



IMPACT PROJECT TECHNICAL REPORT 2024

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Iowa Family Support Programs

Data for the Iowa Family Support programs Impact project were collected from DAISEY (a data management system) for all Early Childhood Iowa funded support programs, Iowa Department of Education Shared Vision Parent Support programs, Iowa Department of Human Services Child Abuse Prevention home visiting and parent education programming, ICAPP/CBCAP, IHHS HOPES Healthy Families Iowa programs, and the Iowa Health & Human Services (IHHS) funded Maternal and Infant, Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) programs. Additional data were provided outside of DAISEY by Early Head Start (EHS) home-based services. This report characterizes data collected over a 12-month period representing Fiscal Year 2023 for state and federally funded family support programs. The fiscal year for state programs extends from July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023, and October 1, 2022, through September 30, 2023 for IHHS funded MIECHV programs.

Data provided by EHS includes the total number of families served in their program for the 2022-2023 reporting year. The report does not produce an unduplicated count of children and families because funding is frequently braided to support the cost of the family support service. Calculations are based on those assessments or fields that were completed in DAISEY.

What is Family Support?

Since 1989, Iowa has been in the forefront of supporting and empowering parents in their most important role of raising the next generation of Iowans. Service delivery is intended to reach all communities across the state by providing home visiting in every Iowa county. Family support programs in Iowa are voluntary and include group-based parent education or home visiting programs that are designed to strengthen protective factors, including parenting skills, increasing parental knowledge of child development, and increasing family functioning and problem solving skills. Family support professionals screen children's development at regular intervals to ensure that they are meeting developmental milestones. They also assist families with referrals to other helpful resources. Iowa's home visiting programs target new or expecting parents with risk factors such as low income, low educational attainment or other situations that put stress on the family. Group-based parent education programs are typically open to any parent with a young child to attend.

2024 INDICATORS & DATA

Reach



Demographics

RACE

White: 71% (4,912/6,966)
Black or African American: 13% (877/6,966)
Asian: 12% (855/6,966)
Multiracial: 2% (107/6,966)

ETHNICITY

Not Hispanic or Latino: 80% (5543/6,966)
Hispanic or Latino: 20% (1,423/6,966)

Service

Home visits: 64,695
Families served: 9,699
Children served: 9,052
Families enrolled prenatally: 37% (2,357/6,398)

Maternal & Child



Maternal Depression Outlook

78% of caregivers who screen positive using the Edinburg Postnatal Depression Scale were referred to or were already receiving services (214/274)

Healthy Children

98% of children received their recommended well-child visit based on the American Academy of Pediatrics schedule (698/709)

Access to Healthcare

88% of caregivers were insured (897/1,016)
98% of children were insured (717/730)

School Readiness



Early Literacy

88% of families report they read, tell stories, and/or sing songs with their children every day during a typical week (631/714)

Early Intervention

58% of age eligible children were screened for developmental delays using the ASQ screening tool (3,430/5,922)

86% of children who screened positive for delays received referrals or were already enrolled in services (560/651)

In 97% of home visits, caregivers were asked if they have any concerns about their child's developmental, behavior, or learning, during home visits (10,569/10,892)

Strong Families



Prevention

91% of families reported to have improved or maintained family functioning using the Life Skills Progression (LSP) and Protective Factors Survey (PFS) (3,950/4,352)

88% of families reported to have improved or maintained social supports (3,817/4,352)

71% of families reported to have improved concrete supports (3,104/4,352)

Safety

6.5% of families reported that their children had an injury related visit to the ER (35/718)

98% of primary caregivers were screened for interpersonal violence (352/360)

2% of the caregivers who were screened for interpersonal violence screened positive. (8/352).

*50% of those who screened positive for interpersonal violence received a referral for services (4/8).

*Percentage is unstable because the denominator is below 10.