

ANNOUNCING THE 2010 KIDS COUNT DATA BOOK

For 21 years, the Annie E. Casey Foundation has published an annual *KIDS COUNT Data Book*, compiling the best data available on children and families in our nation and ranking every state on the well-being of its kids. Our ability to progress as a state depends on the degree to which we can create opportunities for all children to succeed. Florida ranks 35th nationally in the *2010 KIDS COUNT Data Book*, a state-by-state study on the well-being of America's children. The *Data Book* reveals that Florida improved on five of the 10 measures affecting child well-being since 2000.

The *Data Book* is complemented by the expanded KIDS COUNT Data Center, which contains hundreds of measures of child well-being and allows users to create maps and graphs of the data at the national, state, county, and city level.

We hope you will find these materials useful in your work on behalf of Florida's children. If you have any questions, or would like to discuss the release, don't hesitate to contact us.

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