

# WHAT'S NEW WITH KIDS?

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## Nevada's Congressional Districts

Nevada has four congressional districts. Congressional District 1 is represented by Dina Titus. Congressional District 2 is represented by Mark Amodei. Congressional District 3 is represented by Joseph Heck. Congressional District 4 is represented by Steven Horsford. This *Newsletter* presents data on children for the four congressional districts, using data from the Annie E. Casey Foundation KIDS COUNT Data Center.

### *Children in Poverty (100 percent of poverty)<sup>1</sup>*

In 2012, the percentage of Nevada children under age 18 who lived in families with incomes below the poverty level ranged from a low of 11 percent in Congressional District 3 to a high of 35 percent in Congressional District 1. The state rate was 24 percent.

Location	Number	Percent
Congressional District 1	54,000	35
Congressional District 2	39,000	25
Congressional District 3	18,000	11
Congressional District 4	45,000	25
Nevada*	157,000	24

\*District numbers may not sum to total due to rounding.

Data Source: Population Reference Bureau, analysis of data from the U.S. Census Bureau, 2012 American Community Survey.

### *Teens Not in School and Not High School Graduates*

The percentage of Nevada teenagers ages 16 to 19 who were not enrolled in high school and were not high school graduates in 2012 ranged from a low of 4 percent in Congressional District 4 to a high of 10 percent in Congressional District 1. The state rate was 7 percent.

Location	Number	Percent
Congressional District 1	4,000	10
Congressional District 2	2,000	6
Congressional District 3	2,000	7
Congressional District 4	1,000	4
Nevada	9,000	7

Note: "Those who have a GED or equivalent are included as high school graduates in this measure."

Data Source: Population Reference Bureau, analysis of data from the U.S. Census Bureau, 2012 American Community Survey.

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<sup>1</sup>In 2012, the U.S. poverty threshold for a family of 2 adults and 2 children was \$23,283. U.S. Census Bureau, Poverty Thresholds for 2012 by Size of Family and Number of Related Children under 18 Years, <https://www.census.gov/hhes/www/>

### ***Children in Single-Parent Families***

Nearly one-half of the children under age 18 in Congressional District 1 lived in single-parent families in 2012. The percentage of children in single-parent families in Congressional Districts 2, 3, and 4 was 34, 35, and 37, respectively. The state figure was 37 percent.

Location	Number	Percent
Congressional District 1	75,000	49
Congressional District 2	52,000	34
Congressional District 3	55,000	35
Congressional District 4	64,000	37
Nevada	246,000	39

Data Source: Population Reference Bureau, analysis of data from the U.S. Census Bureau, 2012 American Community Survey.

### ***Median Family Income among Households with Children***

In 2012, the median annual income for families with own children under age 18 living in the household ranged from a low of \$35,750 in Congressional District 1 to a high of \$63,968 in Congressional District 3. The state median annual income was \$49,300.

Location	Amount \$
Congressional District 1	35,750
Congressional District 2	51,418
Congressional District 3	63,968
Congressional District 4	49,706
Nevada	49,300

Data Source: Population Reference Bureau, analysis of data from the U.S. Census Bureau, 2012 American Community Survey.

Based on the four indicators, children in Congressional District 1 appear to be at the greatest risk of overcoming obstacles to achieve success in the future. These children were more likely to live in poverty, in single-parent families, and in households with a median family income below that of the state median income; and to not be enrolled in high school or be a high school graduate than children living in Districts 2, 3, and 4.

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