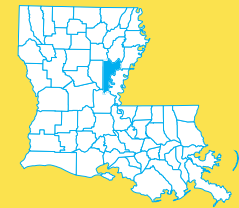


# Catahoula



## Opportunities for Growth

- 39% of Catahoula children lived in poverty, which was 12 percentage points above the 2021 state average.
- Births to women who received early and adequate prenatal care fell by 5.3 percentage points between 2011 and 2021, from 86.2% to 80.9%.
- Only 77% of Catahoula children lived in homes with broadband access and a computer, 13 percentage points lower than the statewide average.

## Areas of Strength

- 9.3% of Catahoula babies had low birthweights in 2021, 2.1 percentage points below the state average.
- Catahoula's immunization rate among two-year-olds improved from 68% in 2014 to 73% in 2021.
- Catahoula Parish's graduation rate improved by 17 percentage points between 2010 and 2021, rising from 68% to 85%.

## Population

**Total:** 8,906  
**Children ages 0-17:** 1,955

## Child Population by Race & Ethnicity

**American Indian\*:** 16 (0.8%)  
**Asian\*:** 4 (0.2%)  
**Black\*:** 609 (31.2%)  
**Hispanic:** 56 (2.9%)  
**White\*:** 1,207 (61.7%)  
**Two or more races\*:** 62 (3.2%)  
**Another race not listed here\*:** 1 (0.1%)

\*Non-Hispanic

	Louisiana		Catahoula		Rank
	Baseline Data	Latest Data	Baseline Data	Latest Data	
<b>ECONOMIC WELL-BEING</b>					
Child poverty	27%	27%	37%	39%	57th
Population below the ALICE threshold	46%	51%	52%	53%	23rd
Median household income	\$43,000	\$52,000	\$31,000	\$38,000	55th
Children under age 6 with all available parents in the labor force	67%	68%	58%	49%	54th
Unemployment	7.5%	3.7%	10.0%	4.1%	39th
FITAP participation	0.9%	0.3%	1.2%	0.3%	
SNAP participation	33.1%	33.7%	41.1%	49.7%	
WIC participation (children 0-5)	48.9%	37.9%	63.3%	51.1%	
CCAP participation (children 0-12)	4.7%	2.8%	2.9%	0.4%	
<b>HEALTH</b>					
Early & adequate prenatal care	79.7%	75%	86.2%	80.9%	13th
Low birthweight babies	10.8%	11.4%	I.n.e.	9.3%	13th
Infant Mortality <i>rate per 1,000</i>	8.4	7.7	9.3	I.n.e.	n.a.
Children with health insurance	94%	96%	91%	94%	55th
Children insured by Medicaid or LaCHIP	724,614	783,707	1,805	1,813	
Children who have completed the 7-vaccine series by age 2	73%	74%	68%	73%	37th
Children screened for lead poisoning (children 0-6)	13%	15%	20%	10%	30th
Percent of screened children who had lead poisoning (children 0-6)	n.a.	3.4%	n.a.	I.n.e.	

More information about data sources, definitions and timeframes is available in the Definitions and Sources section on page 155. Visit [datacenter.aecf.org](http://datacenter.aecf.org) for additional data, including numbers of events and data disaggregated by race.

I.n.e. – low number events are not reported

n.a. – data was not available

S – estimates are suppressed when unreliable or the coefficient of variation is greater than 30%.

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<b>EDUCATION</b>					
Children living in homes with a computer and broadband	n.a.	90%	n.a.	77%	
Low-income children in a publicly funded ECE seat (ages 0-2)	n.a.	11%	n.a.	3%	46th
Low-income children in a publicly funded ECE seat (ages 3-4)	n.a.	58%	n.a.	65%	35th
Per-pupil spending in public schools	\$12,083	\$12,818	\$12,326	\$12,429	32nd
Public school enrollment (PK-12)	702,480	685,606	1,563	1,030	
English language learners	1.8%	4.7%	0.0%	0.0%	
Children with disabilities	12%	13%	10%	14%	
4th graders scoring at Mastery or above in English Language Arts	23%	41%	18%	28%	49th
8th graders scoring at Mastery or above in math	10%	21%	4%	11%	49th
High school students graduating on time	67%	84%	68%	85%	44th
Average ACT scores for seniors	20.1	18.1	18.5	16	55th
<b>FAMILY, COMMUNITY AND SAFETY</b>					
Children living in a grandparent-headed household	11%	10.6%	18%	15%	
Children under OJJ supervision or in custody <i>rate per 1,000</i>	9.8	7.7	9.4	2.4	
in custody	2.5	1.7	<i>l.n.e.</i>	0	
under supervision	7.4	5.8	8	2.4	
Victims of child abuse/neglect: ages 0-17 <i>rate per 1,000</i>	8.9	6.6	12.8	7.5	
ages 0-2	16	20.1	25.0	23.9	
ages 3-5	10	5.1	18.8	<i>l.n.e.</i>	
ages 6-10	7.8	4.5	12.7	4.1	
ages 11-13	6.5	4	6.0	7.1	
ages 14-17	5.8	2.8	4.1	<i>l.n.e.</i>	
Child abuse/neglect investigations	18,378	16,656	90	80	
valid	36%	31%	46%	36%	
invalid	59%	62%	49%	59%	
Children in foster care ages 0-17 <i>rate per 1,000</i>	7.0	5.4	18.3	8.5	
Foster care entries	3,676	2,384	28	<i>l.n.e.</i>	
Foster care exits	3,651	2,620	27	7	
Teen birth rate <i>rate per 1,000 females ages 15-19</i>	48.0	24.5	49.8	76.9	62nd

ECE access data include data for Catahoula and Tensas parishes.

Child investigation data and confirmed child victim data for Catahoula Parish includes data for Catahoula & Lasalle because investigation data is reported by the case worker's office location, and some offices serve multiple parishes.