



Snapshot of Hawaii's Youth (ages 6 – 11)

There are about 100,000 youth ages 6 to 11 in Hawaii.¹

Economic Security

- ✓ 35% live below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level²
- ✓ 26% live in a household headed by a single parent¹
- ✓ 47% of elementary-school students are eligible for free or reduced-cost lunches³

Health

- ✓ 17% are without health insurance¹
- ✓ 36% of children ages 6 to 8 have untreated tooth decay⁴

Safety

- ✓ 1,147 a year are confirmed abused and/or neglected⁵
- ✓ 45% of 6th graders report living in a disorderly community (i.e., where fighting, graffiti, crime, and empty and abandoned buildings are prevalent)⁶

Education

- ✓ 5.4% of public elementary-school students are absent on an average day⁷
- ✓ 38% of 4th graders score below the basic reading level⁸
- ✓ 24% of 4th graders score below the basic math level⁸

¹ U.S. Census Bureau DataFerrett, CPS, 2004

² U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000

³ Hawaii Department of Education, School Status and Improvement Reports, 2000

⁴ Hawaii Department of Health, Dental Health Division, 2002

⁵ Hawaii Department of Human Services, Child Abuse and Neglect in Hawaii, 2003

⁶ Hawaii Department of Health, ATOD Survey, 2002

⁷ Hawaii Department of Education, School Status and Improvement Reports, 2001

⁸ Annie E. Casey Foundation, 2004 KIDS COUNT Data Book Online, 2003 Data