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### Nebraska Fares Well in Kids Count Report

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) - Nebraska has fared well in a new national study of children's education and economic well-being.

The Kids Count report released Tuesday by the Annie E. Casey Foundation ranks Nebraska 10th overall.

The annual study ranked Nebraska fifth this year for children's economic well-being, down from fourth place last year. The state placed ninth overall when it came to education, up from 17th place in 2013.

The report says 18 percent of children lived in poverty as of 2012, the most recent year shown. Carolyn Rooker, executive director of Voices for Children in Nebraska, says the report demonstrates the need for heightened attention on the issue of child poverty.

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