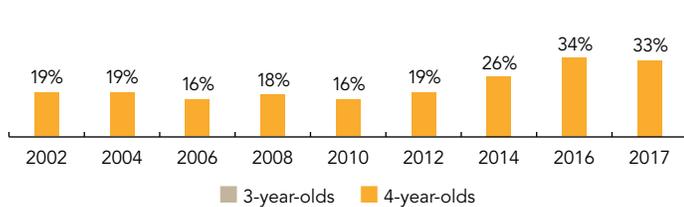
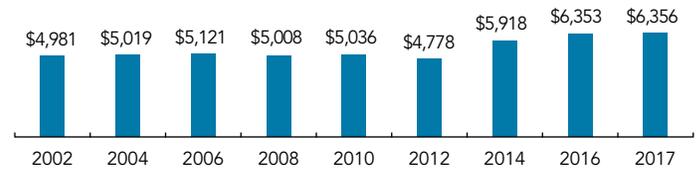


Michigan

PERCENT OF STATE POPULATION ENROLLED



STATE SPENDING PER CHILD ENROLLED (2017 DOLLARS)



Established in 1985, the Michigan School Readiness Program (MSRP) was developed to provide preschool education for at-risk 4-year-olds, and is associated with the state’s early childhood initiative, Project Great Start. MSRP is now called the Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP). The program has moved from part-day to serving the majority of children in school-day programs to better suit the needs of families.

Intermediate School Districts (ISDs) receive financial support directly, but they may distribute funds to local school districts and to providers in community-based settings to offer GSRP. The level of poverty in each ISD and a funding formula determine overall ISD funding. Cross-ISD boundary enrollment has always been permitted via GSRP policy, but this was legislatively allowed beginning in the 2014-2015 school year, with slot funding following the child. GSRP has both a community needs assessment and a formula component that contribute to the final grantee allocation.

All GSRP providers must attain a three-star or higher rating in Michigan’s Great Start to Quality (tiered rating and improvement system). In previous years, 75% of families in the program had to be at or below 300% FPL. Starting in 2013-2014, 90% of families had to be at or below 250% FPL with some exceptions for up to 300% FPL. Any family over-income for the remaining 10% must pay a fee on a locally determined sliding scale unless they are homeless, in foster care, or have an IEP.

The 2013-2014 school year was also the first in a three-year transition to roll back the age-eligibility date, from December 1 to September 1 to align with a change in the kindergarten entry date. In the 2015-2016 school year, the new age eligibility date changed to September 1. In fiscal year 2013-2014, Michigan invested an additional \$65 million in GSRP, increasing the number of slots available and increasing the per-slot funding by \$225.

In fiscal year 2014-2015, Michigan invested another \$65 million in GSRP, though per-slot funding was kept level. Of the total funding allocated for GSRP, a \$10 million special transportation fund for GSRP has been set aside. In both budget increases, two percent of funding was specifically earmarked for recruiting and increasing public awareness of GSRP. In fiscal year 2015-2016, an additional \$4.3 million was invested in GSRP. Funding for the 2016-2017 remained flat from the previous year, including \$300,000 allocated for ongoing statewide evaluation activities.

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

RESOURCE RANKINGS	
STATE SPENDING	ALL REPORTED SPENDING
12	22

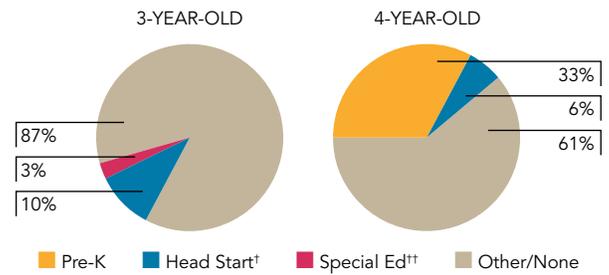
TOTAL BENCHMARKS MET	
CURRENT STANDARDS	NEW STANDARDS
9	10

MICHIGAN GREAT START READINESS PROGRAM

ACCESS

Total state pre-K enrollment.....	38,371
School districts that offer state program	66%
Income requirement	250% FPL
Minimum hours of operation.....	3 hours/day; 4 days/week
Operating schedule.....	Determined locally
Special education enrollment, ages 3 and 4	11,943
Federally funded Head Start enrollment, ages 3 and 4	24,327
State-funded Head Start enrollment, ages 3 and 4.....	48

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	MI 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	Approval process & supports	New in 2015-2016	—	Approval process & supports	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Teacher degree	BA	BA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	BA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Teacher specialized training	ECE, CD, ECE SpEd	Specializing in pre-K	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Specializing in pre-K	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Assistant teacher degree	CDA	CDA or equivalent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CDA or equivalent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Staff professional development	16 hours/year; PD plans; Coaching	For teachers: At least 15 hours/year	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	For teachers & assistants: At least 15 hours/year; individual PD plans; coaching	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Maximum class size	18 (4-year-olds)	20 or lower	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	20 or lower	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Staff-child ratio	1:8 (4-year-olds)	1:10 or better	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1:10 or better	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Screening & referral	Vision, hearing, health & more; Support services	Vision, hearing, health & at least one support service	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Vision, hearing & health screenings; & referral	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Meals	Snack (part-day); Breakfast, lunch, snack (school-day)	At least one meal/day	<input type="checkbox"/>	Discontinued	—
Monitoring/Continuous quality improvement system	Structured classroom observations; Data used for program improvement	Site visits	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Structured classroom observation; program improvement plan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
			9		
				10	

RESOURCES

Total state pre-K spending	\$243,900,000
Local match required?	No
State Head Start spending	Not reported
State spending per child enrolled	\$6,356
All reported spending per child enrolled*	\$6,356

* 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

