

2016 Early Childhood Profile

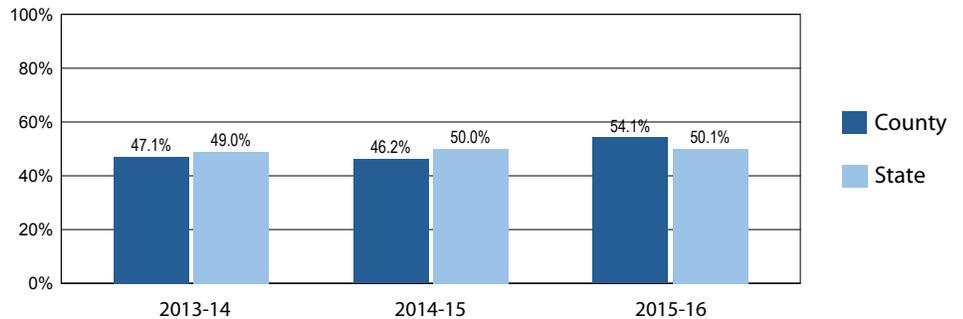
Spencer County

The Early Childhood Profile is produced by the Kentucky Center for Education and Workforce Statistics (KCEWS) for the Governor's Office of Early Childhood (GOEC) and the Early Childhood Advisory Council (ECAC) utilizing data from the Kentucky Longitudinal Data System (KLDS).



Kindergarten Readiness

Kindergarten readiness means that each child enters school ready to engage in and benefit from early learning experiences that best promote the child's success. The kindergarten screener measures readiness in five important domains. The composite readiness score reflected here is comprised of the academic/cognitive, language development, and physical development domains.



Results by Composite Domain

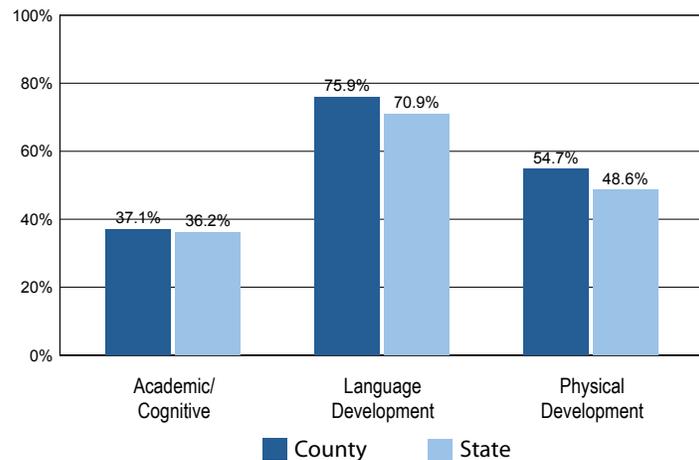


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Results by Social-Emotional and Self-Help Domains

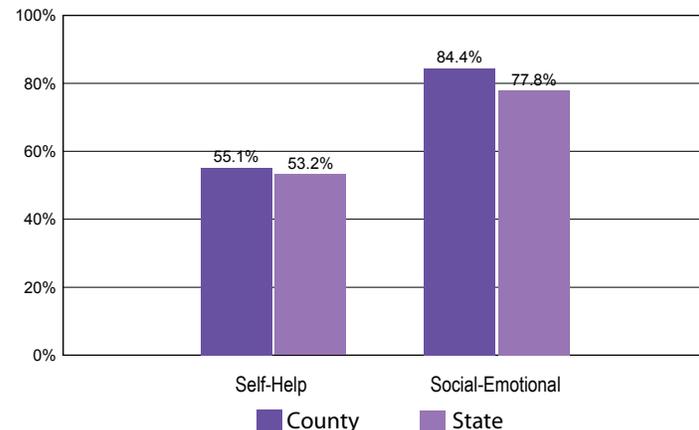


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Early Care and Education Programs

| | County | State |
|---|------------|----------------|
| Kindergarten | 197 | 53,953 |
| Preschool | 103 | 21,049 |
| At-risk 4-year-olds at or below 150% of the federal poverty level (FPL) | 35 | 9,249 |
| 3- and 4-year-olds with disabilities | 46 | 9,468 |
| 3- and 4-year-olds over income or other | 23 | 2,333 |
| Head Start enrollment | 15 | 13,841 |
| 3- and 4-year-olds income eligible (at-risk 4s at 150% FPL) | 12 | 11,864 |
| 3- and 4-year-olds with disabilities | 3 | 1,696 |
| Other (4s over 150% FPL without disabilities) | 0 | 241 |
| Total child care capacity | 509 | 167,746 |
| Children receiving child care assistance (CCAP program) | 32 | 23,969 |
| CCAP at Licensed Centers | 32 | 23,102 |
| CCAP at Licensed Homes | * | 155 |
| CCAP at Certified Homes | * | 615 |
| CCAP at Registered Providers | * | 149 |

* Data suppressed to ensure confidentiality.

Third Grade Assessment Results

Below are the percentages of 3rd grade students who scored proficient or distinguished in the 2014-15 school year. They were kindergartners in the 2011-12 school year.

| | County | State |
|---------|--------|-------|
| Math | 54.4% | 47.6% |
| Reading | 59.1% | 54.3% |

Family, Health, and Services

| Select Indicators | County # | County % | State % |
|--|----------|----------|---------|
| Number of children: | | | |
| 0-2 year-olds | 501 | 2.8% | 3.8% |
| 3-4 year-olds | 423 | 2.4% | 2.5% |
| Children living below: | | | |
| 100% poverty | 70 | 5.7% | 30.1% |
| 150% poverty | 155 | 12.7% | 42.7% |
| 200% poverty | 314 | 25.8% | 53.3% |
| Children 0-17 years old with substantiated child abuse/neglect | 53 | 1.3% | 1.9% |
| Children 0-17 years old being raised by grandparents | 191 | 4.4% | 5.4% |
| Households with non-English language in home | 206 | 3.3% | 5.7% |
| Births to mothers who are not high school graduates** | 13 | 7.2% | 16.8% |
| Births to teenage girls 15-19 years old** | 15 | 27^ | 41^ |
| Low birth weight babies (born less than 5.5 pounds)** | 13 | 7.0% | 8.7% |
| Preterm babies (born before 37 weeks of pregnancy) | 17 | 9.4% | 11.1% |

^ Rate per 1,000 females ages 15-19

**Numbers represent 1-year rolling averages calculated from 3-year aggregate data. Rates are 3-year aggregate rates.

Support Services

| | County # | State # |
|--|----------|---------|
| Children receiving Medicaid insurance | 1,176 | 476,909 |
| Children receiving KCHIP health insurance | 189 | 44,854 |
| Families served by the First Steps program | 18 | 4,498 |
| Number of families served by the HANDS home visitation program | * | 8,119 |



State and Local Contact

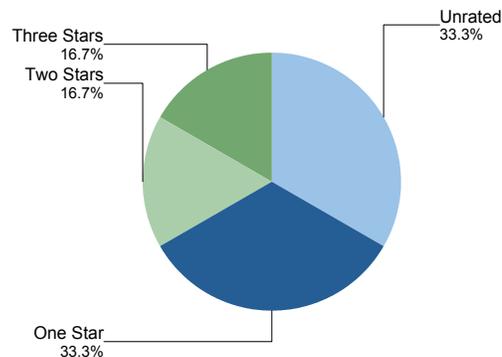
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Visit the Governor's Office of Early Childhood online at <http://kidsnow.ky.gov> or call 502-782-0200 for more information.

Visit <http://kcews.ky.gov/reports/earlychildhoodprofiles/> for sources, technical descriptions of each data element in this profile, notes for how to use this report, and links to other sources of information for the early childhood community. For school and district Kindergarten readiness data, please visit the Kentucky Department of Education's Open House website at <http://openhouse.education.ky.gov/>

STARS Participation

STARS is the rating and improvement system for licensed and certified child care providers. Participants receive resources and technical assistance to continually improve their quality and their star rating. A higher star rating means the provider is meeting quality standards that help children succeed.



| Rating | Child Care Centers | | Child Care Capacity | |
|-----------|--------------------|-----------|---------------------|-----------|
| | Licensed | Certified | Licensed | Certified |
| STARS | 4 | 0 | 383 | 0 |
| Not STARS | 2 | 0 | 126 | 0 |

To find a STAR-rated child care provider in your county, click here: <https://prdweb.chfs.ky.gov/kiccspublic/providersearchpublic.aspx>

Early Childhood Workforce

KIDS NOW Scholarships

KIDS NOW Scholarships awarded to early childhood educators:

| | County # | County \$ | State # | State \$ |
|-------------|----------|-----------|---------|------------|
| College | 3 | \$ 2,205 | 968 | \$ 845,047 |
| Non-College | 1 | \$ 420 | 380 | \$ 89,581 |

To learn more about scholarships, contact a Professional Development Counselor in your county: <http://www.kentuckypartnership.org/about/map>

High School Credentials

Family and Consumer Sciences programs offer high school early childhood students an opportunity to earn industry-recognized certificates and credentials.

| | County # | State # |
|--|----------|---------|
| Early Care and Education Orientation Certificate | 0 | 515 |
| Commonwealth Child Care Credential | 0 | 564 |
| Child Development Associate | 0 | 11 |

For more information about these programs, please visit: <http://education.ky.gov/CTE/ctepa/FCS/Pages/default.aspx>