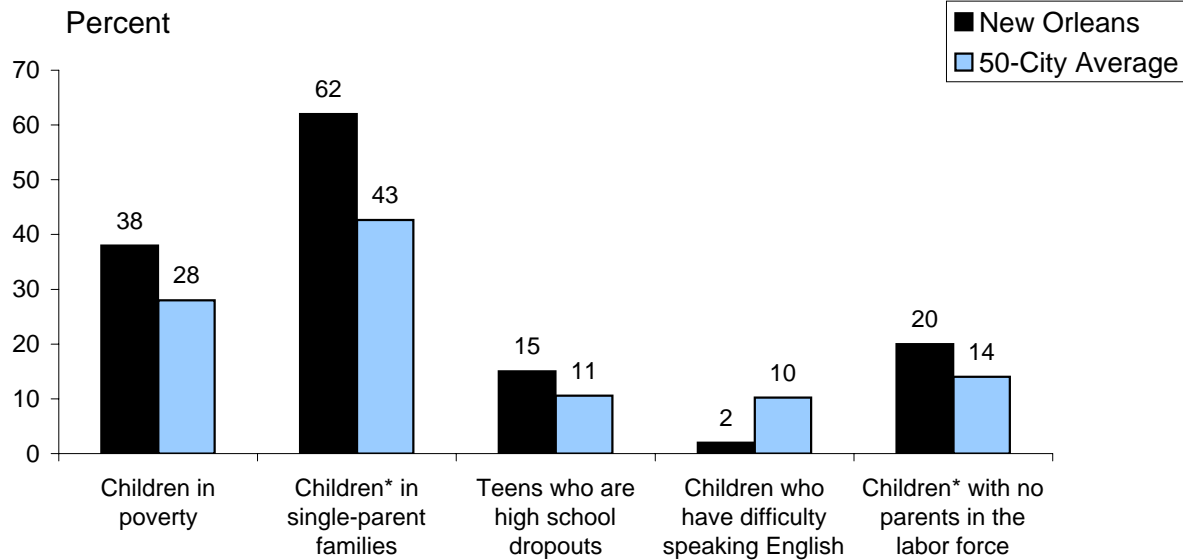


New Orleans, LA

Key Indicators of Child Well-Being, 2004



Population	New Orleans		State of LA	50-City Average
	Number	Percent	Percent	Percent
Total population	445,000	100	100	100
Population under age 18	117,000	26	26	26
Population under age 5	34,000	8	7	8
Population ages 5 to 17	82,000	19	19	18

Note: Numbers and percentages may not sum to totals due to rounding.

Key Indicators	New Orleans		State of LA	50-City Average
	Number	Percent	Percent	Percent
Children in poverty	44,000	38	30	28
Children* in single-parent families	67,000	62	44	43
Teens 16-19 who are high school dropouts	4,000	15	10	11
Children 5-17 with difficulty speaking English	2,000	2	1	10
Children* with no parents in the labor force	21,000	20	14	14

*Own children in families and subfamilies.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2004 American Community Survey. Estimates exclude the population living in group quarters.

For more detailed information about the well-being of children, please visit the KIDS COUNT website (www.kidscount.org).

Variable Definitions

The estimates presented in these profiles were assembled by staff at the Population Reference Bureau using data from the Census Bureau's American Community Survey (ACS). The 2004 ACS excluded the population residing in group quarters.

Children living in poverty

Children under age 18 residing in a family with income below the U.S. poverty threshold. Does not include children living in group quarters and unrelated individuals under 15 years old. The average poverty threshold for a family of four was \$19,307 in 2004.

Children living in single-parent families

Own children under age 18 living in families or subfamilies headed by a single parent—male or female—without a spouse present in the home.

Teen who are high school dropouts

Teens ages 16 to 19 who are not enrolled in school (full- or part-time) and are not high school graduates. Those who have a GED or equivalent are included as high school graduates in this measure.

Children who have difficulty speaking English

Children ages 5 to 17 who speak a language other than English at home and speak English less than "very well."

Children with no parents in the labor force

Own children under age 18 living in families or subfamilies where no parent is in the labor force.

50-City Average

The 50-city average is based on data for the 50-largest cities in the United States.