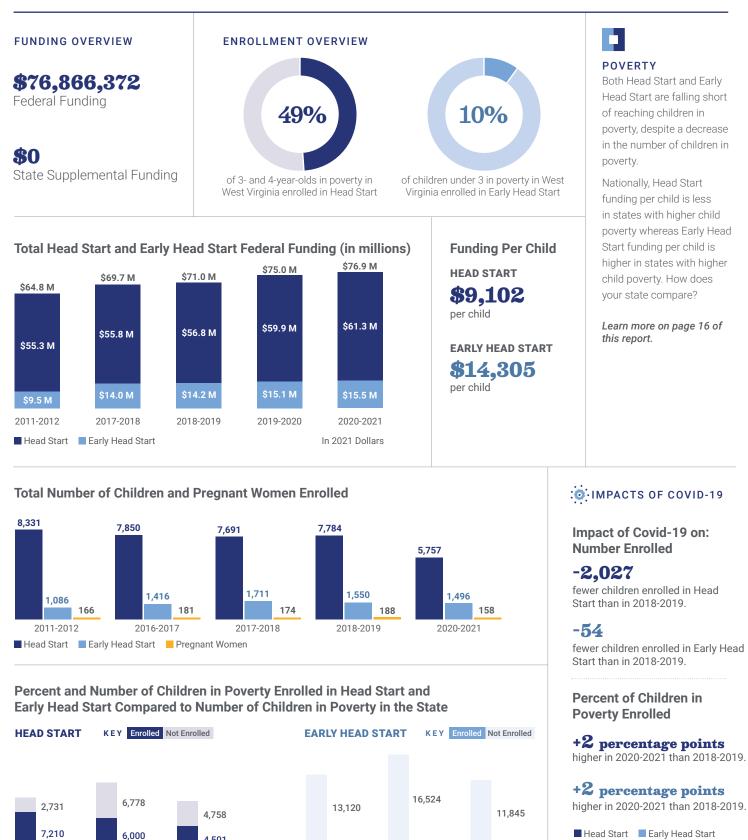
# West Virginia



Learn more about the impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic on page 12.

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

1,142

8%

2011-2012

1,456

8%

2018-2019

1,370

10%

2020-2021

4.501

49%

2020-2021

73%

2011-2012

47%

2018-2019

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



### Head Start and Early Head Start Funded Enrollment

STATE VARIATION

teacher salaries, program

does your state compare?

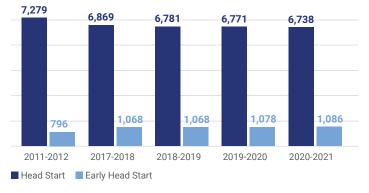
There are large state-by-state

differences in Head Start and Early Head Start funding, enrollment,

components, and quality that are

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

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## **RACE & ETHNICITY**

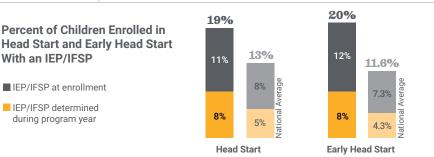
Nationally, Head Start funding per child is less in states with a higher percent of Black children in enrolled. Additionally, observed classroom quality-specifically Emotional Support and Classroom Organization scores-was significantly lower in states in which Black children were a larger percentage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

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Significantly above threshold Significantly below threshold

Average CLASS Pre-K Scores 2016-2019

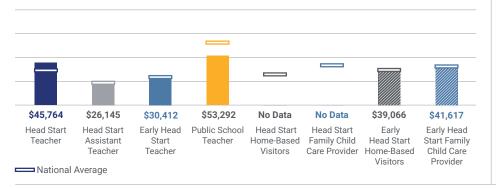


#### 0 IMPACTS OF COVID-19

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?

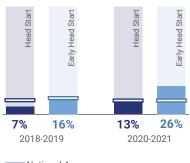
## Average Head Start and Early Head Start Education & Child Development Staff Salaries Compared to Public School Teacher Salaries



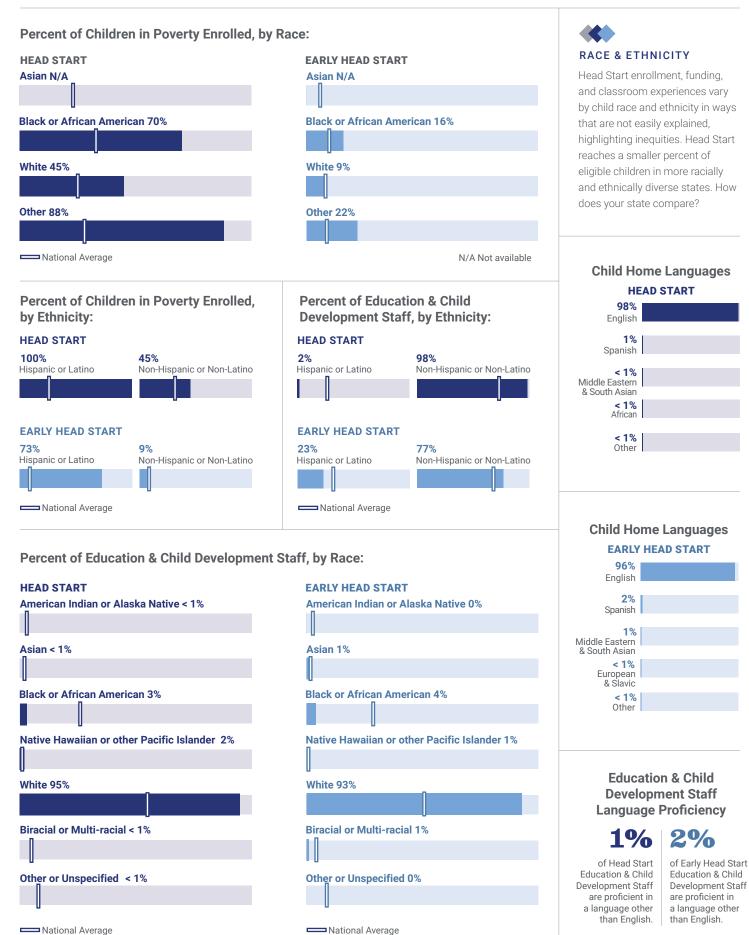


### Head Start and Early Head Start Staff Turnover

2018-2019 compared to 2020-2021

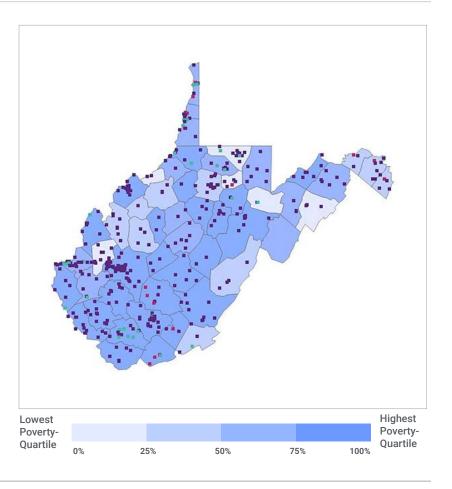


National Average



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

Total Centers	408
Head Start	353
Early Head Start	38
Head Start & Early Head Start	17
AIAN Head Start & Early Head Start	0
Migrant and Seasonal Head Start	0



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.

Learn more on page 22 of this report.

