

For every dollar spent on K-12-aged students in Georgia, **\$0.09** was spent on infants and toddlers, and **\$0.22** on preschool-aged children.

In 2022, Georgia invested almost \$1.3 billion in early care and education, yet almost \$40 million – about 3% of total spending – was not reflected in national reports, leaving some state and local investments uncaptured.

Of these investments in birth to K-entry:

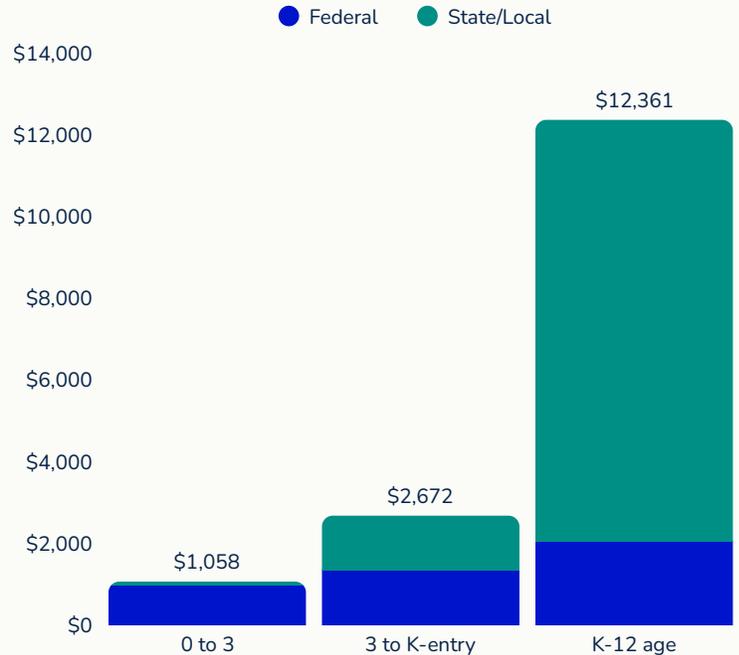
- 29% supported infants and toddlers
- 71% supported children age three to kindergarten entry
- 63% came from federal sources
- 37% came from state funds

In 2022, Georgia supported early care and education through dedicated programs such as Child Care Services and Georgia Pre-K. Continued investments, such as additional funding to reduce Pre-K class sizes and support salary parity between Pre-K and K-12 teachers, will be reflected in future reports.



Scan or click the QR code to learn more about The Shortchanged Project.

## Per Capita Spending by Age Group



## Georgia's ECE Investment Rankings

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

**#23 / 50** in 0 to K-entry

**#48 / 50** in 0-3

**#15 / 50** in 3 to K-entry

Rankings are subject to change as new data becomes available.

## Children in Georgia by Age Group

**360k**  
0-3

**341k**  
3- K-Entry

**1.9M**  
K-12 age

## Total Funding by Spending Category and Age

Category	Nationally Reported Federal Dollars	State and Local Actual Dollars	Nationally Reported Federal + State Actual			
			0 to 3	3 to 5.5	K - 12	Total
Child Care	\$459,039,693	\$81,910,087	\$178,867,972	\$186,916,194	\$175,165,614	\$540,949,780
State Preschool/ Early Education	\$ -	\$386,946,908	\$ -	\$386,946,908	\$ -	\$386,946,908
Home Visiting/ Parent Education	\$6,998,045	\$ -	\$6,018,319	\$979,726	\$ -	\$6,998,045
Early Intervention/ PreK Special Ed	\$26,171,236	\$39,779,165	\$15,578,751	\$50,371,650	\$ -	\$65,950,401
Other 0 to 3 Expenditures	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Other 3 to 5.5 Expenditures	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Other 0 to 5.5 Expenditures	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
K - 12 Expenditures	\$ -	\$19,516,638,010	\$ -	\$ -	\$19,516,638,010	\$19,516,638,010
Other Federal Funding Streams	\$527,085,955	\$ -	\$179,907,938	\$286,235,075	\$60,942,942	\$527,085,955
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,019,294,929</b>	<b>\$20,025,274,170</b>	<b>\$380,372,980</b>	<b>\$911,449,553</b>	<b>\$19,752,746,566</b>	<b>\$21,044,569,099</b>

### Help us get this right.

We rely on partners and state experts to ensure our data is accurate. If something here needs a correction, please reach out: [mbezark@niu.edu](mailto:mbezark@niu.edu)