

Snapshot of Child Health and Well-Being

Child Population

- Total population under 18 years of age | 186,266
- Between 0 and 4 years of age | 55,449
- Between 5 and 11 years of age | 71,619
- Between 12 and 14 years of age | 29,294
- Between 15 and 17 years of age | 29,904

[Source: KIDS COUNT Data Center 2016]

Breastfeeding

Measure	Alaska	Healthy People 2020 Goals
Infants ever breastfed	90.8%	81.9%
Infants breastfed at 6 months	62.1%	60.6%
Infants breastfed at 12 months	38.4%	34.1%
Exclusive breastfeeding at 3 months	55.3%	46.2%
Exclusive breastfeeding at 6 months	27.8%	25.5%

[Source: CDC Breastfeeding Report Card 2016]

- [AAP Breastfeeding Initiatives](#)

Bullying Prevention

- Alaska does not have a comprehensive bullying prevention law.
- [AAP Bullying Prevention State AdvocacyFOCUS](#)

Childhood Immunizations

- Children 19-35 months of age who are fully immunized | 66.3%
- Female adolescents 13-17 years of age receiving HPV 3 dose series vaccination | 36.9%
- Male adolescents 13-17 years of age receiving HPV 3 dose series vaccination | 18.8%

[Source: CDC Vaccination Coverage Among Children Aged 19-35 Months – United States, 2015]

- [AAP Childhood Immunizations State AdvocacyFOCUS](#)

Child Passenger Safety

- Alaska has adopted 3 of 5 AAP child passenger safety recommendations.
 - Requires a child ride in a child safety seat until 4 years of age.
 - Requires a child ride in a booster seat until 8 years of age.
 - Has a primary enforcement seatbelt law.
- [AAP Child Passenger State AdvocacyFOCUS](#)

Early Childhood

- Children younger than 6 years who received a developmental screening (2012) | 16,379/30%
- Children who have experienced 2 or more adverse childhood experiences (ACES) (2012) | 47,000/25%
- Young children, 3-4 years of age, not enrolled in a high quality Pre K program (2014) | 13,000/61%

[Source: KIDS COUNT Data Center 2016]

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- [Quality Early Education and Child Care From Birth to Kindergarten AAP Policy Statement](#)

Early Hearing Detection and Intervention

- Alaska does not utilize the [AAP EHDI Guidelines for Pediatric Medical Homes](#).

Interstate Medical Licensure Compact

- Alaska has not adopted the [Interstate Medical Licensure Compact](#).
- [Interstate Medical Licensure Advocacy Action Guide for AAP Chapters](#)

Maternal Depression Screening

- Alaska Medicaid agency does not pay pediatricians to perform maternal depression screens during a well-child care visits during the first year of a child's life.
- [Maternal Depression Screening: Medicaid and EPSDT Coverage Advocacy Action Guide for AAP Chapters](#)

Poverty and Child Health

- Children living in poverty below 100% of the federal poverty level (2015) | 28,000/15%
- Children living in poverty below 200% of the federal poverty level (2015) | 64,000/35%
- Children living in food insecure households (2014) | 38,000/20%
- Children living in households with a high cost burden (1/3 or more of monthly income) (2014) | 61,000/33%
- Children receiving benefits from Supplemental Security Income (SSI), cash public assistance income, or the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) (2015) | 46,000/25%

[Source: KIDS COUNT Data Center 2016]

- [Poverty and Child Health in the United States Policy Statement](#)

Raw Milk

- Alaska allows the sale of raw cow or goat milk on farms or through cow share or herd share programs.
- [AAP Raw Milk State AdvocacyFOCUS](#)

Tanning Beds

- Alaska does not ban the use of tanning beds by minors younger than 18 years.
- Alaska does not require minors to be at least 14 years to use tanning beds.
- [AAP Tanning Bed Restrictions State AdvocacyFOCUS](#)

Teen Driving

- Alaska has adopted 0 of 7 AAP graduated driver's license recommendations.
- [AAP Teen Driving State AdvocacyFOCUS](#)

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