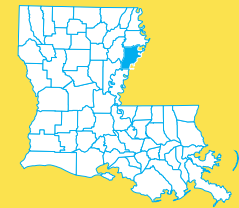


Tensas



Opportunities for Growth

- Tensas' child poverty rate (48%) ranked 61 among Louisiana's 64 parishes in 2021.
- Just 61.5% of births in 2021 were to mothers who received early and adequate prenatal care.
- The average ACT score for public high school seniors in Tensas Parish, at 14.8, was the third-lowest in the state in 2022.

Areas of Strength

- In 2021, Tensas Parish's graduation rate was 90%, which was seven percentage points higher than the state average.
- The percentage of Tensas Parish children ages who were fully immunized by age two improved by 10 percentage points between 2014 and 2021, from 60% to 70%.
- In 2020, 95% of children in Tensas Parish had health insurance coverage.

Population

Total: 4,147
Children ages 0-17: 912

Child Population by Race & Ethnicity

American Indian*: 0 (0.0%)
Asian*: 0 (0.0%)
Black*: 540 (59.2%)
Hispanic: 21 (2.3%)
White*: 294 (32.2%)
Two or more races*: 47 (5.2%)
Another race not listed here*: 10 (1.1%)

*Non-Hispanic

	Louisiana		Tensas		Rank
	Baseline Data	Latest Data	Baseline Data	Latest Data	
ECONOMIC WELL-BEING					
Child poverty	27%	27%	50%	48%	61st
Population below the ALICE threshold	46%	51%	58%	67%	61st
Median household income	\$43,000	\$52,000	\$27,000	\$31,000	63rd
Children under age 6 with all available parents in the labor force	67%	68%	48%	S	n.a.
Unemployment	7.5%	3.7%	14.5%	5.0%	58th
FITAP participation	0.9%	0.3%	0.9%	0.9%	
SNAP participation	33.1%	33.7%	58.6%	47.0%	
WIC participation (children 0-5)	48.9%	37.9%	62.7%	45.1%	
CCAP participation (children 0-12)	4.7%	2.8%	3.3%	I.n.e.	
HEALTH					
Early & adequate prenatal care	79.7%	75%	70.2%	61.5%	60th
Low birthweight babies	10.8%	11.4%	I.n.e.	22.6%	63rd
Infant Mortality <i>rate per 1,000</i>	8.4	7.7	I.n.e.	0	1st
Children with health insurance	94%	96%	88%	95%	42nd
Children insured by Medicaid or LaCHIP	724,614	783,707	1,151	759	
Children who have completed the 7-vaccine series by age 2	73%	74%	60%	70%	44th
Children screened for lead poisoning (children 0-6)	13%	15%	25%	17%	9th
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 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%.

Tensas



	Louisiana		Tensas		Rank
	Baseline Data	Latest Data	Baseline Data	Latest Data	
EDUCATION					
Children living in homes with a computer and broadband	n.a.	90%	n.a.	49%	
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	\$15,966	\$16,266	11th
Public school enrollment (PK-12)	702,480	685,606	678	331	
English language learners	1.8%	4.7%	1.2%	0.0%	
Children with disabilities	12%	13%	17%	13%	
4th graders scoring at Mastery or above in English Language Arts	23%	41%	16%	17%	58th
8th graders scoring at Mastery or above in math	10%	21%	2%	<5%	59th
High school students graduating on time	67%	84%	65%	90%	30th
Average ACT scores for seniors	20.1	18.1	17.1	14.8	62nd
FAMILY, COMMUNITY AND SAFETY					
Children living in a grandparent-headed household	11%	10.6%	22%	34%	
Children under OJJ supervision or in custody <i>rate per 1,000</i>	9.8	7.7	29.7	23	
in custody	2.5	1.7	9.9	l.n.e.	
under supervision	7.4	5.8	19.8	20.4	
Victims of child abuse/neglect: ages 0-17 <i>rate per 1,000</i>	8.9	6.6	20.0	6.2	
ages 0-2	16	20.1	32.3	28.6	
ages 3-5	10	5.1	20.5	-	
ages 6-10	7.8	4.5	14.3	3.4	
ages 11-13	6.5	4	15.4	l.n.e.	
ages 14-17	5.8	2.8	21.8	l.n.e.	
Child abuse/neglect investigations	18,378	16,656	143	69	
valid	36%	31%	50%	39%	
invalid	59%	62%	48%	52%	
Children in foster care ages 0-17 <i>rate per 1,000</i>	7.0	5.4	9.6	9.1	
Foster care entries	3,676	2,384	7	l.n.e.	
Foster care exits	3,651	2,620	l.n.e.	5	
Teen birth rate <i>rate per 1,000 females ages 15-19</i>	48.0	24.5	248.3	l.n.e.	n.a.

ECE access data include data for Catahoula and Tensas parishes. Child investigation data and confirmed child victim data for Tensas Parish includes data for East Carroll, Madison & Tensas because investigation data is reported by the case worker's office location, and some offices serve multiple parishes.