



KENTUCKY

COUNTY

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ECONOMIC SECURITY



**CHILDREN IN POVERTY**  
(below 100% of the federal poverty level)  
22.3% 2018      20.2% 2023      ✓

22.3% 2018      17.3% 2023      ✓

**CHILDREN IN LOW-INCOME FAMILIES**  
(below 200% of the federal poverty level)  
46% 2014-18      44% 2019-23      ✓

59% 2014-18      47% 2019-23      ✓

**CHILDREN LIVING IN FOOD INSECURE HOUSEHOLDS**  
15.2% 2021      21.1% 2023      ✗

17.0% 2021      22.4% 2023      ✗

**HIGH RENTAL COST BURDEN**  
46% 2014-18      45% 2019-23      ✓

49% 2014-18      47% 2019-23      ✓

School district level data

EDUCATION



**KINDERGARTENERS READY TO LEARN**  
51.0% SY 2019-20      46% SY 2024-25      ✗

55.3% SY 2019-20      54% SY 2024-25      ✗

**FOURTH GRADE STUDENTS PROFICIENT IN READING**  
50% SY 2023-24      50% SY 2024-25      =

57% SY 2023-24      61% SY 2024-25      ✓

**EIGHTH GRADE STUDENTS PROFICIENT IN MATH**  
37% SY 2023-24      40% SY 2024-25      ✓

31% SY 2023-24      50% SY 2024-25      ✓

**HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS GRADUATING ON TIME**  
90.9% SY 2019-20      93.5% SY 2024-25      ✓

95.6% SY 2019-20      98.2% SY 2024-25      ✓

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**HEALTH**

	BASELINE DATA	LATEST DATA	CHANGE SINCE BASELINE*	BASELINE DATA	LATEST DATA	CHANGE SINCE BASELINE*
<b>SMOKING DURING PREGNANCY</b>	<b>17.8%</b> 2016-18	<b>10.6%</b> 2021-23	✓	<b>27.8%</b> 2016-18	<b>15.9%</b> 2021-23	✓
<b>LOW-BIRTHWEIGHT BABIES</b>	<b>8.9%</b> 2016-18	<b>9.0%</b> 2021-23	✗	<b>10.2%</b> 2016-18	<b>9.9%</b> 2021-23	✓
<b>CHILDREN UNDER 19 WITH HEALTH INSURANCE</b>	<b>96.3%</b> 2018	<b>96.7%</b> 2023	✓	<b>96.1%</b> 2018	<b>96.3%</b> 2023	✓
<b>TEEN BIRTHS</b> (rate per 1,000 females ages 15-19)	<b>28.2</b> 2016-18	<b>21.0</b> 2021-23	✓	<b>36.4</b> 2016-18	<b>28.7</b> 2021-23	✓

**FAMILY & COMMUNITY**

<b>BIRTHS TO MOTHERS WITHOUT A HIGH SCHOOL DEGREE</b>	<b>13.6%</b> 2016-18	<b>12.2%</b> 2021-23	✓	<b>12.1%</b> 2016-18	<b>11.3%</b> 2021-23	✓
<b>CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE</b> (rate per 1,000 children ages 0-17)	<b>51.1</b> 2017-19	<b>39.4</b> 2022-24	✓	<b>37.9</b> 2017-19	<b>26.8</b> 2022-24	✓
<b>CHILDREN EXITING FOSTER CARE TO REUNIFICATION</b>	<b>37%</b> 2017-19	<b>38%</b> 2022-24	✓	<b>31%</b> 2017-19	<b>35%</b> 2022-24	✓

<b>CHILDREN LIVING IN HIGH POVERTY NEIGHBORHOODS</b>	<b>39%</b> 2014-18	<b>31%</b> 2019-23	✓	<b>73%</b> 2014-18	<b>38%</b> 2019-23	✓
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