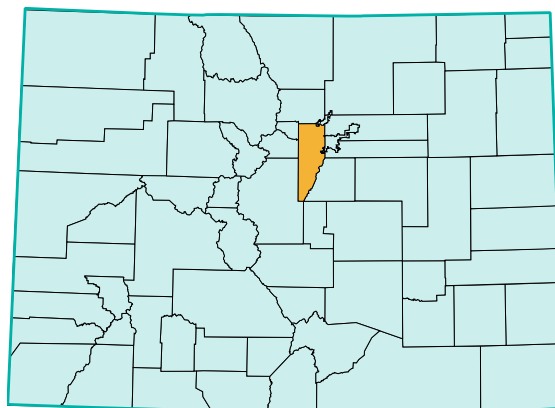
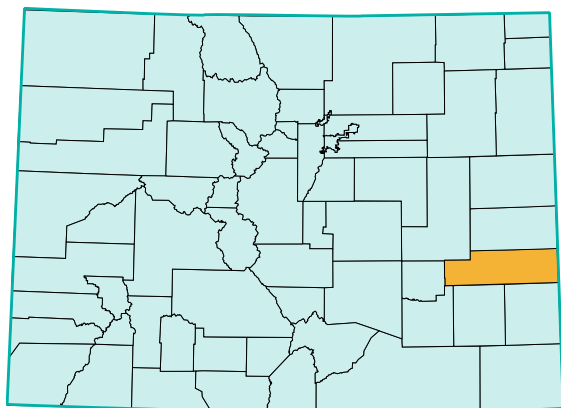|	JEFFERSON	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	575,936	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	110,579	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	19.2%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	27,768	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	82,811	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	17.3%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	5.0%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	5.8	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	1.5%	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	4.3	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	32.4%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	27.4%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	5.0%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$102,413	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	6.8%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	6.6%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	3.3%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	16.8%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	1,465	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	5,435	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	9.8%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	9.7%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	87.9%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	2.5%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	3.2	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	4.4	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	12.9	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	65.5	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	9.4	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	47.6	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	2.7%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	33.9%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	3.5%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	76,172	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	99.6%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	6.2%	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	85.0%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	53.5%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	38.7%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	50.8%	43.7%

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KIOWA COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

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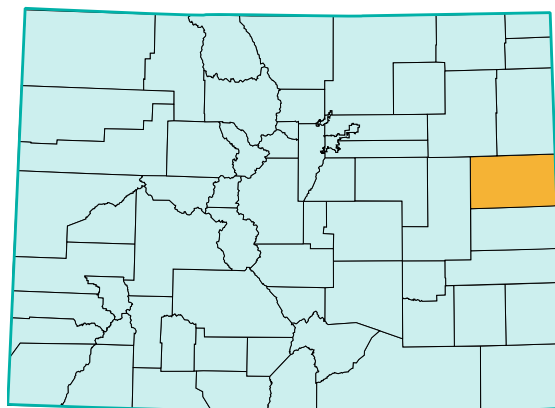
	KIOWA	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	1,428	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	322	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	23.0%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	74	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	248	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	25.0%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	LNE	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	LNE	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	LNE	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	9.1	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	NR	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	NR	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	NR	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$55,573	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	20.3%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	18.8%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	NR	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	58.1%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	NR	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	16	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	LNE	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	LNE	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	37.5%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	LNE	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	0.0	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	NR	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	69.6%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	5.4%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	615	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	45.5%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	NR	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	94.1%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	NR	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	47.4%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	62.1%	43.7%

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KIT CARSON COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

KIDS COUNT IN COLORADO! 2024

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NR = Not Reported

	KIT CARSON	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	6,974	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	1,775	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	25.4%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	441	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	1,334	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	30.7%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	11.4%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	LNE	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	5.7%	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	6.3	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	NR	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	NR	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	NR	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$56,720	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	16.8%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	16.3%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	4.9%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	47.3%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	35	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	89	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	5.7%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	5.6%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	70.8%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	5.6%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	NR	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	6.1%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	64.8%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	8.2%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	1,390	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	NR	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	90.9%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	24.2%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	18.9%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	25.7%	43.7%

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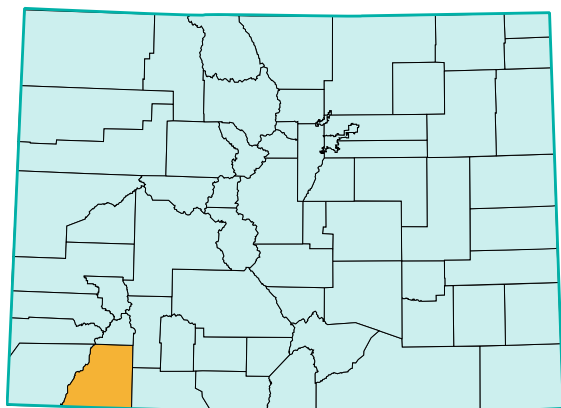
COUNTY DATA

LA PLATA COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

KIDS COUNT IN COLORADO! 2024

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	LA PLATA	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	56,557	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	10,265	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	18.2%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	2,214	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	8,051	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	25.6%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	5.9%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	6.4	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	1.2%	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	2.4	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	41.4%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	38.9%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	2.5%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$79,358	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	13.2%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	12.2%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	4.8%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	28.8%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	105	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	427	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	8.7%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	11.7%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	79.6%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	3.8%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	NR	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	4.8%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	47.0%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	7.0%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	7,212	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	99.5%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	4.2%	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	85.2%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	40.8%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	28.3%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	42.4%	43.7%

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LAKE COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

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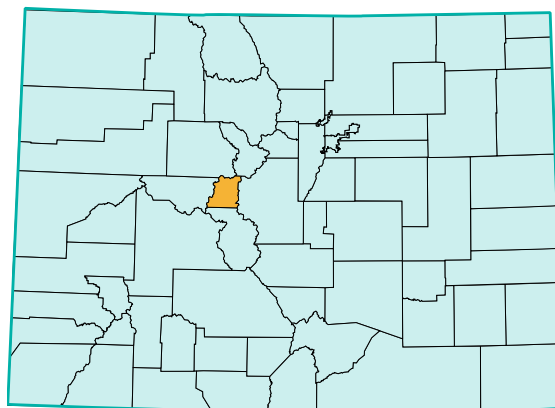|	LAKE	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	7,342	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	1,528	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	20.7%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	409	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	1,119	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	33.0%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	13.6%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	LNE	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	3.4%	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	3.2	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	49.5%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	42.0%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	7.6%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$71,326	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	16.6%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	16.0%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	2.0%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	30.2%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	67	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	88	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	12.5%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	19.3%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	69.0%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	5.7%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	NR	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	5.6%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	51.3%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	8.4%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	977	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	28.5%	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	75.6%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	22.0%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	16.3%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	23.8%	43.7%

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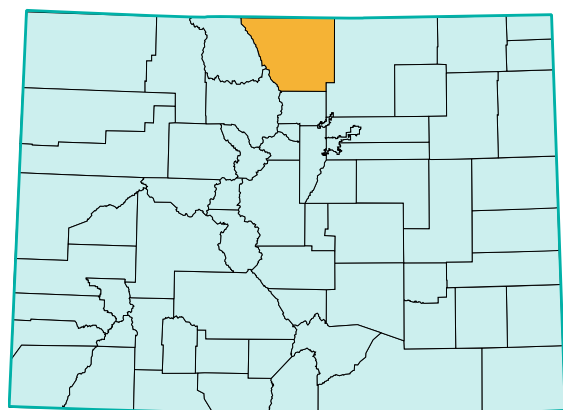
COUNTY DATA

LARIMER COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

KIDS COUNT IN COLORADO! 2024

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N/A = Not Applicable
NR = Not Reported

	LARIMER	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	366,843	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	70,222	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	19.1%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	16,593	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	53,629	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	19.0%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	5.9%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	6.0	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	1.8%	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	4.6	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	36.2%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	31.7%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	4.5%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$88,338	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	9.0%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	8.3%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	3.8%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	22.7%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	2,358	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	3,076	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	9.4%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	9.3%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	88.1%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	2.9%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	2.9	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	3.3	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	13.3	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	75.6	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	9.5	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	58.8	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	3.4%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	38.7%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	4.2%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	45,968	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	93.2%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	5.3%	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	88.4%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	54.3%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	42.8%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	52.8%	43.7%

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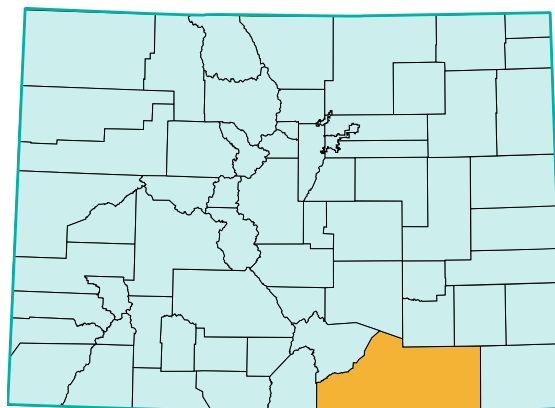
LAS ANIMAS COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN
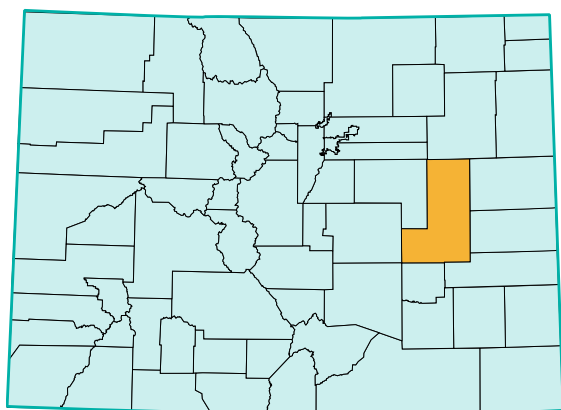
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	LAS ANIMAS	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	14,297	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	2,458	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	17.2%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	582	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	1,876	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	37.1%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	6.1%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	23.0	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	LNE	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	13.1	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	NR	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	NR	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	NR	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$49,097	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	23.8%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	24.1%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	7.7%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	56.8%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	NR	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	121	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	14.9%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	14.3%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	55.0%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	4.1%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	16.8	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	4.9%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	83.1%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	4.7%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	1,836	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	NR	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	85.0%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	33.0%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	21.7%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	33.5%	43.7%

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COUNTY DATA

LINCOLN COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

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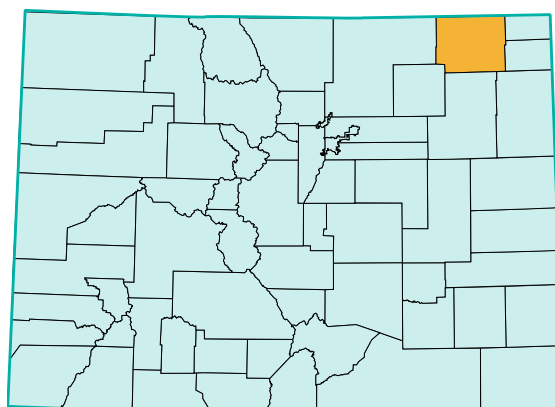|	LINCOLN	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	5,513	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	1,098	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	19.9%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	273	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	825	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	32.1%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	14.3%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	LNE	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	5.4%	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	1.8	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	49.7%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	44.8%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	4.9%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$54,345	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	18.1%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	18.5%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	4.0%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	30.7%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	NR	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	56	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	10.7%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	10.7%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	83.6%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	5.4%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	NR	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	4.2%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	64.5%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	4.5%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	734	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	NR	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	87.9%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	49.0%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	27.8%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	48.7%	43.7%

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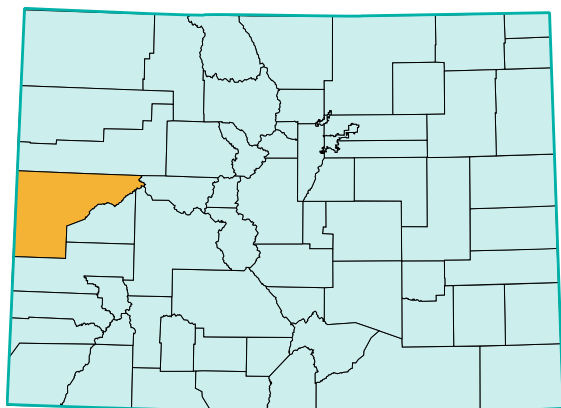
LOGAN COUNTY

**COLORADO
CHILDREN'S
CAMPAIGN**

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	LOGAN	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	20,809	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	3,896	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	18.7%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	1,008	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	2,888	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	30.3%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	7.5%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	9.1	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	4.3%	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	13.4	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	NR	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	NR	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	NR	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$58,976	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	17.7%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	17.9%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	3.9%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	46.6%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	62	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	188	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	11.7%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	8.0%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	85.6%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	9.6%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	9.7	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	5.8%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	58.2%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	5.6%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	2,632	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	NR	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	90.9%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	34.0%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	24.0%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	30.4%	43.7%

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COUNTY DATA

MESA COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

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	MESA	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	158,534	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	32,515	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	20.5%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	7,878	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	24,637	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	29.8%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	10.8%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	15.0	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	4.6%	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	10.5	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	NR	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	NR	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	NR	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$69,578	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	13.3%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	11.8%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	3.8%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	42.0%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	907	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	1,390	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	8.1%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	8.3%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	84.1%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	5.3%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	7.9	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	5.8	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	35.4	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	26.6	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	5.0%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	58.9%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	5.3%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	20,686	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	98.7%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	NR	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	80.4%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	39.5%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	29.2%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	39.2%	43.7%

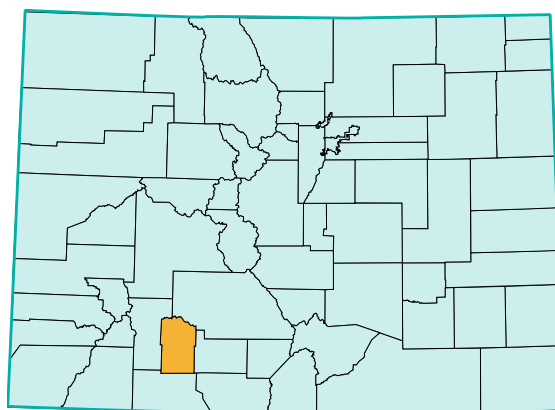*NOTE: At the time of printing, 2022 data for this indicator had not been published by the U.S. Census Bureau

MINERAL COUNTY

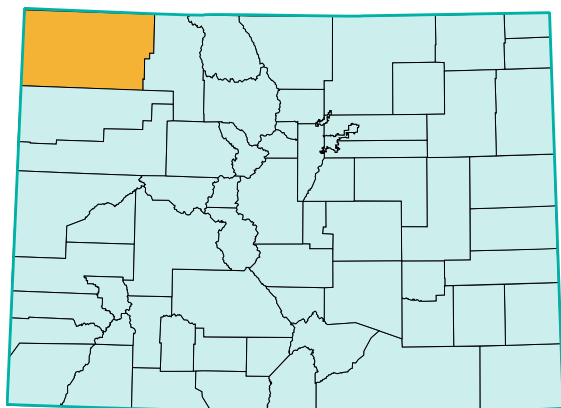**COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN**

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	MINERAL	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	924	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	122	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	13.1%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	38	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	84	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	LNE	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	LNE	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	LNE	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	LNE	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	NR	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	49.5%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	43.2%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	6.3%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$69,794	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	10.9%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	12.2%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	NR	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	8.6%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	NR	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	5	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	LNE	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	LNE	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	100.0%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	LNE	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	NR	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	NR	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	49.2%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	6.8%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	95	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	NR	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	NR	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	NR	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	33.3%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	54.8%	43.7%

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MOFFAT COUNTY

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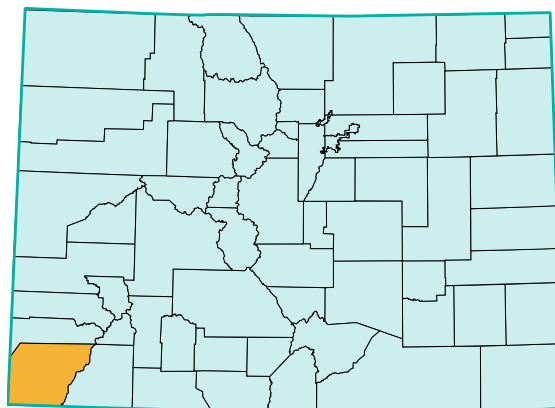
	MOFFAT	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	13,166	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	3,198	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	24.3%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	723	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	2,475	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	30.0%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	14.3%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	8.4	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	3.4%	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	4.4	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	59.6%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	49.7%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	9.9%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$69,088	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	13.1%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	11.4%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	3.7%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	46.2%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	NR	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	120	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	11.7%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	11.7%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	83.3%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	8.3%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	NR	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	5.8%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	57.6%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	6.4%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	1,916	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	9.3%	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	78.6%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	32.3%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	16.0%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	28.5%	43.7%

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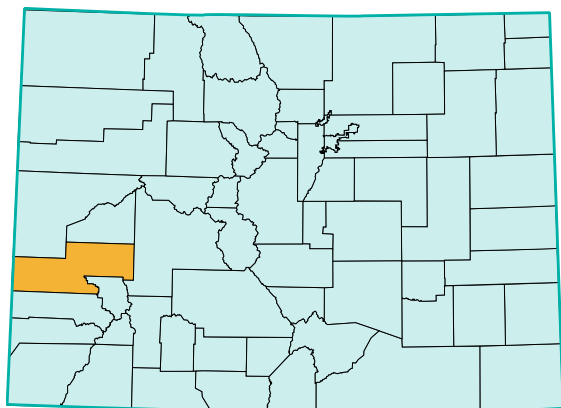
MONTEZUMA COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

KIDS COUNT IN COLORADO! 2024

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N/A = Not Applicable
NR = Not Reported

	MONTEZUMA	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	26,464	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	5,453	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	20.6%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	1,327	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	4,126	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	35.5%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	14.9%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	18.8	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	6.2%	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	6.7	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	59.9%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	54.6%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	5.3%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$58,345	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	22.9%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	22.0%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	2.9%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	49.3%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	47	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	229	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	10.1%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	10.0%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	76.1%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	7.9%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	11.1	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	6.7%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	73.6%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	6.7%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	3,718	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	98.8%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	4.0%	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	75.0%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	32.0%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	19.9%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	28.7%	43.7%

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MONTROSE COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

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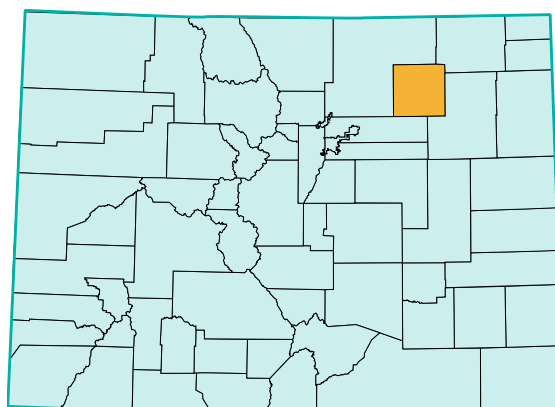|	MONTROSE	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	43,799	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	8,949	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	20.4%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	2,033	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	6,916	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	24.6%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	13.8%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	15.3	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	4.0%	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	13.9	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	59.9%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	49.2%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	10.7%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$65,736	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	15.4%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	13.8%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	2.8%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	43.5%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	196	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	407	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	11.6%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	12.8%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	80.9%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	5.7%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	17.8	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	7.4	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	45.3	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	8.0%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	65.5%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	7.2%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	6,294	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	99.7%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	NR	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	78.4%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	37.7%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	23.0%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	38.2%	43.7%

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MORGAN COUNTY

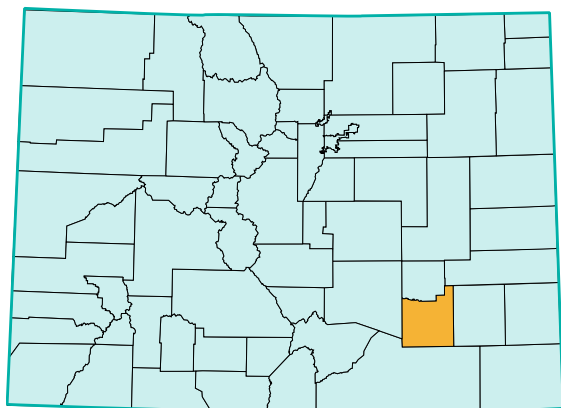**COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN**

KIDS COUNT IN COLORADO! 2024

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	MORGAN	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	29,296	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	7,745	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	26.4%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	2,115	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	5,630	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	25.0%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	21.6%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	20.4	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	3.8%	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	6.3	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	60.5%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	51.0%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	9.5%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$65,599	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	14.4%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	14.1%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	5.0%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	52.5%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	233	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	416	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	10.1%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	9.1%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	79.0%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	6.0%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	18.3	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	4.9%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	65.1%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	9.4%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	5,946	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	NR	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	86.2%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	25.4%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	19.4%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	28.8%	43.7%

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OTERO COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

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	OTERO	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	18,294	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	4,200	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	23.0%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	1,041	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	3,159	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	43.6%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	16.5%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	40.0	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	10.0%	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	7.7	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	72.9%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	65.6%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	7.3%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$46,607	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	32.7%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	31.1%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	7.5%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	72.5%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	27	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	203	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	11.3%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	9.5%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	70.6%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	7.9%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	2.7	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	4.3%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	79.0%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	4.8%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	3,002	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	NR	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	95.1%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	32.2%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	20.1%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	30.0%	43.7%

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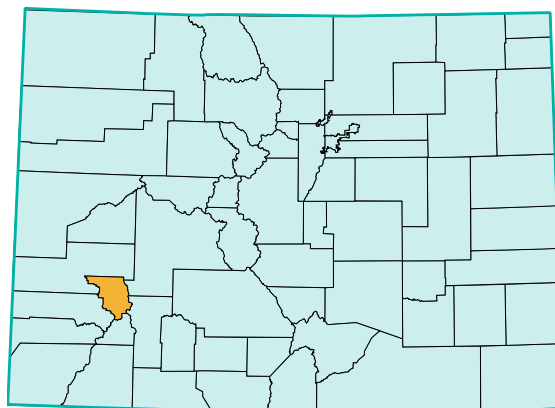
OURAY COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

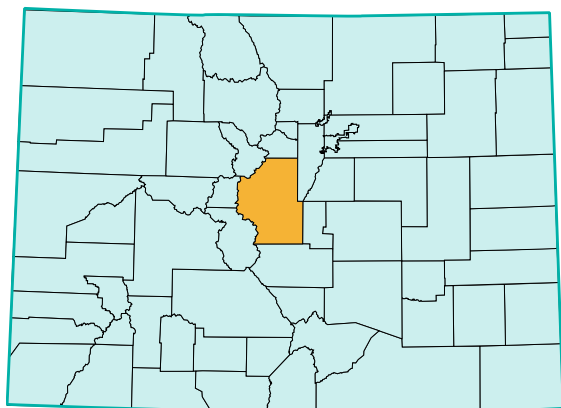*KIDS COUNT IN COLORADO! 2024*

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	OURAY	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	5,088	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	706	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	13.8%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	151	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	555	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	18.2%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	LNE	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	LNE	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	LNE	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	NR	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	28.5%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	26.1%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	2.4%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$90,837	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	8.1%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	7.4%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	NR	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	16.6%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	NR	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	33	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	LNE	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	LNE	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	87.9%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	LNE	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	NR	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	6.6%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	33.0%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	5.3%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	502	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	2.8%	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	95.7%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	48.5%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	48.4%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	56.1%	43.7%

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PARK COUNTY

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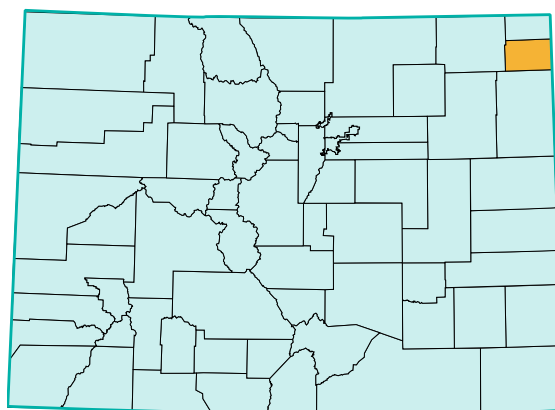
	PARK	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	17,900	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	2,927	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	16.3%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	749	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	2,178	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	14.4%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	4.1%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	LNE	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	LNE	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	8.6	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	34.8%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	31.6%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	3.2%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$88,020	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	10.6%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	9.8%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	2.7%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	23.1%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	NR	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	146	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	6.8%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	9.0%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	83.6%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	4.8%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	3.6	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	3.9%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	39.4%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	5.2%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	1,316	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	NR	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	80.4%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	40.2%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	33.9%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	47.4%	43.7%

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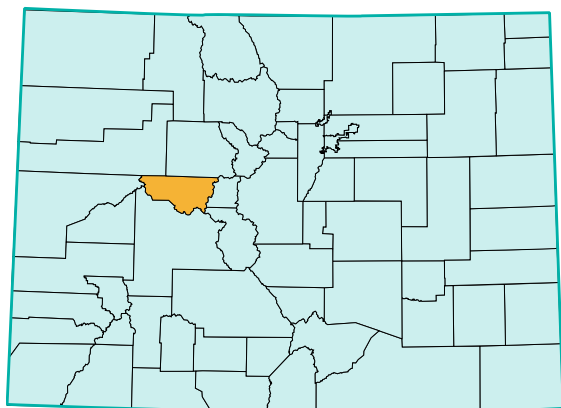
PHILLIPS COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

KIDS COUNT IN COLORADO! 2024

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	PHILLIPS	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	4,435	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	1,076	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	24.3%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	247	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	829	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	20.4%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	13.2%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	35.4	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	LNE	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	1.9	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	53.2%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	47.5%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	5.7%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$68,571	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	13.6%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	13.2%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	2.9%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	52.3%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	33	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	54	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	LNE	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	LNE	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	79.6%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	LNE	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	NR	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	6.6%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	52.9%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	11.4%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	842	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	12.9%	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	88.8%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	21.2%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	15.6%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	28.9%	43.7%

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PITKIN COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

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NR = Not Reported

	PITKIN	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	16,856	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	2,614	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	15.5%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	639	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	1,975	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	12.8%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	5.3%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	7.5	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	2.3%	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	0.4	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	6.2%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	4.2%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	2.1%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$111,291	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	4.3%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	4.0%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	NR	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	7.1%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	NR	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	134	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	13.4%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	11.2%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	78.9%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	LNE	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	NR	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	3.9%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	19.9%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	5.6%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	1,554	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	6.2%	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	92.4%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	55.8%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	39.9%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	51.7%	43.7%

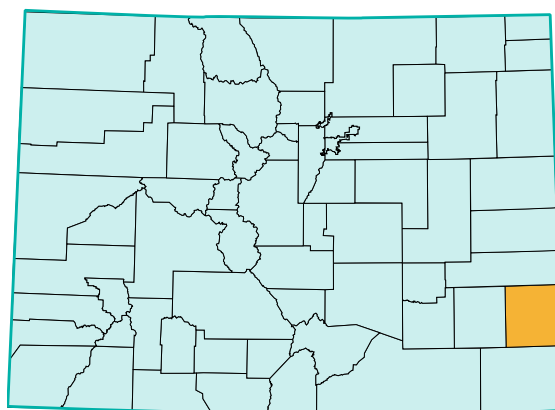*NOTE: At the time of printing, 2022 data for this indicator had not been published by the U.S. Census Bureau

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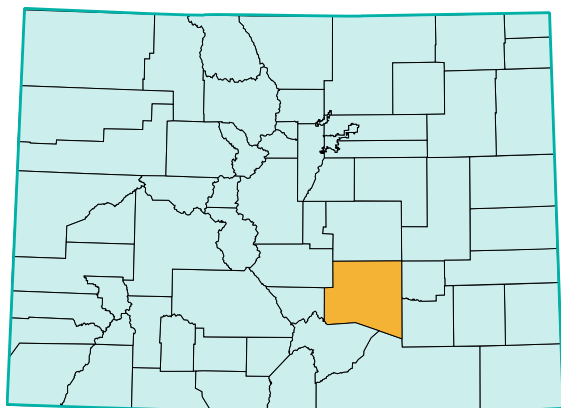**COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN**

KIDS COUNT IN COLORADO! 2024

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	PROWERS	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	11,850	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	2,976	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	25.1%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	767	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	2,209	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	31.0%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	18.2%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	15.1	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	4.2%	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	2.7	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	71.6%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	59.4%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	12.2%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$48,832	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	24.1%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	23.1%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	7.8%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	54.5%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	66	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	146	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	18.5%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	15.1%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	43.6%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	5.5%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	NR	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	7.4%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	75.8%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	7.2%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	2,198	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	10.1%	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	89.6%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	32.0%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	21.8%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	31.1%	43.7%

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PUEBLO COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

KIDS COUNT IN COLORADO! 2024

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	PUEBLO	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	169,383	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	36,050	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	21.3%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	8,772	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	27,278	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	35.1%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	10.8%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	16.8	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	4.1%	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	10.6	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	70.2%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	64.3%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	5.9%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$58,314	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	18.1%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	17.6%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	10.1%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	52.6%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	769	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	1,703	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	10.5%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	10.5%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	69.8%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	5.8%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	4.4	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	6.5	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	29.5	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	118.6	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	18.4	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	101.7	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	3.0%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	74.8%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	4.0%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	25,204	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	4.2%	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	84.6%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	30.8%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	20.3%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	32.6%	43.7%

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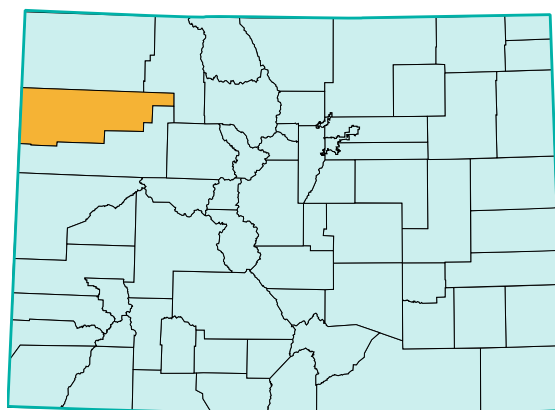
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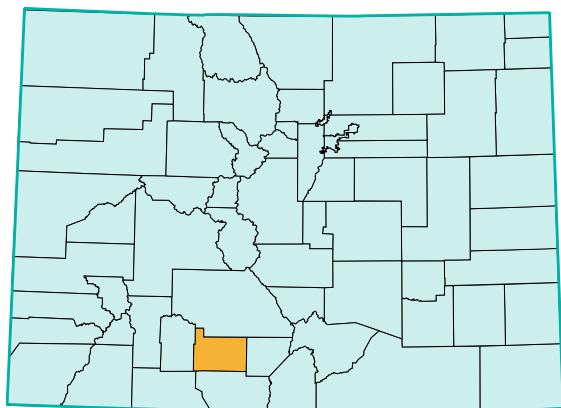
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	RIO BLANCO	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	6,558	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	1,607	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	24.5%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	318	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	1,289	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	25.9%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	15.5%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	LNE	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	5.2%	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	13.4	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	43.5%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	35.9%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	7.5%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$71,630	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	11.9%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	10.8%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	NR	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	30.6%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	23	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	58	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	LNE	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	6.9%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	53.4%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	LNE	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	10.1	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	3.6%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	47.1%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	6.7%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	1,233	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	NR	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	97.6%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	48.0%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	36.1%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	43.1%	43.7%

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RIO GRANDE COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

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	RIO GRANDE	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	11,336	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	2,483	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	21.9%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	606	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	1,877	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	30.7%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	16.5%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	14.5	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	3.9%	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	15.3	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	64.4%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	57.2%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	7.2%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$56,877	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	20.6%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	20.5%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	6.1%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	31.0%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	49	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	127	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	18.9%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	19.7%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	80.2%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	7.1%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	12.0	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	39.4	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	5.2%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	69.2%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	7.2%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	1,678	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	3.1%	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	88.7%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	29.5%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	20.1%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	30.9%	43.7%

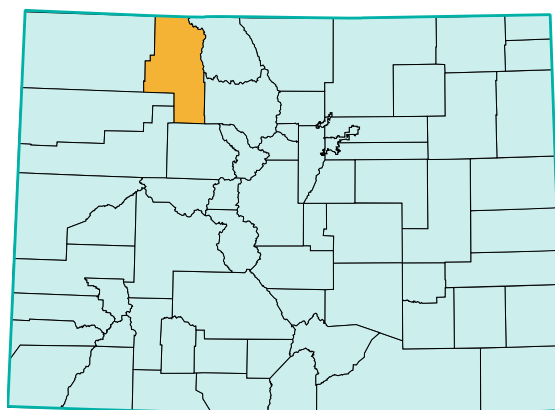*NOTE: At the time of printing, 2022 data for this indicator had not been published by the U.S. Census Bureau

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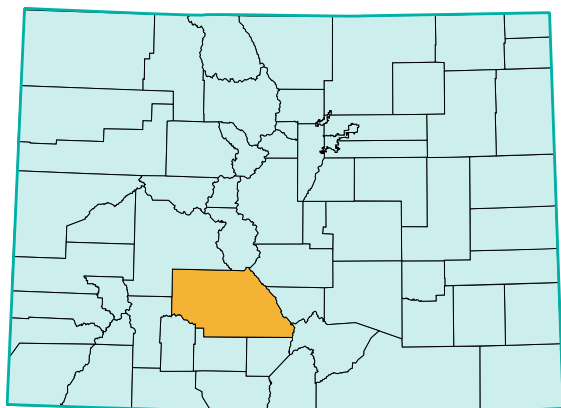*KIDS COUNT IN COLORADO! 2024*

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	ROUTT	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	25,027	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	4,700	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	18.8%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	1,053	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	3,647	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	14.9%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	8.0%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	LNE	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	LNE	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	2.6	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	21.9%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	17.1%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	4.8%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$104,407	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	6.0%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	5.6%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	NR	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	16.8%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	NR	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	201	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	9.0%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	8.5%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	93.0%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	LNE	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	4.1	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	5.1%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	25.4%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	6.8%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	3,362	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	8.4%	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	96.3%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	53.5%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	43.6%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	63.6%	43.7%

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COUNTY DATA

SAGUACHE COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

KIDS COUNT IN COLORADO! 2024

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NR = Not Reported

	SAGUACHE	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	6,616	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	1,285	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	19.4%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	308	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	977	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	34.9%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	32.3%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	15.6	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	LNE	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	15.0	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	82.4%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	75.8%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	6.6%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$45,048	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	29.7%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	27.5%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	4.2%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	49.3%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	207	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	64	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	4.8%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	15.6%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	68.3%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	6.3%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	NR	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	5.3%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	77.7%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	6.7%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	1,025	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	87.1%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	21.5%	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	72.7%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	30.0%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	9.7%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	28.8%	43.7%

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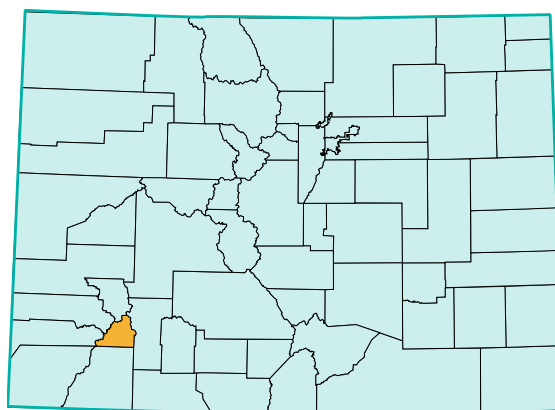
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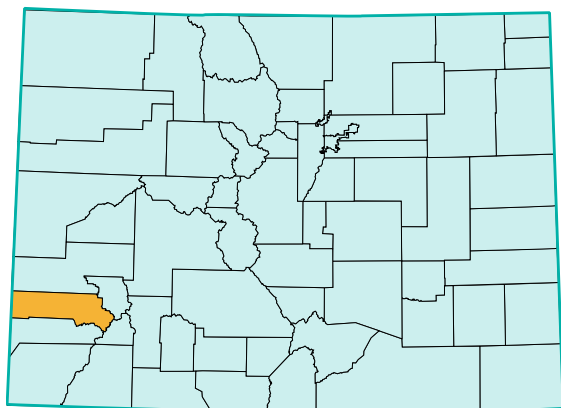**COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN**

KIDS COUNT IN COLORADO! 2024

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	SAN JUAN	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	801	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	98	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	13.0%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	19	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	79	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	LNE	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	LNE	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	LNE	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	LNE	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	NR	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	61.3%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	56.0%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	5.3%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$62,732	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	23.5%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	24.6%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	NR	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	28.0%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	NR	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	8	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	LNE	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	LNE	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	87.5%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	LNE	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	0.0	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	NR	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	74.8%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	15.2%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	75	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	18.7%	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	NR	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	NR	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	NR	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	NR	43.7%

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SAN MIGUEL COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

KIDS COUNT IN COLORADO! 2024

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NR = Not Reported

	SAN MIGUEL	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	7,993	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	1,358	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	17.0%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	272	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	1,086	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	14.3%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	10.2%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	LNE	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	LNE	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	4.5	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	29.7%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	24.9%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	4.7%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$94,387	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	8.4%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	7.7%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	NR	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	23.1%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	16	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	49	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	12.2%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	18.4%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	69.4%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	LNE	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	NR	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	5.5%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	33.3%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	8.8%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	994	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	NR	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	93.7%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	63.8%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	46.5%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	61.8%	43.7%

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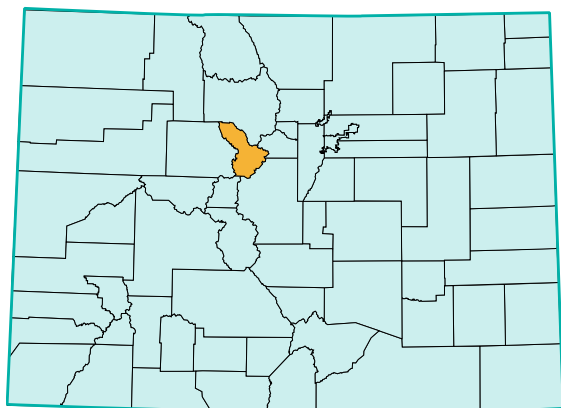
SEDGWICK COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

KIDS COUNT IN COLORADO! 2024

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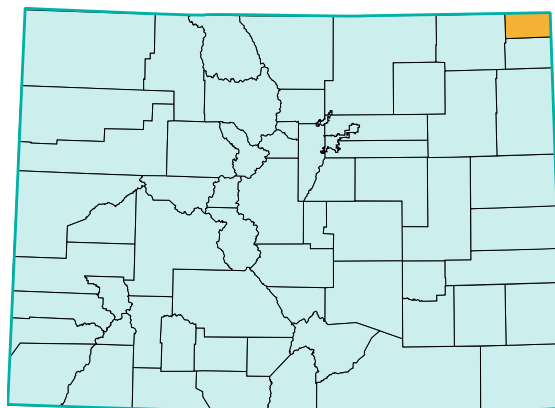
	SEDGWICK	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	2,297	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	428	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	19.0%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	86	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	342	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	15.8%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	LNE	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	LNE	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	LNE	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	NR	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	60.4%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	54.9%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	5.5%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$46,980	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	20.6%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	18.8%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	12.6%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	47.7%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	NR	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	19	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	LNE	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	15.8%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	73.7%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	LNE	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	NR	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	NR	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	67.1%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	7.7%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	942	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	NR	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	95.6%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	NR	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	11.4%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	20.0%	43.7%

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SUMMIT COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

KIDS COUNT IN COLORADO! 2024

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N/A = Not Applicable
NR = Not Reported

	SUMMIT	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	30,583	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	5,007	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	16.4%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	1,241	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	3,766	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	21.3%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	17.1%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	7.0	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	3.2%	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	0.2	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	41.2%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	29.3%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	12.0%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$96,984	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	6.8%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	5.6%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	0.8%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	29.3%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	NR	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	253	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	10.3%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	14.2%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	72.7%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	1.2%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	NR	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	5.9%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	35.1%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	7.9%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	3,572	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	26.9%	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	90.8%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	39.7%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	28.1%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	40.9%	43.7%

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TELLER COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

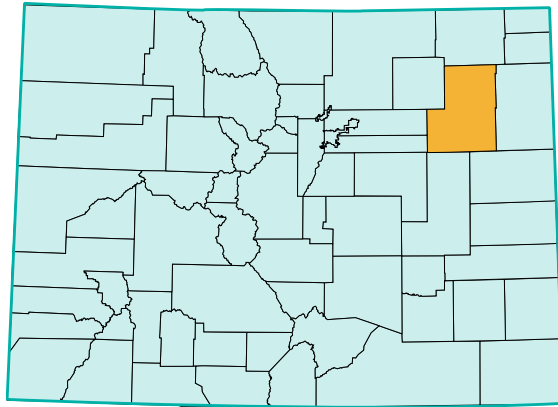*KIDS COUNT IN COLORADO! 2024*
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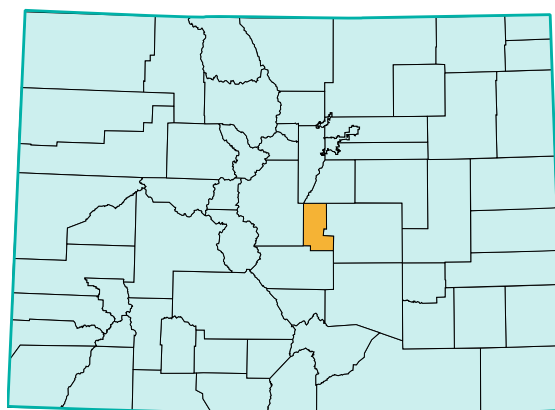
	TELLER	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	24,852	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	4,033	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	16.2%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	898	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	3,135	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	17.4%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	4.8%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	9.3	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	2.1%	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	5.5	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	NR	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	NR	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	NR	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$81,466	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	11.7%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	11.0%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	3.8%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	29.2%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	33	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	190	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	11.1%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	13.8%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	80.7%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	3.7%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	7.6	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	3.8%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	53.7%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	4.3%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	2,299	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	NR	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	74.1%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	37.5%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	26.4%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	42.2%	43.7%

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WASHINGTON COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN
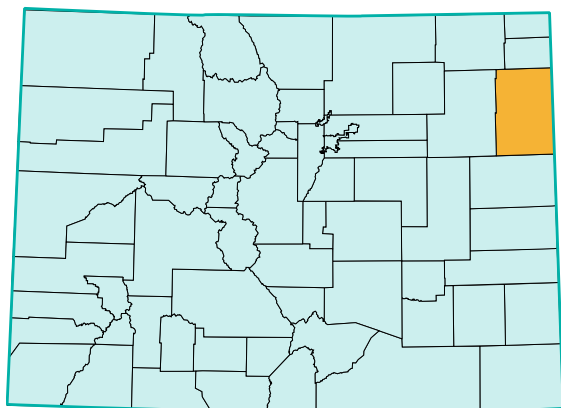
KIDS COUNT IN COLORADO! 2024

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	WASHINGTON	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	4,835	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	1,075	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	22.3%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	255	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	820	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	8.0%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	LNE	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	LNE	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	LNE	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	12.1	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	NR	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	NR	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	NR	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$61,492	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	17.0%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	15.8%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	5.9%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	33.2%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	28	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	50	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	8.2%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	8.0%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	85.4%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	LNE	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	NR	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	6.2%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	62.4%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	6.3%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	906	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	NR	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	89.7%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	38.7%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	23.1%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	28.4%	43.7%

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WELD COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

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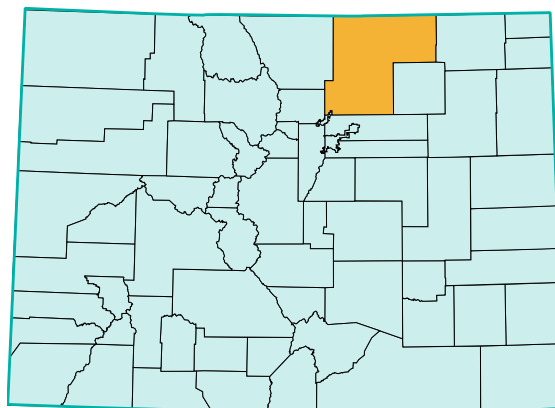
	WELD	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	350,206	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	91,427	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	26.1%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	23,714	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	67,713	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	22.8%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	12.0%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	13.0	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	3.2%	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	5.0	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	53.8%	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	46.2%	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	7.6%	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$90,770	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	9.7%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	9.6%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	3.4%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	31.3%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	986	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	4,751	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	10.2%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	9.3%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	82.8%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	4.3%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	4.3	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	3.4	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	18.9	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	59.7	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	11.6	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	45.7	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	4.1%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	49.3%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	4.8%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	46,627	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	97.2%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	NR	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	87.5%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	37.2%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	28.6%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	38.2%	43.7%

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YUMA COUNTY

COLORADO CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

KIDS COUNT IN COLORADO! 2024

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N/A = Not Applicable
NR = Not Reported

	YUMA	COLORADO
POPULATION		
2022 Total Population	9,920	5,838,736
2022 Child Population (Under 18)	2,666	1,250,481
2022 Child Population as a Percentage of Total Population (Under 18)	26.9%	21.4%
2022 Young Child Population (Under 5)	685	314,821
2022 School-Aged Population (Ages 5-17)	1,981	935,660
VULNERABLE FAMILIES		
2022 Births to Single Women	24.8%	23.4%
2022 Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED	11.8%	9.8%
2022 Teen Births (rate per 1,000 female teens 15-19)	17.1	10.7
2022 Three Risk Factor Births	LNE	2.7%
2023 Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000)	0.4	5.4
FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS		
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced Price Lunch	NR	45.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Free Lunch	NR	39.7%
Fall 2023 Children Qualifying for Reduced Price Lunch	NR	6.0%
2022 Median Household Income	$56,075	$89,096
2022 Children (Under 18) in Poverty	16.9%	11.1%
2022 School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty	15.1%	10.7%
2023 Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments	2.3%	3.8%
2023 Children Receiving WIC Program Vouchers	47.6%	31.5%
2022-2023 Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Ed. Program	27	19,515
CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH		
2022 Live Births	129	62,356
2022 Preterm Births (<37 Weeks Gestation)	10.1%	10.0%
2022 Low Weight Births	7.0%	9.9%
2022 Births to Women Who Had Early Prenatal Care	82.9%	81.9%
2022 Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy	2.3%	3.1%
2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000)	NR	7.6
2022 Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000)	LNE	4.5
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	18.8
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	71.7
2022 Child (Ages 1-14) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	9.7
2022 Teen (Ages 15-19) Injury Deaths (rate per 100,000)	LNE	58.5
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+	6.5%	3.5%
FY 22-23 Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid	59.3%	48.0%
2021 Uninsured Children (SAHIE)*	10.7%	4.7%
EDUCATION		
Fall 2023 PK-12 Pupil Enrollment	1,813	881,464
Fall 2023 Kindergarteners in a Full-Day Program	100.0%	98.0%
Fall 2023 English Language Learners	NR	13.0%
2022-2023 High School Graduation Rate	91.9%	83.1%
2023 4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts	38.7%	43.8%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math	35.2%	32.9%
2023 Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts	40.8%	43.7%

*NOTE: At the time of printing, 2022 data for this indicator had not been published by the U.S. Census Bureau

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The Colorado Children's Campaign relies on data from federal, state and local agencies; these sources are the final authority relating to the quality of any data presented in this report. Please note that all vital statistics are reported by place of residence, and not by place of birth or death.

POPULATION

Total Population (number)
Number of individuals. Estimates provided by the Colorado State Demography Office, Colorado Department of Local Affairs. Estimates retrieved on March 8, 2024.

Child Population (Under 18) (number)
Number of children under the age of 18. Estimates provided by the Colorado State Demography Office, Colorado Department of Local Affairs. Estimates retrieved on March 8, 2024.

Children as a Percentage of Total Population (percent)
Percent of the total population that is under the age of 18. Population estimates provided by the Colorado State Demography Office, Colorado Department of Local Affairs; percent calculations performed by the Colorado Children's Campaign. Estimates retrieved on March 8, 2024.

Young Child Population (Under 5) (number)
Number of children under the age of 5. Estimates provided by the Colorado State Demography Office, Colorado Department of Local Affairs. Estimates retrieved on March 8, 2024.

School-Aged Child Population (Ages 5-17) (number)
Number of children ages 5 through 17. Estimates provided by the Colorado State Demography Office, Colorado Department of Local Affairs. Estimates retrieved on March 8, 2024.

VULNERABLE FAMILIES

Births to Single Women (percent)
Percent of live births occurring to women who are not married. Data provided by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment Vital Statistics Program. Low number of events (LNE) indicates fewer than three births to single women in a given place.

Births to Women without a High School Diploma or GED (percent)
Percent of live births occurring to women without a high school diploma or GED. Data provided by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment Vital Statistics Program. Low number of events (LNE) indicates fewer than three births to women with less than 12 years of education in a given place.

Teen Births (rate per 1,000 females ages 15-19)
Number of live births to women ages 15 through 19 per 1,000 women in that age group (age-specific fertility rate). Data provided by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment Vital Statistics Program. Low number of events (LNE) indicates fewer than three births to this age group in a given place.

Three Risk-Factor Births (percent)
Percent of live births occurring to unmarried women who are under the age of 25 years with less than 12 years of education. Data provided by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment Vital Statistics Program. Low number of events (LNE) indicates fewer than three births in this category in a given place.

Out-of-Home Placements (rate per 1,000 children under 18)
Number of children removed from their homes by the Department of Human Services per 1,000 children under the age of 18. Data provided by the Colorado Department of Human Services Division of Child Welfare; rate calculations performed by the Colorado Children's Campaign.

Out-of-home placements include family foster care, specialized group homes, residential child care facilities, independent living situations, foster care with relatives, residential treatment centers, and both emergency and non-emergency placements or shelters.

FAMILY ECONOMICS AND SUPPORTS

Children Qualifying for Free or Reduced-Price Lunch (percent)
Percent of children in public school grades PK-12 who qualified for free or reduced-price school lunch. Data provided by the Colorado Department of Education.

Public school children qualify for free lunch if their family's income falls below 130 percent of the federal poverty level (FPL). Public school children qualify for reduced-price lunch if their family's income falls between 130 percent and 185 percent of the FPL.

Median Household Income (dollars)
Median income of households. Data provided by the U.S. Census Bureau Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates (SAIPE).

Children (Under 18) in Poverty (percent)
Percent of children under the age of 18 living in families with incomes at or below the federal poverty level. Data provided by the U.S. Census Bureau Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates (SAIPE).

School-Aged Children (Ages 5-17) in Poverty (percent)
Percent of children ages 5 through 17 living in families with incomes at or below the federal poverty level. Data provided by the U.S. Census Bureau Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates (SAIPE).

Children Receiving TANF Basic Cash Assistance Payments (percent)
Percent of children receiving Basic Cash Assistance payments as part of the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program during the calendar year. Caseload data provided by the Colorado Department of Human Services; percent calculations performed by the Colorado Children's Campaign.

Children Under 5 Receiving WIC Program Vouchers (percent)
Percent of children under age 5 (until their fifth birthday) served by the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) during the calendar year. Unduplicated count of WIC child participants provided by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment; percent calculations performed by the Colorado Children's Campaign.

Note: Some local WIC programs provide services to children from other counties. Hinsdale, Mineral, San Juan and Gilpin counties did not have WIC programs in 2022; children in these counties were served by neighboring counties.

Students Served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Program (number)
Number of PK-12 public school students served by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Program during the school year based on Colorado school district submissions. The McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Program serves homeless children and youth, which they define as "individuals who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence...", including:

   i. children and youths who are sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason; are living in motels, hotels, trailer parks, or camping grounds due to the lack of alternative adequate accommodations; are living in emergency or transitional shelters; or are abandoned in hospitals;

   ii. children and youths who have a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings...;

   iii. children and youths who are living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations, or similar settings; and

   iv. migratory children who qualify as homeless for the purposes of this subtitle because the children are living in circumstances described in clauses (i) through (iii).

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CHILD AND MATERNAL HEALTH

Live Births (number)
Total number of live births. Data provided by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment Vital Statistics Program. Low number of events (LNE) indicates fewer than three births in a given place.

Preterm Births (<37 weeks gestation) (percent)
Percent of babies born earlier than 37 weeks gestation. Data provided by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment Vital Statistics Program. Low number of events (LNE) indicates fewer than three babies born preterm in a given place.

Low Weight Births (percent)
Percent of babies born weighing 5.5 pounds (2500 grams) or less. Data provided by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment Vital Statistics Program. Low number of events (LNE) indicates fewer than three babies born at low weights in a given place.

Births to Women with Early Prenatal Care (percent)
Percent of live births in which prenatal care was initiated in the first trimester of pregnancy. Data provided by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment Vital Statistics Program. Low number of events (LNE) indicates fewer than three births to women receiving early prenatal care in a given place.

Births to Women Smoking During Pregnancy (percent)
Percent of live births in which women reported smoking during pregnancy on their infant's birth certificate. Data provided by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment Vital Statistics Program. Low number of events (LNE) indicates fewer than three births to women who smoked during pregnancy in a given place.

Note: This health behavior is likely underreported due to knowledge of the risks of smoking during pregnancy as well as social stigma.

Child Abuse and Neglect (rate per 1,000 children under 18)
Number of children under 18 experiencing maltreatment (including physical, sexual or emotional abuse and/or neglect) per 1,000 children under 18. These data represent unique, substantiated cases of maltreatment. Data provided by the Colorado Department of Human Services, Division of Child Welfare.

Infant Mortality (rate per 1,000 live births)
Number of infant deaths in the first year of life per 1,000 live births. Data provided by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment Vital Statistics Program. Low number of events (LNE) indicates fewer than three infant deaths in a given place.

Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths (rate per 100,000 children ages 1-14)
Number of child deaths per 100,000 children ages 1 through 14. These data include deaths from natural causes (such as illness or congenital defects) as well as injury (including motor vehicle deaths, homicides and suicides). Data provided by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment Vital Statistics Program. Low number of events (LNE) indicates fewer than three child deaths in a given place.

Note: This indicator differs from that of KIDS COUNT reports prior to 2001 to be more consistent with the Colorado Vital Statistics series of reports.

Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths (rate per 100,000 teens ages 15-19)
Number of teen deaths per 100,000 teens ages 15 through 19. These data include deaths from natural causes (such as illness or congenital defects) as well as injury (including motor vehicle deaths, homicides and suicides). Data provided by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment Vital Statistics Program. Low number of events (LNE) indicates fewer than three teen deaths in a given place.

Note: This indicator differs from that of KIDS COUNT reports prior to 2001 to be more consistent with the Colorado Vital Statistics series of reports.

Child (Ages 1-14) Deaths due to Injury (rate per 100,000 children ages 1-14)
Number of child deaths due to intentional and unintentional injuries per 100,000 children ages 1 through 14. These data include deaths due to homicide, suicide and accidents. Data provided by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment Vital Statistics Program. Low number of events (LNE) indicates fewer than three child deaths due to injury in a given place.

Teen (Ages 15-19) Deaths due to Injury (rate per 100,000 teens ages 15-19)
Number of teen deaths due to intentional and unintentional injuries per 100,000 teens ages 15 through 19. These data include deaths due to homicide, suicide and accidents. Data provided by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment Vital Statistics Program. Low number of events (LNE) indicates fewer than three teen deaths due to injury in a given place.

Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in Medicaid (percent)
Estimated percent of children ages birth through 18 enrolled in Medicaid during the fiscal year. As of 2017, children in families with a modified adjusted gross income (MAGI) below 142% of the federal poverty level (FPL) are eligible for Medicaid. Caseload data provided by the Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing; percent calculations performed by the Colorado Children's Campaign. Low number of events (LNE) indicates fewer than 30 Medicaid clients in a given place.

Note: The numbers used to calculate this percentage include a unique count of all children ages 0 through 18 who were served at any point during FY 22-23. The Medicaid numbers reported here do not match official budget numbers; official budget numbers reflect an average monthly caseload over the course of a year and are therefore lower than the numbers reported here.

Children (Ages 0-18) Enrolled in CHP+ (percent)
Estimated percent of children ages birth through 18 enrolled in the Child Health Plan Plus (CHP+) during the fiscal year. As of 2017, children in families with a modified adjusted gross income (MAGI) below 260% of the federal poverty level (FPL), but above the Medicaid income eligibility cutoff, are eligible for CHP+. Caseload data provided by the Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing; percent calculations performed by the Colorado Children's Campaign. Low number of events (LNE) indicates fewer than 30 CHP+ clients in a given place.

Note: The numbers used to calculate this percentage include a unique count of all children ages 0 through 18 who were served at any point during FY 22-23. The CHP+ numbers reported here do not match official budget numbers; official budget numbers reflect an average monthly caseload over the course of a year and are therefore lower than the numbers reported here.

Uninsured Children (Ages 0-18) (percent)
Estimated percent of children ages 0 through 18 who lacked health insurance during the calendar year. Data provided by the U.S. Census Bureau Small Area Health Insurance Estimates (SAHIE) incorporating coverage estimates from the American Community Survey (ACS).

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EDUCATION

PK-12 Pupil Enrollment (number)
Number of children enrolled in Colorado public schools in grades PK-12. Data provided by the Colorado Department of Education.

Kindergartners in a Full-Day Program (percent)
Percent of kindergartners in Colorado public schools enrolled in a full-day program. Data provided by the Colorado Department of Education; percent calculations performed by the Colorado Children's Campaign.

English Language Learners (percent)
Percent of students in Colorado public schools identified as English Language Learners. Data provided by the Colorado Department of Education; percent calculations performed by the Colorado Children's Campaign.

High School Graduation Rate (percent)
Percent of students in Colorado public high schools who graduated within four years of entering ninth grade. Data provided by the Colorado Department of Education.

4th Grade Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in English Language Arts (percent)
Percent of 4th grade students who scored proficient in English Language Arts on the Colorado Measures of Academic Success (CMAS) assessment. Data provided by the Colorado Department of Education (CDE). County data are based on scores from the districts that comprise each county.

Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS Math (percent)
Percent of all students in grades 3 through 8 who scored proficient in Math on the Colorado Measures of Academic Success (CMAS) assessments. Data provided by the Colorado Department of Education (CDE). County data are based on data from the districts that comprise each county.

Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations on CMAS English Language Arts (percent)
Percent of all students in grades 3 through 8 who scored proficient in English Language Arts on the Colorado Measures of Academic Success (CMAS) assessments. Data provided by the Colorado Department of Education (CDE). County data are based on data from the districts that comprise each county.

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