The State of Infants & Toddlers

2,999 children three years old or younger

- Infants and toddlers living in poverty (defined as living at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines—an annual household income of $51,500 for a family of 4): 1 in 2
- Eligible infants and toddlers living at 130% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines accessing publicly funded child care: 8%
- Infants and toddlers receiving health coverage through Medicaid and Healthy Start: 41%
- Families with infants and toddlers receiving evidence-based home visiting services through the state funded Help Me Grow program: 25%
- 0-3 year olds receiving Early Intervention services: 90%
- Kindergartners entering the classroom ready to learn: 27%
- Economically disadvantaged kindergartners entering the classroom ready to learn: 22%
- Of the 70% accessing publicly funded child care, 54% are in high-quality programs (rated a 3- to 5-star in Ohio’s quality rating and improvement system, Step Up To Quality)
- 33% of infants and toddlers age three and under are in state custody... This accounts for 30% of all kids in custody

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