



Office of Head Start - Head Start Services Snapshot

NATIONAL (2022-2023)

This National Head Start Services Snapshot summarizes key data on demographics and services for preschool-age children served by Head Start programs. The data in this Snapshot is a subset of the annual Program Information Report (PIR) submission to the Office of Head Start.

Funded enrollment

Number of enrollment slots the program is funded to serve.

	<i># of funded enrollment slots</i>	<i>% of funded enrollment slots</i>
Total Funded Enrollment	587,320	100%

Funded enrollment by program option

	<i># of funded enrollment slots</i>	<i>% of funded enrollment slots</i>
Center-based option	568,456	96.8%
Home-based option	8,152	1.4%
Family child care option	1,286	0.2%
Locally designed option	9,426	1.6%

Detail - Center-based funded enrollment

	<i># of center-based funded enrollment slots</i>	<i>% of center-based funded enrollment slots</i>
Number of slots equal to or greater than 1,020 annual hours for Head Start preschool children or 1,380 annual hours for Early Head Start infants and toddlers	481,369	84.7%
Of these, the number that are available for the full-working-day and full-calendar-year	108,334	
Number of slots with fewer than 1,020 annual hours for Head Start preschool children or 1,380 annual hours for Early Head Start infants and toddlers	87,087	15.3%
Of these, the number that are available for 3.5 hours per day for 128 days	55,188	
Of these, the number that are available for a full working day	4,077	

Total cumulative enrollment

Actual number of children and pregnant women served by the program throughout the entire program year, inclusive of enrollees who left during the program year and the enrollees who filled those empty places. Due to turnover, more children and families may receive Head Start services cumulatively throughout the program year (all of whom are reported in the PIR) than indicated by the funded enrollment numbers.

	<i># of participants</i>	<i>% of participants</i>
Total cumulative enrollment	540,983	100%

Participants by age

Children's ages for this program year are reported as of the date used by the local school system in determining eligibility for public school.

	<i># of participants</i>	<i>% of participants</i>
1 year old	19	0.004%
2 years old	28,010	5.2%
3 years old	249,077	46.0%
4 years old	259,391	47.9%
5 years and older	4,486	0.8%

Homelessness services

	<i># of children</i>	<i>% of children</i>
Total number of children experiencing homelessness that were served during the enrollment year	30,787	5.7%

Foster care

	<i># of children</i>	<i>% of children</i>
Total number of enrolled children who were in foster care at any point during the program year	16,604	3.1%

Prior enrollment

Children who were enrolled previously in Early Head Start, Head Start, or some combination for at least half of the time that classes or home visits were in session.

	<i># of children</i>	<i>% of children</i>
The second year	152,124	28.1%
Three or more years	32,942	6.1%

Ethnicity and race

	<i># of Hispanic or Latino Origin participants</i>	<i>% of Hispanic or Latino Origin participants</i>	<i># of Non-Hispanic or Non-Latino Origin participants</i>	<i>% of Non-Hispanic or Non-Latino Origin participants</i>
American Indian or Alaska Native	4,015	0.7%	5,195	1.0%
Asian	401	0.07%	11,584	2.1%
Black or African American	7,049	1.3%	161,291	29.8%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	862	0.2%	3,597	0.7%
White	117,963	21.8%	131,418	24.3%
Bi-racial/Multi-racial	30,690	5.7%	28,126	5.2%
Other	25,708	4.8%	2,558	0.5%

	<i># of children / pregnant women</i>	<i>% of children / pregnant women</i>
Unspecified ethnicity or race	10,526	1.9%

Primary language of family at home

	<i># of participants</i>	<i>% of participants</i>
English	401,656	74.2%
Of these, the number of children acquiring/learning another language in addition to English	29,234	

	<i># of participants</i>	<i>% of participants</i>
Spanish	106,281	19.6%
Native Central American, South American & Mexican Languages	1,058	0.2%
Caribbean Languages	3,763	0.7%
Middle Eastern & South Asian Languages	8,024	1.5%
East Asian Languages	5,147	1.0%
Native North American/Alaska Native Languages	80	0.01%
Pacific Island Languages	1,749	0.3%
European & Slavic Languages	5,037	0.9%
African Languages	5,163	1.0%
American Sign Language	209	0.04%
Other	554	0.1%
Unspecified	2,262	0.4%

Health services

<i>Services to All Children at Beginning of Enrollment Year Compared to End of Enrollment Year (based on Cumulative Enrollment)</i>	<i># at Beginning of Enrollment Year</i>	<i>% at Beginning of Enrollment Year</i>	<i># at End of Enrollment Year</i>	<i>% at End of Enrollment Year</i>
Children with health insurance	516,102	95.4%	517,997	95.8%
Children with accessible health care	508,347	94.0%	514,125	95.0%
Children with up-to-date immunizations or all possible immunizations to date, or exempt	506,976	93.7%	515,714	95.3%
Children with accessible dental care	449,922	83.2%	482,276	89.1%

Disabilities services

	<i># of children</i>	<i>% of children</i>
Children with an Individualized Education Program (IEP), indicating they were determined eligible to receive special education and related services	77,938	14.4%

Family services

	<i># of families</i>	<i>% of families</i>
Total Number of Families	503,778	100%

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Families Who Received at Least One Family Service	413,861	82.2%

Specific services

	<i># of families</i>	<i>% of families</i>
Emergency/crisis Intervention	133,483	26.5%
Housing assistance	32,160	6.4%
Asset building services	52,187	10.4%
Mental health services	63,476	12.6%
Substance misuse prevention	20,516	4.1%
Substance misuse treatment	5,288	1.0%
English as a Second Language (ESL) training	21,900	4.3%
Assistance in enrolling into an education or job training program	53,135	10.5%
Research-based parenting curriculum	175,504	34.8%
Involvement in discussing their child's screening and assessment results and their child's progress	317,939	63.1%

	<i># of families</i>	<i>% of families</i>
Supporting transitions between programs	218,682	43.4%
Education on preventive medical and oral health	233,953	46.4%
Education on health and developmental consequences of tobacco product use	66,867	13.3%
Education on nutrition	215,660	42.8%
Education on postpartum care	12,515	2.5%
Education on relationship/marriage	19,893	3.9%
Assistance to families of incarcerated individuals	5,328	1.1%