

CHANCE FOR SUCCESS

STATE	GRADE	INDEX	EARLY FOUNDATIONS				SCHOOL YEARS					ADULT OUTCOMES				STATE
			FAMILY INCOME	PARENT EDUCATION	PARENTAL EMPLOYMENT	LINGUISTIC INTEGRATION	PRESCHOOL ENROLLMENT	KINDERGARTEN ENROLLMENT	4th GRADE READING	8th GRADE MATHEMATICS	HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION	YOUNG-ADULT EDUCATION	ADULT EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT	ANNUAL INCOME	STEADY EMPLOYMENT	
			Percent of children in families with incomes at least 200% of poverty level	Percent of children with at least one parent with a postsecondary degree	Percent of children with at least one parent working full time and year-round	Percent of children whose parents are fluent English-speakers	Percent of 3- and 4-year-olds enrolled in preschool	Percent of eligible children enrolled in kindergarten programs	Percent of 4th grade public school students "proficient" on NAEP	Percent of 8th grade public school students "proficient" on NAEP	Percent of public high school students who graduate with a diploma	Percent of young adults (18-24) enrolled in postsecondary education or with a degree	Percent of adults (25-64) with a 2- or 4-year postsecondary degree	Percent of adults (25-64) with incomes at or above national median	Percent of adults (25-64) in labor force working full time and year-round	
MASSACHUSETTS	A-	91.4	68.8%	60.2%	73.2%	84.2%	59.4%	78.9%	47.5%	54.6%	79.9%	70.7%	50.5%	60.2%	68.3%	MASSACHUSETTS
NEW JERSEY	B+	88.2	68.0	56.1	76.6	79.7	63.4	76.1	41.9	48.9	83.1	62.8	45.9	59.4	70.0	NEW JERSEY
NEW HAMPSHIRE	B+	88.0	68.9	59.2	78.7	95.7	51.9	71.9	44.6	46.8	78.3	60.9	46.8	57.5	71.6	NEW HAMPSHIRE
CONNECTICUT	B+	87.5	69.3	57.8	74.4	85.6	64.5	79.0	42.6	37.1	82.2	62.4	47.5	59.7	67.6	CONNECTICUT
MINNESOTA	B+	87.3	68.1	60.1	78.5	90.9	46.9	75.0	41.5	47.2	80.4	63.7	47.3	56.1	70.8	MINNESOTA
NORTH DAKOTA	B+	86.9	70.4	64.3	88.0	97.2	36.3	81.5	34.0	40.6	84.0	57.5	46.3	56.0	77.7	NORTH DAKOTA
VERMONT	B	86.4	59.2	56.2	76.5	98.1	50.8	74.4	42.1	46.9	85.0	64.4	46.3	51.0	70.2	VERMONT
MARYLAND	B	85.9	69.4	53.5	77.2	88.7	49.2	76.9	44.7	37.4	78.6	57.5	45.7	62.0	74.0	MARYLAND
VIRGINIA	B	84.8	65.4	54.5	78.4	89.5	48.5	75.8	43.2	38.1	77.5	57.9	45.5	57.1	74.6	VIRGINIA
IOWA	B	84.2	64.7	56.1	80.7	94.5	48.2	74.6	38.0	35.8	83.2	62.4	42.8	51.8	74.0	IOWA
NEBRASKA	B	83.1	60.4	56.0	83.7	86.9	49.1	76.6	37.1	35.6	78.8	60.8	44.0	50.5	75.8	NEBRASKA
COLORADO	B	82.9	60.4	54.2	75.7	84.3	48.1	77.5	40.6	41.9	75.6	54.9	47.9	54.5	70.0	COLORADO
PENNSYLVANIA	B	82.6	59.4	49.6	73.9	92.2	48.5	75.1	40.1	41.9	83.0	60.9	40.2	52.4	70.7	PENNSYLVANIA
WISCONSIN	B-	82.4	62.8	53.1	78.0	93.1	43.6	79.4	34.7	39.8	83.7	59.8	41.0	51.6	70.4	WISCONSIN
KANSAS	B-	81.9	59.0	49.7	80.8	88.6	46.4	79.0	37.6	40.5	80.0	57.1	41.0	49.8	74.5	KANSAS
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	B-	81.5	53.8	47.1	66.6	89.7	74.2	85.2	23.0	18.8	57.0	69.7	59.9	66.8	73.6	DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
NEW YORK	B-	81.0	57.0	50.7	71.6	77.8	58.3	78.7	37.0	32.3	73.3	64.6	45.3	54.3	70.3	NEW YORK
ILLINOIS	B-	80.2	58.5	49.3	74.7	81.7	54.1	78.2	33.5	36.5	77.8	59.0	42.4	52.0	69.4	ILLINOIS
WYOMING	B-	79.9	61.6	45.0	79.5	94.9	43.3	74.4	37.1	37.8	77.6	53.3	37.8	52.4	72.9	WYOMING
DELAWARE	B-	79.8	58.5	46.3	74.3	87.8	51.4	80.0	38.0	32.7	73.9	55.4	38.1	56.5	72.2	DELAWARE
RHODE ISLAND	B-	79.7	60.9	49.2	70.5	82.7	48.3	68.5	37.6	36.0	71.9	65.9	42.7	54.6	68.6	RHODE ISLAND
SOUTH DAKOTA	B-	79.6	59.1	55.1	80.7	97.3	38.8	67.6	32.0	38.4	76.3	59.4	39.9	45.1	76.2	SOUTH DAKOTA
WASHINGTON	B-	79.5	60.5	50.5	72.8	83.2	41.1	75.0	39.7	41.9	72.1	50.5	43.4	55.5	67.9	WASHINGTON
UTAH	C+	79.1	59.1	55.7	78.7	89.1	39.4	78.2	37.0	36.2	71.3	51.7	41.7	49.5	69.3	UTAH
MAINE	C+	78.8	54.9	50.7	70.8	96.1	44.4	72.7	36.9	39.5	80.5	56.2	39.4	46.6	66.0	MAINE
OHIO	C+	78.6	54.8	48.1	72.3	95.5	45.8	74.8	37.4	40.2	74.1	55.2	36.5	48.5	69.9	OHIO
INDIANA	C+	77.3	53.9	45.7	74.3	93.3	40.8	74.9	37.8	38.1	78.0	55.2	34.3	46.8	69.9	INDIANA
MISSOURI	C+	77.3	54.1	46.0	74.0	95.5	43.7	76.6	35.1	32.6	80.7	55.0	36.1	46.4	71.4	MISSOURI
HAWAII	C+	77.3	64.8	48.3	73.7	80.4	51.1	81.6	29.8	32.3	67.2	47.1	42.3	52.4	71.2	HAWAII
MONTANA	C	76.3	51.4	48.2	75.2	98.1	39.9	69.9	34.7	39.6	79.1	51.1	38.3	41.9	67.4	MONTANA
NORTH CAROLINA	C	75.7	50.0	45.9	71.1	88.3	42.9	78.4	35.2	36.3	71.7	53.9	38.2	44.8	69.5	NORTH CAROLINA
FLORIDA	C	75.3	49.1	46.2	70.5	80.1	50.8	78.5	39.0	30.8	72.9	54.8	38.1	42.5	68.0	FLORIDA
MICHIGAN	C	75.3	53.4	47.5	68.7	93.1	48.4	76.5	30.5	30.5	70.9	57.7	37.5	47.6	64.5	MICHIGAN
ALASKA	C	74.9	65.1	43.0	64.6	92.4	41.4	82.7	27.5	33.0	68.7	37.7	38.9	61.5	66.3	ALASKA
OREGON	C	74.6	53.4	45.1	70.8	85.1	40.7	75.8	33.4	34.3	75.6	53.7	40.0	46.2	62.1	OREGON
KENTUCKY	C	74.4	51.4	41.1	69.9	95.3	43.3	78.9	36.4	30.0	77.2	48.8	31.3	45.6	71.4	KENTUCKY
IDAHO	C	74.2	50.6	47.6	75.0	90.7	36.7	73.3	33.0	36.5	80.0	47.2	35.7	43.1	66.2	IDAHO
GEORGIA	C	73.9	49.1	42.9	70.4	88.5	49.5	79.1	33.9	29.4	64.0	51.1	37.4	46.1	70.9	GEORGIA
TENNESSEE	C	73.9	50.0	42.3	70.8	93.6	40.8	78.7	33.6	27.5	80.3	51.3	33.4	44.0	71.1	TENNESSEE
TEXAS	C	73.0	49.5	37.2	74.5	72.4	42.6	79.2	28.5	37.9	74.8	49.5	34.6	48.7	73.9	TEXAS
SOUTH CAROLINA	C	72.6	47.7	43.2	69.1	94.5	46.7	83.4	28.2	30.8	61.5	49.6	36.1	43.4	69.9	SOUTH CAROLINA
CALIFORNIA	C-	72.4	52.3	40.3	69.4	63.2	49.5	80.0	26.9	27.6	73.7	57.4	39.8	50.3	65.2	CALIFORNIA
OKLAHOMA	C-	72.2	49.6	39.7	75.1	90.8	43.5	76.2	29.7	25.0	73.9	46.1	32.5	45.6	76.2	OKLAHOMA
ALABAMA	C-	72.0	50.1	41.9	69.1	95.2	44.4	78.6	30.7	19.7	69.4	52.3	33.3	45.1	72.6	ALABAMA
ARKANSAS	C-	71.8	46.2	38.2	73.0	93.8	48.7	77.0	31.6	27.7	72.3	45.9	29.8	41.8	73.6	ARKANSAS
WEST VIRGINIA	C-	71.6	53.9	40.2	71.8	99.3	35.5	79.4	27.3	23.5	74.7	53.2	27.4	45.0	72.2	WEST VIRGINIA
ARIZONA	C-	70.2	48.4	40.6	69.9	77.7	34.5	78.3	27.6	30.6	67.2	48.7	36.9	47.7	69.5	ARIZONA
LOUISIANA	C-	69.9	48.6	36.0	69.2	96.8	52.1	78.8	23.0	20.8	67.0	48.0	29.4	46.6	72.3	LOUISIANA
MISSISSIPPI	D+	68.9	40.6	39.4	63.8	98.1	53.1	83.6	21.3	21.3	64.4	52.3	31.0	39.4	71.5	MISSISSIPPI
NEW MEXICO	D+	66.6	45.1	40.1	69.2	83.2	38.4	76.0	21.5	22.7	59.4	45.0	35.7	44.5	69.3	NEW MEXICO
NEVADA	D	65.7	50.6	32.3	70.8	73.0	31.7	76.4	27.3	28.3	62.7	40.6	30.5	46.0	66.4	NEVADA
U.S. ¹	C+	77.3	55.0%	46.2%	72.8%	83.3%	47.7%	77.9%	34.0%	34.4%	74.7%	55.8%	39.5%	50.2%	69.8%	U.S. ¹

Notes:

- States are ordered based on unrounded values for the Chance-for-Success Index.
- Due to a delay in the release of U.S. Census Bureau data caused by the recent government shutdown, new results for the Chance for Success Index were not available for inclusion in the print edition of *Quality Counts 2014*. Updated data for that category are only available online and in the State Highlights Reports.

Footnote:

¹ Values in the U.S. row report results for the nation as a whole, if it had been treated as a state.

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