

Puerto Rico

Early Childhood Development

FEDERAL INVESTMENT ACROSS PROGRAMS:

\$1,981,000,000
Since FY2009



STATE HIGHLIGHTS

- One hundred centers participate in Puerto Rico's Quality Rating and Improvement System (QRIS), Pasito, and each receives training through the system.
- Training on Puerto Rico's Early Learning Guidelines was administered to 1,397 supervisors, directors, and teachers from a variety of early learning programs.
- In 2014, 78 percent of legally exempt providers received at least one monitoring visit related to nutrition, orientation, food handling, and health and safety issues.
- In 2013, 50 scholarships were awarded to early childhood professionals participating in the Pasito QRIS to allow them to obtain a Child Development Associate (CDA) credential or a Certificate in Special Education.
- Puerto Rico held a public consumer education campaign called "Seremos Grandes" to inform parents about children's developmental stages and how high-quality child care can support and expand children's learning.

CUMULATIVE FEDERAL FUNDING PER PROGRAM

Early Head Start Child Care Partnerships (FY14)	\$6,824,125
Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home Visiting (FY10-14) ¹	\$4,500,000
State Advisory Councils (FY10-13)	\$2,186,713
Child Care and Development Fund (FY09-13)	\$306,772,109
Head Start (FY09-14)	\$1,661,000,000

DEMOGRAPHICS: CHILDREN UNDER 6 (2013)

239,983

Total number of children

57.2%

Live in households where the parents present are working

61.2%

Live below the Federal Poverty Level (poverty)

85.0%

Live below 200% of poverty

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HEAD START/ EARLY HEAD START/ EARLY HEAD START CHILD CARE PARTNERSHIPS

43

Number of HS grantees,
FY13

27

Number of EHS grantees,
FY13



5%

Increase in the number of
teachers with BA or higher
in ECE or related field,
FY09-14

36,478

Total enrollment, FY14

\$6.8 M



Funding awarded
for 6 EHS-CC
Partnership Grants

24%

Percent of HS-eligible
children who were enrolled
in EHS/HS, FY13



CHILD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT FUND

\$307 M

Total State and
Federal investment,
FY09-13

10,000



Number of children served,
avg. monthly FY13

\$307 M

Federal Investment
Only, FY09-13

\$81 M

Quality Investment,
Federal and State, FY09-13

¹ Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting [Web page]. <http://mchb.hrsa.gov/programs/homevisiting/>.