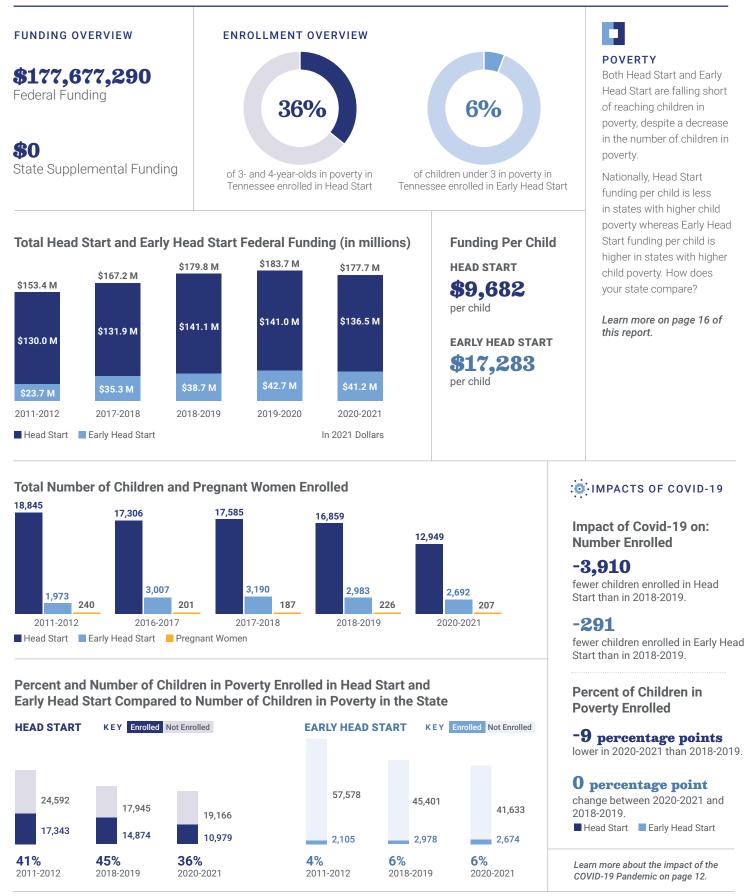
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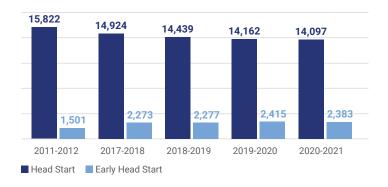


All funding and salary amounts have been adjusted for differences in cost of living between states. See the Methodology for more information.

## Head Start and Early Head Start Federal Funding Per Child



### Head Start and Early Head Start Funded Enrollment



**RACE & ETHNICITY** 

Nationally, Head Start funding per child is less

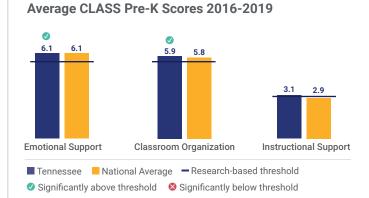
in enrolled. Additionally, observed classroom

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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in states with a higher percent of Black children





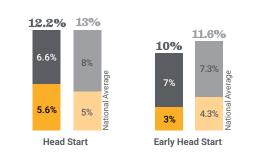
### STATE VARIATION

There are large state-by-state differences in Head Start and Early Head Start funding, enrollment, teacher salaries, program components, and quality that are not explained by differences in state population eligibility and needs. How does your state compare?

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#### Percent of Children Enrolled in Head Start and Early Head Start With an IEP/IFSP

- IEP/IFSP at enrollment
- IEP/IFSP determined during program year

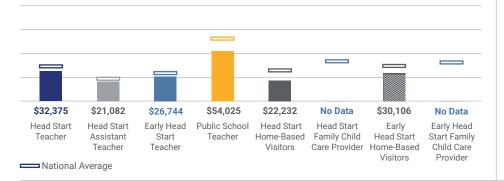


# IMPACTS OF COVID-19

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?

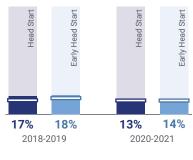
# Average Head Start and Early Head Start Education & Child Development Staff Salaries Compared to Public School Teacher Salaries

Salaries adjusted for state cost of living.

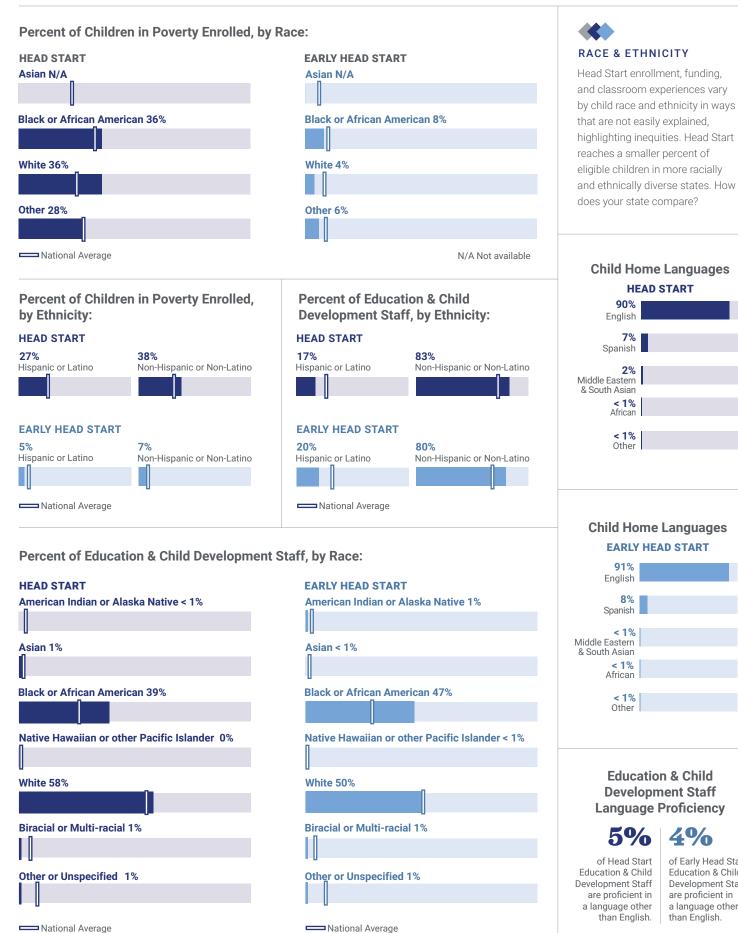


## Head Start and Early Head Start Staff Turnover

2018-2019 compared to 2020-2021



National Average



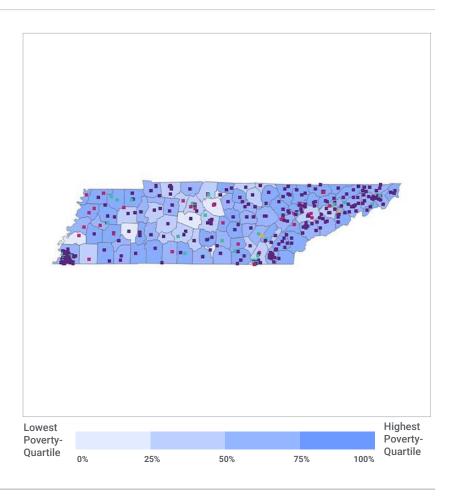
4% of Early Head Start Education & Child **Development Staff** are proficient in

than English.

a language other

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

Total Centers	418
Head Start	315
Early Head Start	57
Head Start & Early Head Start	42
AIAN Head Start & Early Head Start	0
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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