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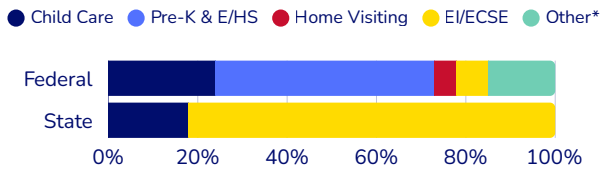
Wyoming 2024

For every dollar spent on school-aged students in Wyoming, $0.10 was spent on infants and toddlers, and $0.19 on preschool-aged children.

Wyoming invested over **$90 million** in early care and education in 2024. Of these investments in birth to kindergarten-entry:

- **39%** supported infants and toddlers, and **61%** supported children aged three to kindergarten-entry.
- **58%** came from federal sources, and **42%** came from state funds.

ECE Spending by Program Type

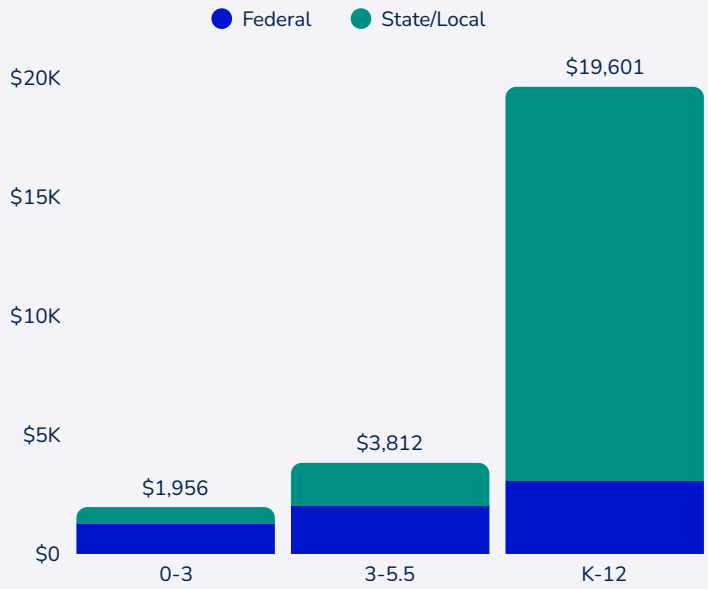


Between 2023 and 2024, Wyoming increased state-specific spending on children from birth through kindergarten-entry by more than $2 million.

In 2024, Wyoming supported early care and education through dedicated programs such as the Early Intervention and Education Program (EIEP). 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



Wyoming's ECE Investment Rankings

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

#25 /50 in 0-5.5

#22 /50 in 0-3

#24 /50 in 3-5.5

Rankings are subject to change as new data becomes available.

Children in Wyoming by Age Group

0-3	3-5.5	School-Aged
18k	14k	95k

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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	$16,462,098	$9,214,603	$9,756,346	$9,611,165	$6,309,190	$25,676,701
State Preschool/ Early Education	$-	$-	$-	$-	$-	$-
Home Visiting/ Parent Education	$2,725,067	$-	$2,343,558	$381,509	$-	$2,725,067
Early Intervention/ PreK Special Ed	$3,771,277	$31,389,875	$11,575,446	$23,585,706	$-	$35,161,152
Other 0 to 3 Expenditures	$-	$-	$-	$-	$-	$-
Other 3 to 5.5 Expenditures	$-	$-	$-	$-	$-	$-
Other 0 to 5.5 Expenditures	$-	$-	$-	$-	$-	$-
K - 12 Expenditures	$288,928,401	$1,573,571,599	$-	$-	$1,862,500,000	$1,862,500,000
Other Federal Funding Streams	$35,130,314	$-	$11,804,700	$21,522,585	$1,803,029	$35,130,314
Total	$347,017,157	$1,614,176,077	$35,480,049	$55,100,966	$1,870,612,219	$1,961,193,234

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