

## White Children in California

| Indicator   | Year      | White Children          | All Children/ Youth     | Data Source  |
|---|-----------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--|
| Child Population Ages 0-17  | 2025      | 2,169,927               | 8,386,716               | California Dept. of Finance, <a href="#">Population Estimates and Projections</a> ; U.S. Census Bureau, <a href="#">Population and Housing Unit Estimates</a> (Mar. 2025).   |
| Percentage of Infants Born at Low Birthweight                       | 2017      | 5.7%                    | 7.4%                    | California Dept. of Public Health, Birth Statistical Master Files; CDC WONDER, <a href="#">Natality Data</a> (Mar. 2020).  |
| Infant Mortality Rate   | 2020      | 3.1<br>(Rate per 1,000) | 3.9<br>(Rate per 1,000) | CDC WONDER Online Database, <a href="#">Linked Birth / Infant Death Records</a> (Apr. 2023).   |
| Percentage of Children in Poverty - California Poverty Measure      | 2023 Q1   | 8.2%                    | 13.8%                   | Public Policy Institute of California & Stanford Center on Poverty and Inequality, <a href="#">California Poverty Measure</a> (Aug. 2024).   |
| Percentage of Children in Deep Poverty - California Poverty Measure | 2023 Q1   | 2.1%                    | 2.2%                    | Public Policy Institute of California & Stanford Center on Poverty and Inequality, <a href="#">California Poverty Measure</a> (Aug. 2024).   |
| Percentage of Children Ages 0-18 with Health Insurance Coverage     | 2021      | 97.6%                   | 96.5%                   | Population Reference Bureau, analysis of U.S. Census Bureau <a href="#">American Community Survey</a> summary files and public use microdata (Mar. 2024).  |
| Percentage of Children/Youth Ages 0-20 Enrolled in Medi-Cal         | 2020      | 21.9%                   | 48.7%                   | California Dept. of Health Care Services, <a href="#">Eligible Individuals Under Age 21 Enrolled in Medi-Cal</a> (Apr. 2021); California Dept. of Finance, <a href="#">Population Estimates and Projections</a> (Jul. 2021). |
| Percentage of Children in Excellent or Very Good Health             | 2017-2018 | 83.7%                   | 75.5%                   | UCLA Center for Health Policy Research, <a href="#">California Health Interview Survey</a> (Aug. 2020).  |
| Percentage of 5th Graders Who Are Overweight or Obese               | 2019      | 28.8%                   | 41.3%                   | California Dept. of Education, <a href="#">Physical Fitness Testing Research Files</a> (Jan. 2020).  |
| Percentage of Children with Two or More Adverse Experiences         | 2017-2021 | 11.1%                   | 14.7%                   | U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, <a href="#">National Survey of Children's Health</a> (Apr. 2023).   |
| Children with Substantiated Cases of Abuse or Neglect               | 2020      | 5.2<br>(Rate per 1,000) | 6.8<br>(Rate per 1,000) | California Child Welfare Indicators Project, <a href="#">CCWIP Reports</a> . University of California at Berkeley & California Dept. of Social Services (Oct. 2021).   |
| Children/Youth Ages 0-20 in Foster Care                             | 2018      | 4.4<br>(Rate per 1,000) | 5.3<br>(Rate per 1,000) | Webster, D., et al. <a href="#">California Child Welfare Indicators Project Reports</a> . UC Berkeley Center for Social Services Research (Jul. 2019).   |
| Special Education Enrollment  | 2020      | 176,829                 | 804,107                 | California Dept. of Education, <a href="#">Special Education Division</a> custom tabulation (Jun. 2021).   |

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| Percentage of Students Meeting or Exceeding Grade-Level Standard in Reading | 2021*     | 60.1%                             | 49.0%                             | California Dept. of Education, <a href="#">Test Results for California's Assessments</a> (Feb. 2022).  |
| Percentage of Students Meeting or Exceeding Grade-Level Standard in Math    | 2021*     | 45.5%                             | 33.8%                             | California Dept. of Education, <a href="#">Test Results for California's Assessments</a> (Feb. 2022).  |
| Percentage of Students Not Completing High School                           | 2021      | 6.9%                              | 9.4%                              | California Dept. of Education, <a href="#">Dropouts by Race and Gender</a> (Jun. 2017) & <a href="#">Adjusted Cohort Graduation Rate and Outcome Data</a> (May 2022).  |
| Students Suspended from School  | 2018-2020 | 24.9<br><i>(Rate per 1,000)</i>   | 24.5<br><i>(Rate per 1,000)</i>   | California Dept. of Education, <a href="#">Suspension Data</a> (May 2021).   |
| Students Expelled from School   | 2018-2020 | 0.5<br><i>(Rate per 1,000)</i>    | 0.5<br><i>(Rate per 1,000)</i>    | California Dept. of Education, <a href="#">Expulsion Data</a> (May 2021).  |
| Felony Arrest Rate Among Juveniles Ages 10-17                               | 2023      | 1.9<br><i>(Rate per 1,000)</i>    | 3.8<br><i>(Rate per 1,000)</i>    | California Dept. of Justice, <a href="#">Crime Statistics: Arrests</a> ; California Dept. of Finance, <a href="#">Population Estimates and Projections</a> (Jan. 2025).  |
| Birth Rate Among Teens Ages 15-19   | 2021      | 3.8<br><i>(Rate per 1,000)</i>    | 9.3<br><i>(Rate per 1,000)</i>    | California Dept. of Public Health, Birth Statistical Master Files; Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), <a href="#">Births: Final Data</a> (Aug. 2017); CDC WONDER, <a href="#">Natality</a> ; California Dept. of Finance, <a href="#">Population Estimates and Projections</a> (Jun. 2023). |
| Rate of Firearm Injury Hospitalization Among Children/Youth Ages 0-24       | 2021      | 2.7<br><i>(Rate per 100,000)</i>  | 10.1<br><i>(Rate per 100,000)</i> | California Dept. of Public Health, <a href="#">EpiCenter</a> ; California Dept. of Finance, <a href="#">Population Estimates and Projections</a> (Jul. 2023).  |
| Death Rate Among Children/Youth Ages 1-24                                   | 2015-2017 | 28.9<br><i>(Rate per 100,000)</i> | 29.8<br><i>(Rate per 100,000)</i> | California Dept. of Public Health, Death Statistical Master Files (Apr. 2020); California Dept. of Finance, <a href="#">Population Estimates and Projections</a> (Apr. 2020); CDC WONDER Online Database, <a href="#">Underlying Cause of Death</a> (May 2020).  |

Definitions for LNE, N/A, N/R, or S can be found in the footnote section of the indicator page.

More data on White Children: <https://santaclara.kidsdata.org/demographic/15/white-children/summary>