



Hawaii Kids Count E-BULLETIN

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[1\) New Data Available from the KIDS COUNT State Level Online Data System](#)

The KIDS COUNT online data system has recently added a new profile with data on the well-being of Immigrant Children. Data includes 12 indicators of immigrant child well-being for the U.S. and all states.

Highlights for Hawaii include:

- The percentage of children in immigrant families who live below the poverty threshold has remained steady at 14% during 2002-2004, compared to 22% in the U.S.
- The percentage of children in immigrant families who live in crowded households has decreased slightly from 2000 to 2004, from 48% to 45%; however, this is still much higher than the national percentage of 33%
- The percentage of children in immigrant families who had difficulty speaking English during 2002-2004 was 12%, compared to 22% nationally
- The percentage of children in immigrant families whose parents have less than a high school degree has remained steady from 2000 to 2004 at about 11%, compared to about 28% nationally

For more information, please visit: <http://www.aecf.org/kidscount/sld>

[2\) New national and state level data from the *Policy Matters* report](#)

In addition to the national report, 8-page policy briefs are available for each state, along with some one-page fact sheets listing the state's policy strengths and opportunities.

Highlights include:

- Hawaii's higher education tuition and aid policies result in moderate affordability compared to the national median
- Hawaii offers job protection in one of four key circumstances not covered by the federal Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA)
- Hawaii has no state laws that prohibit predatory mortgage lending practices
- Hawaii offers a maximum refundable state Child and Dependent Care (CDC) Tax Credit equal to 58% of the federal credit
- Hawaii has limited collaboration between TANF and work force programs

To access the full report, please visit: www.policymatter.us

To access state policy briefs and state fact sheets, please visit:

<http://www.policymatters.us/state-report.html>

Hard copies of the report can be obtained from Noel Bravo or Minh Ta at noel.bravo@cssp.org or minh.ta@cssp.org or by calling (202) 371-1565.

[3\) Feedback Wanted: Hawaii Kids Count E-bulletin Feedback Survey](#)

Hawaii Kids Count is collecting feedback to help ensure that our products and services meet the needs of our users. Please follow the link below and take a moment to complete a quick, online survey. All responses will remain confidential. We appreciate your participation.

You may access the survey at: http://uhfamily.hawaii.edu/hawaii_kids_count/ebsurvey.asp

[4\) Hawaii Kids Count E-Bulletin Subscription Information](#)

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