



*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***

***Head Start: The Nations Pride in Building Children and Families  
1965 – 2011***

# 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

<i>Totals by Funding Design</i> (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

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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%

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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... 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%