Washington

FUNDING OVERVIEW

$167,699,387
Federal Funding

$0
State Supplemental Funding

ENROLLMENT OVERVIEW

23%

doors and 4-year-olds in poverty in Washington enrolled in Head Start

10%
of children under 3 in poverty in Washington enrolled in Early Head Start

Total Head Start and Early Head Start Federal Funding (in millions)

FUNDING OVERVIEW

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Year</th>
<th>Head Start</th>
<th>Early Head Start</th>
<th>Pregnant Women</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>2011-2012</td>
<td>$139.1 M</td>
<td>$14.3 M</td>
<td>$34.4 M</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2017-2018</td>
<td>$176.1 M</td>
<td>$125.7 M</td>
<td>$61.8 M</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2018-2019</td>
<td>$191.9 M</td>
<td>$66.2 M</td>
<td>$66.2 M</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2019-2020</td>
<td>$198.0 M</td>
<td>$69.2 M</td>
<td>$69.2 M</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2020-2021</td>
<td>$167.7 M</td>
<td>$104.1 M</td>
<td>$63.6 M</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Nationally, Head Start funding per child is less in states with higher child poverty whereas Early Head Start funding per child is higher in states with higher child poverty. How does your state compare?

Learn more on page 16 of this report.

IMPACTIONS OF COVID-19

Impact of Covid-19 on:
Number Enrolled

-3,422

-1,444

Percent of Children in Poverty Enrolled

-6.6 percentage points

-2 percentage points

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.
Head Start and Early Head Start Federal Funding Per Child

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Year</th>
<th>Head Start</th>
<th>Early Head Start</th>
<th>National Average</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>2011-2012</td>
<td>$10,869</td>
<td>$14,452</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2017-2018</td>
<td>$12,233</td>
<td>$16,469</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2018-2019</td>
<td>$14,051</td>
<td>$17,266</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2019-2020</td>
<td>$14,420</td>
<td>$17,885</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2020-2021</td>
<td>$12,211</td>
<td>$15,557</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Head Start and Early Head Start Funded Enrollment

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Year</th>
<th>Head Start</th>
<th>Early Head Start</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>2011-2012</td>
<td>9,629</td>
<td>2,381</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2017-2018</td>
<td>9,340</td>
<td>3,752</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2018-2019</td>
<td>8,947</td>
<td>3,832</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2019-2020</td>
<td>8,931</td>
<td>3,869</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2020-2021</td>
<td>8,525</td>
<td>4,088</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Average CLASS Pre-K Scores 2016-2019

- **Emotional Support**: 6.2 (National Average 5.9) 6.1 (National Average 5.8)
- **Classroom Organization**: 3.0 (National Average 2.9)
- **Instructional Support**: 3.0 (National Average 2.9)

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**

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.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Role</th>
<th>2018-2019</th>
<th>2020-2021</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Head Start Teacher</td>
<td>$33,115</td>
<td>$35,153</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Early Head Start Teacher</td>
<td>$34,699</td>
<td>$36,697</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Public School Teacher</td>
<td>$69,884</td>
<td>$66,353</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Head Start Home-Based Visitors</td>
<td>$26,613</td>
<td>$26,530</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Head Start Family Child Care Provider</td>
<td>$35,153</td>
<td>$36,697</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Early Head Start Home-Based Visitors</td>
<td>$26,530</td>
<td>$26,613</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Early Head Start Family Child Care Provider</td>
<td>$36,697</td>
<td>$35,153</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Head Start and Early Head Start Staff Turnover

2018-2019 compared to 2020-2021

- **Head Start Teacher**: 15% (2018-2019), 14% (2020-2021)
- **Early Head Start Teacher**: 14% (2018-2019), 11% (2020-2021)

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?

Learn more on page 22 of this report.

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.

Learn more on page 18 of this report.

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?
Percent of Children in Poverty Enrolled, by Race:

**HEAD START**
- Asian 15%
- Black or African American 23%
- White 20%
- Other 18%

**EARLY HEAD START**
- Asian 5%
- Black or African American 12%
- White 9%
- Other 7%

Percent of Education & Child Development Staff, by Race:

**HEAD START**
- American Indian or Alaska Native 8%
- Asian 5%
- Black or African American 4%
- Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander 2%
- White 53%
- Biracial or Multi-racial 4%
- Other or Unspecified 24%

**EARLY HEAD START**
- American Indian or Alaska Native 7%
- Asian 6%
- Black or African American 13%
- Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander 1%
- White 51%
- Biracial or Multi-racial 3%
- Other or Unspecified 19%

Percent of Children in Poverty Enrolled, by Ethnicity:

**HEAD START**
- Hispanic or Latino 26%
- Non-Hispanic or Non-Latino 20%

**EARLY HEAD START**
- Hispanic or Latino 12%
- Non-Hispanic or Non-Latino 8%

Percent of Education & Child Development Staff, by Ethnicity:

**HEAD START**
- Hispanic or Latino 31%
- Non-Hispanic or Non-Latino 69%

**EARLY HEAD START**
- Hispanic or Latino 30%
- Non-Hispanic or Non-Latino 70%

Child Home Languages

**HEAD START**
- English 65%
- Spanish 20%
- African 6%
- East Asian 3%
- Other 6%

**EARLY HEAD START**
- English 61%
- Spanish 23%
- African 10%
- East Asian 3%
- Other 3%

Education & Child Development Staff Language Proficiency

- 28% of Head Start Education & Child Development Staff are proficient in a language other than English.
- 38% of Early Head Start Education & Child Development Staff are proficient in a language other than English.

Head Start enrollment, funding, and classroom experiences vary by child race and ethnicity in ways that are not easily explained, highlighting inequities. Head Start reaches a smaller percent of eligible children in more racially and ethnically diverse states. How does your state compare?
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.