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Early Investments, A Lifetime of Success.

The State of Infants & Toddlers

16,401 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: 22%
- Infants and toddlers receiving health coverage through Medicaid and Healthy Start: 52%
- Of the 1,282 accessing publicly funded child care, 61% are in high-quality programs (rated a 3- to 5-star in Ohio’s quality rating and improvement system, Step Up to Quality)
- Families with infants and toddlers receiving evidence-based home visiting services through the state funded Help Me Grow program: 105
- 0-3 year olds receiving Early Intervention services: 568
- Kindergartners entering the classroom ready to learn: 36%
- Economically disadvantaged kindergartners entering the classroom ready to learn: 26%
- 118 infants and toddlers age three and under are in state custody...
- This accounts for 36% of all kids in custody

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