The juvenile violence ranking is based upon: high school violence; weapons on school property; dating violence; fear of violence; and juvenile justice. In 2017, 9% of Nevada’s high school students felt unsafe attending school; 26th in the nation. While Nevada ranked 17th in school violence, 24th in weapons on school property, and 12th for fear of violence, the state was 3rd in the nation for juvenile justice.

In 2017, Nevada ranked 52nd in the nation for child and youth homelessness, with 2,648 children and youth (ages 0-17) living unaccompanied in the streets. Of the reported unaccompanied homeless children and youth in the United States, Nevada had the second highest number of unaccompanied children and youth in the United States with no improvement at 89.2% (surpassed only by New Mexico). This contributed to Nevada ranking 3rd of 50 in the nation for Foster Care Placement, an increase from 4th of 50 in the last report card. Nevada ranked 9th for stable over the past few report cards, going from 17th to 15th from 2014 to 2016. For physical, sexual and neglectful maltreatment, Nevada ranked 38th, 20th, and 32nd respectively. Nevada’s grade has remained stable over the past few report cards, going from 15th to 17th in the nation. For physical, sexual and neglectful maltreatment in 2017, Nevada ranked 44th in the nation for child and youth homelessness, with 15,118 children and youth (ages 0-17) living unaccompanied in the streets. Of the reported unaccompanied homeless children and youth in the United States, Nevada was 3rd in the nation for child and youth homelessness, a slight decrease from the last report card. Nevada ranked 58th in the nation for Foster Care Placement, an increase from 60th of 50 in the last report card.
2018 Summary of Grades

Accessibility to Healthcare: F

All grades are average unless otherwise noted. The Access to Healthcare grade considers the percentage of children without insurance, children who have a medical home and parent to provide prevision care (at least 50%). In 2017, Nevada ranked 47th in the nation for percentage of children without health insurance at 8%, a decrease from 8.2% in 2016. With the implementation of the Affordable Care Act (ACA), Nevada saw an increase in the rate of insured children. Despite these improvements, Nevada’s rate of uninsured children is still the highest in the nation.

Child Safety: C

The Child Safety grade includes: the percentage of pregnant women receiving late or no prenatal care, early and childhood mortality, and Sudden Infant Death Syndrome. In 2017, Nevada ranked 46th in the nation for prenatal care and dropped from 38th to 39th in early and childhood mortality. Despite the slight increase by 2017, Nevada’s infant mortality rate is still twice the national average.

Pre-K Readiness: F-

The Pre-K Readiness grade includes: the percentage of children who are up to date on vaccines, with a percentage of 71.9%, a decrease from 73.7% in 2016. Despite this decrease, Nevada’s ranking dropped from 43rd to 46th, primarily because other states saw more significant reductions in this area.

Early Education: C

The Early Education grade includes: being ready to learn, and that all of our kids are healthy. We share your passion for change, and by joining our team, you’ll see your investments go further and reach more kids ready to learn, and that all of our kids are healthy. We share your passion for change, and by joining our team, you’ll see your investments go further and reach more kids ready to learn, and that all of our kids are healthy. We share your passion for change, and by joining our team, you’ll see your investments go further and reach more kids ready to learn, and that all of our kids are healthy. We share your passion for change, and by joining our team, you’ll see your investments go further and reach more kids ready to learn, and that all of our kids are healthy. We share your passion for change, and by joining our team, you’ll see your investments go further and reach more kids ready to learn, and that all of our kids are healthy. We share your passion for change, and by joining our team, you’ll see your investments go further and reach more kids ready to learn, and that all of our kids are healthy. We share your passion for change, and by joining our team, you’ll see your investments go further and reach more kids ready to learn, and that all of our kids are healthy. We share your passion for change, and by joining our team, you’ll see your investments go further and reach more kids ready to learn, and that all of our kids are healthy. We share your passion for change, and by joining our team, you’ll see your investments go further and reach more kids ready to learn, and that all of our kids are healthy. We share your passion for change, and by joining our team, you’ll see your investments go further and reach more kids ready to learn, and that all of our kids are healthy. We share your passion for change, and by joining our team, you’ll see your investments go further and reach more kids ready to learn, and that all of our kids are healthy. We share your passion for change, and by joining our team, you’ll see your investments go further and reach more kids ready to learn, and that all of our kids are healthy. We share your passion for change, and by joining our team, you’ll see your investments go further and reach more kids ready to learn, and that all of our kids are healthy. We share your passion for change, and by joining our team, you’ll see your investments go further and reach more kids ready to learn, and that all of our kids are healthy. We share your passion for change, and by joining our team, you’ll see your investments go further and reach more kids ready to learn, and that all of our kids are healthy. We share your passion for change, and by joining our team, you’ll see your investments go further and reach more kids ready to learn, and that all of our kids are healthy. We share your passion for change, and by joining our team, you’ll see your investments go further and reach more kids ready to learn, and that all of our kids are healthy. We share your passion for change, and by joining our team, you’ll see your investments go further and reach more kids ready to learn, and that all of our kids are healthy. We share your passion for change, and by joining our team, you’ll see your investments go further and reach more kids

Health

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The Health grade includes: health care access and affordability, nutrition and physical activity, sexually transmitted disease rates, and sexually transmitted disease treatment rates. Nevada’s Health grade dropped from 16th to 32nd. Nevada ranked 37th with a percentage of 71.9%, a decrease from 89% in 2016. Despite this decrease, Nevada’s ranking dropped from 30th to 9th. However, Nevada’s teen birth rate in Nevada has slightly decreased from 29.0 to 22.9 per 1000 in 2017, but still, is one of the lowest in the nation.

Sexual Health: D-

The Sexual Health grade includes: teen birth rate, violence, activity, activity, and sexually transmitted disease rates. Nevada’s Sexual Health grade dropped from 18th to 32nd. Nevada ranked 18 out of 39 states for teen birth rate at 22.9 per 1000 in 2017, the lowest in the nation.

Mental Health: C

The Mental Health grade includes: non-mental health treatment; attempted suicide; and completed suicides. Nevada ranked 45th in the nation for non-mental health treatment; attempted suicide; and completed suicides.

Childhood Obesity: B-

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Making a Difference in a Child's Life

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How Grades are Determined: By State Ranking (Where Available)

EDUCATION: F

SAFETY: C-

Health D

Childhood Obesity

By combining the percentage of 9-12 grade students who are overweight or obese—a measure based on BMI in 9th-12th grade students and the percentage of 9-12 grade students who are at the 95th percentile (obese); students not at the 95th percentile (overweight)

Childhood Obesity: B-

The final model includes 9-12 grade students, whose BMI is calculated based on their height and weight.

Mental Health C

The mental health grade is based on a report that tracks mental health treatment. It is a measure of school-based mental health treatment and suicide prevention efforts, which are important for preventing mental health problems in children.

Health D

Access to Healthcare F

Mental health services are critical for children's overall well-being, and lack of access to mental health care can lead to negative outcomes such as school dropout, suicide attempts, and chronic health conditions.

The percentage of school-based mental health treatment and suicide prevention efforts is a critical measure of how well a state is supporting the mental health needs of its children.

Family Violence

The Family Violence grade is based on reports that track the incidence of family violence, including domestic violence, against women and children. This grade reflects the level of resources and support available to help prevent and respond to family violence.

Nevada ranks 16th in the nation for the percentage of women who have experienced domestic violence, with a rate of 10.6 per 1,000 females ages 15-19 in 2015. In 2017, Nevada ranked 11th in the nation for the percentage of women who have experienced intimate partner violence, with a rate of 10.7 per 1,000 females ages 15-19.

Sexual Health D+

The Sexual Health grade is based on reports that track sexual activity, including condom use and sexually transmitted disease rates. This grade reflects the level of resources and support available to help prevent and respond to sexually transmitted diseases and unintended pregnancies.

Nevada ranks 16th in the nation for the percentage of youth who reported consistent condom use in the past 12 months, with a rate of 46.8%. In 2017, Nevada ranked 30th in the nation for the percentage of youth who reported no sexual activity, with a rate of 26.3%.

IMMUNIZATIONS: D

The Immunizations grade is based on reports that track the percentage of children who have received recommended vaccinations. This grade reflects the level of resources and support available to help prevent and respond to vaccine-preventable diseases.

Nevada ranks 24th in the nation for the percentage of children who have received recommended vaccinations, with a rate of 71.9%. In 2016, Nevada ranked 26th in the nation for the percentage of children who have received recommended vaccinations, with a rate of 70.9%. This indicates that there is room for improvement in the state's immunization efforts.

Access to Healthcare

Gross Domestic Product

The Gross Domestic Product (GDP) is a measure of the total value of goods and services produced within a state. This grade reflects the level of investment in children and families, as well as the overall economic and social well-being of the state.

Nevada ranks 31st in the nation for GDP, with a rate of $509 billion in 2017. In 2016, Nevada ranked 30th in the nation for GDP, with a rate of $492 billion. This indicates that the state's economy is growing, but there is room for improvement to ensure that children and families have access to the resources they need to thrive.

ECONOMIC WELL-BEING: D-

Employment

Nevada ranks 29th in the nation for employment, with a rate of 61.9% in 2017. In 2016, Nevada ranked 28th in the nation for employment, with a rate of 62.1%. This indicates that the state has a high unemployment rate, and there is a need for policies that promote job creation and economic growth.

Poverty

Nevada ranks 29th in the nation for poverty, with a rate of 14.5% in 2017. In 2016, Nevada ranked 28th in the nation for poverty, with a rate of 14.3%. This indicates that a significant proportion of children and families in Nevada are living in poverty, and there is a need for policies that address poverty and ensure that all children have access to the resources they need to thrive.

How Grades Are Determined: By State Ranking (Where Available)

How You Can Help:

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When we come together to face the biggest issues for kids and families, we can make a bigger difference together than we could have done alone. On the side of Nevada's children, we can make a bigger difference together than we could have done alone. By pooling our resources to put government policies in place that are good for children, we can make a bigger difference together than we could have done alone.

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How You Can Help:

Become a friend of CAA by supporting our work on the issues you care most about, helping us achieve our goals, CAA: our collective strength towards real reform; and builds public will through education, outreach and advocacy to solve expansive problems facing kids and families.

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Health

ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE F:

Access to healthcare for children is the percentage of children with a medical home and parent to provide primary care [1000/10]. In 2017, Nevada ranked 22nd in the nation for percentage of children with a medical home and parent to provide primary care of 61.9 per 1000 children. Nevada ranks significantly lower in the nation for the percentage of children with a medical home and parent to provide primary care (52.9 per 1000 children). This change reflects the previous report card and is consistent with your 2015 report.

PRENATAL/PARENT HEALTH F-

Prenatal/infant health is based upon five indicators: the percentage of pregnant women receiving late or no prenatal care, infant and childhood mortality, and low birth weight. 2017, Nevada ranked 22nd in the nation for percentage of pregnant women receiving late or no prenatal care at 61.9 per 1000 children. Nevada did not improve the rate of the percentage of pregnant women receiving late or no prenatal care (   64.1 per 1000 children in 2015). Despite this decrease, Nevada’s ranking dropped from 16th to 32nd. Nevada ranks 18 out of 39 states in infant mortality rates. Nevada ranked 22nd in the nation for infant mortality rate with 6.5 deaths per 100,000 births. Nevada’s ranking dropped from 10 to 12th in the nation for infant mortality rate from the previous report card at 31st to 22.9 per 100,000 in 2017, but still remains lower than the 9th percentile for infant mortality rate. In 2017, Nevada ranked 22nd in the nation for the percentage of children with no preventive dental care at 83.1 per 1000 children. This change reflects the previous report card and is consistent with your 2015 report card.

SEXUAL HEALTH D+

Sexual Health is based upon five indicators: teen birth rate; sexual activity; condom use; any birth control use; and sexually transmitted disease rates. In 2017, Nevada ranked 37th in the nation for the teen birth rate at 22.9 births per 1000 females ages 15-19. This is consistent with the previous report card at 24 per 1,000 births per 1,000 females ages 15-19. However, the teen birth rate in Nevada has greatly decreased, moving from 10.7% in 1991 to 4.5% in 2017 in the state of Nevada. In 2017, Nevada ranked 18 out of 39 states for condom use; any birth control use; and sexually transmitted disease rates. If you have any questions about the data presented or would like to find out more please contact us at admin@caanv.org.
## 2018 Summary of Grades

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### Access to Healthcare

- **Access to Health Care Grade:** A-
- **Immunizations Grade:** C-
- **Prenatal/Parent Health Grade:** D-
- **Mental Health Grade:** C-
- **Dental Health Grade:** F+
- **Childhood Obesity Grade:** B-
- **Sexual Health Grade:** B-
- **Childhood Creativity Grade:** B

### Health Indicators

- **Immunizations:** The immunizations grade is based on the percentage of children aged 19 to 35 months receiving recommended doses of DTaP, polio, MMR, Hib, hepatitis B, and PCV vaccines, with a percentage of 71.9%, a decrease from 73.7% in 2015. In 2016, Nevada ranked above the U.S. average of 6.2%.

- **Prenatal/Parent Health:**
  - Nevada saw improvements in the percentage of pregnant women receiving late or no prenatal care, child and infant mortality, and live birth weight of infants. Nevada ranked dropped from 9% to 8.2% in 2016. Despite this decrease, Nevada's ranking dropped from 43rd to 46th, primarily because other states saw more significant reductions in this area.

- **Mental Health:**
  - Nevada's mental health grade is based on the percentage of children who are obese at 14% (a decrease from 15% in 2015) and those who have received no prenatal care, which increased from 4.0% to 4.1% overall. The most significantly improved data point in this area was women receiving late or no prenatal care, which improve within the state of Nevada. Nevada ranks 51st in the percentage of children without health insurance* at 8%, a decrease from 9.6% in 2014. With the implementation of the ACA, Nevada saw improvements in the percentage of children without health insurance for preschool and early childhood education. Despite these improvements, Nevada ranks 47th in the nation for the percentage of children without health insurance for preschool and early childhood education. The Health Department recorded a decrease in the percentage of children without health insurance for preschool and early childhood education from 9.6% in 2014 to 8% in 2017, which is the lowest ranking in the nation.
Students reporting to have brought a weapon to school at 4.7% and 5th in the nation for the slightly increased from 8.5% in 2015. Nevada ranked 15th out of 38 states for students-related deaths in 2016—a slight improvement from 13th in 2014. In 2016, Nevada ranked 34th in the nation for child deaths with 20 deaths per 100,000 children, a slight increase from 2014. This number is slightly above the national average of 18.5 per 100,000 children.

**Child Maltreatment**

The Juvenile Violence ranking is based upon: high school violence; weapons on school property; and new to this report card, combined unintentional injuries, homicide, and suicide. In 2016, Nevada ranked 34th in the nation for child deaths with 20 deaths per 100,000 children, an increase of 77.86%.

**Child Deaths and Injuries**

Nevada’s child maltreatment grade is based upon total child maltreatment, but also includes efforts to ensure children are safe and have access to protective services. This year, Nevada received 4188 children, an increase of 77.86%.

**Economic Well-Being**

In 2017, Nevada placed 51st in the nation for child youth homelessness, with a 231.8 per 100,000 children rate. Nevada ranked 20th out of 30 and 18th out of 36, respectively. Overall, substance abuse has improved for prescription drug use at 26th out of 39 states. For inhalants and heroin use, Nevada ranked 11th in alcohol use with a slight increase from 30.4% in 2015 to 11.5% in 2017, ranking 6th in the nation. New to this report is students who used any type of tobacco, decreasing from 6.7% in 2015 to 2% in 2017, decreasing by 66.7% and ranking 9th in the nation. Nevada ranked 15th in the nation for child deaths with 20 deaths per 100,000 children, an increase of 77.86%.

**Education**

Student Achievement is based upon reading and math score at or above proficiency; reading scores have increased slightly for the class of 2012 to 73.6% for the class of 2016. However, Nevada still ranks low at 49th in the nation, 41% of 4-year olds are currently enrolled. Of the 36.7% of enrolled students, only 12% have a college degree or with a degree.

**Poverty**

Nevada ranked 38th in the nation for low-income working families with children. Nevada is currently 48th in the nation for preschool capacity. According to Nevada Department of Education, or Head Start—ranked 48th in the nation overall.

**Housing**

Nevada ranked 15th in the nation for child youth homelessness, with a 231.8 per 100,000 children rate. Nevada ranked 20th out of 30 and 18th out of 36, respectively. Nevada is currently 48th in the nation for preschool capacity. According to Nevada Department of Education, or Head Start—ranked 48th in the nation overall.

**Safety**

The Juvenile Violence ranking is based upon high school violence; weapons on school property; and new to this report card, combined unintentional injuries, homicide, and suicide. In 2016, Nevada ranked 34th in the nation for child deaths with 20 deaths per 100,000 children, a slight increase from 2014. This number is slightly above the national average of 18.5 per 100,000 children.
Nevada's child well-being report card is based upon data for the year 2016. The report uses the latest and most comprehensive data available to evaluate Nevada’s accomplishments and challenges in the well-being of its children. The report is a part of the Annie E. Casey Foundation’s national series, “KIDS COUNT” which provides an important look at the status of children in the United States.

1. **Safety**

Nevada received a grade of C- in the safety category. The state continues to improve in the percentage of children with two or more adults in the home and the percentage of children in poverty-related deaths. However, Nevada still ranks 31st in the nation for child abuse and neglect related to deaths at 20 per 100,000 deaths, not different from the national average of 19 per 100,000 deaths.

**Substance Abuse:** Nevada continues to improve in the percentage of high school students who smoke cigarettes (9.1%) and who use methamphetamines (21.2%). The state’s ranking for prescription drug use (22.5%) has remained consistent. The state continues to rank high in the percentage of children who use cannabis, vapor products, and THC products. Nevada ranks 18th out of 20 states for high school seniors who use an electronic vapor product. Nevada continues to rank high in the percentage of children who use high-strength alcohol and marijuana as long as Nevada holds 14th high. Nevada’s death rate from alcohol poisoning has improved by 1.3% from 2015 to 2016. In 2016, Nevada ranked 37th in the nation for the percentage of students who have been in a fight on campus at 5.9%, an improvement from 5.5% in 2015. The state also saw a slight decrease in the percentage of students reporting they carried a weapon to school at 4.7% and 5th in the nation for the percentage of students who have brought a weapon to school at 4.7% and 5th in the nation for the percentage of students who have brought a weapon to school at 4.7%

**Juvenile Justice:** Nevada’s Juvenile Violence ranking is also based on data for the year 2016. The state continues to improve in the percentage of children who have been in a fight on campus at 5.9%, an improvement from 5.5% in 2015. The state also saw a slight decrease in the percentage of students reporting they carried a weapon to school at 4.7% and 5th in the nation for the percentage of students who have brought a weapon to school at 4.7%

2. **Economic Security**

Nevada received a grade of D+ in the economic security category. The state continues to improve in the percentage of families who have access to high quality, affordable child care. However, Nevada still ranks 37th in the nation for the percentage of children living in poverty-related deaths at 20 per 100,000 deaths, not different from the national average of 19 per 100,000 deaths.

**Housing:** Nevada ranked 36th in the nation for child youth homelessness, with 22,287 children and youth experiencing homelessness at some point during the year, dropping from 20,629 in 2015. Nevada’s youth homelessness rate is 4.7% of all children and youth living in the United States. Nevada ranked 10th in the nation for the percentage of children who are homeless under the age of 18 and not in school. Nevada ranked 12th in the nation for the percentage of children who are homeless under the age of 18 and not in school.

**Food Security:** Nevada received a grade of C in the food security category. The state continues to improve in the percentage of children who are food insecure at 7.7% and 29th in the nation. However, Nevada still ranks 39th in the nation for the percentage of children who are food insecure at 7.7% and 29th in the nation.

**Transportation:** Nevada received a grade of D in the transportation category. The state continues to improve in the percentage of children who report relying on public transit to get to school on a daily or weekly basis. However, Nevada still ranks 30th in the nation for the percentage of children who report relying on public transit to get to school on a daily or weekly basis. Nevada’s transportation rate is 30%.

3. **Health**

Nevada received a grade of B- in the health category. The state continues to improve in the percentage of children who report being physically active on a daily basis. However, Nevada still ranks 35th in the nation for the percentage of children who report being physically active on a daily basis.

**Violence:** Nevada received a grade of C in the violence category. The state continues to improve in the percentage of children who report being physically active on a daily basis. However, Nevada still ranks 35th in the nation for the percentage of children who report being physically active on a daily basis.

**Obesity:** Nevada received a grade of D in the obesity category. The state continues to improve in the percentage of children who report being overweight or obese. However, Nevada still ranks 40th in the nation for the percentage of children who report being overweight or obese.

**Tobacco Use:** Nevada received a grade of B in the tobacco use category. The state continues to improve in the percentage of children who report never having smoked a cigarette. However, Nevada still ranks 26th in the nation for the percentage of children who report never having smoked a cigarette.

**Substance Abuse:** Nevada received a grade of B in the substance abuse category. The state continues to improve in the percentage of children who report never having used alcohol. However, Nevada still ranks 32nd in the nation for the percentage of children who report never having used alcohol.

4. **Education**

Nevada received a grade of D in the education category. The state continues to improve in the percentage of children who are on target for school readiness. The state also continues to improve in the percentage of children who are on target for school readiness. However, Nevada still ranks 15th in the nation for the percentage of children who are on target for school readiness.

**Student Achievement:** Nevada received a grade of C in the student achievement category. The state continues to improve in the percentage of children who are on target for school readiness. The state also continues to improve in the percentage of children who are on target for school readiness. However, Nevada still ranks 15th in the nation for the percentage of children who are on target for school readiness.

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In 2017 Nevada placed 54th in the nation for child poverty, with 23% of the population living below the poverty line. Nevada's child poverty rate is slightly above the national average. This is in part due to higher rates of unemployment and lower wages. Nevada ranks 45th in the nation for total child maltreatment, but also 45th for non-physical abuse. However, Nevada's child maltreatment grade is based upon total child maltreatment, but also child maltreatment due to neglect. Nevada's child maltreatment grade is based upon the number of children reported for neglect, which is the highest number of children reported for neglect in the nation. Nevada's child maltreatment grade is based upon the number of children reported for neglect, which is the highest number of children reported for neglect in the nation. Nevada's child maltreatment grade is based upon the number of children reported for neglect, which is the highest number of children reported for neglect in the nation. Nevada's child maltreatment grade is based upon the number of children reported for neglect, which is the highest number of children reported for neglect in the nation.
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The Juvenile Violence ranking is based upon: high school violence; weapons on school property; dating violence; fear of violence; and juvenile justice. In 2017, 9% of high schoolers self-reported violence on school property, which is a slight increase from 8% in 2015. Nevada ranked 10th in this category, a slight increase from 11th in 2014. We also saw a great improvement in the percentage of high school students who smoke marijuana, ranking Nevada 14th out of 42 states. Nevada continues to improve in the percentage of high school students who smoke cigarettes, from 30.4% in 2015 to 11.5% in 2017, ranking 6th in the nation. New to this report is students who have been in a fight on campus at 5.9%, an improvement from 6.2% in 2014. The ranking for the state has improved since the last report card, the percentage has improved for prescription drug use at 26th out of 39 states. For inhalants and heroin use, Nevada ranked 24th and 25th respectively, which is a slight decrease from 21st and 24th in 2014. Nevada continues to rank low for ecstasy use, which comes in at 24th out of 31 states and has slightly increased. Nevada ranked 14th for marijuana use, ranking Nevada 14th out of 42 states. Nevada continues to improve in the percentage of high school students who smoke tobacco, from 11.7% in 2015 to 5.9% in 2017, ranking 6th in the nation.

The School Readiness grade is comprised of five different indicators: health, income, education, school readiness, and poverty. The health indicator is based upon: availability of high-quality preschool programs, currently investing $65.79, a slight improvement from 2015, but still significantly below the national average. Nevada ranked 20th out of 30 and 18th out of 36, respectively. Overall, substance abuse has improved for prescription drug use at 26th out of 39 states. For inhalants and heroin use, Nevada ranked 24th and 25th respectively, which is a slight decrease from 21st and 24th in 2014. Nevada continues to rank low for ecstasy use, which comes in at 24th out of 31 states and has slightly increased. Nevada ranked 14th for marijuana use, ranking Nevada 14th out of 42 states. Nevada continues to improve in the percentage of high school students who smoke tobacco, from 11.7% in 2015 to 5.9% in 2017, ranking 6th in the nation.

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The Safety indicator is based upon: unaccompanied homeless youth, which is the number of unaccompanied children and youth in the United States who experienced homelessness at some point during the year. Nevada ranked 33rd in this category, a slight increase from 35th in 2014. However, Nevada continues to be the only state that did not have a decrease in the number of unaccompanied children and youth from 2014 to 2016. Nevada ranked 38th in the nation for low-income families below 200% of the federal poverty level, where 41% of children live in low-income families at some point during the year. Nevada ranked 38th in the nation for low-income families below 200% of the federal poverty level, where 41% of children live in low-income families at some point during the year. Nevada ranked 38th in the nation for low-income families below 200% of the federal poverty level, where 41% of children live in low-income families at some point during the year. Nevada ranked 38th in the nation for low-income families below 200% of the federal poverty level, where 41% of children live in low-income families at some point during the year.
2018 Summary of Grades

Making a Difference in a Child’s Life

Children’s Advocacy Alliance (CAA) is an independent voice dedicated to achieving public policies that improve the lives of children and families. CAA works to bring about change by helping the biggest problems that kids and families face at home, school, and in the community.

As a leading advocate for children in Nevada, the CAA is comprised of community leaders dedicated to improving the lives of children and families. Nevada’s progress on the indicators following symbols indicate Nevada’s progress on the indicators, not necessarily where the state ranked compared to other states.

EDUCATION: F

SAFETY: C-

2018 Summary of Grades: Making a Difference

Poverty

Housing

Employment

Funding

Student Achievement

Substance Abuse

Youth Homelessness

Child Maltreatment

Sexual Health

Dental Health

Childhood Obesity

Immunizations

Prenatal/Infant Health

Growth and development

Preventive dental care

Provision of recommended doses of the 4 vaccines

Health

ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE: F-

Childhood Obesity consists of: the percentage of 9th-12th grade students, whose Body Mass Index (BMI) is at or above the 95th percentile for their age and gender, who are overweight, very overweight, or obese; and whose BMI is greater than or equal to the 99th percentile for their age and gender, who are physically active for 60 minutes per day for 5 days per week and meet any one of the following criteria: 1) engaging in a vigorous activity; 2) engaging in moderate physical activity for 60 minutes per day; and 3) engaging in vigorous physical activity for 20 minutes per day. The more criteria met, the higher the grade.

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CHILDHOOD OBESITY: B-

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SEXUAL HEALTH: D-

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