

# Girls' Well-Being: Arkansas vs. the United States

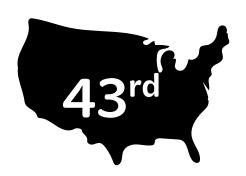
### **The State of Girls 2017**

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This profile summarizes recent trends in the well-being of girls living in Arkansas, compared with girls living in the U.S.

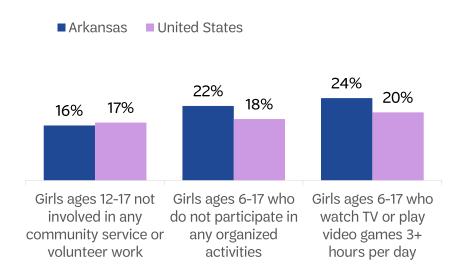
#### **Education** 76% 67% 65% Arkansas 61% 53% United States 50% 5% 3% Girls ages 16-19 Girls ages 3-4 Fourth-grade Eighth-grade girls who are high who are not girls who are not who are not school dropouts enrolled in proficient in proficient in preschool reading math

### **Arkansas State Ranking**



The state ranking is based on 13 national measures of girls' well-being.\*

# Extracurricular and Out-of-School Activities

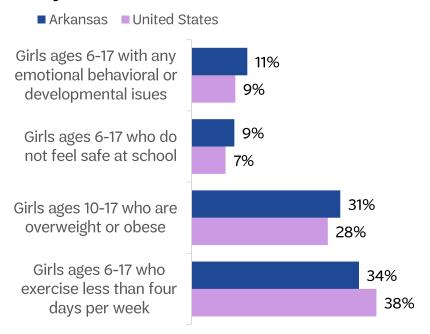


# Top ranked states for girls' well-being:

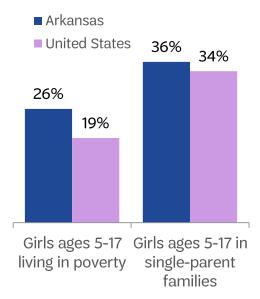
- 1. New Hampshire
- 2. Utah
- 3. Minnesota
- 4. Vermont
- 5. South Dakota
- 6. Massachusetts
- 7. Nebraska
- 8. Connecticut
- 9. Maine
- 10. North Dakota



### **Physical and Emotional Health**



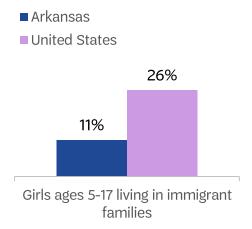
# **Economic Well-Being**



# **Girls' Race/Ethnicity**

	Arkansas	United States
White	64%	51%
Latina	11%	25%
Multiracial	3%	4%
American Indian	1%	1%
Asian	2%	5%
Black	18%	14%

### Girls' Immigrant Status



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Source: PRB analysis of the U.S. Census Bureau's American Community Survey (ACS), U.S. Census Bureau Population Estimates, National Survey of Children's Health (NSCH), and National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP). ACS, NSCH, and NAEP estimates are based on surveys of the population and are subject to both sampling and nonsampling error. These measures represent the most recent data gathered from national and government sources for the period 2012–2015.

\*The state ranking for girls' well-being is a composite measure designed to summarize the well-being of girls in each of the 50 states across the 13 measures of well-being summarized in this fact sheet in education, economic well-being, extracurricular and out-of-school activities, and physical and emotional health.



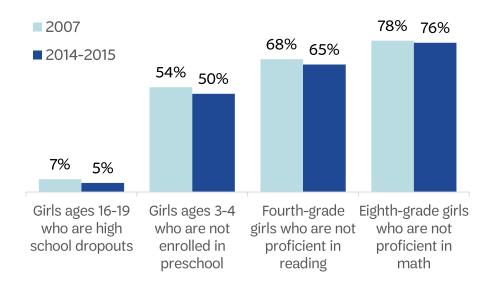
# Girls' Well-Being in Arkansas: 2007 – Present

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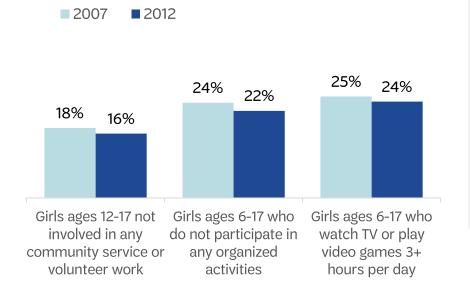
This profile summarizes recent trends in the well-being of the 252,006 girls ages 5 to 17 living in Arkansas across two time points: before and after the Great Recession, which took place from 2007 to 2009.

### **Education**



The population of girls living in Arkansas rose to **252,006** in 2014 from **247,665** in 2007.

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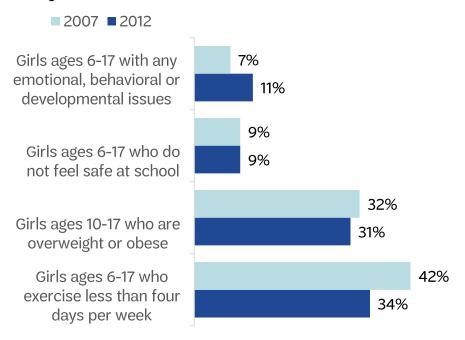
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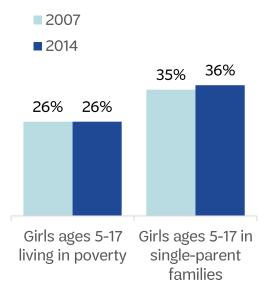
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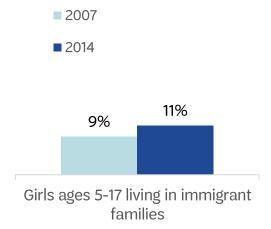
# **Economic Well-Being**



### **Girls' Race/Ethnicity**

	2007	2014
White	68%	64%
Latina	8%	11%
Multiracial	2%	3%
American Indian	1%	1%
Asian	1%	2%
Black	20%	18%

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