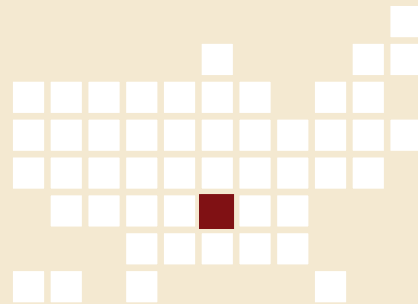


Young Americans Are Unprepared



Too many young Americans are unprepared for the workforce, unqualified for military service, or involved in crime

The economy, national security, and public safety are among the top priorities for our country. However, there is a challenge underlying each of these sectors that has gone largely unnoticed: a declining number of young adults who are prepared to contribute to society; in other words, who are “citizen-ready”.



TENNESSEE CITIZEN-READINESS

CITIZEN-READINESS BY INDICATOR

D

17%
**WORKFORCE
INDICATOR**

% unemployed
and not in school
(ages 16-24)

E

18/100
**CRIME
INDICATOR**

of arrests
per 100 people
(ages 17-24)

D

74%
**MILITARY
INDICATOR**

% ineligible
for military service
(ages 17-24)

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The citizen-readiness problem affects both society and families. When young adults do not have jobs or are involved in crime, they are also less prepared to establish strong families and raise the next generation.



**Full report and state ranking at
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Sources: Measure of America 2014; FBI Uniform Crime Reports 2014; Department of Defense 2013
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