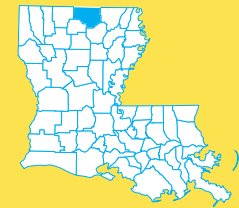


Union



Opportunities for Growth

- Union Parish's rate of low birthweight babies increased by 2.9 percentage points between 2010 and 2021.
- Only 72% of Union children lived in homes with broadband access and a computer, 18 percentage points lower than the statewide average.
- In 2021, 41% of low-income children ages 3-4 had a publicly funded early care and education seat, which was 17 points below the state average.

Areas of Strength

- The immunization rate among two-year-olds in Union Parish improved from 67% in 2014 to 70% in 2021.
- Union Parish saw a 24 percentage point increase in eighth graders who scored at or above Mastery in math between 2010 and 2021.
- The teen birth rate in Union Parish fell by 57% between 2010 and 2021.

Population

Total: 21,107
Children ages 0-17: 4,475

Child Population by Race & Ethnicity

American Indian*: 11 (0.2%)
Asian*: 7 (0.2%)
Black*: 1,237 (27.6%)
Hispanic: 426 (9.5%)
White*: 2,590 (57.9%)
Two or more races*: 188 (4.2%)
Another race not listed here*: 16 (0.4%)

*Non-Hispanic

| | Louisiana | | Union | | Rank |
|--|---------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|------|
| | Baseline Data | Latest Data | Baseline Data | Latest Data | |
| ECONOMIC WELL-BEING | | | | | |
| Child poverty | 27% | 27% | 34% | 29% | 35th |
| Population below the ALICE threshold | 46% | 51% | 51% | 57% | 42nd |
| Median household income | \$43,000 | \$52,000 | \$37,000 | \$44,000 | 40th |
| Children under age 6 with all available parents in the labor force | 67% | 68% | 55% | 55% | 49th |
| Unemployment | 7.5% | 3.7% | 8.6% | 3.8% | 29th |
| FITAP participation | 0.9% | 0.3% | 1.0% | 0.2% | |
| SNAP participation | 33.1% | 33.7% | 36.6% | 37.7% | |
| WIC participation (children 0-5) | 48.9% | 37.9% | 57.9% | 36.1% | |
| CCAP participation (children 0-12) | 4.7% | 2.8% | 2.1% | 1.0% | |

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|--|---------|---------|-------|-------|------|
| HEALTH | | | | | |
| Early & adequate prenatal care | 79.7% | 75% | 65.6% | 73.4% | 43rd |
| Low birthweight babies | 10.8% | 11.4% | 11.7% | 14.6% | 51st |
| Infant Mortality <i>rate per 1,000</i> | 8.4 | 7.7 | 8.4 | 7.6 | 27th |
| Children with health insurance | 94% | 96% | 92% | 95% | 42nd |
| Children insured by Medicaid or LaCHIP | 724,614 | 783,707 | 3,857 | 4,143 | |
| Children who have completed the 7-vaccine series by age 2 | 73% | 74% | 67% | 70% | 44th |
| Children screened for lead poisoning (children 0-6) | 13% | 15% | 16% | 12% | 24th |
| Percent of screened children who had lead poisoning (children 0-6) | n.a. | 3.4% | n.a. | 3.0% | 17th |

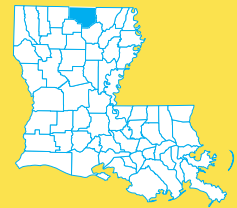
More information about data sources, definitions and timeframes is available in the Definitions and Sources section on page 155. Visit datacenter.aecf.org for additional data, including numbers of events and data disaggregated by race.

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%.

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| EDUCATION | Louisiana | | Union | | Rank |
|--|---------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|------|
| | Baseline Data | Latest Data | Baseline Data | Latest Data | |
| Children living in homes with a computer and broadband | n.a. | 90% | n.a. | 72% | |
| 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. | 41% | 60th |
| Per-pupil spending in public schools | \$12,083 | \$12,818 | \$12,814 | \$16,434 | 9th |
| Public school enrollment (PK-12) | 702,480 | 685,606 | 2,917 | 2,761 | |
| English language learners | 1.8% | 4.7% | 5.9% | 4.9% | |
| Children with disabilities | 12% | 13% | 14% | 12% | |
| 4th graders scoring at Mastery or above in English Language Arts | 23% | 41% | 11% | 25% | 53rd |
| 8th graders scoring at Mastery or above in math | 10% | 21% | 6% | 30% | 15th |
| High school students graduating on time | 67% | 84% | 61% | 90% | 31st |
| Average ACT scores for seniors | 20.1 | 18.1 | 17.7 | 16.2 | 51st |

| FAMILY, COMMUNITY AND SAFETY | | | | | |
|--|--------|--------|------|--------|------|
| Children living in a grandparent-headed household | 11% | 10.6% | 10% | 9% | |
| Children under OJJ supervision or in custody <i>rate per 1,000</i> | 9.8 | 7.7 | 23 | 10.5 | |
| in custody | 2.5 | 1.7 | 1.5 | 0.9 | |
| under supervision | 7.4 | 5.8 | 21.5 | 9.5 | |
| Victims of child abuse/neglect: ages 0-17 <i>rate per 1,000</i> | 8.9 | 6.6 | 11.2 | 5.6 | |
| ages 0-2 | 16 | 20.1 | 16.5 | 16.2 | |
| ages 3-5 | 10 | 5.1 | 12.4 | 3.8 | |
| ages 6-10 | 7.8 | 4.5 | 9.8 | 5.5 | |
| ages 11-13 | 6.5 | 4 | 7.8 | 3.5 | |
| ages 14-17 | 5.8 | 2.8 | 10.6 | l.n.e. | |
| Child abuse/neglect investigations | 18,378 | 16,656 | 320 | 190 | |
| valid | 36% | 31% | 34% | 28% | |
| invalid | 59% | 62% | 62% | 71% | |
| Children in foster care ages 0-17 <i>rate per 1,000</i> | 7.0 | 5.4 | 4.4 | 4.4 | |
| Foster care entries | 3,676 | 2,384 | 15 | 8 | |
| Foster care exits | 3,651 | 2,620 | 14 | 8 | |
| Teen birth rate <i>rate per 1,000 females ages 15-19</i> | 48.0 | 24.5 | 62.6 | 26.9 | 26th |

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