

# Wisconsin 48 Child Well-Being Indicators



## 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. Comparisons over multiple years are provided to show trends over time.

Note: ✓ = better ✗ = worse

Childhood Resilience



Child Well-Being Indicators (Year)	WI (Current Data)	Trend (Difference Over Time)	U.S. (Current Data)	Trend (Difference Over Time)
<b>Early Childhood Screening</b> (2011/12-16)	27%	✗ -7%	27%	✗ -4%
<b>Early Intervention Services for Infants and Toddlers</b> (WI: 2014-2016, US: 2013-2014)	2.9%	+0.1%	3.0%	✓ +0.2%
<b>Early Prenatal Care</b> (2014-16)	80%	✓ +1%	75%	✓ +4%
<b>Eighth Grade Math Proficiency</b> (2015-17)	39%	✗ -2%	33%	✓ +1%
<b>Neighborhood Safety (Parent Perception)</b> (2011/12-16)	73%	✗ -16%	64%	✗ -23%
<b>Four-Year-Old Kindergarten Attendance</b> (2013/14-16/17)	72%	✓ +1%	33%	✓ +4%
<b>Parents with Higher Education Degrees</b> (2015-16)	46%	✓ +1%	40%	✓ +3%
<b>Positive Adult Mentor</b> (2011/12-16)	94%	0%	89%	✗ -1%
<b>Spending on Health/Wellness Promotion (per child)</b> (2014/15-16/17)	\$247	✗ -\$3	N/A	N/A

Childhood Risk Factors



<b>ACE: Death of a Parent</b> (2011/12-16)	2.6%	0%	3.3%	✗ +0.2%
<b>ACE: Divorce</b> (2011/12-16)	22%	✗ +2%	25%	✗ +5%
<b>ACE: Experienced Neighborhood Violence</b> (2011/12-16)	4.4%	✓ -3.1%	3.9%	✓ -4.7%
<b>ACE: Experienced Racism</b> (2011/12-16)	3.5%	✗ +1%	3.7%	✓ -0.4%
<b>ACE: Jailed Parent or Guardian</b> (2011/12-16)	9.1%	✗ +2.5%	8.2%	✗ +1.3%
<b>ACE: Lived with Someone who had a Problem with Alcohol/Drugs</b> (2011/12-16)	8.5%	✓ -1.6%	9%	✓ -1.7%
<b>ACE: Parent or Relative with Mental Illness</b> (2011/12-16)	8.7%	✓ -1%	7.8%	✓ -0.8%
<b>ACE: Socioeconomic Hardship</b> (2011/12-16)	23%	✓ -2%	25%	0%
<b>Witnessed Domestic Violence</b> (2011/12-16)	5.7%	✓ -1.1%	5.7%	✓ -1.6%
<b>ACE: Two or More</b> (2011/12-16)	22%	✓ -1%	20%	✓ -2%
<b>Cyber Bullying</b> (2013-17)	18.3%	✗ +0.7%	14.9%	✗ +0.1%
<b>Maternal Stressors During Pregnancy</b> (2011-13)	32%	✗ +9%	29%	✗ +4%
<b>Poverty (Youth, Less than 200% of the Federal Poverty Level)</b> (2015-16)	35%	✓ -2%	41%	✓ -2%
<b>Single Parent Households</b> (2014-16)	32%	0%	35%	0%
<b>Substantiated Child Abuse or Neglect</b> (WI: 2015-17, US: 2014-16)	3.9 per 1,000	✗ +0.2	9.1 per 1,000	✓ -0.3

Interventions



Child Well-Being Indicators (Year)	WI (Current Data)	Trend (Difference Over Time)	U.S. (Current Data)	Trend (Difference Over Time)
Availability of Child, Family, School Social Workers (2015-17)	65 per 100,000	✓ +5	96 per 100,000	✓ +3
Availability of Psychiatrists (2015-17)	7.3 per 100,000	✓ +1.6	7.9 per 100,000	✓ +0.3
Availability of Psychologists (2015-17)	45 per 100,000	✓ +11	34 per 100,000	0
Insurance Coverage in Children (2014-16)	95%	0%	95%	✓ +1%
Mental Health Hospitalizations (Youth) (2013-15)	7 per 1,000	✗ +0.5	N/A	N/A
Receive Treatment for Depression (Youth) (2009-13 to 2011-15)	33%	✓ +2%	39%	✓ +3%
Spending on Mental Health/Substance Use Treatment (2014/15-16/17)	\$638	✗ -\$67	N/A	N/A

Positive Outcomes



Employment Rate (Young Adults) (2016-17)	78%	✓ +4%	66%	✓ +1%
Flourishing Behaviors (Children and Adolescents) (2011/12-16)	40%	✗ -10%	40%	✗ -7%
Flourishing Behaviors (Young Children) (2011/12-16)	67%	✗ -12%	65%	✗ -9%
High School Graduation Rate (WI: 2015/16-16/17, US: 2014/15-15/16)	89%	0%	84%	✓ +1%
Home Ownership (Adults) (2014-16)	71%	✗ -1%	70%	0%
Positive Mental Health (Adults) (2015-16)	83%	✓ +1%	83%	✓ +1%
Young Adults with Postsecondary Education (2015-16)	48%	✓ +2%	44%	✗ -3%

Negative Outcomes



Alcohol Use (Youth) (2013-17)	30%	✓ -3%	30%	✓ -5%
Foster Care Placements (2015-16)	3.7 per 1,000	✗ +0.1%	3.7 per 1,000	✗ +0.1%
General Poor Mental Health (Youth) (WI: 2013-17, US: 2015-17)	27%	✗ +2%	32%	✗ +2%
Homelessness (Youth) (2014/15-15/16)	2.1%	0%	2.7%	✗ +0.1%
Illegal Drug Use (Youth) (WI: 2013/14-15/16, US: 2013/14-14/15)	8%	✓ -1.3%	8.8%	✓ -0.4%
Juvenile Arrests (2015-16)	32 per 1,000	✓ -1%	10 per 1,000	0%
Mental Illness (Young Adult) (2013/14-15/16)	24%	✗ +4%	21%	✗ +1%
School Suspensions & Expulsions (WI: 2013/14-15/16, US: 2011/12-13/14)	4%	0%	5.6%	✓ -1%
Suicide Rate (2015-16)	9.8 per 100,000	✗ +2.3	6.7 per 100,000	✗ +0.4
Teen Birth Rate (2014-16)	15 per 1,000	✓ -2	20 per 1,000	✓ -4



Wisconsin aims to tip the scale towards positive outcomes. To learn more about each of these 48 Child Well-Being Indicators, please visit [www.children.wi.gov/pages/annualreport.aspx](http://www.children.wi.gov/pages/annualreport.aspx)