

2014 Early Childhood Profiles

Technical Notes

General Guideline:

The technical notes are presented in the same order as the fields appear in the profile report. Values that are not available or are suppressed to preserve individual privacy are represented by an asterisk (*).

Kindergarten Readiness (Pie Charts): The percent of students screened during the 2013-14 school year who were ready or ready with enrichments for kindergarten based on the BRIGANCE K Screen.

Source: Kentucky Department of Education, 2013 BRIGANCE® Kindergarten Screen.

Results by Composite Domain (Bar Chart): The percent of students screened during the 2013-14 school year who scored “average” or “above average” on the BRIGANCE K Screen for Cognitive/General Knowledge, Language and Communication, and Physical Well-Being domains.

Source: Kentucky Department of Education, 2013 BRIGANCE® Kindergarten Screen.

Results by Social-Emotional and Self-Help Domains (Bar Chart): The percent of students screened during the 2013-14 school year who scored “average” or “above average” on the BRIGANCE K Screen for Social-Emotional and Self-Help domains.

Source: Kentucky Department of Education, 2013 BRIGANCE® Kindergarten Screen.

EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Kindergarten: The number of students enrolled in a public kindergarten during the 2012-13 school year.

Source: Kentucky Department of Education.

Preschool: The average total enrollment of 3- and 4-year-olds with disabilities, at-risk 4-year-olds, and other preschool enrollments as of December 1, 2012 and March 1, 2013. Source: Kentucky Department of Education.

At-risk 4-year-olds at or below 150% of the federal poverty level: The average number of 4-year-olds who met income eligibility for and were enrolled in the Kentucky Preschool Program as of December 1, 2012 and March 1, 2013.

Source: Kentucky Department of Education.

3- and 4-year-olds with disabilities: The average number of 3- and 4-year-olds with a developmental delay or disability that were enrolled in the Kentucky Preschool Program as of December 1, 2012 and March 1, 2013.

Source: Kentucky Department of Education.

3- and 4-year-olds over income or other: Other preschool aged children may be served by the district as long as space is available. This number represents the average enrollment for preschool age children who did not qualify for the two categories above on December 1, 2012 and March 1, 2013. Source: Kentucky Department of Education.

Head Start enrollment: The total enrollment of participating 3- and 4-year-olds whose family income meets federal guidelines for poverty or who have a qualifying disability. Source: Governor’s Office of Early Childhood –December 1, 2012.

3- and 4-year-olds income eligible (at-risk 4s at 150% FPL): The number of 3- and 4-year-olds who meet income eligibility that are enrolled in Head Start. Source: Governor’s Office of Early Childhood –December 1, 2012.

3- and 4-year-olds with disabilities: The number of 3- and 4-year-olds with a developmental disability that are enrolled in Head Start. Source: Governor’s Office of Early Childhood –December 1, 2012.

Other (4s over 150% FPL without disabilities): The number of 4-year-olds who meet income eligibility without a developmental disability that are enrolled in Head Start. Source: Governor’s Office of Early Childhood – December 1, 2012.

Total child care capacity: This is the total child care capacity for all licensed centers, licensed homes, and certified homes providing child care assistance through the CCAP program. Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Division of Child Care.

Children receiving child care assistance (CCAP program): The number of children whose families were receiving financial assistance for child care as of February 14, 2014. Child care assistance is available to children under age 13, or up to age 18 if the child has special needs verified by a qualified health professional. Eligible children must reside in Kentucky with a family whose income prior to July 1, 2013, is less than or equal to 150 percent of the 2011 federal poverty level at the initial application or 165 percent of the 2011 federal poverty level at the redetermination or eligibility recalculation. Effective July 1, 2013, a child shall be eligible for the CCAP if the family's income is less than or equal to 100 percent of the 2011 federal poverty level at the initial application or 100 percent of the 2011 federal poverty level at the redetermination or eligibility recalculation. To promote parental responsibility, families with a monthly income of \$900 and above may be assessed co-payments. Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Division of Child Care.

CCAP at Licensed Centers: The number of children whose families were being served by a licensed center as of February 14, 2014. Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Division of Child Care.

CCAP at Licensed Homes: The number of children whose families were being served by a licensed home as of February 14, 2014.

CCAP at Certified Homes: The number of children whose families were being served by a certified home as of February 14, 2014. Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Division of Child Care.

CCAP at Registered Providers: The number of children whose families were being served by a registered provider as of February 14, 2014. Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Division of Child Care.

THIRD GRADE ASSESSMENT RESULTS: K-PREP tests are blended norm-referenced and criterion-referenced measures that provide national percentiles and student performance levels of novice, apprentice, proficient and distinguished. The percentages presented are of 3rd grade students who scored proficient or distinguished in math and reading, respectively, during the 2012-13 school year. These students were kindergartners during the 2009-10 school year. Source: Kentucky Center for Education and Workforce Statistics (KCEWS), Kentucky Longitudinal Data System (KLDS).

FAMILY, HEALTH AND SERVICES

Number of children 0-2 years old: The number of children ages 0 to 2 years old, as calculated by summing the number of children age 0, age 1 and age 2. Percentage indicates the percentage of the total population comprised of children 0-2 years old. Source: Kentucky State Data Center, Population by Single Year of Age and Gender, July 1, 2012 Estimates. <http://ksdc.louisville.edu/index.php/kentucky-demographic-data/estimates/population-and-housing-units>

Number of children 3-4 years old: The number of children ages 3 to 4 years old, as calculated by summing the number of children age 3 and age 4. Percentage indicates the percentage of the total population comprised of children 3-4 years old. Source: Kentucky State Data Center, Population by Single Year of Age and Gender, July 1, 2012 Estimates. <http://ksdc.louisville.edu/index.php/kentucky-demographic-data/estimates/population-and-housing-units>

Children living below 100% poverty: The number and percent of children under 6 years old who are living below 100% of the federal poverty level. Source: United States Census Bureau, 2008-2012 American Community Survey Five-Year Estimates. http://factfinder2.census.gov/faces/tableservices/jsf/pages/productview.xhtml?pid=ACS_12_5YR_B17024&prodType=table

Children living below 150% poverty: The number and percent of children under 6 years old who are living below 150% of the federal poverty level. Source: United States Census Bureau, 2008-2012 American Community Survey Five-Year Estimates. http://factfinder2.census.gov/faces/tableservices/jsf/pages/productview.xhtml?pid=ACS_12_5YR_B17024&prodType=table

Children living below 200% poverty: The number and percent of children under 6 years old who are living below 200% of the federal poverty level. Source: United States Census Bureau, 2008-2012 American Community Survey Five-Year Estimates.
http://factfinder2.census.gov/faces/tableservices/jsf/pages/productview.xhtml?pid=ACS_12_5YR_B17024&prodType=table

Children with substantiated child abuse/neglect: The number and percent of children determined by the Department of Community Based Services to have been victims of child abuse or neglect in 2012. The percent of children with substantiated child abuse/neglect is calculated by dividing the number of children with substantiated child abuse/neglect by the total number of children ages 0 to 17.
Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Department of Community Based Services; Kentucky State Data Center, Population by Single Year of Age and Gender, July 1, 2012 Estimates. <http://datacenter.kidscount.org/data/bystate/chooseindicator.aspx?state=KY>

Households with a non-English language in home: The number and percent of households in which English is not the primary language. The percent is calculated by dividing the number of non-English speaking households by the total number of households.
Source: United States Census Bureau, 2008-2012 American Community Survey Five-Year Estimates.
http://factfinder2.census.gov/faces/tableservices/jsf/pages/productview.xhtml?pid=ACS_12_5YR_B16002&prodType=table

Births to mothers who are not high school graduates: The number and percent of total live births in 2011 to women with less than a high school diploma or GED. Data are reported by mother's county of residence. Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Vital Statistics Branch, processed by the Kentucky State Data Center at the University of Louisville.

Births to teenage girls 15-19 years old: The number of total births to teens ages 15-19 in 2011 and the rate per 1,000 females ages 15-19. Data are reported by mother's county of residence, not infant's county of birth. Rates were not calculated for counties with fewer than six occurrences. Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services; number of female teens provided by the Kentucky State Data Center at the University of Louisville.

Low birth weight babies (born less than 5.5 pounds): The number and percent of infants born in 2011 weighing less than 5 pounds, 8 ounces. Data are reported by mother's county of residence, not infant's county of birth. Rates were not calculated for counties with fewer than six occurrences. Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services.

Preterm babies (born before 37 weeks of pregnancy): The number and percent of births before 37 weeks of pregnancy in 2009. Data are reported by mother's county of residence, not infant's county of birth. Rates were not calculated for counties with fewer than six occurrences. Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services.

WORKFORCE QUALITY

College scholarships awarded: The number and average amount of KIDS NOW Scholarships awarded in fiscal year 2012-13. These scholarships provide financial assistance, to the extent of available funds, in the form of non-repayable tuition scholarships for Kentucky students who are currently employed in an early childhood program and are pursuing a Commonwealth Child Care Credential, Child Development Associate, Associate Degree in Early Childhood Education, Bachelor's Degree in Interdisciplinary Early Childhood Education or related program, or Director's Credential.
Source: Governor's Office of Early Childhood.

Non-college scholarships awarded: The number and average amount of KIDS NOW non-college scholarships awarded to early care and education workers who are currently employed in an early childhood program for professional training. These scholarships are unduplicated paid invoices for non-college training.
Source: Governor's Office of Early Childhood.

STATE AND LOCAL CONTACT: Contact information for each county's Community Early Childhood Council (CECC).
Source: Governor's Office of Early Childhood.



SUPPORT SERVICES

Children receiving Medicaid insurance: Individuals or families with dependent children may be eligible for Medicaid if they meet the following requirements: a pregnant woman; a dependent child younger than 19; parent(s) (one or both) of the dependent child if one parent has left the home, cannot work due to sickness or disability, or has died; parents (both) living with the dependent child, if the parent is unemployed or underemployed. The income and resources of the family members who may receive Medicaid coverage must be within Medicaid program guidelines. The income limits are based on family size. The family's income, after deductions, cannot be more than the income limits found here: <http://chfs.ky.gov/dms/apply.htm>. Children receiving Medicaid insurance represent the average monthly number of children enrolled in the Kentucky Medicaid program during fiscal year 2012-13.

Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Department for Medicaid Services.

Children receiving KCHIP health insurance: The Kentucky Children's Health Insurance Program (KCHIP) is free or low-cost health insurance for children. KCHIP is for children younger than 19 who do not have health insurance and whose family income is less than 200 percent of the federal poverty level. Children receiving KCHIP health insurance represent the average monthly number of children enrolled in the Kentucky KCHIP program during fiscal year 2012-13. Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Department for Medicaid Services.

Families served by the First Steps program: First Steps is a statewide early intervention system that provides services to children with developmental disabilities from birth to age 3 and their families. First Steps is Kentucky's response to the federal Infant-Toddler Program. Families served by the First Steps program represent the number of families served in fiscal year 2011-12.

Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Department of Public Health.

Number of families served by the Health Access Nurturing Development Services (HANDS) home visitation program: The number of families served by the HANDS program during fiscal year 2011-12.

Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Department of Public Health.

STAR Ratings for Child Care (Pie Chart): The STARS for KIDS NOW program is Kentucky's voluntary quality rating improvement system for Licensed Type I (centers serving 13 or more children), Licensed Type II (home-based centers serving 12 children or fewer), and Certified Family Care Homes (homes serving up to six unrelated children). Programs are rated using a one-STAR to four-STAR level system. A higher quality rating means better child-to-caregiver ratios, program curriculum, child care staff training, program regulatory compliance, and personnel policies. The pie chart shows the percent of STAR-rated licensed facilities and certified child care homes by rating (as of February 2014).

Source: Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Active Licensed Provider Directory and Active Certified Provider Directory. These directories are from the Kentucky Integrated Child Care Systems (KICCS) available online at <https://prd.chfs.ky.gov/KICCSPublic/ProviderSearchPublic.aspx>.

Rated/Unrated Child Care Centers and Child Care Capacity (Table): The number of program centers and total child care capacity in licensed STAR-rated, certified STAR-rated, licensed unrated, and certified unrated program centers in each county (as of February 2014).

Source: Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Department for Community Based Services, Division of Child Care.

Rated/Unrated Program Centers (Pie Chart): The percent of each county's program centers that are licensed STAR-rated, certified STAR-rated, licensed unrated, and certified unrated (as of February 2014).

Source: Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Department for Community Based Services, Division of Child Care.

Percent of Total Capacity in Rated/Unrated Program Centers (Pie Chart): The percent of each county's total capacity in program centers that are licensed STAR-rated, certified STAR-rated, licensed unrated, and certified unrated (as of February 2014).

Source: Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Department for Community Based Services, Division of Child Care.