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National Data Book Released

2011 KIDS COUNT Data Book: State Rankings on Child Well Being

Each year, the Annie E. Casey Foundation's KIDS COUNT Data Book provides information and data trends on the condition of children and families in the United States. The Data Book is the only state-by-state annual report that tracks the status of children and provides consistent benchmarks that can be used to see how states have advanced or regressed over time. This year's Data Book explores how children and families are faring in the wake of the recession and why it matters to help kids reach their full potential to become part of a robust economy and society.

National Data Book

[2011 National KIDS COUNT Data Book](#)

[2011 Profile for South Dakota](#)

According to the 2011 National KIDS COUNT Data Book, South Dakota has an overall rank of **21st** in a comparison of the 50 states on 10 measures of child and family well-being. What does South Dakota need to do to achieve a 10-percent improvement in key indicators?

See [Improving Child Well-Being Indicators in South Dakota](#).

[Trend Report](#) Provides a comparison of the United States and South Dakota, and South Dakota with bordering states (ND, MN, IA, NE, WY, MT) based on the national indicators of child well-being. Data are for 2007/2008/2009.

[2011 Historical KIDS COUNT Data & South Dakota Compared to Bordering States, 2011](#)

Other Website Updates

Other website updates: The [Toolbox](#) provides step-by-step instructions and tips on locating, using and interpreting data.

[How to use American FactFinder](#)

[KIDS COUNT Data Center](#)

[Organizing & Presenting Data: A How To Primer](#)

[How to Perform Data Calculations](#)

Data Primer

The Data Primer, [Organizing & Presenting Data: A How To Primer](#), was recently updated. A chapter on evidence-based practices and reviewing journals was added. Also added was information about the 2010 Census, the American Community Survey and American FactFinder.

The Primer is designed to help students, advocates, social/human service workers, and others learn how to select, analyze, and present data. The essential steps presented throughout the manual can apply to any field.

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