

Head Start by the Numbers

Texas

This fact sheet is based on the 2005 Program Information Report (PIR) data, which all Head Start programs are required to complete on an annual basis.¹ For more information on the PIR and national Head Start or Early Head Start data, see the "[Child Care and Early Education](http://www.clasp.org)" page at www.clasp.org.

Programs

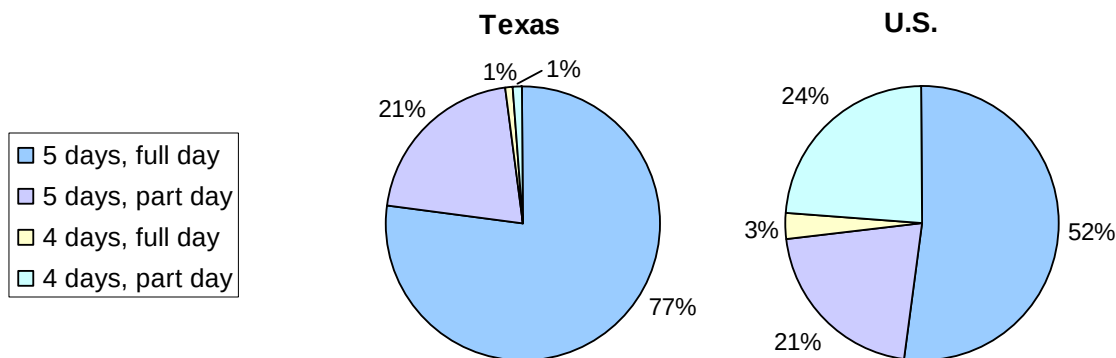
Total number of programs: 150
 Number of Early Head Start programs: 42
 Number of preschool programs: 107
 Number of Migrant and Seasonal programs: 1

Total number of slots: 74,691
 ACF-funded slots: 74,614²
 Slots funded through other sources: 77³

Program options

	Texas	U.S.
Center-based	96%	91%
Home-based	2%	5%
Family child care	0%	1%
Combination	0%	1%
Locally-designed	2%	1%

Operating schedule for center-based programs⁴



Participants

Total actual enrollment: 85,860⁵
 Number of children enrolled: 85,187
 Number of pregnant women enrolled: 673

Primary language spoken in the home

	Texas	U.S.
English	65%	71%
Spanish	32%	24%
Central/ South American and Mexican languages	1%	1%
other	2%	4%

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Race and Ethnicity⁶

	Texas	U.S.
American Indian or Alaskan Native	0%	5%
Asian	1%	2%
Black or African American	19%	31%
Hispanic (any race)	67%	33%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0%	1%
White	34%	35%
Bi-racial or Multi-racial	2%	7%
Unspecified	43%	18%



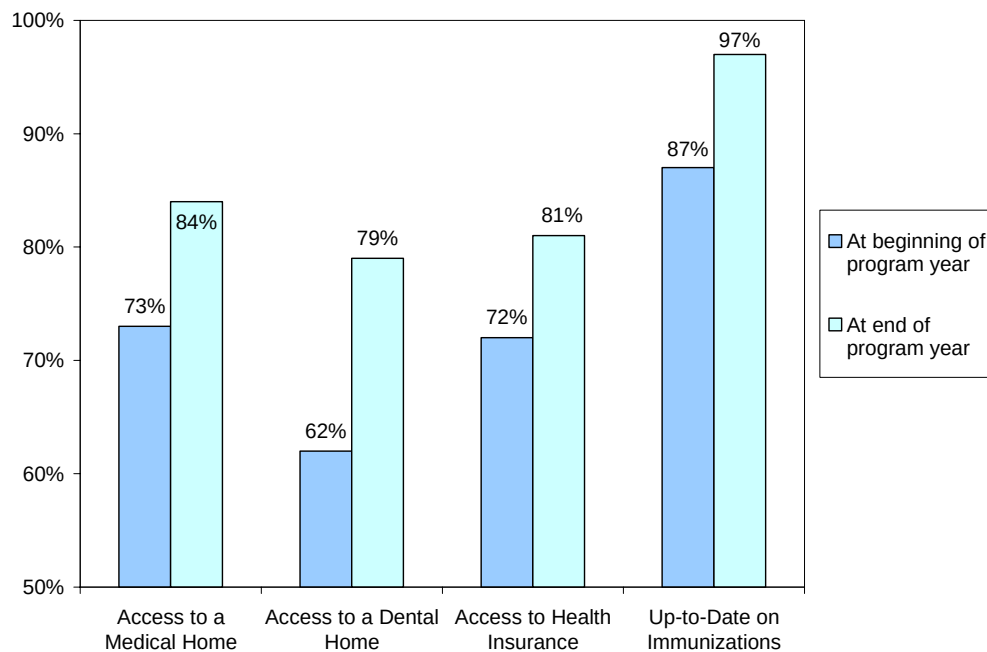
Medical screenings⁷

Percent screened	89%
Of children screened, percent requiring follow-up treatment	15%
Of children requiring further treatment, percent receiving follow-up treatment	91%

Disability Services

Percent of children diagnosed as having a disability	11%
Of children with a disability, percent of children diagnosed during the program year	58%
Of children with a disability, percent of children diagnosed prior to this program year	42%

Access to medical services^{8 9}



Families

Total number of families: 78,570

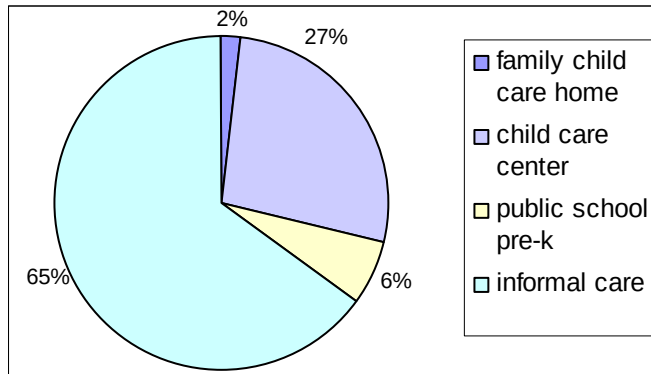
	Texas	U.S.
Single-parent families	51%	56%
Two-parent families	49%	44%
Families with at least one employed parent	74%	71%
Families with at least one parent in school/ job training	17%	16%
Families receiving TANF	9%	19%
Families receiving WIC	50%	49%

Head Start Family Services

Percent of families who received:	
Parenting education	24%
Health education	20%
Emergency/crisis intervention services	13%
Adult education	12%
Mental health services	10%
ESL services	8%
Transportation assistance	7%
Housing assistance	6%
Child abuse and neglect services	6%
Percent of families who accessed at least one family service through Head Start	58%



Child Care Arrangements



Percent of children receiving a child care subsidy: 2%

Percent of children in Head Start programs operating at least eight hours per day: 33%

For children requiring care outside of Head Start hours (includes all children, regardless of subsidy receipt)

Staff

Total number of staff: 18,329

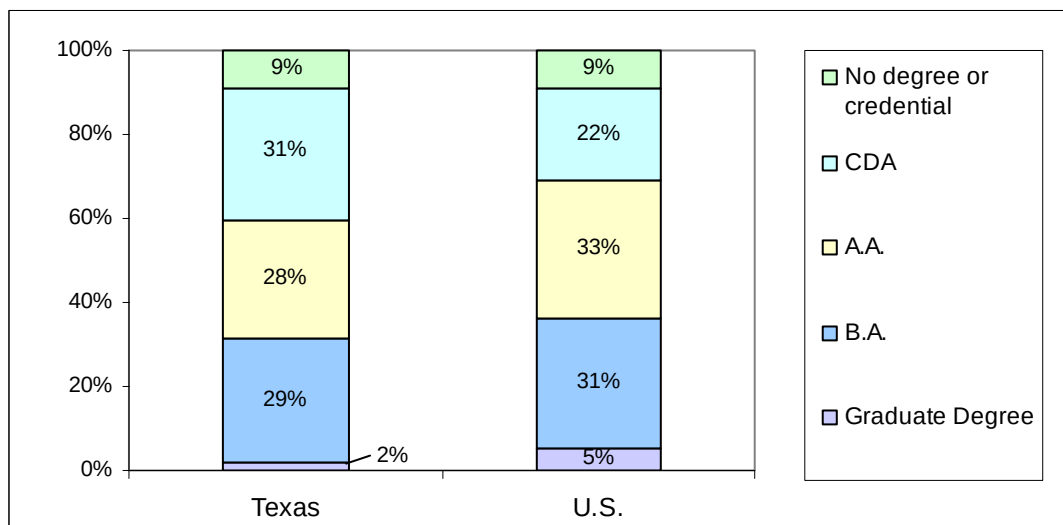
Total number of teachers: 5,198

Percent who left the program during the year: 15%

Percent of staff who are current or former Head Start parents: 25%

Average teacher salary: \$24,505¹⁰

Teacher Education Level



Endnotes

¹ Data includes all Head Start programs in the state, including Head Start preschool, Early Head Start, Migrant and Seasonal Head Start, and American Indian and Alaskan Native programs.

² Includes slots funded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families.

³ Includes slots funded by all sources other than ACF (for example, states or school districts).

⁴ The PIR defines “full-day” programs as those operating at least six hours per day and “part-day” programs as those operating less than six hours per day.

⁵ The PIR collects data on all children and pregnant women enrolled at any point, including those who do not complete the year. Since some participants drop out during the program year and are replaced, the number of total actual participants exceeds the number of Head Start slots.

⁶ Percentages do not add up to 100 percent because persons of Hispanic ethnicity may be of any race. In 2005, race categories on the PIR were changed. The “Hispanic” category, previously included as a race category, was moved to a separate question that asks for the number of children and pregnant women who were of Hispanic origin, regardless of racial background. The high proportion of Head Start participants whose race is “unspecified” may reflect confusion about the new race and ethnicity categories.

⁷ The PIR includes all children who were enrolled in Head Start at any point during the program year, including those who dropped out before 45 days of enrollment, the time frame during which Head Start programs are required to provide medical and dental screenings.

⁸ “Up-to-date on immunizations” includes those children who are not on the schedule recommended for their age group but who have been brought up to date to the extent possible given the late start on their immunization schedule.

⁹ Due to variations in reporting whether children are receiving medical services through Indian Health Services and migrant community health centers, there is an estimated margin of error of 1 percent for the proportion of children with a medical home.

¹⁰ This average includes all programs in the state, including part-day programs, programs that operate for a short period of time such as Migrant and Seasonal Programs, and programs that may only operate for part of a week. Therefore, the range of teacher salaries may vary greatly throughout the state.