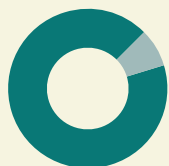


# Children in Mississippi Face Many Health-Related Challenges.



In 2015, **11.5%** of babies in Mississippi were born with a low-birth weight, weighing less than 2,500 grams.



In 2015, **8%** of grandchildren in Mississippi were in the care of their grandparents, fulltime.



In 2017, Mississippi ranks **50<sup>th</sup>** for overall child well-being.



In 2011-15, **48.4%** of children (ages 3 & 4) in Mississippi did not attend preschool.



In 2015, **31%** of children in Mississippi were living in poverty.



In 2015, the rate of infant mortality in Mississippi for African American babies (12.8) was **nearly 2 to 1** to Caucasian babies (6.7).



In 2011-2015, **45.4%** of children in Mississippi were living in single-parent families.