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GRIEVING AND GROWING:

Helping Families Navigate
Bereavement Together





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“The greatness of a community is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of its members.”

~Coretta Scott King



SESAME WORKSHOP™

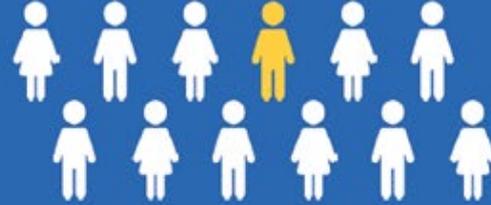


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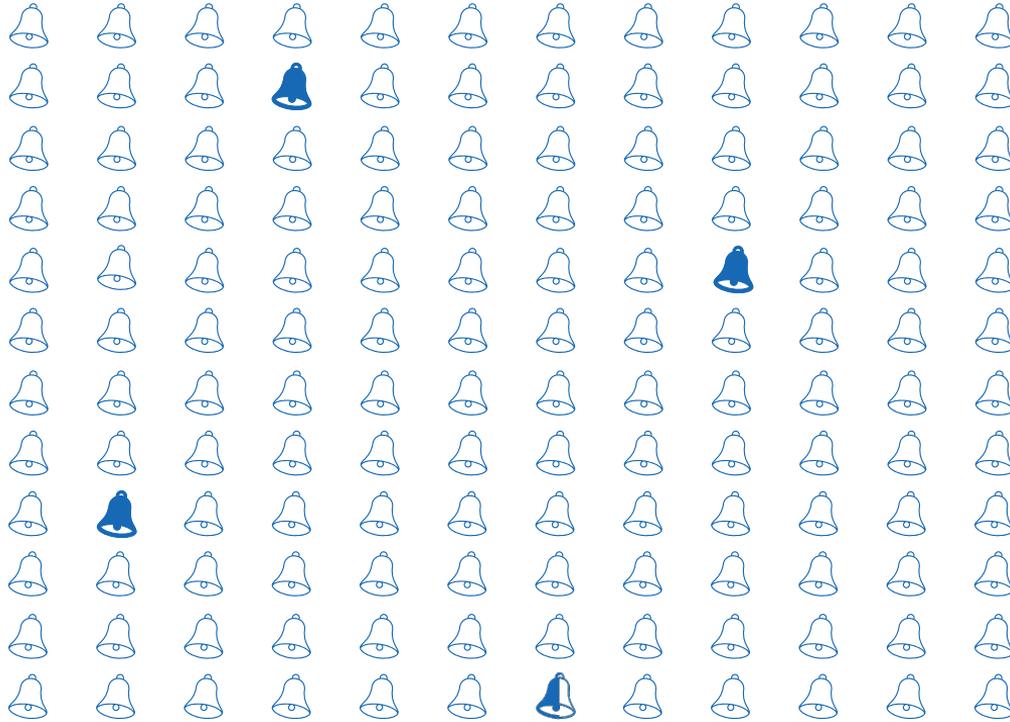


& MORE THAN
DOUBLES

15.2M

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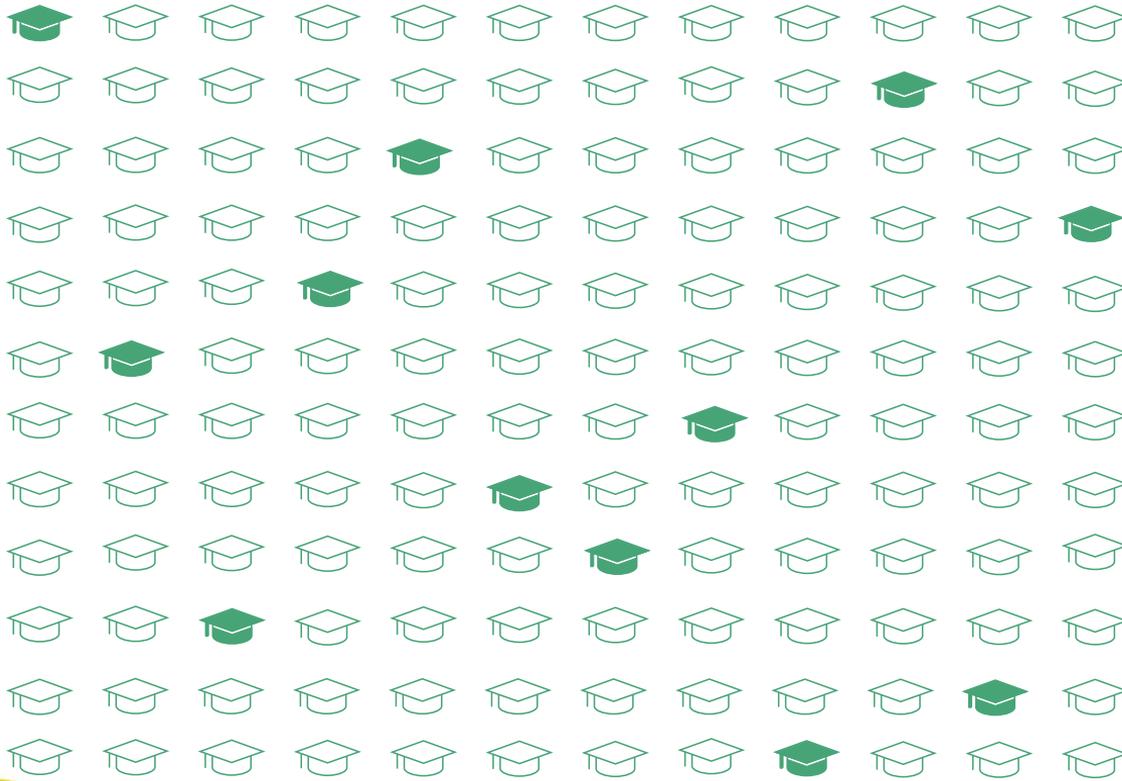
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2.5% or nearly half a million children under age 5



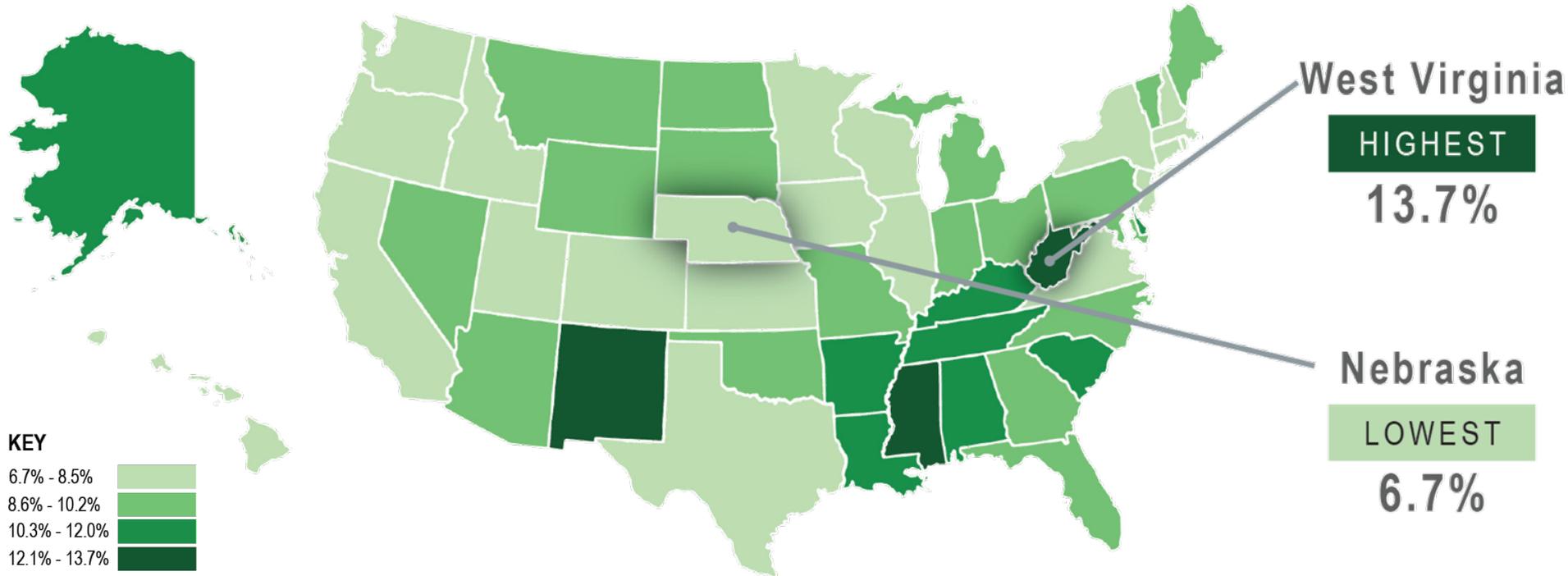
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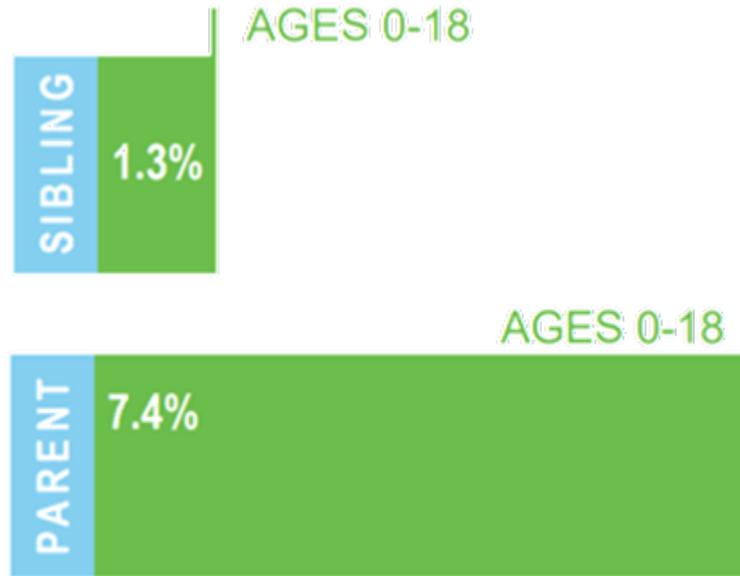
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¹Bereavement due to parent or sibling death by age 18

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The CBEM Provides separate, independent estimates for youth who will experience the death of a parent or of a sibling.



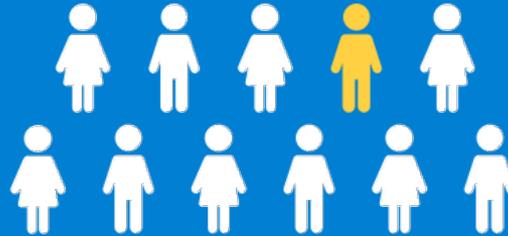


CBEM Key Tops

2018	Rural-Urban
2019	Substance-Related
2020	County-Level
2021	Race and Ethnicity
2022	Cause of Death
2022/2023	Pandemic Impact
2024	Income
2025	County-Level
2026	Race and Ethnicity

2024 CBEM South Dakota Projected Prevalence

1 in 11



25TH

CBEM
RANKING BY
STATE†

children in South Dakota **will experience** the death of a **parent or sibling** by age 18

9.3% ~ 20K

children **will be** bereaved by age 18
HIGHER than national rate of **8.6%**

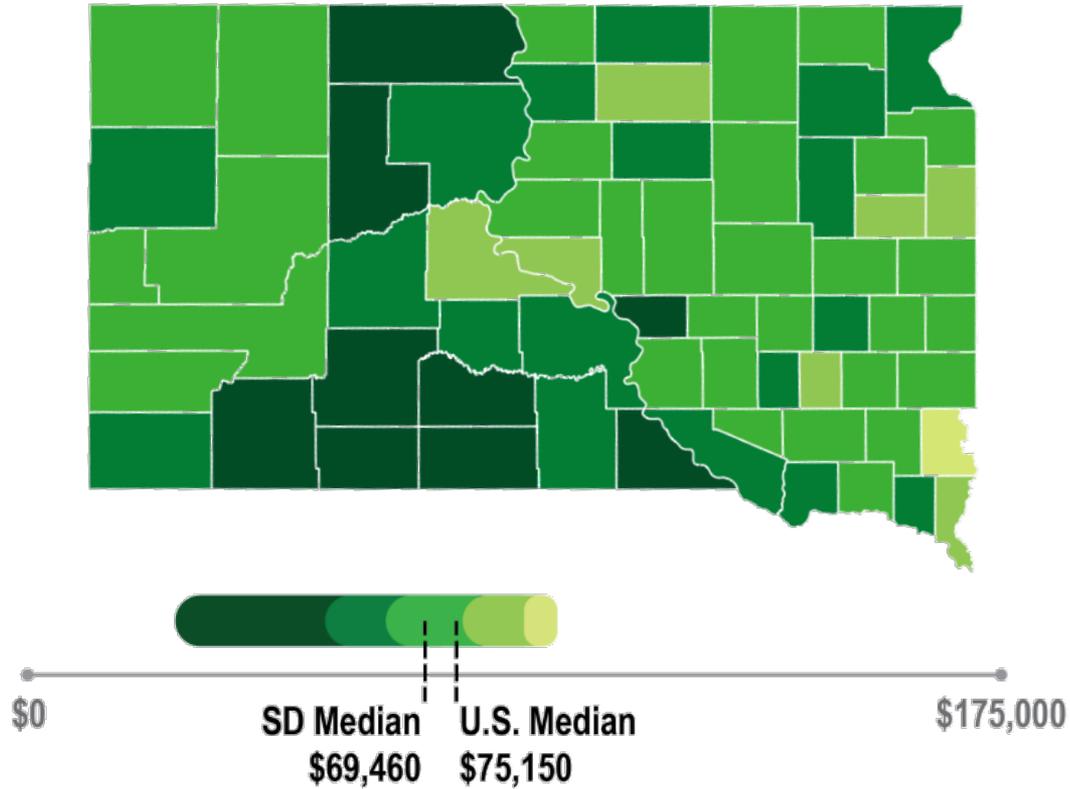


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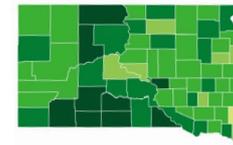
47K

youth **will be** bereaved by age 25

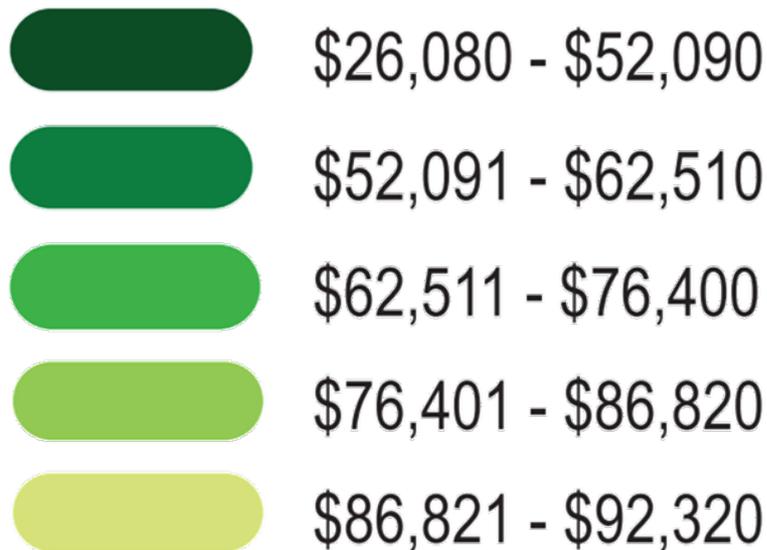
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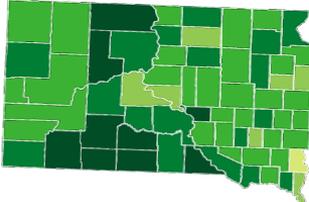
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South Dakota MHI: \$69,460



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 \$26,080 - \$52,090
32.2% or 1 in 3

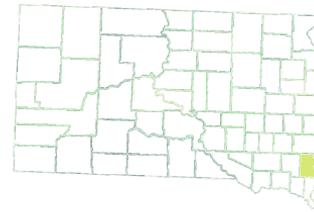
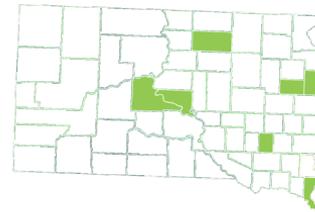
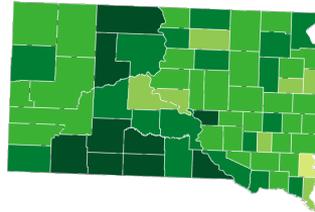
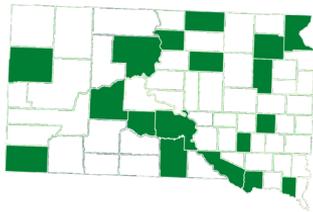
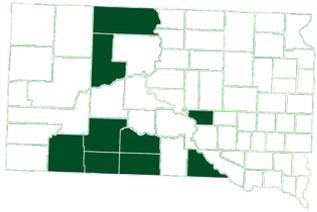
 \$52,091 - \$62,510
12.1% or 1 in 8

 \$62,511 - \$76,400
7.9% or 1 in 13

 \$76,401 - \$86,820
7.4% or 1 in 13

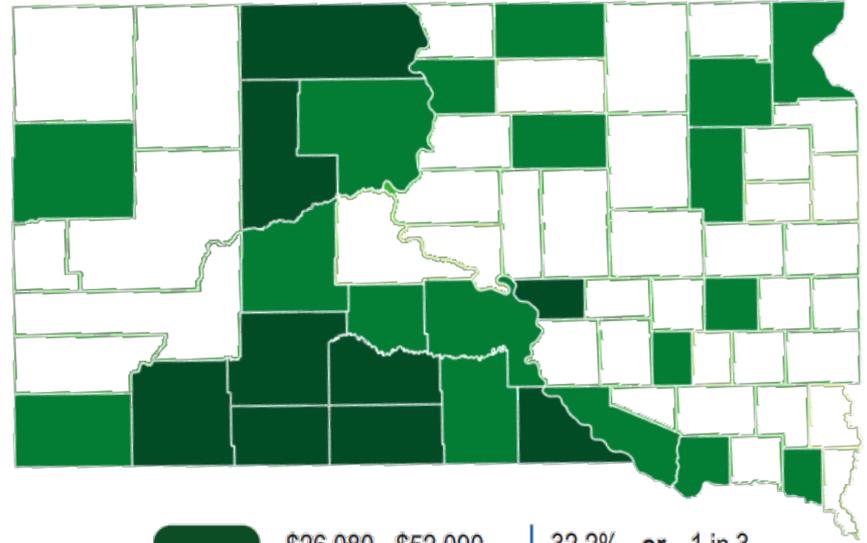
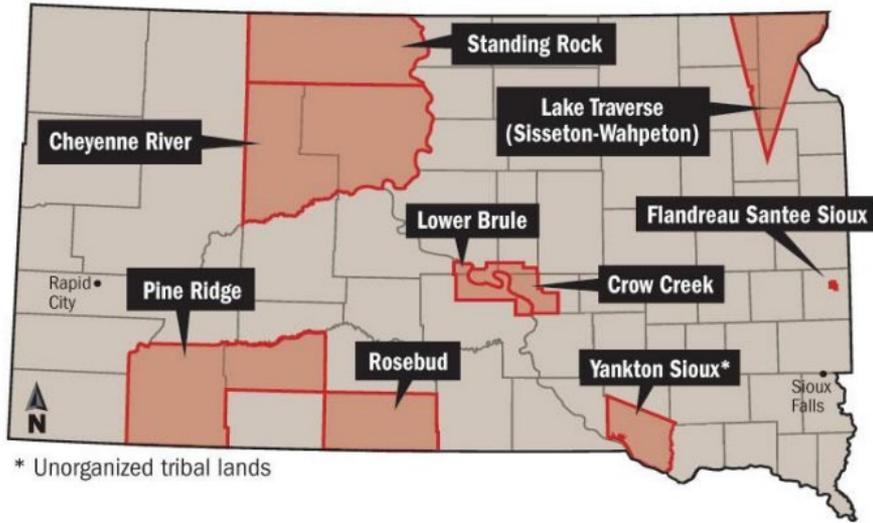
 \$86,821 - \$92,320
4.3% or 1 in 23

South Dakota County Income & Child Bereavement

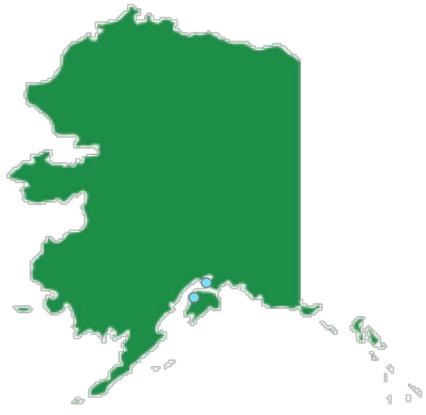


Children living in the lowest-income counties in South Dakota are **649% more likely** to experience the death of a parent or sibling by age 18 than those living in county with the highest income

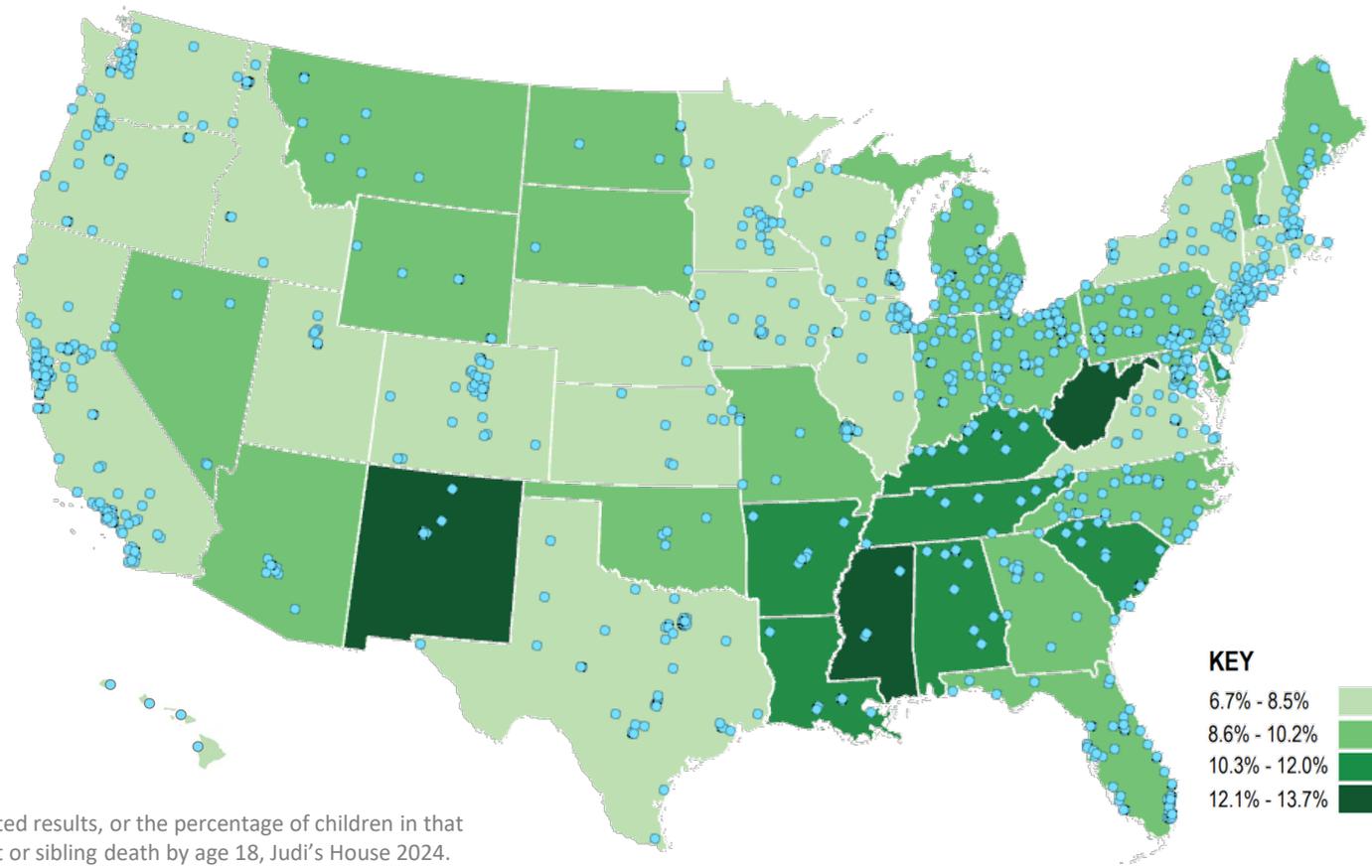
649%
MORE LIKELY



Credit: [WoLakota Project Elder Wisdom for All](#)



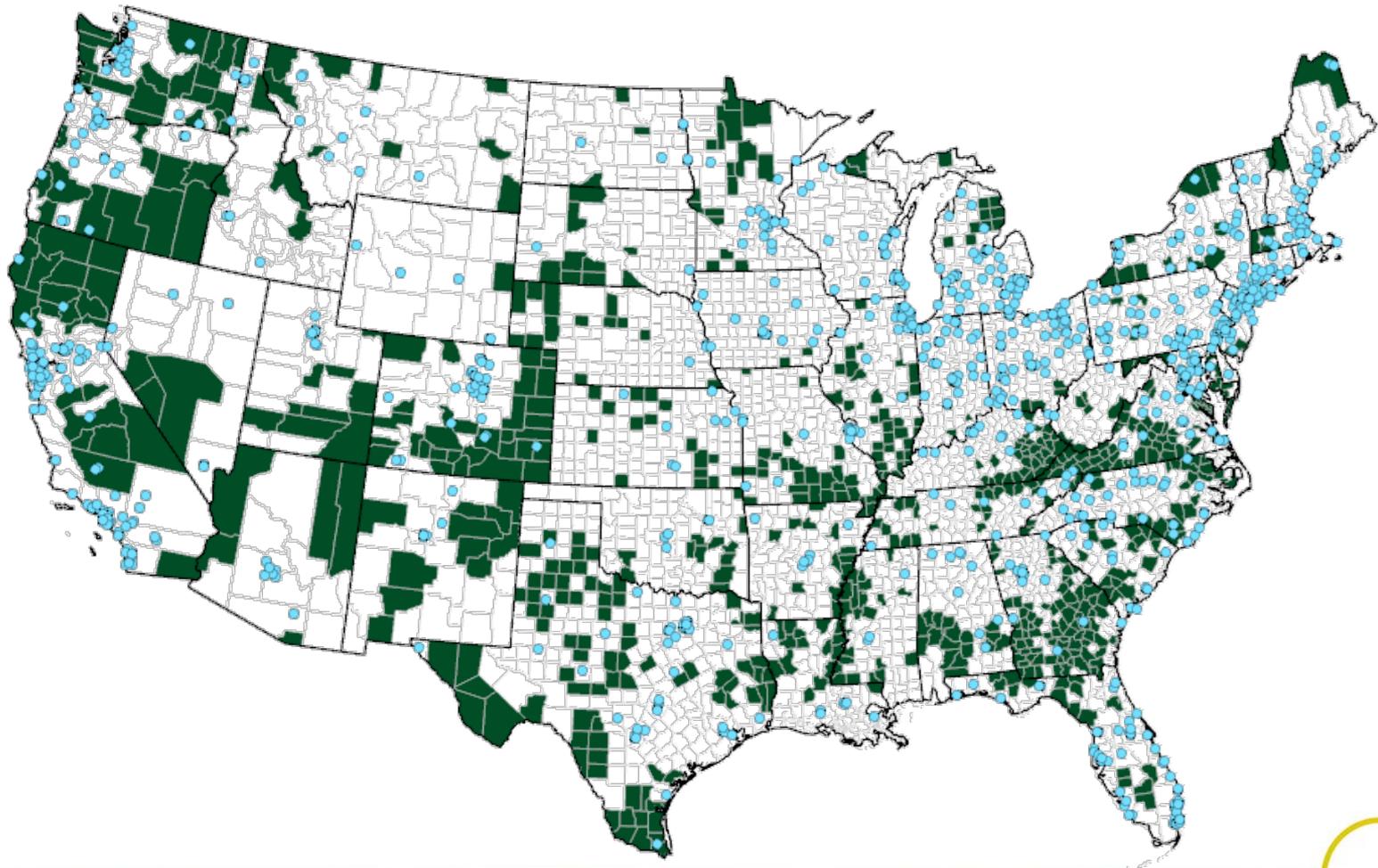
Childhood Bereavement Prevalence & Sites Serving Bereaved Children



KEY

6.7% - 8.5%	
8.6% - 10.2%	
10.3% - 12.0%	
12.1% - 13.7%	

* This map displays 2024 CBEM State Projected results, or the percentage of children in that state who will be bereaved due to a parent or sibling death by age 18, Judi's House 2024.
* A blue dot represents a site serving bereaved children. Site data provided by Eluna, 2024, Dougy Center, 2024, and NACG 2021





Stable Housing



Safe Community



Clean Water



Quality Education



Healthcare



Healthy Food



For Supporting Bereaved Families Living in Poverty

- ✓ Screen and identify families to support access to physical, environmental, and relational needs
- ✓ Assist in accessing essential public services and resources including*:
 - + Social Security death benefits
 - + Behavioral health & physical safety
 - + Education & child care
 - + Employment
 - + Food programs
 - + Health care
 - + Income
 - + Legal

*For information on specific programs and resources, please visit judishouse.org/essential-services



For Grief Centers & Community Settings Where Children are Served

- ✓ Implement practices that ensure families with the fewest economic resources have equitable access to high-quality care including:
 - + Providing programming at times that accommodate caregivers with variable work and childcare schedules
 - + Offering transportation and childcare assistance
 - + Eliminating requirement for diagnoses or preauthorization to be eligible for services
 - + Establishing low or no cost (sliding scale, scholarship) fee schedules
- ✓ Employ providers who are trained in culturally-responsive grief- and trauma-informed approaches that support bereaved children and families

For Advocates, Policy Makers, and Systems of Care

- ✓ Create policies that support an affordable continuum of care which addresses childhood bereavement by establishing accessible, culturally, and linguistically relevant programming focused on reducing risks and promoting well-being
- ✓ Embed grief-informed knowledge throughout all systems including education, health care, criminal justice, finance, and government
- ✓ Broaden awareness and advocacy efforts that promote grief education and ensure those coping with a death loss are met with sensitive support regardless of family income
- ✓ Invest in strengthening workforce capacity to address bereavement by developing and providing specific training, tools, and resources

Thank you!

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For Grieving Children and Families

