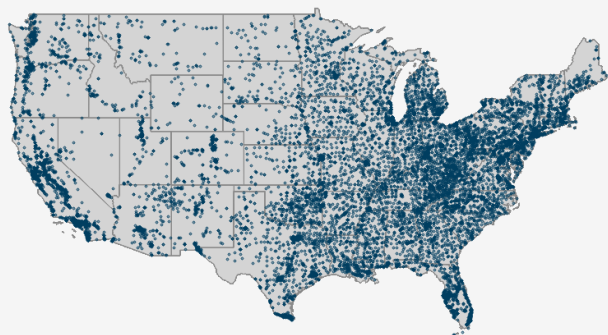


National

2022 Head Start & Early Head Start Profile

In Ohio, mom Tineisha reflects on how Head Start supported her as a parent. “She was teaching me to be a mom at the same time she was teaching my children.”

— *One Early Head Start Mother to All New Mothers: “I’m so proud of you!”*



• **17,485**
Head Start Centers Nationwide

Visit nhsa.org/locator to view the map in more detail.

\$10,848,095,000

FY21 Funding

841,520

Funded Slots Nationwide

612,806

Funded Head Start Slots

181,793

Funded Early Head Start Slots

16,654

Funded American Indian /
Alaska Native Head Start
Slots

4,553

Funded American Indian /
Alaska Native Early Head
Start Slots

25,714

Funded Migrant and
Seasonal Head Start Slots

Head Start's Model

Nationwide, Comprehensive, Multi-Generational

In the six decades since our founding, we have reached a new milestone: 37 million children have been served by Head Start. Innovators and small business owners, police officers and members of the service, nurses and teachers—our alumni represent the vast and diverse fabric of our country. From early math and reading skills, to confidence and resilience, Head Start helps children build the skills they need to be successful in school and life.

Head Start takes a comprehensive approach to meeting the needs of young children and their families. **There are four pillars in every program:**

Education: Learning experiences support intellectual, social, and emotional growth

Health Services: Immunizations, dental, medical, and mental health support, nutritional services, and early screenings ensure healthy development

Family Involvement: Opportunities for parents and caregivers to be involved in decision making, participate in classes, and volunteer in the program strengthen families

Wraparound Support: Tailored services meet local and individual needs and link children and families to community supports.

“Head Start and Early Head Start programs successfully implemented CDC recommended guidance and other ancillary measures for child care programs that remained open, allowing them to continue offering in-person learning.”

— CDC, *Implementing Mitigation Strategies in Early Care and Education Settings for Prevention of SARS-CoV-2 Transmission*

December 2020



Children

4,566,696

Home Visits
Conducted
Throughout the Year

11,767

Pregnant Women
Served

275,246

Newly Enrolled Children
Completed Behavioral
Screenings

40,574

Children Received Care
for a Chronic Health
Condition

306,414

Children Received
Preventative Dental
Care

490,880

Children Up-to-Date
on Early and Periodic
Screening, Diagnostic &
Treatment Screenings



Families

42,557

Homeless Families
Served

549,068

Families Received
Services that Promote
Family Outcomes

161,020

Fathers Involved in their
Child's Educational
Experiences



Community

52,958

Head Start and Early
Head Start Classrooms

262,814

Total Head Start and
Early Head Start Staff

489,208

Parents Employed,
in School, or in Job
Training