

Many youth in Iowa are not reaching a successful adulthood

<p>% Iowa Children in Poverty 2010 – 16% 2011 – 17% 2012 – 16% 2013 – 16% 2014 – 15% (Kids Count)</p>	<p>100,000 youth live in poverty (<\$22K for a family of 4)</p>	<p>And</p>	<p>Youth in poverty are 2X more likely to drop out of school and 7X more likely to be abused or neglected</p>
<p>Dropout Rate of Grades 9-12 2009-10 – 3.41% 2010-11 – 3.38% 2011-12 – 3.20% 2012-13 – 2.82% (Condition of Education 2014 Report)</p>	<p>30,000 youth age 16-19 have dropped out (Where did this figure come from?)</p>	<p>And</p>	<p>Dropouts are 3.5 times more likely to be arrested as an adult</p>
<p>(Requested from Public Safety)</p>	<p>20,000 youth are arrested each year</p>	<p>And</p>	<p>50-70% of youth sent to juvenile corrections recidivate within 2 years</p>
<p>Founded Abuse of Youth 2014 – 4,380 2013 – 6,678 2012 – 7,132 2011 – 7,119 2010 – 9,908 (DHS Website)</p>	<p>15,000 youths are victims of abuse and neglect each year</p>	<p>And</p>	<p>40% of youth in the child welfare system do not finish HS by age 190</p>
<p># Children in Foster Care 2013 – 10,400 2012 – 10,193 2011 – 10,387 2010 – 10,675 2009 – 11,391 (State Data Center)</p>	<p>10,000 youth are in foster care</p>	<p>And</p>	<p>45% of youth who leave foster care become homeless within a year</p>
<p>% of Teen Births 2013 – 5.9% 2012 – 6.5% 2011 – 7.1% 2010 – 7.9% (Department of Public Health)</p>	<p>5,000 youth age 15-19 become mothers each year</p>	<p>And</p>	<p>Only 51% of teen mothers earn a high school diploma by age 22</p>