

32 ECONOMIC WELL-BEING

Rank

UNITED STATES

NORTH CAROLINA

CHILDREN IN POVERTY

US: 12,998,000 | NC: 456,000

22%
2010

18%
2018

BETTER

25%
2010

20%
2018

BETTER

CHILDREN WHOSE PARENTS LACK SECURE EMPLOYMENT

US: 19,579,000 | NC: 638,000

33%
2010

27%
2018

BETTER

35%
2010

28%
2018

BETTER

CHILDREN LIVING IN HOUSEHOLDS WITH A HIGH HOUSING COST BURDEN

US: 22,566,000 | NC: 619,000

41%
2010

31%
2018

BETTER

38%
2010

27%
2018

BETTER

TEENS NOT IN SCHOOL AND NOT WORKING

US: 1,186,000 | NC: 41,000

9%
2010

7%
2018

BETTER

10%
2010

7%
2018

BETTER

23 EDUCATION

Rank

UNITED STATES

NORTH CAROLINA

YOUNG CHILDREN (AGES 3 AND 4) NOT IN SCHOOL

US: 4,215,000 | NC: 139,000

52%
2009-11

52%
2016-18

SAME

56%
2009-11

57%
2016-18

WORSE

FOURTH-GRADERS NOT PROFICIENT IN READING

US: N.A. | NC: N.A.

68%
2009

66%
2019

BETTER

68%
2009

64%
2019

BETTER

EIGHTH-GRADERS NOT PROFICIENT IN MATH

US: N.A. | NC: N.A.

67%
2009

67%
2019

SAME

64%
2009

63%
2019

BETTER

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS NOT GRADUATING ON TIME

US: N.A. | NC: N.A.

21%
2010-11

15%
2017-18

BETTER

22%
2010-11

14%
2017-18

BETTER

32 HEALTH

Rank

	UNITED STATES	NORTH CAROLINA	
LOW BIRTH-WEIGHT BABIES US: 313,752 NC: 10,970	8.1% 2010	8.3% 2018 WORSE	9.1% 2010
			9.2% 2018 WORSE
CHILDREN WITHOUT HEALTH INSURANCE US: 4,055,000 NC: 130,000	8% 2010	5% 2018 BETTER	8% 2010
			5% 2018 BETTER
CHILD AND TEEN DEATHS PER 100,000 US: 19,660 NC: 637	26 2010	25 2018 BETTER	27 2010
			26 2018 BETTER
CHILDREN AND TEENS (AGES 10 TO 17) WHO ARE OVERWEIGHT OR OBESE US: N.A. NC: N.A.	31% 2016-17	31% 2017-18 SAME	31% 2016-17
			30% 2017-18 BETTER

35 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY

Rank

	UNITED STATES	NORTH CAROLINA	
CHILDREN IN SINGLE-PARENT FAMILIES US: 23,980,000 NC: 785,000	34% 2010	35% 2018 WORSE	37% 2010
			36% 2018 BETTER
CHILDREN IN FAMILIES WHERE THE HOUSEHOLD HEAD LACKS A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA US: 9,205,000 NC: 286,000	15% 2010	13% 2018 BETTER	14% 2010
			12% 2018 BETTER
CHILDREN LIVING IN HIGH-POVERTY AREAS US: 7,717,000 NC: 213,000	13% 2008-12	10% 2014-18 BETTER	12% 2008-12
			9% 2014-18 BETTER
TEEN BIRTHS PER 1,000 US: 179,871 NC: 6,303	34 2010	17 2018 BETTER	38 2010
			19 2018 BETTER