The State of Infants & Toddlers

535 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 **< 3%**
- Infants and toddlers receiving health coverage through Medicaid and Healthy Start **59%**
- Families with infants and toddlers receiving evidence-based home visiting services through the state funded Help Me Grow program **13**
- Of the <10% accessing publicly funded child care, 0% are in high-quality programs (rated a 3- to 5-star in Ohio’s quality rating and improvement system, Step Up to Quality)**
- 0-3 year olds receiving Early Intervention services **31**
- 3 infants and toddlers age three and under are in state custody... This accounts for 13% of all kids in custody
- Kindergartners entering the classroom ready to learn **41%**
- Economically disadvantaged kindergartners entering the classroom ready to learn **41%**

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