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FLORIDA

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**POVERTY**

- Florida is the 5th highest share of low-income people without health insurance in the U.S.

**RACIAL DISPARITY**

- Florida has the 13th largest white-minority wage gap in the U.S.

**IMMIGRANT EXCLUSION**

- Florida has the 13th highest share of foreign-born residents with difficulty speaking English in the U.S.

- Florida has the 13th highest share of low-income people with a high housing cost burden in the U.S.

**OVERALL**

- Florida ranks 37th overall.

**ACTION STEPS**

- Expand Medicaid overage as provided for in the Affordable Care Act (ACA) and make available resources to educate all residents about the various benefits available to them via the ACA.
- Aggressively investigate discriminatory labor practices.
- Assist non-English speakers by increasing funding and access to educational support services such as English as a Second Language (ESL) courses and community-based language instruction.
- Take action to increase the availability of affordable housing.

Florida's statistics:

- **Average Income of Poor Households**: $15,632
- **Percent of Poor without Health Insurance**: 28.6%
- **Percent of Poor with High Housing Cost Burden**: 70.3%
- **Percent of Segregated Schools**: 7.4%
- **White-Minority Wage Gap**: 12.6%
- **White-Minority Unemployment Rate Gap**: 0.8%
- **Share of Immigrant Disconnected Youth**: 13.7%
- **Share of Immigrants with Difficulty Speaking English**: 29.2%
- **Gap in Health Insurance Rate, Immigrant and Native-Born Residents**: 10.4%