



More than 1,300,000 California low-income preschool children and families have benefited from Head Start services since 1965, and Early Head Start services since 1994. Head Start services, however, are currently available to only forty six percent of the Head Start/Early Head Start eligible children in California.

2011 California Head Start Fact Sheet

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Head Start/Early Head Start in California Fact Sheet

In California's Head Start community there are 23,889 staff serving children and families. 20.8% of the employees are or were Head Start or Early Head Start parents. During this past program year, over 124,734 volunteers provided service to local Head Start programs. 82.7% of the volunteers are current or former parents of the local Head Start program.

During the 2010 Program Year 116,183 children enrolled in California's Head Start/Early Head Start/Tribal/Migrant completed all medical screenings -- of those screened, 17.1% were identified as needing follow-up treatment and of those referred 96.6% received/receiving treatment for the following conditions (in some cases more than one type of treatment referral was made) :

- Overweight 72.0%
- Asthma 34.0%
- Anemia 29.0%
- Vision Problems 17.0%
- Hearing Difficulties 5.1%

74.2% of the children enrolled in California's Head Start/Early Head Start/Tribal/Migrant received dental examinations -- 26.8% were identified as needing treatment. Over 95,312 Head Start children received preventive dental care in 2009/2010.

During the 2010 Program Year 11,868 or 10.7% of California's Head Start/Early Head Start/Tribal/Migrant enrollment consisted of children with disabilities, of those the top five areas most identified were:

- Speech & Language 77.0%
- Developmental Delay 5.3%
- Autism 5.3%
- Mental Retardation 2.7%
- Health Impairment 2.0%

During the 2010 Program Year, the majority of Head Start/Early Head Start/Tribal/Migrant families were employed, yet eligible for services under income guidelines. 57.8% of the families served were two-parent families. For Migrant Head Start, 75.1% of the families served were two-parent families. Of families being served in California:

- 18.2% of the two-parent families were both working
- 65.4% of the two-parent families had one parent working
- 53.4% of the one-parent families were working during the year

Fall 2010, Head Start programs sent 61,681 children on to kindergarten to over 1120 different local school districts. 44.5% of those districts have formal agreements to coordinate transition services for children and families.

Five different agency types delivered Head Start/Early Head Start services in 2010:

Public/Private Non-Profits	36.2%
School Systems	30.9%
Community Action Agencies	10.6%
Government Agencies	6.5%
Tribal Government/Consort	5.3%
Private/Public For-Profit	0.4%

65% of California Head Start agencies also contract with the State Department of Education, Child Development Division. The most common program collaborations are Head Start & State Preschool, Head Start & General Child Care (2010 California Combined Contract Report). These funding combinations benefited 47,207 children through enrollment in the following programs:

State Preschool	80.8%
General Child Care	16.1%
CA Migrant	3.1%

Total Head Start Funded Enrollment (FY 10) ---108,158

Totals by Funding Design (FY 10)	HS (3-5 yrs. old)	EHS (0-3 yrs. old)
Region IX Funded Enrollment in California	88263	12759
Migrant & Seasonal Funded Enrollment in California	6258	218
Tribal Funded Enrollment in California	564	96

2010 Program Statistics

Age of Actual Enrollment

Children 0-1 year old	3.9%
Children 1 year old	4.5%
Children 2 years old	5.8%
Children 3 years old	29.4%
Children 4 years old	53.4%
Children 5 years old	1.6%
Pregnant Women	1.4%

Racial Composition

American Indian or Alaska Native	3.2%
Asian	4.6%
Black	9.3%
Pacific Islander/Other	0.6%
White	43.7%
Biracial or Multi-Racial	3.5%
Other Race	23.0%
Unspecified Race	12.1%

Ethnic Composition

Hispanic	73.1%
Non-Hispanic	26.9%

Teacher Information

Education Level

Associates Degree, ECE & Related	33.5%
Baccalaureate Degree or above	19.1%
CDA Credential/State Equivalent	29.8%
Enrolled, Related Degree Program	22.6%

Average Annual Teacher Salary, AA Degree

Head Start	\$30768.32
Early Head Start	\$31440.54
Migrant Head Start	\$19215.58
Tribal Had Start	\$25699.10

Average Annual Teacher Salary, BA Degree

Head Start	\$33732.54
Early Head Start	\$34093.52
Migrant Head Start	\$20529.67
Tribal Head Start	\$31768.26

Ethnicity of Child Development Staff:

Hispanic or Latino	60.2%
Non-Hispanic/Non-Latino Origin	39.8%

Racial Composition of Child Development Staff:

American Indian or Alaska Native	3.8%
Asian	7.5%
Black	12.4%
Pacific Islander/Other	1.0%
White	39.5%
Biracial/Multi-Racial	2.0%
Unspecified Race	11.5%

Funded Enrollment by Program Models

Full-day (4&5day)	29.8%
Part-day (4&5day)	55.6%
<i>full/part day in Double Session</i>	<i>15.0%</i>
Home-based	10.6%
Combination Option	1.2%
Locally Designed (LDO)	0.2%
Family Child Care	2.6%

Family Information

Actual Number of Families Served	122,286
Pregnant Women	957
Families on TANF	23.0%
Families on WIC	70.6%
Families on SSI	4.1%
Children w/o Insurance, start of year	10.6%
Children w/o Insurance, end of year	5.1%
Parent with less than High School Grad	44.1%
Parent with High School or GED	33.4%
Parent w/Some College, Voc. Sch./AA/AS	19.0%
Parent with Bachelors or Adv. Degree	3.5%
Families served who were Homeless	3.2%
Homeless families acquired housing	27.5%

Home Language:

English	40.7%
Spanish	53.8%
Central/South American and Mexican	0.4%
Middle Eastern/South Asian	0.8%
East Asian Languages	2.0%
Native No. American/Alaska Native	>0.1%
Pacific Island	0.1%
European and Slavic	0.4%
African	0.2%
Other	0.1%
Unspecified	0.5%

Family Service provided/requested during program year:

Emergency/ Crisis Intervention	21.6%
Housing Assistance	9.5%
Health Education	42.8%
Parenting Education	49.6%
English Classes (ESL)	16.2%
Adult Education (GED) Classes	19.2%
Marriage Education	3.4%
Mental Health	13.1%
Child Abuse & Neglect Services	17.2%
Assistance to Families of Incarcerated	1.4%