

Resilience, Risk, and Outcomes: How Wisconsin Stacks Up

Research on child development details how genes and the environment interact as children grow into adulthood. Individuals have different genetic starting points and experience different positive factors, such as resilience-building supports, and negative factors, such as Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs). The following indicators represent some of these factors, as well as interventions and potential outcomes.



Indicator (Year)		National	Trend	WI	Trend
CHILDHOOD RESILIENCE	Early Childhood Screening ('16)	27.1%	▲	26.9%	
	Early Intervention Services for Infants and Toddlers ('14)	3.0%	▲	2.95%	
	Early Prenatal Care ('15)	71.7%	▲	79.5%	
	Eighth Grade Math Proficiency ('15)	32.0%		41.0%	
	Four-Year-Old Kindergarten Attendance ('15/'16)	32.0%	▲	71.0%	▲
	Neighborhood Safety (Parent Perception) ('16)*	63.8%	▼	73.2%	
	Parents with Higher Education Degrees ('15)	38.3%	▲	44.8%	
	Positive Adult Mentor ('16)	88.7%		94.1%	
	Spending on Health/Wellness Promotion ('15/'16)			\$250 per resident	▲
CHILDHOOD RISK FACTOR	ACE: Death of Parent ('16)	3.3%		2.6%	
	ACE: Divorce ('16)	25.0%	▼	22.2%	
	ACE: Experienced Neighborhood Violence ('16)	3.9%	▲	4.4%	
	ACE: Experienced Racism ('16)	3.7%		3.5%	
	ACE: Jailed Parent/Guardian ('16)	8.2%	▼	9.1%	
	ACE: Lived with Someone who had a Problem with Alcohol/Drugs ('16)	9.0%	▲	8.5%	
	ACE: Parent/Relative with Mental Illness ('16)	7.8%		8.7%	
	ACE: Socioeconomic Hardship ('16)	25.4%		23.2%	
	ACE: Witnessed Domestic Violence ('16)	5.7%	▼	5.7%	
	ACE: Two or More ('16)	21.7%		20.3%	
	Cyber Bullying (US:'15/WI:'17)	15.5%		18.3%	
	Maternal Stressors During Pregnancy ('13)	28.8%	▼	31.9%	▼
	Poverty (Youth) ('16)	41.0%	▲	35.0%	▲
	Single Parent Households ('16)	35.0%		32.0%	
	Substantiated Child Abuse or Neglect ('15)	9.3 per 1,000	▲	3.7 per 1,000	▼

Indicator (Year)		National	Trend	WI	Trend
INTERVENTIONS	Availability of Child, Family, School Social Workers ('16)	94 per 100,000	▲	60 per 100,000	
	Availability of Psychiatrists ('16)	7.7 per 100,000	▲	6.8 per 100,000	▲
	Availability of Psychologists ('16)	33.9 per 100,000	▲	37.5 per 100,000	▲
	Insurance Coverage (Youth) ('16)	95.0%		95.0%	
	Mental Health Hospitalizations ('13)‡	199 per 100,000		223 per 100,000	
	Receive Treatment for Depression ('11-'15)*	38.9%	▲	33.3%	▼
	Spending on Mental Health/Substance Use Treatment ('15/'16)			\$705 per resident	
POSITIVE OUTCOMES	Employment Rate (Young Adults) ('16)	49.4%		63.3%	
	Flourishing Behaviors (Adolescents) ('16)*	40.4%		39.9%	
	Flourishing Behaviors (Children) ('16)*	64.6%		67.0%	
	High School Graduation Rate ('14/'15)	83.2%	▲	88.4%	▼
	Home Ownership (Adults) ('16)	70.0%		71.0%	
	Positive Mental Health (Adults) ('16)	82.6%		83.3%	
	Young Adults with Postsecondary Education ('16)	43.9%	▼	47.7%	
NEGATIVE OUTCOMES	Alcohol Use (Youth) (US:'15/WI:'17)	32.8%		30.4%	
	Foster Care Placements ('15)	35.9 per 10,000	▼	35.8 per 10,000	▲
	General Poor Mental Health (Youth) (US:'15/WI:'17)	29.9%		27.0%	
	Homelessness (Youth) ('14/'15)	15.7 per 1,000	▲	21.1 per 1,000	▼
	Illegal Drug Use (Youth) ('13/'14)‡	9.2%		9.3%	
	Juvenile Arrests ('16)*	10 per 1,000		32.5 per 1,000	▲
	Mental Illness (Youth) ('14/'15)	20.9%	▼	22.4%	
	School Suspensions & Expulsions ('16)			6.2%	▼
	Suicide Rate (Youth) ('11 to '15)	5.6 per 100,000	▼	7.5 per 100,000	
Teen Birth Rate ('15)	22.3 per 1,000	▲	16.2 per 1,000	▲	

* Metric changed from 2016 dashboard. Visit children.wi.gov for details.

‡ No update available.

Better(▲)/worse(▼) designation indicates statistically significant difference from previous year (p < 0.05).

Bolded metric represents a statistically better value compared to US or WI.

Wisconsin aims to tip the scale towards positive outcomes. To learn more about each of these 48 Child Well-Being Indicators, please visit children.wi.gov/Pages/Improve/Indicators.aspx

