

KIDS' HEALTH IN THE U.S.

CHILDREN LIVING IN NEIGHBORHOODS WITH NO AMENITIES IN 2016

(PARKS, RECREATION CENTERS, SIDEWALKS, OR LIBRARIES)

The U.S. Census Bureau recently released 2016 results from the National Survey of Children's Health (NSCH), which provides traditional measures of health status and access to care among children along with rich data on the social factors that determine health including family, neighborhood, and social context. Among the social determinants explored in the NSCH is children living in neighborhoods with no amenities. We highlight key 2016 findings for this indicator below.

NATIONWIDE

10.1 PERCENT

of kids nationwide lived in neighborhoods with no amenities in 2016.* That is more than

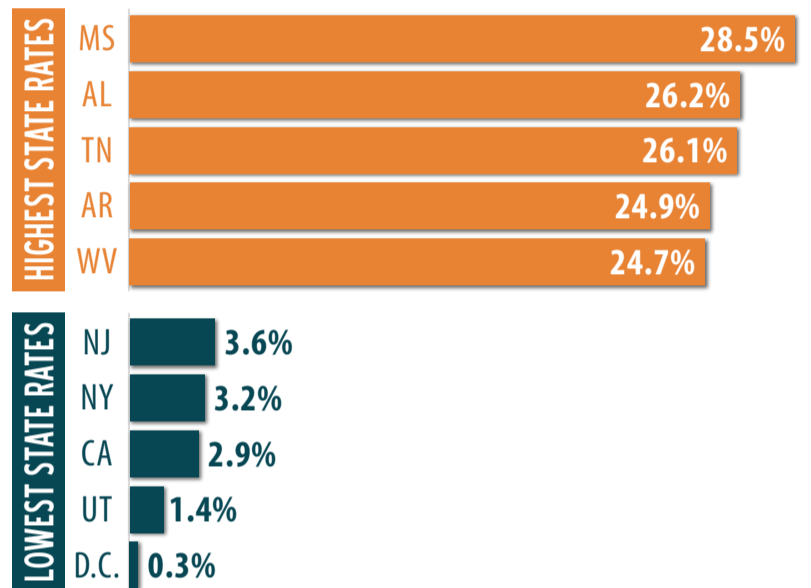
7,059,000 KIDS



*This measure includes children in families who reported that their neighborhood does not contain any parks, recreation centers, sidewalks or libraries.

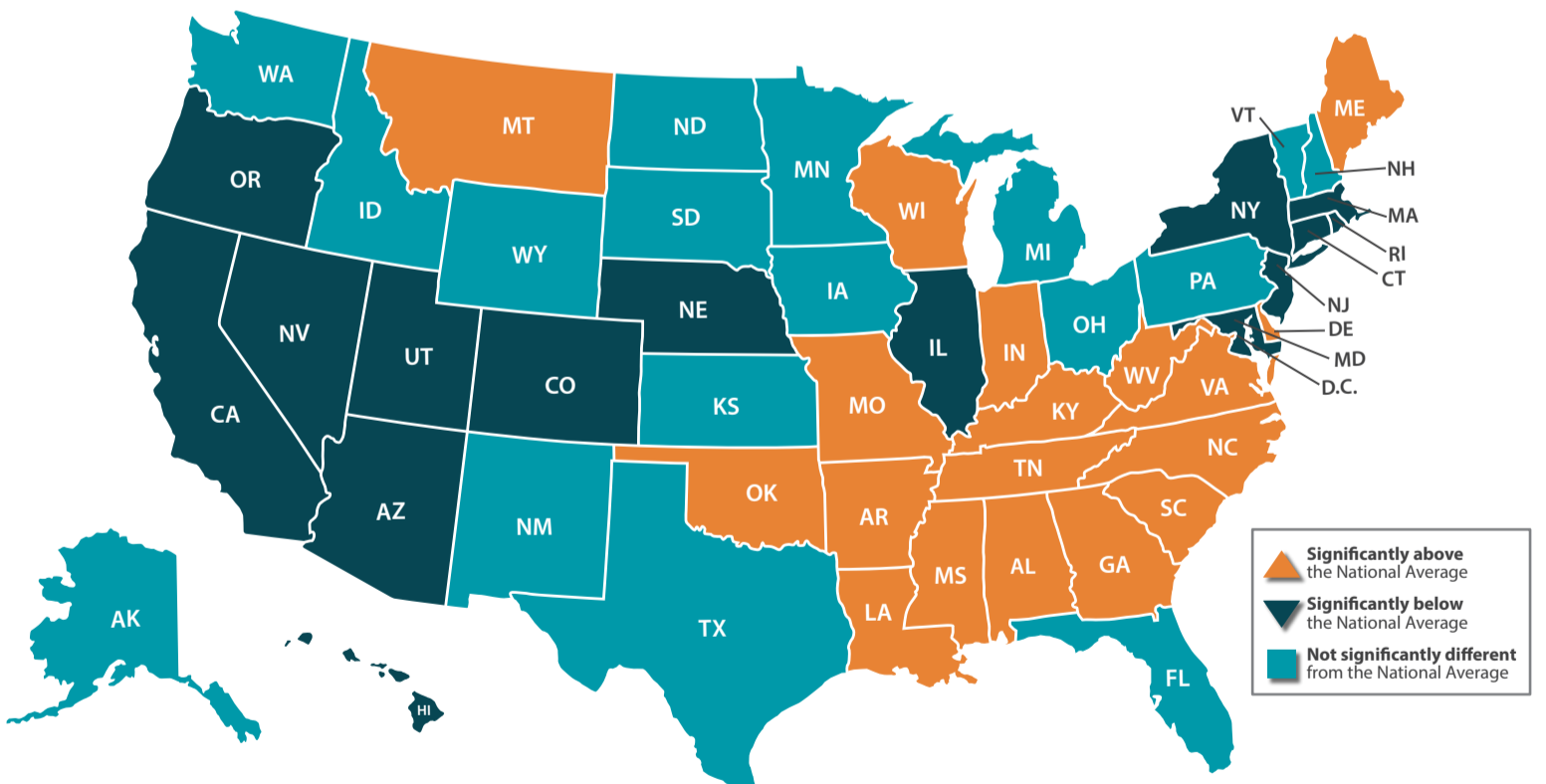
IN THE STATES

Among the states, Mississippi reported the highest percentage of kids living in neighborhoods with no amenities in 2016, at 28.5%. The District of Columbia reported the lowest percentage in 2016, at 0.3%.



STATE VS. NATIONAL AVERAGE: % OF KIDS LIVING IN NEIGHBORHOODS WITH NO AMENITIES

In 18 states, the percentage of kids living in neighborhoods with no amenities was significantly above the national average, while 16 states reported percentages significantly below the national average in 2016.*



State	Percentage	State	Percentage	State	Percentage
Alabama	26.2%	Florida	8.9%	Maryland	5.8%
Alaska	12.1%	Georgia	17.8%	Massachusetts	4.4%
Arizona	3.8%	Hawaii	4.8%	Michigan	9.6%
Arkansas	24.9%	Idaho	11.8%	Minnesota	9.9%
California	2.9%	Illinois	4.3%	Mississippi	28.5%
Colorado	4.5%	Indiana	17.0%	Missouri	13.5%
Connecticut	6.5%	Iowa	11.2%	Montana	16.5%
Delaware	14.9%	Kansas	11.2%	Nebraska	5.4%
D.C.	0.3%	Kentucky	17.0%	Nevada	4.5%
		Louisiana	20.7%	New Hampshire	12.0%
		Maine	12.8%	New Jersey	3.6%
				New Mexico	10.2%
				New York	3.2%
				North Carolina	22.9%
				North Dakota	10.7%
				Ohio	12.0%
				Oklahoma	19.8%
				Oregon	6.9%
				Pennsylvania	8.1%
				Rhode Island	5.7%
				South Carolina	23.6%
				South Dakota	10.3%
				Tennessee	26.1%
				Texas	9.2%
				Utah	1.4%
				Vermont	11.4%
				Virginia	13.5%
				Washington	7.9%
				West Virginia	24.7%
				Wisconsin	13.2%
				Wyoming	9.9%

* Statistically significant at the 95% level and accounting for the dependent relationship between state and national estimates.

Source: SHADAC analysis of the 2016 National Survey of Children's Health. Child and Adolescent Health Measurement Initiative, Data Resource Center for Child and Adolescent Health. (2018). 2016 National Survey of Children's Health (NSCH) (Excel) CAHMI DRC Data Set. U.S. Census Bureau. Retrieved March, 2018 from www.childhealthdata.org. Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health.

