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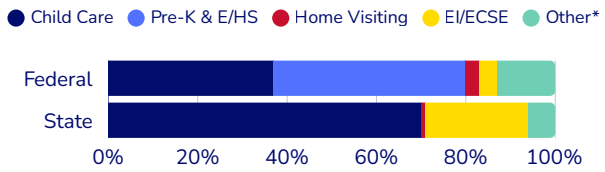
Idaho 2024

For every dollar spent on school-aged students in Idaho, $0.11 was spent on infants and toddlers, and $0.14 on preschool-aged children.

Idaho invested over **$134 million** in early care and education in 2024. Of these investments in birth to kindergarten-entry:

- **45%** supported infants and toddlers, and **55%** supported children aged three to kindergarten-entry.
- **94%** came from federal sources, and **6%** came from state funds.

ECE Spending by Program Type

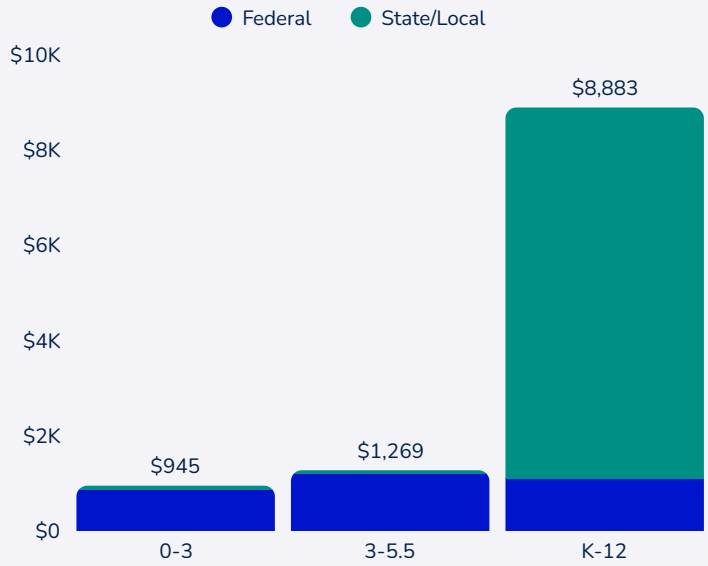


Between 2023 and 2024, Idaho decreased state-specific spending on children from birth through kindergarten-entry by more than $2 million.

In 2024, Idaho supported early care and education through dedicated programs such as Early Intervention. 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



Idaho's ECE Investment Rankings

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

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

#45 /50 **in 0-3**

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

Rankings are subject to change as new data becomes available.

Children in Idaho by Age Group

0-3	3-5.5	School-Aged
64k	**59k**	359k

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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	$65,465,108	$8,143,754	$25,933,791	$26,031,303	$21,643,768	$73,608,862
State Preschool/ Early Education	$-	$-	$-	$-	$-	$-
Home Visiting/ Parent Education	$3,230,334	$74,632	$2,842,271	$462,695	$-	$3,304,966
Early Intervention/ PreK Special Ed	$5,431,088	$1,888,541	$4,903,720	$2,415,909	$-	$7,319,629
Other 0 to 3 Expenditures	$-	$-	$-	$-	$-	$-
Other 3 to 5.5 Expenditures	$-	$498,986	$-	$498,986	$-	$498,986
Other 0 to 5.5 Expenditures	$-	$-	$-	$-	$-	$-
K - 12 Expenditures	$369,858,335	$2,789,987,665	$-	$-	$3,159,846,000	$3,159,846,000
Other Federal Funding Streams	$77,103,450	$-	$26,328,234	$45,187,046	$5,588,170	$77,103,450
Total	$521,088,315	$2,800,593,579	$60,008,016	$74,595,939	$3,187,077,938	$3,321,681,893

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