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Compiled by the Illinois Early Childhood Asset Map (IECAM), this report is a joint effort of the major funders of home visiting in Illinois for the state Fiscal Year 2024 (July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024).

As of July 1, 2026, all these programs are under the new Illinois Department of Early Childhood. Below are some notes on FY2024 funding streams and data sources:

- **Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE)** Prevention Initiative (PI). In addition to providing direct grants to home visiting programs outside Chicago, ISBE annually provides 37% of its Early Childhood Block Grant (ECBG) funds to Chicago Public Schools. Some of those Chicago funds go through Chicago's Department of Family and Support Services (DFSS) for early care and education programming. ISBE data include data from Chicago programs.

- **Early Head Start/Head Start** (EHS/HS) home-based services. The federal Administration for Children and Families provides EHS/HS grants directly to grantees (these funds do not go through state agencies). Note that EHS/HS data are based on cumulative enrollment and include the total number of children served *and* pregnant participants. These data cannot be separated because services for children and pregnant participants are fully integrated and separating the data would impact other data elements.

- **Illinois Department of Human Services (IDHS).** IDHS provides grants to home visiting programs across the state. Starting in FY23, this state funding stream became known as IDHS Division of Early Childhood Home Visiting. IDHS home visiting programs also changed titles, with Healthy Families Illinois (HFI) becoming State HV and Parents Too Soon (PTS) becoming Maternal Child Home Visiting (MCHV). Note that HFI providers used the Cornerstone system for recordkeeping and reporting through mid-FY21. There are concerns about the quality of data in Cornerstone, which was retired for this purpose in FY21. In FY20 and FY21, IDHS used an electronic survey to collect year-end data from HFI programs for this report. Since FY22, HFI programs, and now State HV, have used the Visit Tracker data system.

- **Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV).** The federal Health Services and Resources Administration provides MIECHV grants to state and tribal entities. In Illinois, these federal funds are administered by the Illinois Department of Human Services (IDHS). Illinois MIECHV-funded programs use the Visit Tracker data system.

- **MCHV/PTS.** The Start Early Home Visiting and Doula Network (HVDN) receives public funding from multiple sources, including ISBE PI and the IDHS Maternal Child Home Visiting program (MCHV). Start Early then subcontracts with home visiting programs to implement direct services. The Start Early data only includes programs funded by the IDHS MCHV program; it does not include data already included in the ISBE PI data. These programs use the DataPoints data system.

The home visiting system in Illinois is complex and diverse. Multiple funding streams and numerous state, federal, and model requirements have resulted in varying data collection policies and the use of several different data management systems across programs, models, and funders in Illinois. These variations make it difficult to aggregate home visiting data, and some numbers may have been estimated. When necessary, notes have been provided below to provide clarity to the summarized data.

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Summary of Select Elements

Funding. Table 1 shows a continuing gradual increase in funding for home visiting programs across the state over the past four years, with a 6.8% increase for FY2024. After a slight decrease in funding for FY22, ISBE has increased funding more than 20% over the past two years. After relatively flat funding for five years, the IDHS State Home Visiting budget increased 23.6% in FY24.

Completed Home Visits. The number of home visits (Table 2) increased for all programs, most notably a 21% increase for MIECHV.

Children and Primary Caregivers Served. The total number of children served (Table 3) increased by about 400 children, or 2%. The age and race/ethnicity of the children served are presented in Tables 5 and 6. The total number of primary caregivers served (Table 7) increased by about 10%. The age and race/ethnicity of the primary caregivers are presented in Tables 8 and 9, with educational attainment of primary caregivers shown in Table 10. This table indicates the number and percentage of caregivers with less than a high school diploma and those enrolled in a GED program or in high school at the time of enrollment.

Home Visiting Models. Funders distribute money to home visiting programs that have adopted different models, including Baby TALK, Early Head Start (EHS), Head Start, Healthy Families America, Nurse-Family Partnership, and Parents as Teachers. Among Illinois children served by home visiting, the highest percentage is served by Parents as Teachers (42%), followed by EHS/HS (24%) and Baby TALK (20%) (see Table 4).

Illinois Home Visiting FY2024

Each of these tables and charts includes data directly from each data source (e.g., IDHS, ISBE) for fiscal years 2018 through 2024 (unless otherwise noted). Notes are included to refer the reader to either introductory remarks or clarifying information about the data.

Table 1. Total Funding for Home Visiting Programs, FY2018–2024

Funder	FY18	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24
ISBE	53,797,622	65,893,425	68,252,181	70,145,952	67,065,021	74,679,346	80,901,247
EHS/HS	46,828,293	47,103,527	47,103,527	75,014,416	88,243,570	82,739,542	85,006,541
IDHS	10,040,000	10,040,000	10,040,000	10,040,000	10,040,000	10,576,000	13,076,000
MCHV/PTS	5,647,290	9,318,338	9,474,793	9,634,388	8,664,631	11,444,348	11,444,348
MIECHV	8,618,833	8,107,541	9,461,228	8,816,464	8,683,114	8,239,608	9,943,006
TOTAL	**124,932,038**	**140,462,831**	**144,331,729**	**173,651,220**	**182,696,336**	**187,678,844**	**200,371,142**

Note: The ISBE and IDHS totals include funding for infrastructure activities, including professional development supports (mental health consultation, technical assistance, and monitoring).

Starting in FY23, Parents Too Soon (PTS) became Maternal Child Home Visiting (MCHV).

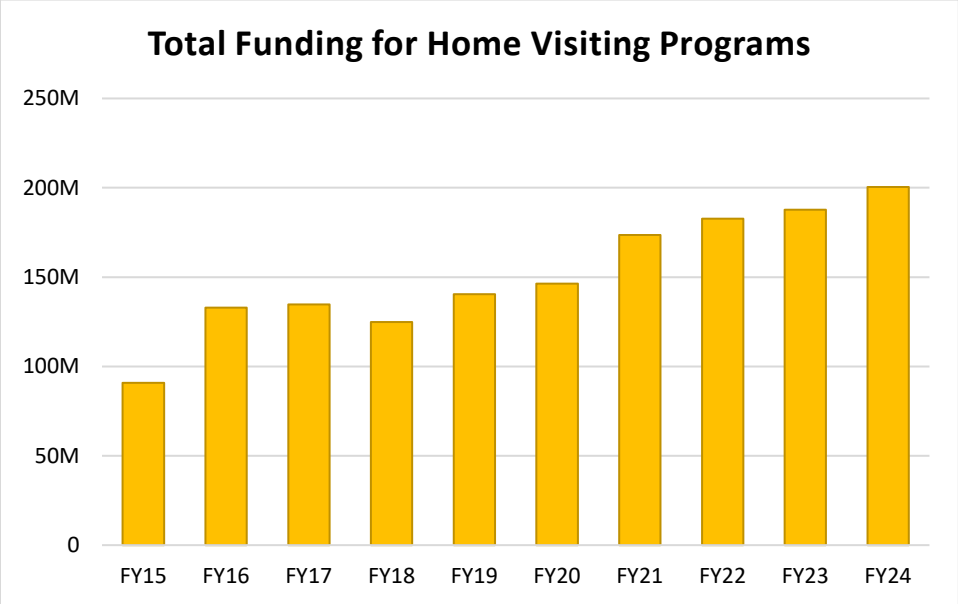

Table 2. Number of Completed Home Visits, FY2018–2024							
Funder	**FY18**	**FY19**	**FY20**	**FY21**	**FY22**	**FY23**	**FY24**
ISBE	128,448	142,303	167,673	159,635	140,384	140,458	144,634
EHS/HS	213,210	172,730	172,730	208,610	213,148	203,154	210,546
IDHS	16,276	4,361	23,150	23,685	19,670	20,822	22,573
MCHV/PTS	11,117	12,300	13,968	13,785	11,491	10,586	10,951
MIECHV	9,765*	12,456*	11,895*	10,341*	9,132	9,836	11,942
TOTAL	**378,816**	**344,150**	**389,416**	**416,056**	**393,825**	**384,856**	**400,646**

**From FY18–FY21, MIECHV reported the number of visits regardless of completion.*
Please see notes about the EHS data and the quality of IDHS data at the beginning of this report.

Table 3. Total Number of Children Served, FY2018–2024							
Funder	**FY18**	**FY19**	**FY20**	**FY21**	**FY22**	**FY23**	**FY24**
ISBE	10,057	13,231	13,464	13,134	12,574	12,018	12,386
EHS/HS	5,752	5,455	5,455	3,869	5,484	4,866	4,704
IDHS	1,731	644	1,412	1,450	1,320	1,340	1,445
MCHV/PTS	844	861	938	824	1,027	974	1,006
MIECHV	811	995	876	759	757	857	916
TOTAL	**19,195**	**21,186**	**22,145**	**20,036**	**21,162**	**20,055**	**20,457**

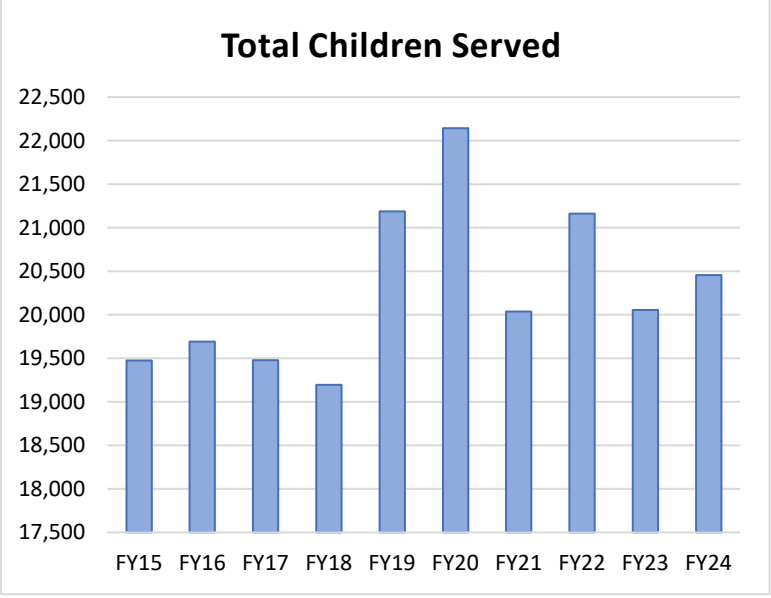

Table 4. Total Number of Programs and Children Served by Model, FY2024

	PAT		EHS/HS		HFA		Baby TALK		NFP		TOTAL	
Funder	**N**	**Children**	**N**	**Children**	**N**	**Children**	**N**	**Children**	**N**	**Children**	**Programs**	**Children**
ISBE	86	7,303	13	92	9	824	64	4,061	7	106	179	**12,386**
EHS/HS			38	4,704							38	**4,704**
IDHS	3	141	1	25	29	1,279					33	**1,445**
MCHV/PTS	9	579			7	427					16	**1,006**
MIECHV	10	574			8	342					18	**916**
Total	**108**	**8,597**	**52**	**4,821**	**53**	**2,872**	**64**	**4,061**	**7**	**106**	**284**	**20,457**
Percent		**42%**		**24%**		**14%**		**20%**		**<1%**		**100%**

N = Number of programs; PAT = Parents as Teachers; HFA = Healthy Families America; NFP = Nurse-Family Partnership

EHS/HS includes 649 pregnant participants. All percentages in this report are rounded.

Table 5. Age of Children Served, FY2024

Funder	Under 1 year	1–2 years	3–5 years	Unknown*	Pregnant	Total
ISBE	3,906	7,603	877			12,386
EHS/HS	1,149	2,888	435	232		4,704
IDHS	793	438	214			1,445
MCHV/PTS	336	281	129	31	229	1,006
MIECHV	421	332	163			916
TOTAL	**6,605**	**11,542**	**1,818**	**263**	**229**	**20,457**
Percent	**32%**	**56%**	**9%**	**1%**	**1%**	**100%**

** MCHV/PTS reported serving 31 children age 6 and older.*

Table 6. Ethnicity and Race of Children Served, FY2024												
	Ethnicity				**Race**							
Funder	**Hispanic or Latino**	**Not Hispanic or Latino**	**Unk.**	**Total**	**American Indian or Alaskan Native**	**Asian**	**Black or African American**	**Native Hawaiian Pacific Islander**	**White**	**More than one race**	**Unk.**	**Total**
ISBE	4,394	7,992	0	12,386	24	400	2,010	18	4,562	951	27*	7,992
EHS/HS	1,889	2,815	0	4,704	21	94	1,648	4	1,906	333	698	4,704
IDHS	447	995	3	1,445	7	73	366	1	759	213	26	1,445
MCHV/PTS	386	592	28	1,006	3	0	476	2	314	51	160	1,006
MIECHV	343	572	1	916	1	5	376	2	349	181	2	916
TOTAL	7,459	12,966	32	20,457	56	572	4,876	27	7,890	1,729	913	16,063
Percent	**36%**	**63%**	**0%**	**100%**	**<1%**	**4%**	**30%**	**<1%**	**49%**	**11%**	**6%**	**100%**

EHS/HS cumulative enrollment includes pregnant participants.

Note: ISBE includes Hispanic or Latino as a race option. Therefore, race total (far right) only reflects "Not Hispanic or Latino" count.
**Unknown for ISBE were reported as Middle Eastern or North African.*

Table 7. Total Number of Primary Caregivers Served, FY2018–2024							
Funder	**FY18**	**FY19**	**FY20**	**FY21**	**FY22**	**FY23**	**FY24**
ISBE	10,258	13,550	13,856	13,533	13,156	12,615	12,977
EHS/HS	4,999	4,651	4,651	3,451	4,421	3,914	N/A
IDHS	1,437	787	1,410	1,451	1,542	1,568	1,616
MCHV/PTS	1,024	1,025	1,011	907	891	851	874
MIECHV	772	930	828	717	700	760	834
TOTAL	**18,490**	**20,943**	**21,756**	**20,059**	**20,710**	**19,708**	**20,412**

MIECHV and MCHV/PTS totals include pregnant participants.

Table 8. Age of Primary Caregivers Served, FY2024												
	Ages											
Funder	**<=17**	**18–19**	**20–21**	**22–24**	**25–29**	**30–34**	**35–44**	**45–54**	**55–64**	**65+**	**Unk.**	**Total**
ISBE	190	225	525	1,430	3,420	3,481	3,341	277	55	33	0	12,977
IDHS	75	118	221	307	407	247	186	21	10	0	24	1,616
MCHV/PTS	87	135	168	245	158	50	31	0	0	0	0	874
MIECHV	43	71	70	153	200	130	141	12	6	2	6	834
TOTAL	395	549	984	2,135	4,185	3,908	3,699	310	71	35	30	16,301
Percent	**2%**	**3%**	**6%**	**13%**	**26%**	**24%**	**23%**	**2%**	**0%**	**0%**	**0%**	**100%**

EHS/HS data are not available. IDHS and MIECHV totals include pregnant participants.

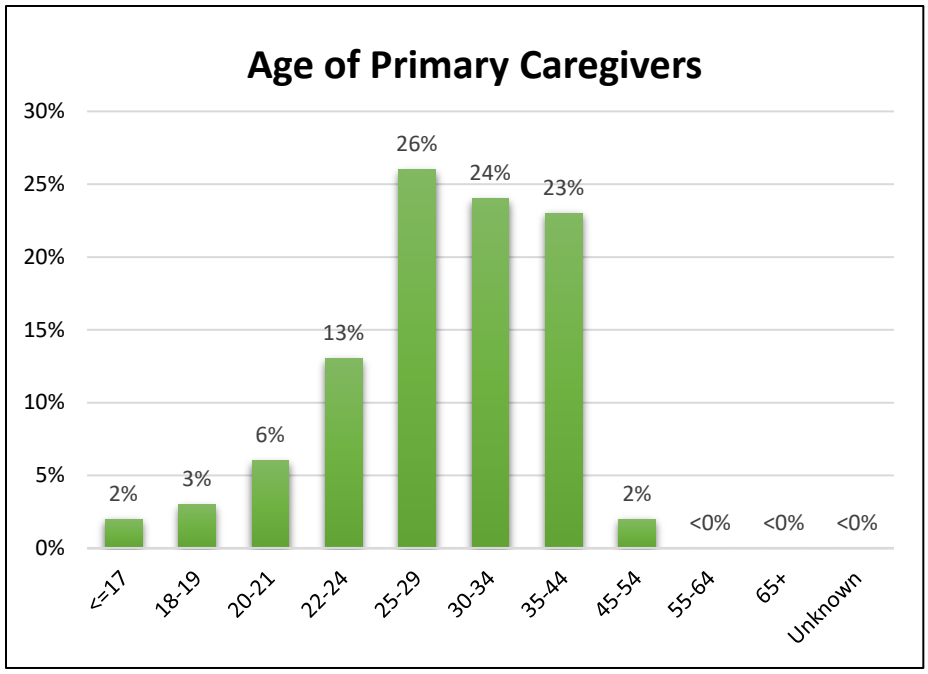

Table 9. Ethnicity and Race of Primary Caregivers Served, FY2024

	Ethnicity				Race							
Funder	Hispanic or Latino	Not Hispanic or Latino	Unk.	Total	American Indian or Alaska Native	Asian	Black or African American	Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	White	More than one race	Unk.	Total
ISBE	4,028	8,949	0	12,977	135	451	2,156	45	5,638	476	48*	8,949
IDHS	446	1,166	4	1,616	11	98	392	4	936	144	31	1,616
MIECHV	282	474	4	760	2	8	269	4	327	149	1	760
MCHV/PTS	323	539	12	874	15	0	418	2	277	23	139	874
TOTAL	**4,526**	**11,243**	**25**	**15,794**	**125**	**634**	**3,292**	**50**	**7,250**	**753**	**144**	**12,199**
Percent	**29%**	**71%**	**<1%**	**100%**	**1%**	**5%**	**27%**	**<1%**	**59%**	**6%**	**1%**	**100%**

Data for EHS/HS were not available.

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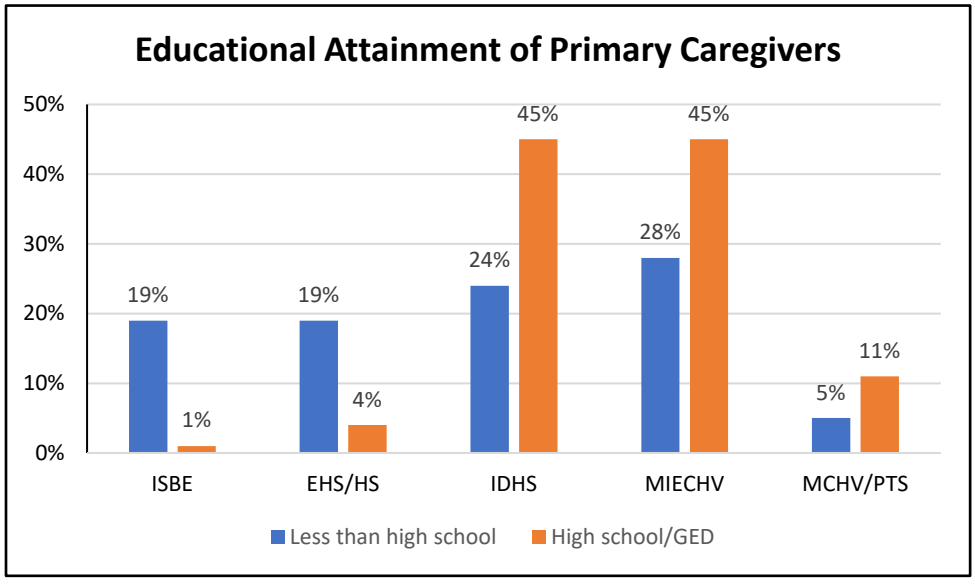
Table 10. Educational Attainment of Primary Caregivers Served at Time of Enrollment, FY2024

		Less Than High School Diploma but Not in a High School/GED Program		Enrolled in High School or GED Programs	
Funder	Total Primary Caregivers	Number	Percent of Total	Number	Percent of Total
ISBE	12,977	2,521	19%	168	1%
EHS/HS	4,111	780	19%	176	4%
IDHS	1,616	387	24%	733	45%
MIECHV	834	232	28%	376	45%
MCHV/PTS	874	43	5%	96	11%
TOTAL	**20,412**	**3,963**	**19%**	**1,549**	**8%**



Note: The data definition for this metric was changed from past years.

Table 11. Number and Percent of Participants Living in Households With Incomes at Various Poverty Levels, FY2024

Funder	Federal Poverty Level	Number	Percent
ISBE *Children served*	At or below 50% FPL	3,291	26.6%
	51–100% FPL	3,694	29.8%
	101–200% FPL	4,180	33.7%
	201–400% FPL	1,115	9.0%
	Did not collect	106	0.9%
EHS/HS	At or below 100% FPL	1,442	30.7%
	101–130% FPL	99	2.1%
IDHS *Households served*	At or below 50% FPL	680	46.5%
	51–100% FPL	441	30.2%
	101–133% FPL	154	10.5%
	134–200% FPL	113	7.7%
	201–300% FPL	25	1.7%
	Above 300% FPL	11	0.8%
	Unknown/Did not report	38	2.6%
MIECHV *Households served*	At or below 50% FPL	375	46.4%
	51–100% FPL	300	37.1%
	101–133% FPL	58	7.2%
	134–200% FPL	40	5.0%
	201–300% FPL	10	1.2%
	Above 301% FPL	6	0.7%
	Unknown/Did Not Report	19	2.4%
MCHV/PTS	At or below 400% FPL	1006	100%
	Above 400% FPL	0	0%

Percentages are for those where income was reported.

** For EHS/HS, participants could qualify for other reasons, such as their families receiving TANF or SSI or being in foster care or homeless.*

Table 12. Selected Economic Indicators, FY2024

Funder	Economic Indicator	Number
MCHV/PTS	Children/families receiving WIC	779
	Children/families receiving TANF	220
EHS/HS	Children/families receiving TANF, SNAP, or SSI	2,507

ISBE, IDHS, and MIECHV did not report this data.