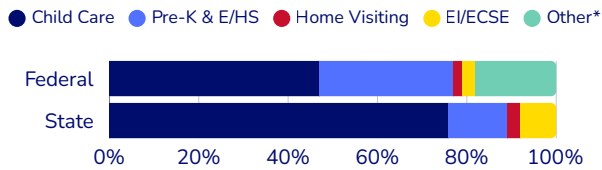


For every dollar spent on school-aged students in Massachusetts, **\$0.14** was spent on infants and toddlers, and **\$0.19** on preschool-aged children.

Massachusetts invested almost **\$1.3 billion** in early care and education in 2023. Of these investments in birth to kindergarten-entry:

- **46%** supported infants and toddlers, and **54%** supported children aged three to kindergarten entry.
- **50%** came from federal sources, and **50%** came from state funds.

### ECE Spending by Program Type

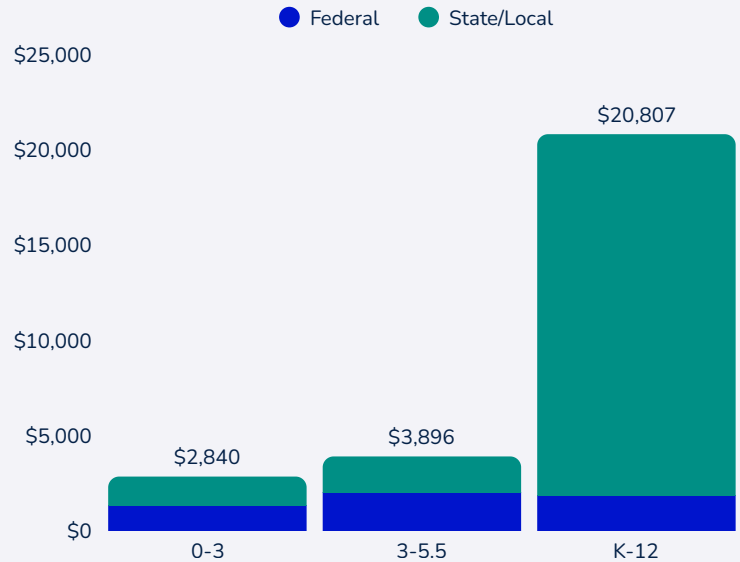


Between 2022 and 2023, Massachusetts increased state-specific spending on children from birth through kindergarten-entry by more than \$287 million.

In 2023, Massachusetts supported early care and education through dedicated programs such as the Commonwealth Preschool Partnerships Initiative and Income-Eligible Child Care. Continued investments, such as a \$475 million annual investment in ECE through the Commonwealth Cares for Children (C3) Operational Grants, will be reflected in future reports.

\*Other federal funding includes the Child and Dependent Care Tax Credit (CDCTC), the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP), and Child Care Access Means Parents in School (CCAMPIS).

### Per Capita Spending by Age Group



### Massachusetts's ECE Investment Rankings

Rankings reflect state/local per capita investment in ECE compared to state/local per capita investment in K-12.

**#14 / 50** in 0-5.5

**#4 / 50** in 0-3

**#24 / 50** in 3-5.5

Rankings are subject to change as new data becomes available.

### Children in Massachusetts by Age Group

**207k**  
0-3

**179k**  
3-5.5

**1M**  
School-Aged

## Total Funding by Spending Category and Age

Category	Nationally Reported Federal Dollars	State and Local Dollars	Nationally Reported Federal + State Dollars			
			0- 3	3-5.5	K-12	Total
Child Care	\$431,716,498	\$711,737,456	\$393,086,925	\$403,517,044	\$346,849,985	\$1,143,453,954
State Preschool/ Early Education	\$-	\$64,121,030	\$-	\$64,121,030	\$-	\$64,121,030
Home Visiting/ Parent Education	\$9,636,603	\$17,108,428	\$23,000,727	\$3,744,304	\$-	\$26,745,031
Early Intervention/ PreK Special Ed	\$20,148,718	\$49,770,895	\$59,031,404	\$10,888,209	\$-	\$69,919,613
Other 0 to 3 Expenditures	\$-	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$-	\$-	\$1,000,000
Other 3 to 5.5 Expenditures	\$-	\$16,499,999	\$-	\$16,499,999	\$-	\$16,499,999
Other 0 to 5.5 Expenditures	\$-	\$3,596,244	\$1,929,096	\$1,667,148	\$-	\$3,596,244
K - 12 Expenditures	\$1,746,319,581	\$19,383,227,352	\$-	\$-	\$21,129,546,933	\$21,129,546,933
Other Federal Funding Streams	\$339,505,846	\$-	\$109,316,954	\$195,788,234	\$34,400,658	\$339,505,846
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,547,327,246</b>	<b>\$20,247,061,404</b>	<b>\$587,365,105</b>	<b>\$696,225,969</b>	<b>\$21,510,797,576</b>	<b>\$22,794,388,650</b>

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