State and federal funding enables more than 107,383 children and families in Michigan to access high-quality, public and private, early childhood programs.¹

**Federal and State Early Childhood Education Funding in Michigan**

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**Michigan Quick Facts**

- 18,071 Children Enrolled in Head Start¹⁹
- 20.72% Eligible Children Served by Head Start¹⁰
- 7,974 Children Enrolled in Early Head Start¹¹
- 7.72% Eligible Children Served by Early Head Start¹²
- 22,100 Children Under Six Served by CCDBG and Mandatory Funds²³
- 9.7% Eligible Children Under Six Served by CCDBG and Mandatory Funds²⁴
- 35,793 Children Enrolled in State Funded Pre-K²⁵
- 1,597 Families Served by MIECHV²⁶
- 9,646 Children Served by IDEA Part C²⁷
- 12,202 Children Served by IDEA Part B, Sec. 619²⁸
- 24.94% Three- and Four-year old Children who Attend Public ECE²⁹

**Early Childhood Education Economic Impact**

In addition to the benefits to young children, access to affordable, high-quality child care can increase parental labor force participation and family economic stability. Child care problems, however, adversely affect both state and national economies. As a direct result of child care issues, the national economy loses upward of $57 billion annually in the form of lost earnings, productivity, and revenue.³⁵

**In Michigan**

14.4% of parents make career sacrifices due to child care issues.³⁶

Labor force participation of mothers with children under the age of 5 decreased from 71.4% in 2019 to 68.4% in 2021.³⁷

**Nationwide**³⁸

The percent of families that reported difficulty finding space in a home- or center-based program increased dramatically from 22% in December 2021 to 58% in January 2022.

71% of parents report that difficulty finding child care has impacted their ability to work.
Michigan Early Learning and Care Snapshot

Need

- Population Under Six: 682,854
- Under Six Living in Poverty: 21.10%
- 64.65% of children under six have all available parents in the workforce

Access

- 44% of Michigan residents live in a "child care desert"
- For Black families and families with low incomes, this percentage is even higher

Affordability

- The average price of child care is $10,291 per year
- The median household income is $96,983
- Met 10/10 of NIEER's State Preschool Quality Standards

High Price of Care

Too often, the care that is available costs more than families can afford.

Annual Price of Infant Care in Michigan

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Low Compensation for Early Educators

Despite the critical nature of their work, early educators are among the most underpaid workers in the nation.

$11.13 Child Care Workers Hourly Rate

$23,160 Child Care Worker Est. Annual Salary

$15,080 Federal Minimum Wage

92% said funding helped them stay open.

46% used funds to pay debts taken on in the course of the pandemic, including

75% used funds for compensation but still struggle to provide competitive wages and benefits.

The Temporary Impact of ARPA Funding

In Michigan, 135,794 child care spots were saved by ARPA funds.

1% of providers who received stabilization grants:
- 94% said they stayed open.
- 92% used funds to pay debts taken on in the course of the pandemic.
- 84% used funds for compensation but still struggle to provide competitive wages and benefits.

1 The figure includes beneficiaries of Head Start, Early Head Start, the Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG), the Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program (MIECHV), state-funded Pre-K, and the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Parts B, C, and F. In some cases, children and families are served by more than one program.
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15 Council for a Strong America
16 Data Resource Center for Child and Adolescent Health 2019
17 Committee for Economic Development (CED)
18 Rapid-EC Survey, March 2022
19 PIR
20 PIR and U.S. Census Bureau (Census)
21 PIR
22 PIR and Census
23 OCC FY2020 CCDF Preliminary Data Tables
24 Child Care Access Research Network (CCARN) (2019)
25 Child Care Aware of America (CCAoA) (2020)
26 NIEER
27 HRSA
28 ED
29 NIEER (includes preschool, Head Start, and Special Education)
30 Census
31 Census
32 Census
33 CAP defines "child care desert" as any census tract with more than fifty children under age five that contains either no child care providers OR more than three times as many children as licensed child care slots.
34 CAP
35 Child Care Aware of America (CCAoA) (average of center-based and home-based infant and 4-year-old care)
36 NIEER (Great Start Readiness Program)
37 NIEER
38 CCAoA
39 Center for the Study of Child Care Employment, Early Childhood Workforce Index - 2020
40 The Century Foundation
41 National Association for the Education of Young Children