

DIAPER STATS

- 1 in 3 moms struggle to afford diapers
- \$1 in diapers equates to \$11 in earnings for the recipient family
- Diapers are the 4th highest expense for low-income families
- Diapers are taxed like a nonessential good
- There is no government subsidy or food stamp equivalent for diapers
- Parents miss an average of 4 days of work per month due to a lack of diapers
- The average child costs roughly \$1000 to diaper each year
- 55% of Utah Mothers with infants are in the workforce
- Access to diapers has been shown to positively impact maternal mental health, child health, and overall family well-being
- Childcare centers require parents to provide an adequate supply of diapers, making it difficult for low-income families to access childcare. This poses a significant challenge for low-income families, further exacerbating their struggle with poverty
- Lack of diapers can cause children to be excluded from early childhood education programs or daycare facilities, impacting their early development and socialization
- In the United States, 5.2 million children under the age of three live in families that struggle to afford diapers
- Single-parent families allocate approximately 26% of their income toward infant care
- · HomeAid Utah runs the largest diaper drive in the state of Utah
- Diaper need disproportionately affects marginalized communities and families living in poverty
- The population of children under the age of three in the state of Utah is 145,948
- 45% of families experiencing diaper need have to choose between purchasing diapers or food for their family
- Diaper need is not limited to low-income families; it can affect families across various income levels during times of financial hardship
- HomeAid Utah has raised over 1 million diapers for the Utah Diaper Bank
- Low-income families spend 14% of their income on diapers
- Roughly 6,000 diapers are used during the first year of life
- Inadequate access to clean diapers can lead to health issues for infants
- Mothers who have access to diapers are less likely to report symptoms of depression and anxiety
- 48% of low-income families in the United States experience diaper need
- 57% of parents admitted to delaying changing their child's diaper to make their supply last longer
- 32% of low-income families reported not having enough diapers to change their child as often as necessary
- Diaper need is associated with a higher risk of neglect and child abuse
- Non-profit organizations like HomeAid Utah, diaper banks, and community initiatives play a crucial role in bridging the gap in diaper affordability and providing support to families in need
- Inadequate access to diapers can impact the social and emotional well-being of children



