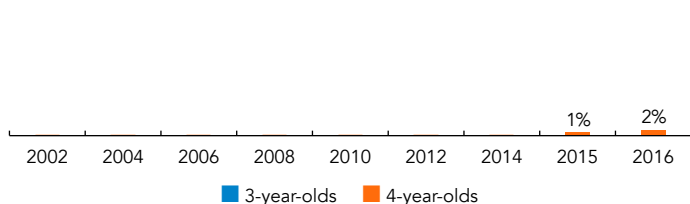
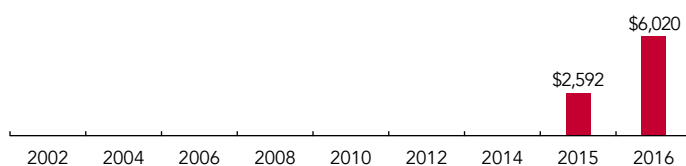


# Indiana

PERCENT OF STATE POPULATION ENROLLED



STATE SPENDING PER CHILD ENROLLED (2016 DOLLARS)



Indiana successfully launched two state-funded preschool pilot programs, with the goal of expanding enrollment of low-income 4-year-old children in high-quality early childhood education. The On My Way Pre-K program was signed into law in 2014 to provide grants to eligible low-income four-year-old children for qualified early education services. The pilot operated in 13 school districts across four counties in the state in 2014-2015. The 2015-2016 school year marks the first full year of the On My Way Pre-K program. Current levels of funding have been extended through 2018, and a longitudinal study through third grade of the preschool children enrolled with these grants and a control group will be completed by Purdue University.

During the 2013 legislative session, the Indiana General Assembly enacted the Early Education Matching Grant (EEMG) through 2018. The EEMG program currently serves less than one percent of the population, which does not meet this report’s definition of a state-funded preschool program, and is therefore not profiled in this publication.

Both On My Way Pre-K and EEMG require services to be delivered via public schools, licensed or registered child care providers who have achieved Level 3 or Level 4 in Paths to QUALITY™, and, for On My Way Pre-K, accredited private schools. The programs have encouraged expansion of the number of Level 3 and Level 4 high-quality programs in Indiana, affecting not only the 4-year-old children enrolled with state funding, but also all other children enrolled in these programs. Together, On My Way Pre-K and EEMG also have increased the number of high-quality slots in Indiana for low-income children, who now have an opportunity to both attend pre-K and to be better prepared for kindergarten.

ACCESS RANKINGS	
4-YEAR-OLDS	3-YEAR-OLDS
43	None Served

RESOURCE RANKINGS	
STATE SPENDING	ALL REPORTED SPENDING
17	22

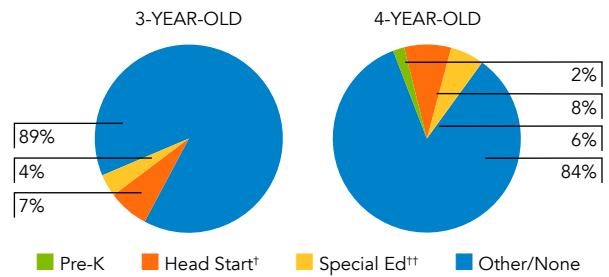
TOTAL BENCHMARKS MET	
CURRENT STANDARDS	NEW STANDARDS
3	1

## ON MY WAY PRE-K

### ACCESS

Total state pre-K enrollment .....	1,585
School districts that offer state program .....	5% (counties/parishes)
Income requirement .....	127% FPL
Minimum hours of operation .....	4 hours/day
Operating schedule .....	Determined locally
Special education enrollment, ages 3 and 4 .....	10,469
Federally funded Head Start enrollment, ages 3 and 4 .....	12,420
State-funded Head Start enrollment, ages 3 and 4 .....	0

STATE PRE-K AND HEAD START ENROLLMENT AS PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL POPULATION



† Estimates children in Head Start not also enrolled in state pre-K.

\*\* Estimates children in special education not also enrolled in state pre-K or Head Start.

### QUALITY STANDARDS CHECKLIST

POLICY	IN PRE-K REQUIREMENT	CURRENT BENCHMARK	MEETS CURRENT BENCHMARK?	NEW BENCHMARK	MEETS NEW BENCHMARK?
Early learning & development standards	Comprehensive, aligned, supported, culturally sensitive	Comprehensive	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Comprehensive, aligned, supported, culturally sensitive	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Curriculum supports	Supports	New in 2015-2016	—	Approval process & supports	<input type="checkbox"/>
Teacher degree	Based on QRIS requirements <sup>17</sup>	BA	<input type="checkbox"/>	BA	<input type="checkbox"/>
Teacher specialized training	Based on QRIS requirements <sup>17</sup>	Specializing in pre-K	<input type="checkbox"/>	Specializing in pre-K	<input type="checkbox"/>
Assistant teacher degree	Based on QRIS requirements <sup>17</sup>	CDA or equivalent	<input type="checkbox"/>	CDA or equivalent	<input type="checkbox"/>
Staff professional development	20 hours/year	For teachers: At least 15 hours/year	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	For teachers & assistants: At least 15 hours/year; individual PD plans; coaching	<input type="checkbox"/>
Maximum class size	24 (4-year-olds)	20 or lower	<input type="checkbox"/>	20 or lower	<input type="checkbox"/>
Staff-child ratio	1:12 (4-year-olds)	1:10 or better	<input type="checkbox"/>	1:10 or better	<input type="checkbox"/>
Screening & referral	Immunizations, full physical exam, no vision or hearing; Support services	Vision, hearing, health & at least one support service	<input type="checkbox"/>	Vision, hearing & health screenings; & referral	<input type="checkbox"/>
Meals	Depends on length of program day <sup>12</sup>	At least one meal/day	<input type="checkbox"/>	Discontinued	—
Monitoring/Continuous quality improvement system	Annual structured classroom observations in randomly selected classrooms; Improvement plan	Site visits	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Structured classroom observation; program improvement plan	<input type="checkbox"/>
			<b>3</b>		
				<b>1</b>	

### RESOURCES

Total state pre-K spending .....	\$9,542,255
Local match required? .....	Yes
State Head Start spending .....	\$0
State spending per child enrolled .....	\$6,020
All reported spending per child enrolled* .....	\$6,594

\* Pre-K programs may receive additional funds from federal or local sources that are not included in this figure.

\*\* Head Start per-child spending includes funding only for 3- and 4-year-olds.

\*\*\* K-12 expenditures include capital spending as well as current operating expenditures.

SPENDING PER CHILD ENROLLED

