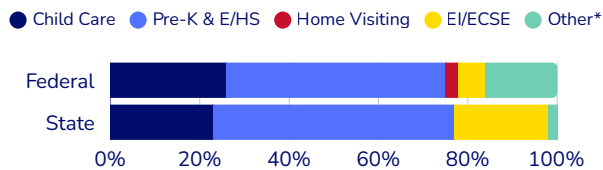


For every dollar spent on school-aged students in Alaska, \$0.07 was spent on infants and toddlers, and \$0.11 on preschool-aged children.

Alaska invested over \$99 million in early care and education in 2023. Of these investments in birth to kindergarten-entry:

- **40%** supported infants and toddlers and **60%** supported children aged three to kindergarten-entry.
- **64%** came from federal sources, and **36%** came from state funds.

ECE Spending by Program Type

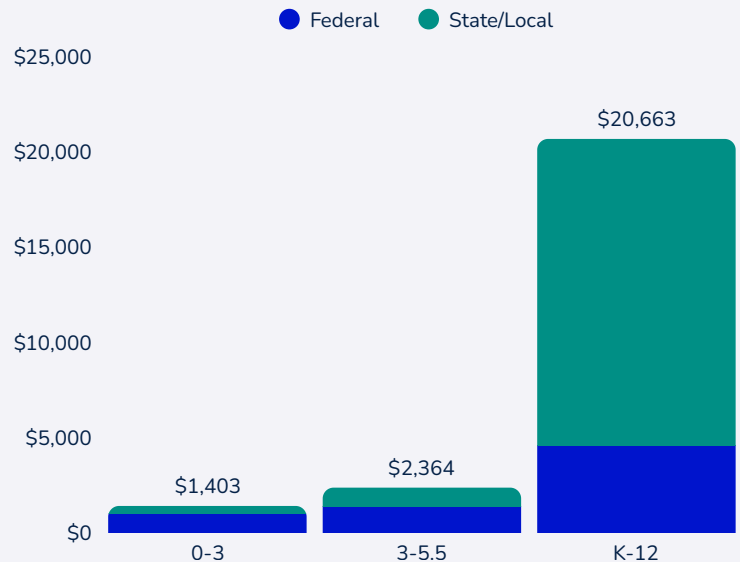


Between 2022 and 2023, Alaska increased state-specific spending on children from birth through kindergarten-entry by more than \$8 million.

In 2023, Alaska supported early care and education through dedicated programs such as the Child Care Benefits Program and Early Learning Coordination. Continued investments 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



Alaska's ECE Investment Rankings

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

#41 / 50 in 0-5.5

#32 / 50 in 0-3

#38 / 50 in 3-5.5

Rankings are subject to change as new data becomes available.

Children in Alaska by Age Group

28k
0-3

25k
3-5.5

129k
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	\$22,252,537	\$11,371,162	\$12,223,186	\$12,242,055	\$9,158,458	\$33,623,699
State Preschool/ Early Education	\$-	\$13,637,200	\$-	\$13,637,200	\$-	\$13,637,200
Home Visiting/ Parent Education	\$1,960,230	\$-	\$1,685,798	\$274,432	\$-	\$1,960,230
Early Intervention/ PreK Special Ed	\$3,982,103	\$7,417,400	\$10,005,123	\$1,394,380	\$-	\$11,399,503
Other 0 to 3 Expenditures	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
Other 3 to 5.5 Expenditures	\$-	\$6,853,000	\$-	\$6,853,000	\$-	\$6,853,000
Other 0 to 5.5 Expenditures	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
K - 12 Expenditures	\$579,505,935	\$2,074,361,733	\$-	\$-	\$2,653,867,668	\$2,653,867,668
Other Federal Funding Streams	\$43,824,956	\$-	\$15,656,172	\$25,437,012	\$2,731,772	\$43,824,956
Total	\$651,525,761	\$2,113,640,495	\$39,570,278	\$59,838,079	\$2,665,757,898	\$2,765,166,256

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