

Vermont

Early Childhood Development

FEDERAL INVESTMENT ACROSS PROGRAMS:

\$248,000,000
Since FY2009



STATE HIGHLIGHTS

- 275 providers in Vermont attended workshop trainings on ERS assessments in the Quality Rating and Improvement System (QRIS).
- Family Child Care Home participation in Vermont's QRIS has increased dramatically due primarily to strong mentoring support through the use of 16 Stars mentors.
- In 2014, the Teacher Education and Compensation Helps (T.E.A.C.H.) Early Childhood® program in Vermont awarded its first scholarships to 34 early childhood professional throughout the state.
- The Help Me Grow Project is making strides in developing a system which will ensure all children in Vermont have access to periodic developmental screenings.
- Vermont's QRIS has partnered with local and national vendors to offer quality-rated providers discounts on educational materials and supplies.
- In late 2014, Vermont received a \$33 million federal preschool expansion grant.

CUMULATIVE FEDERAL FUNDING PER PROGRAM

Early Head Start Child Care Partnerships (FY14)	\$1,270,545
Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home Visiting (FY10-14) ¹	\$6,324,832
State Advisory Councils (FY10-13)	\$664,275
Race To the Top Early Learning Challenge (FY12-14) ²	\$36,931,076
Preschool Development Grants (FY14-15) ^{3,4}	\$15,240,848
Child Care Development Fund (FY09-13)	\$97,862,525
Head Start (FY09-14)	\$90,000,000

DEMOGRAPHICS: CHILDREN UNDER 6 (2013)

36,634

Total number of children

68.8%

Live in households where the parents present are working

18.7%

Live below the Federal Poverty Level (poverty)

41.1%

Live below 200% of poverty

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

7

Number of HS grantees,
FY13

4

Number of EHS grantees, FY13



18%

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



1,448

Total enrollment, FY14



\$1.3 M

Funding awarded for
2 EHS-CC
Partnership Grants

20%

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

CHILD CARE DEVELOPMENT FUND

\$141 M

Total State and
Federal
investment,
FY09-13

4,400



Number of children
served, avg. monthly
FY13

\$98 M \$19 M

Federal
Investment
Only,
FY09-13

Quality
Investment,
Federal and
State, FY09-13

18%

Percent of federally-
eligible children who
received subsidized
care through CCDF,
average month in
FY11



13%

Increase in children served in licensed/regulated
center-based care from FY09-14

RACE TO THE TOP—EARLY LEARNING CHALLENGE⁵

30%

Increase in centers' **participation**
in the STARS QRIS from 2013-
2014, from **42% to 72%**

46%

Increase in family child care homes'
participation in the STARS QRIS
from 2013-
2014, from **25% to 71%**

> 90

Number of individuals that now
have the **Program Director Step**
1 and **Step 2 credentials**

6

Number of **new college courses**
(provided in 3
cycles) offered as part of the **Child**
Care Apprenticeship Program

Vermont Insights, a web platform for the **collection and integration of**
early childhood data systems, launched in 2014

MATERNAL, INFANT AND EARLY CHILDHOOD HOME VISITING (MIECHV)⁶

3,089



Home visits performed, FY14



253

Families served,
FY14



409

Parents and
children served,
FY14

86%



Percent of counties in Vermont
where MIECHV is available

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

² Race to the Top—Early Learning Challenge flyer. <http://www2.ed.gov/programs/racetothetop-earlylearningchallenge/2013-early-learning-challenge-flyer.pdf>.

³ U.S. Departments of Education and Health and Human Services award \$237M in early education grants to 18 States [Press release]. <http://www.ed.gov/news/press-releases/us-departments-education-and-health-and-human-services-award-237m-early-education-grants-18-states>.

⁴ What are preschool development grants? [Fact sheet]. <http://www2.ed.gov/programs/preschooldevelopmentgrants/pdifactsheet81115.pdf>.

⁵ Race to the Top – Early Learning Challenge 2014 annual performance report: Vermont. <http://www2.ed.gov/programs/racetothetop-earlylearningchallenge/2014apr/vtapr2014.pdf>.

⁶ Home visiting helps at-risk families across the U.S. [Web page]. <http://mchb.hrsa.gov/programs/homevisiting/states/index.html>.