Head Start by the Numbers

Arizona

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. For more information on the PIR and national Head Start or Early Head Start data, see the "Child Care and Early Education" page at www.clasp.org.

Programs

Total number of programs:	43
Number of Early Head Start programs:	8
Number of preschool programs:	34
Number of Migrant and Seasonal programs:	1

Total number of slots:	19,747
ACF-funded slots:	19,747 ²
Slots funded through other sources:	0^3

Program options

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Center-based	89%	91%
Home-based	11%	5%
Family child care	0%	1%
Combination	0%	1%
Locally-designed	0%	1%

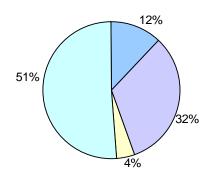
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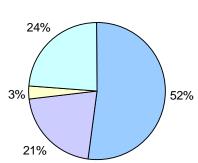
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Operating schedule for center-based programs⁴

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Participants

Total actual enrollment: 22,935⁵
Number of children enrolled: 22,703
Number of pregnant women enrolled: 232

Primary language spoken in the home Arizona U.S.

English	57%	71%
Spanish	38%	24%
Native North American/	3%	0%
Alaskan Native languages		
other	2%	5%



Race and Ethnicity⁶

	Arizona	U.S.
American Indian or Alaskan Native	27%	5%
Asian	0%	2%
Black or African American	3%	31%
Hispanic (any race)	53%	33%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0%	1%
White	46%	35%
Bi-racial or Multi-racial	3%	7%
Unspecified	21%	18%



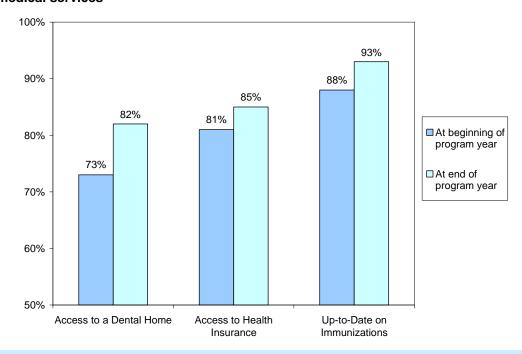
Medical screenings⁷

Percent screened	84%
Of children screened, percent requiring follow-up treatment	22%
Of children requiring further treatment, percent receiving follow-up treatment	89%

Disability Services

Percent of children diagnosed as having a disability	10%
Of children with a disability, percent of children diagnosed during the program year	51%
Of children with a disability, percent of children diagnosed prior to this program year	49%

Access to medical services^{8 9}



Families

Total number of families: 21,501

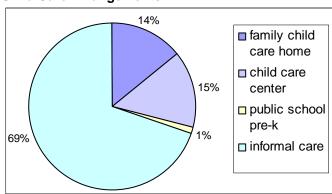
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Single-parent families	37%	56%
Two-parent families	63%	44%
Families with at least one employed parent	70%	71%
Families with at least one parent in school/ job training	14%	16%
Families receiving TANF	14%	19%
Families receiving WIC	44%	49%

Head Start Family Services

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Percent of families who received:	
Health education	35%
Parenting education	23%
Emergency/crisis intervention services	19%
Adult education	12%
ESL services	11%
Housing assistance	9%
Job training	8%
Child abuse and neglect services	8%
Mental health services	7%
Percent of families who accessed at least one	55%
family service through Head Start	



Child Care Arrangements



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

Percent of children receiving a child care subsidy: 3%

Percent of children in Head Start programs operating at least eight hours per day: 3%

Staff

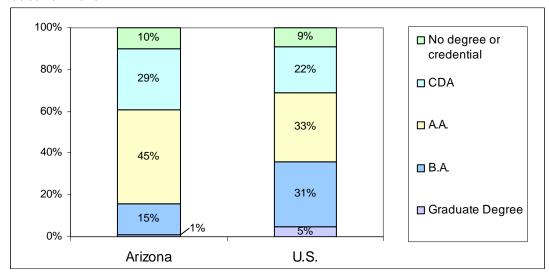
Total number of staff: 4,293 Total number of teachers: 989

Percent who left the program during the year: 19%

Percent of staff who are current or former Head Start parents: 28%

Average teacher salary: \$22,589¹⁰

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 who 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, information on medical homes is not available for Arizona.
- ¹⁰This 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.