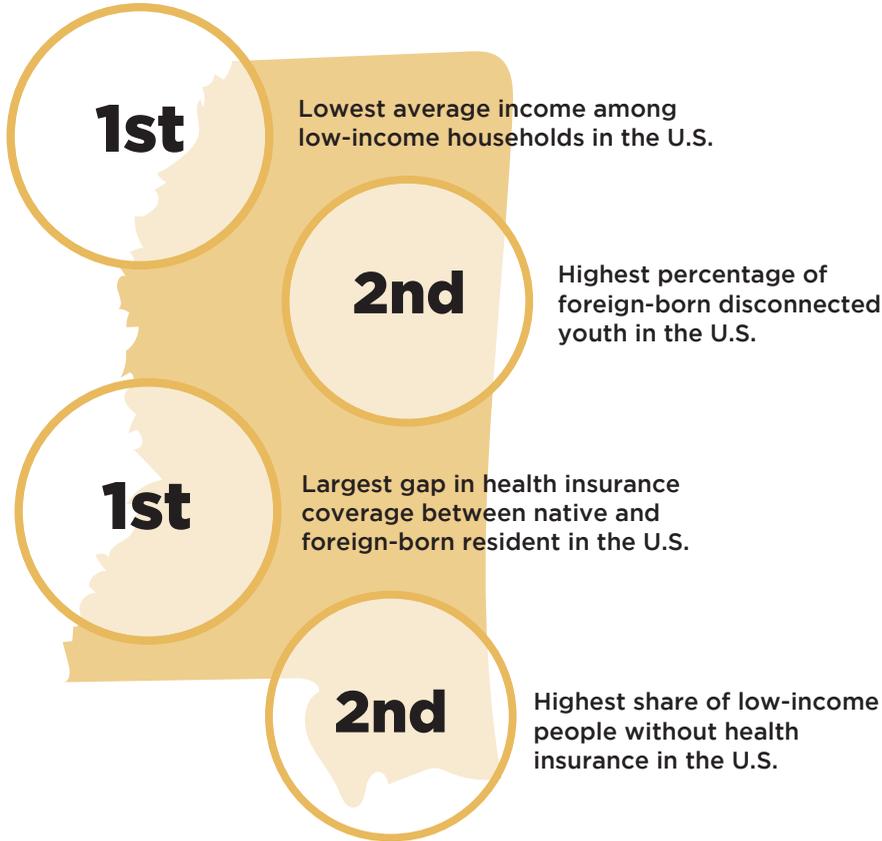


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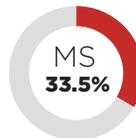
JUSTSOUTH INDEX RANKINGS (OUT OF 51)

<b>POVERTY</b> <b>51</b>	<b>RACIAL DISPARITY</b> <b>46</b>	<b>IMMIGRANT EXCLUSION</b> <b>51</b>	<b>OVERALL</b> <b>51</b>
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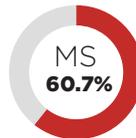


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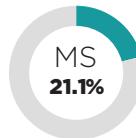
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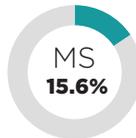
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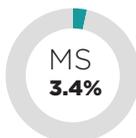
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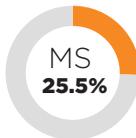
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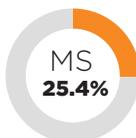
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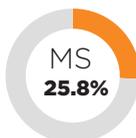
White-Minority Unemployment Rate Gap



Share of Immigrant Disconnected Youth



Share of Immigrants with Difficulty Speaking English



Gap in Health Insurance Rate, Immigrant and Native-Born Residents

### ACTION STEPS

- ✓ Legislate a state minimum wage significantly higher than the federal minimum of \$7.25 per hour and rescind the 2013 preemption law banning municipal minimum wages.
- ✓ Expand Medicaid coverage 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.
- ✓ Support foreign-born youth by increasing funding and access to GED and job training programs.
- ✓ Enact a state Earned Income Tax Credit program.