

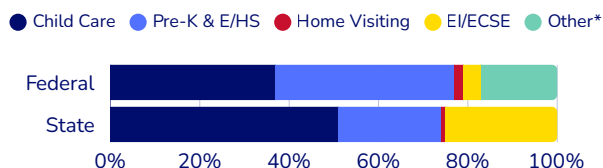
Washington 2024

For every dollar spent on school-aged students in Washington, **\$0.17** was spent on infants and toddlers, and **\$0.31** on preschool-aged children.

Washington invested over **\$1.7 billion** in early care and education in 2024. Of these investments in birth to kindergarten-entry:

- **40%** supported infants and toddlers, and **60%** supported children aged three to kindergarten-entry.
- **29%** came from federal sources, and **71%** came from state funds.

ECE Spending by Program Type

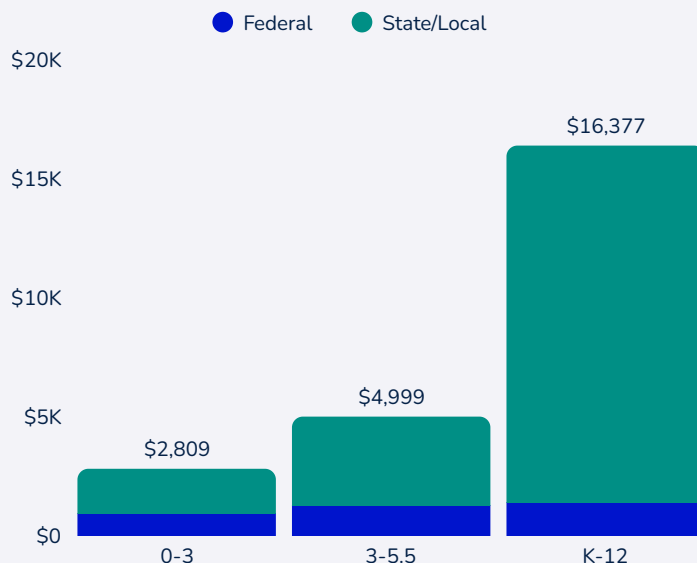


Between 2023 and 2024, Washington increased state-specific spending on children from birth through kindergarten-entry by more than \$510 million.

In 2024, Washington supported early care and education through dedicated programs such as the Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program (ECEAP) and Early Support for Infants and Toddlers. 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



Washington's ECE Investment Rankings

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

#04 /50 in 0-5.5

#02 /50 in 0-3

#05 /50 in 3-5.5

Rankings are subject to change as new data becomes available.

Children in Washington by Age Group

249k
0-3

207k
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	\$269,955,531	\$924,545,000	\$406,483,954	\$401,673,678	\$386,342,898	\$1,194,500,531
State Preschool/ Early Education	\$-	\$279,381,146	\$-	\$279,381,146	\$-	\$279,381,146
Home Visiting/ Parent Education	\$11,261,560	\$15,095,500	\$22,667,072	\$3,689,988	\$-	\$26,357,060
Early Intervention/ PreK Special Ed	\$20,522,916	\$316,368,885	\$150,505,312	\$186,386,489	\$-	\$336,891,801
Other 0 to 3 Expenditures	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
Other 3 to 5.5 Expenditures	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
Other 0 to 5.5 Expenditures	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
K - 12 Expenditures	\$1,633,899,604	\$18,251,373,250	\$-	\$-	\$19,885,272,854	\$19,885,272,854
Other Federal Funding Streams	\$315,358,129	\$-	\$121,083,680	\$165,467,187	\$28,807,261	\$315,358,129
Total	\$2,250,997,740	\$19,786,763,780	\$700,740,018	\$1,036,598,489	\$20,300,423,013	\$22,037,761,520

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