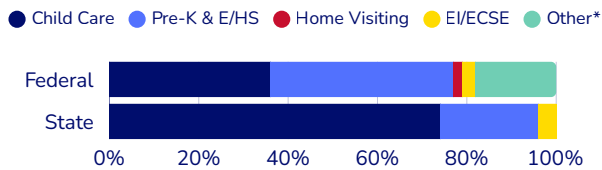


For every dollar spent on school-aged students in Arizona, \$0.13 was spent on infants and toddlers, and \$0.18 on preschool-aged children.

Arizona invested over \$722 million in early care and education in 2023. Of these investments in birth to kindergarten-entry:

- **44%** supported infants and toddlers and **56%** supported children aged three to kindergarten-entry.
- **70%** came from federal sources, and **30%** came from state funds.

ECE Spending by Program Type

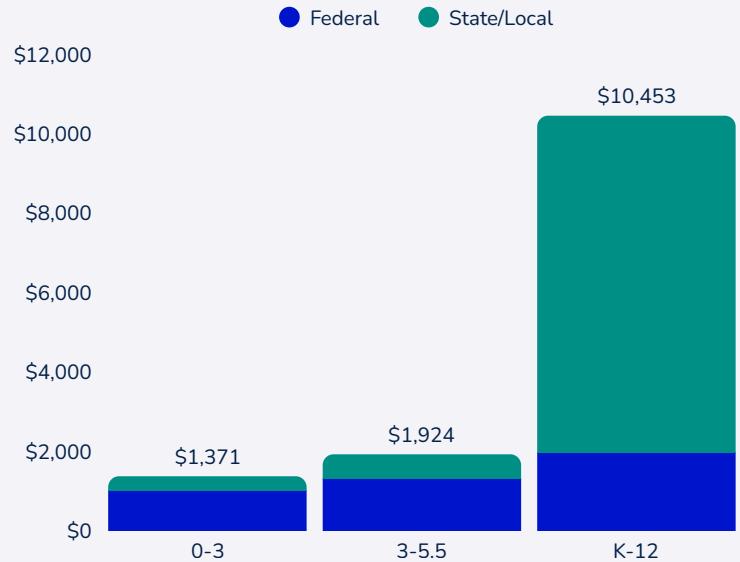


Between 2022 and 2023, Arizona increased state-specific spending on children from birth through kindergarten-entry by more than \$7 million.

In 2023, Arizona supported early care and education through dedicated programs such as the Department of Child Safety Child Care Subsidy, Quality First Scholarships and the Arizona Early Intervention Program. Continued investments, such as a \$45M investment in the Department of Economic Security Child Care Assistance Program, 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



Arizona's ECE Investment Rankings

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

#29 / 50 in 0-5.5

#16 / 50 in 0-3

#34 / 50 in 3-5.5

Rankings are subject to change as new data becomes available.

Children in Arizona by Age Group

227k
0-3

214k
3-5.5

1.2M
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	\$252,218,830	\$32,105,749	\$102,876,300	\$100,516,225	\$80,932,054	\$284,324,579
State Preschool/ Early Education	\$-	\$46,704,745	\$-	\$46,704,745	\$-	\$46,704,745
Home Visiting/ Parent Education	\$12,564,596	\$-	\$10,805,553	\$1,759,043	\$-	\$12,564,596
Early Intervention/ PreK Special Ed	\$16,662,847	\$9,719,000	\$20,370,953	\$6,010,894	\$-	\$26,381,847
Other 0 to 3 Expenditures	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
Other 3 to 5.5 Expenditures	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
Other 0 to 5.5 Expenditures	\$-	\$127,325,600	\$65,542,700	\$61,782,900	\$-	\$127,325,600
K - 12 Expenditures	\$2,262,739,092	\$10,240,130,803	\$-	\$-	\$12,502,869,895	\$12,502,869,895
Other Federal Funding Streams	\$322,688,122	\$-	\$114,143,987	\$184,390,073	\$24,154,062	\$322,688,122
Total	\$2,866,873,487	\$10,455,985,897	\$313,739,493	\$401,163,880	\$12,607,956,011	\$13,322,859,384

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