



More than 1,200,000 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.

2010 California Head Start Fact Sheet

***Head Start: The Nations Pride in Building Children and
Families 1965 – 2010***

Head Start/Early Head Start in California Fact Sheet

In California's Head Start community there are 21,475 staff serving children and families. 20.9% of the employees are or were Head Start or Early Head Start parents. During this past program year, over 117,504 volunteers provided service to local Head Start programs. 85.0% of the volunteers are current or former parents of the local Head Start program.

During the 2009 Program Year over 111,846 children enrolled in California's Head Start/Early Head Start/Tribal/Migrant completed all medical screenings -- of those screened, 15.8% were identified as needing follow-up treatment and of those referred 96.7% received/receiving treatment for the following conditions (in some cases more than one type of treatment referral was made) :

- Overweight 70.8%
- Anemia 34.0%
- Asthma 32.5%
- Vision 16.0%
- Hearing 5.8%

96.4% of the children enrolled in California's Head Start/Early Head Start/Tribal/Migrant received dental examinations -- 28.0% were identified as needing treatment. Over 91,862 Head Start children received preventive dental care in 2008/2009.

During the 2009 Program Year 12,966 or 10.6% 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 71.3%
- Developmental Delay 5.1%
- Autism 4.3%
- Mental Retardation 2.5%

During the 2009 Program Year, the majority of Head Start/Early Head Start/Tribal/Migrant families were employed, yet eligible for services under income guidelines. 57.6% of the families served were two-parent families. For Migrant Head Start, 73.9% of the families served were two-parent families. Of those families being served in California:

- 20.3% of the two-parent families were both working
- 65.8% of the two-parent families had one parent working
- 57.0% of the one-parent families were working during the year

Fall 2009, Head Start programs sent 58,527 children on to kindergarten to over 1045 different local school districts. 54.7% 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 2009:

Public/Private Non-Profits	39.0%
School Systems	35.0%
Community Action Agencies	12.1%
Tribal Government/Consort	6.0%
Government Agencies	7.4%
Private/Public For-Profit	0.5%

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 (2009 California Combined Contract Report). These funding combinations benefited 32,386 children through enrollment in the following programs:

State Preschool	73.9%
General Child Care	20.7%
CA Migrant	5.4%

Head Start/Early Head Start/Migrant & Tribal Funding

(FY 09) \$859 Million

Total Head Start Funded Enrollment (FY 09) --- 100,702

Totals by Funding Design (FY 09)

Head Start Enrollment (3-5 yrs. old)	86718
Early Head Start Enrollment (0-3 yrs. old)	7430
Migrant & Seasonal Head Start Enrollment	5946
Tribal Head Start Enrollment	608

2009 Program Statistics

Age of Actual Enrollment

Children 0-1 year old	2.5%
Children 1 year old	3.3%
Children 2 years old	4.7%
Children 3 years old	30.8%
Children 4 years old	55.5%
Children 5 years old	2.1%
Pregnant Women	1.1%

Racial Composition

Native American	4.3%
Black	9.5%
White	38.8%
Asian	4.8%
Pacific Islander/Other	0.6%
Multi-Racial	4.6%
Other Race	22.5%
Unspecified Race	14.9%

Ethnic Composition

Hispanic	71.6%
Non-Hispanic	28.4%

Teacher Information

Education Level

Associates Degree, ECE & Related	47.8%
Baccalaureate Degree or above	29.3%
CDA Credential/State Equivalent	18.5%
Enrolled, Related Degree Program	18.0%

Average Annual Teacher Salary, AA Degree

Head Start	\$30715.18
Early Head Start	\$32496.38
Migrant Head Start	\$26040.82
Tribal Had Start	\$26944.78

Average Annual Teacher Salary, BA Degree

Head Start	\$34026.84
Early Head Start	\$37006.55
Migrant Head Start	\$28002.22
Tribal Head Start	\$32198.50

Ethnicity and Racial Composition of Child Development Staff:

Hispanic or Latino	59.5%
Non-Hispanic/Non-Latino Origin	40.5%
Native American	3.5%
Black	12.7%
White	44.1%
Asian	8.1%
Pacific Islander/Other	1.0%
Multi-Racial	1.2%
Unspecified Race	29.4%

Funded Enrollment by Program Models

Full-day (4&5day)	27.5%
Part-day & variations in attendance	60.3%
<i>full/part day in Double Session</i>	<i>14.7%</i>
Home-based	8.2%
Combination Option	1.0%
Locally Designed (LDO)	0.3%
Family Child Care	2.3%

Family Information

Actual Number of Families Served	114,434
Pregnant Women	1318
Families on TANF	21.1%
Families on WIC	68.7%
Families on SSI	3.1%
Children w/o Insurance, start of year	9.2%
Children w/o Insurance, end of year	3.2%
Parent with less than High School Grad	42.6%
Parent with High School or GED	33.0%
Families served who were Homeless	3.0%
Homeless families acquired housing	24.9%

Home Language:

English	40.0%
Spanish	53.0%
Central/South American and Mexican	0.64%
Middle Eastern/South Asian	0.80%
East Asian Languages	3.30%
Native No. American/Alaska Native	0.02%
Pacific Island	0.12%
European and Slavic	0.43%
African	0.15%
Other	0.10%
Unspecified	1.44%

Family Service provided/requested during program year:

Emergency/ Crisis Intervention	18.7%
Housing Assistance	9.5%
Health Education	36.4%
Parenting Education	40.0%
English Classes (ESL)	18.7%
Adult Education (GED) Classes	19.2%
Marriage Education	3.0%
Mental Health	14.6%
Child Abuse & Neglect Services	9.7%
Assistance to Families of Incarcerated	1.6%