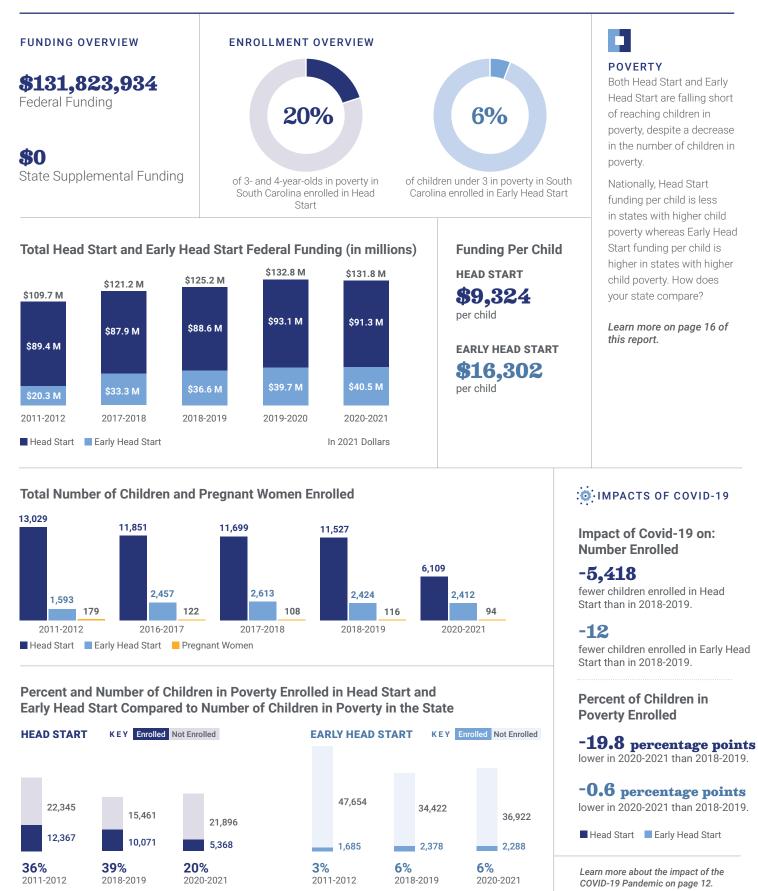
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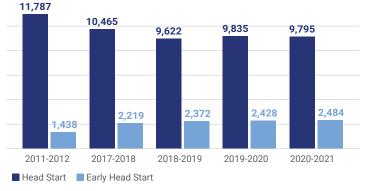


All funding and salary amounts have been adjusted for differences in cost of living between states. See the Methodology for more information.

Head Start and Early Head Start Federal Funding Per Child



Head Start and Early Head Start Funded Enrollment



STATE VARIATION

There are large state-by-state

Head Start funding, enrollment,

components, and quality that are

not explained by differences in state population eligibility and needs. How

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teacher salaries, program

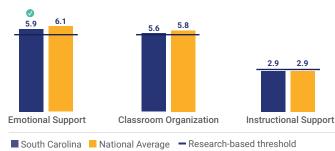
does your state compare?

differences in Head Start and Early

RACE & ETHNICITY

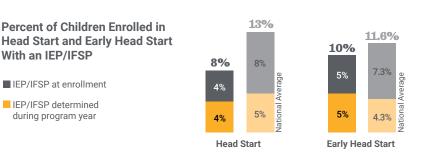
Nationally, Head Start funding per child is less in states with a higher percent of Black children in enrolled. Additionally, observed classroom quality—specifically Emotional Support and Classroom Organization scores—was significantly lower in states in which Black children were a larger percentage of Head Start enrollment.

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Significantly above threshold
Significantly below threshold

Average CLASS Pre-K Scores 2016-2019

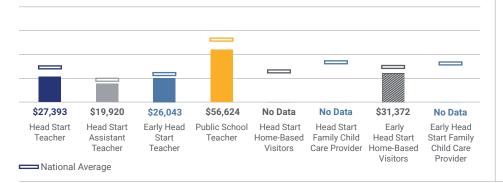


IMPACTS OF COVID-19

Nationally, the Covid-19 pandemic did not have a negative impact on staff turnover, though it is still concerning that 14% of Head Start and Early Head Start staff left during the program year. How did your state compare?

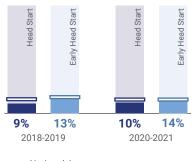
Average Head Start and Early Head Start Education & Child Development Staff Salaries Compared to Public School Teacher Salaries

Salaries adjusted for state cost of living.



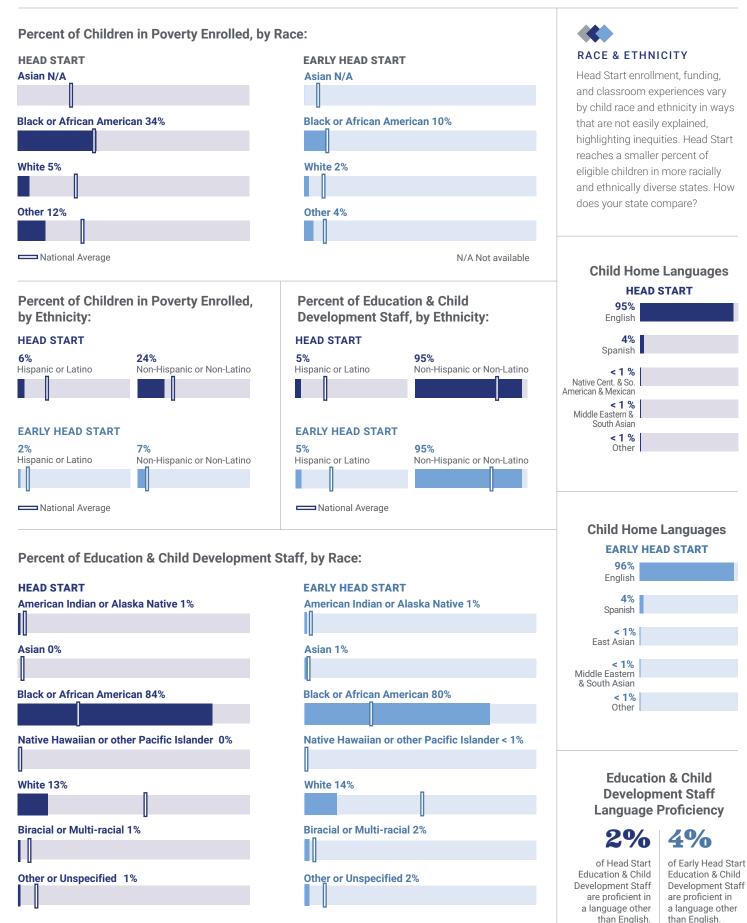
Head Start and Early Head Start Staff Turnover

2018-2019 compared to 2020-2021



National Average

218 STATE PROFILES

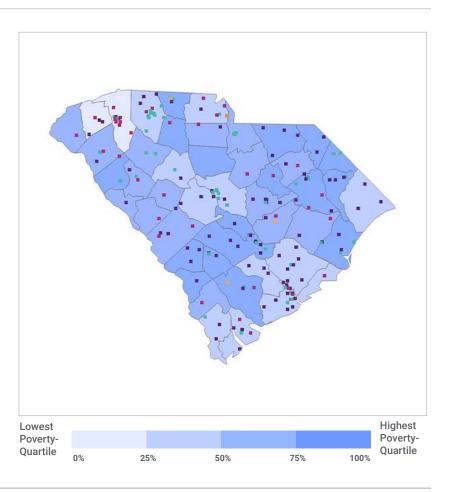


National Average

National Average

Location of Head Start Centers Compared to the Percent of Families with Children under age 5 in Poverty, by County

Total Centers	207
Head Start	100
Early Head Start	61
Head Start & Early Head Start	40
AIAN Head Start & Early Head Start	2
Migrant and Seasonal Head Start	4



The location of Head Start programs in relation to where children in poverty live varies greatly by state.



In some states centers tend to be concentrated in higher poverty counties; but in other states, the location of Head Start centers is related to population density.

States should ensure programs are accessible to eligible families. This could include ensuring programs are located in neighborhoods near children living in poverty and/or providing transportation to a greater number of children.

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