



Cabinet Meeting

FRIDAY, AUGUST 5, 2022





Welcome & Approval of Minutes

KIM MOORE, CHAIR





Dolly Parton Imagination
Library Advisory Board

MELISSA ROOKER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



DOLLY PARTON'S IMAGINATION LIBRARY

The purpose of the DPIL Advisory Committee is to assist the Cabinet in activities related to promoting, growing and sustaining the Imagination Library Program. The Advisory Committee will be tasked with providing input regarding the formation of a 501c3 nonprofit foundation for Dolly Parton's Imagination Library of Kansas and identifying opportunities for growing private sector support for the program. Membership will include representatives of the business sector, philanthropy, education, elected officials and interested Children's Cabinet members.

Advisory Committee



DPIL SLATE

DiAnne Graham | Kansas Children's Cabinet and Trust Fund Board Member

Rep. Troy Waymaster | Kansas House

Betsy Wearing | Dane G Hansen Foundation

Scott Hall | Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce

Nancy Wallerstein | Johnson County

Lisa Gleason | United Way of Reno County

Zach Vincent | Governor's Office

Advisory Committee



DPIL ADVISORY BOARD APPROVAL

- Motion
- Second
- Vote

- Sen. Renee Erickson
- LeEtta Felter
- DiAnne Owen Graham
- Deliece Hofen
- Monica Murnan
- Terri Rice
- Dr. Tyler Smith
- John Wilson
- Cabinet Chair, Kim Moore

Children's Cabinet





Early Childhood Block Grant Evaluation

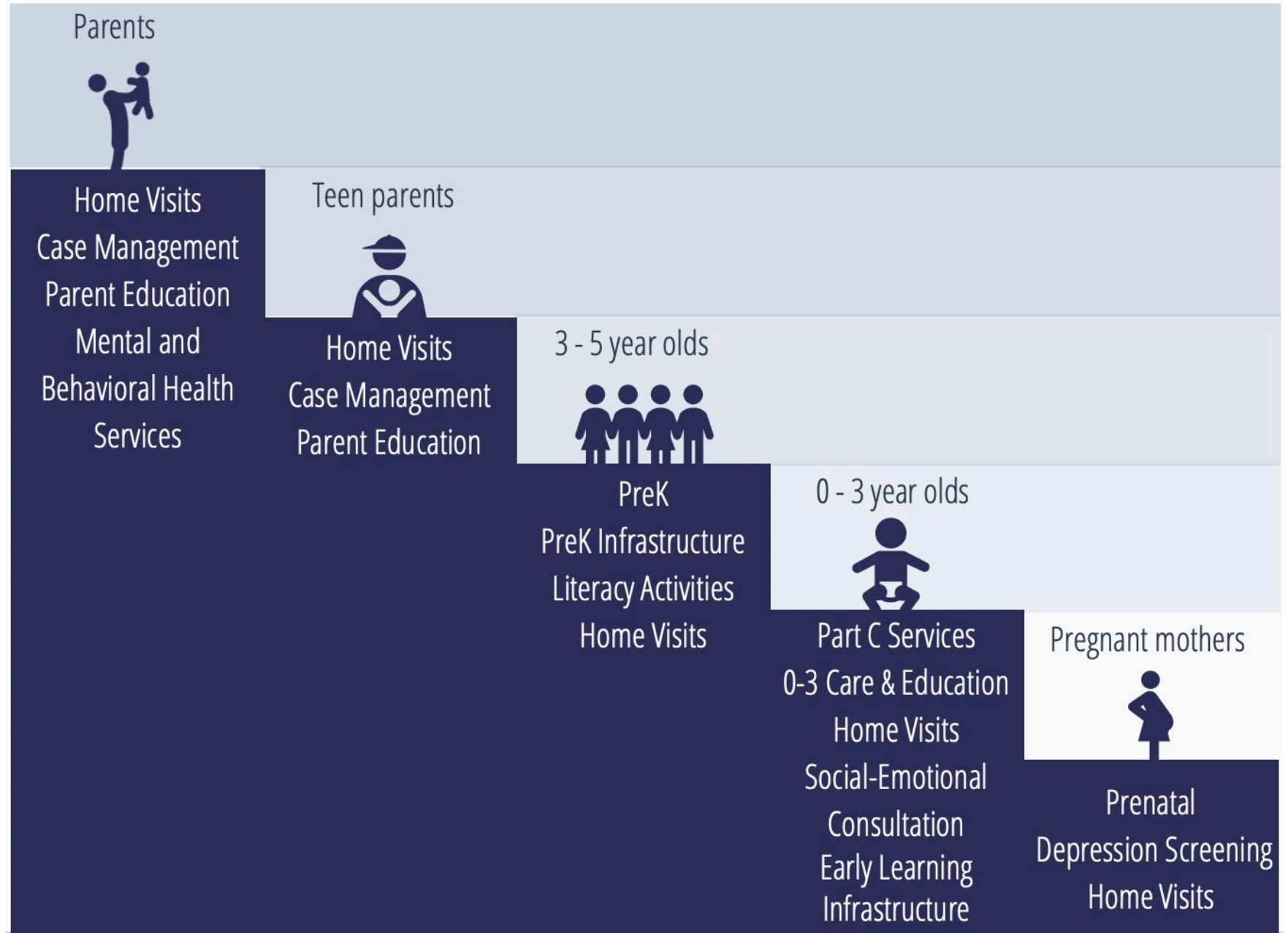
LYNN SCHREPFERMAN, WSU



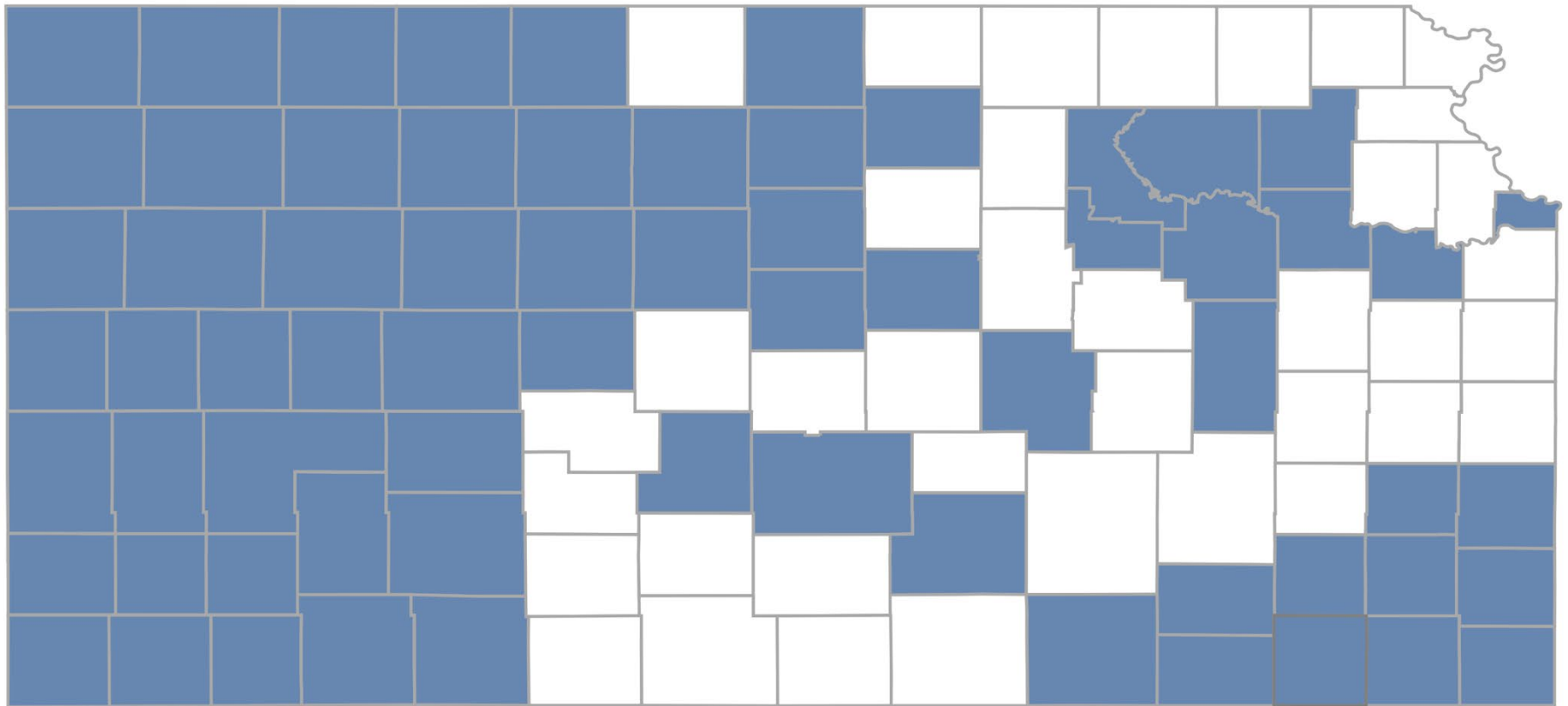


KCCTF
2021-2022 Evaluation Report

Range of Services



Early Childhood Block Grant Counties Served





Early Childhood Block Grant (ECBG)

2021-2022



Risk Factors

This report contains descriptive information for children and families served during the 2021-2022 grant year as well as longitudinal data from 2017-2022.

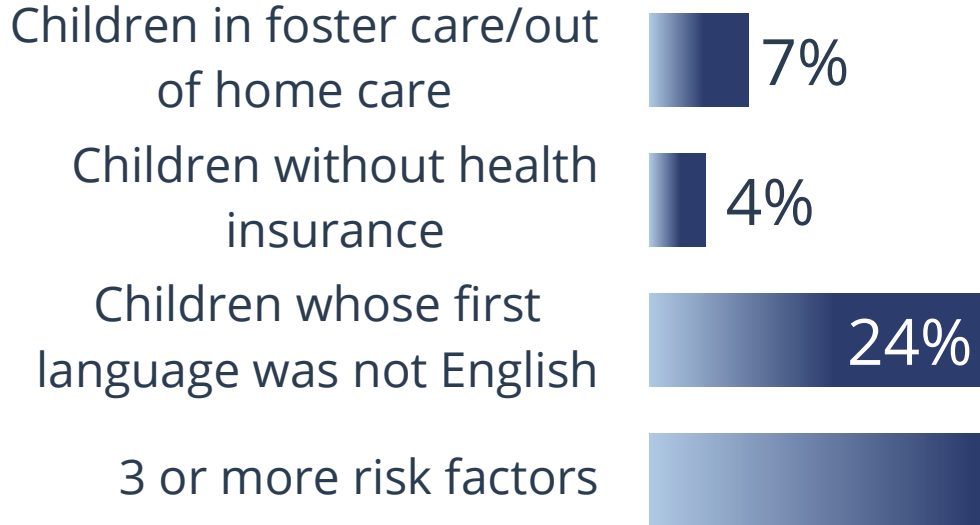
KCCTF Risk Factors

- Family income qualifying for the federal free and reduced-price lunch program
- Children and families whose primary language is not English
- Children at risk for developmental delay (ASQ-3 or ASQ:SE-2) or who have an established delay (Part B or Part C)
- Migrant families
- Children without health insurance
- Children in foster care/custody of a relative/out of home/DCF
- Caregivers with less than a high school education
- Teen parents
- Families without stable housing
- Custodial parent is unmarried

2021-2022 Children

6719 children served

Risk Factors



2021-2022 Families

5968 families served

Risk Factors

45% Unmarried

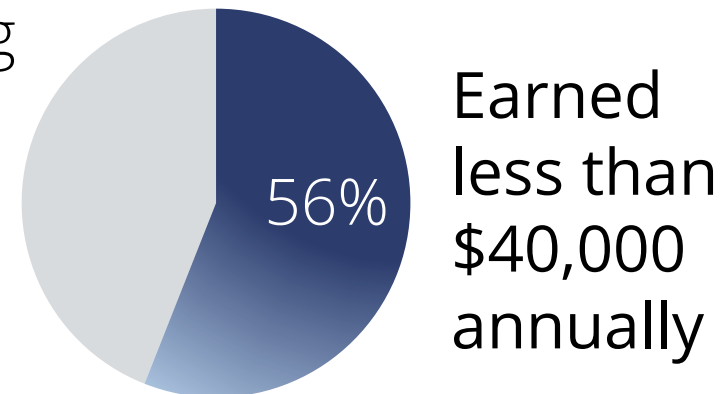
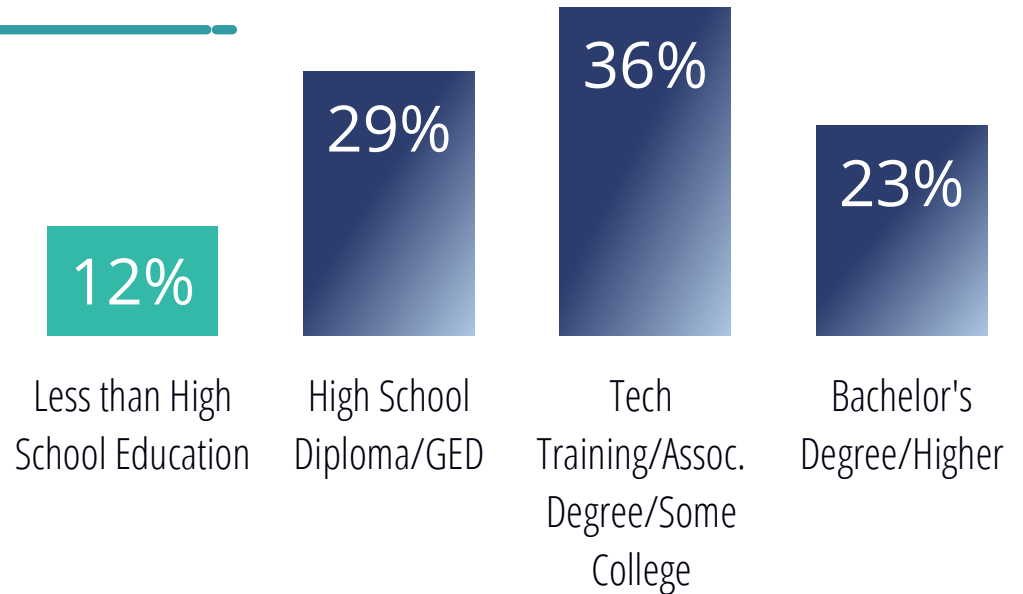
6% Teen Parents

1% Migrant Families

4% Families without Stable Housing

69% Free & Reduced-Price Lunch

28% English is not the primary language in the home



Healthy Development - Early Identification

Early & Frequent
Screening



Early
Intervention



Better Outcomes &
Lower Cost



Developmental & Social-Emotional Screening Utilization

Programs use screenings to:



Educate parents on developmental stages



Address and inform parent and teacher concerns



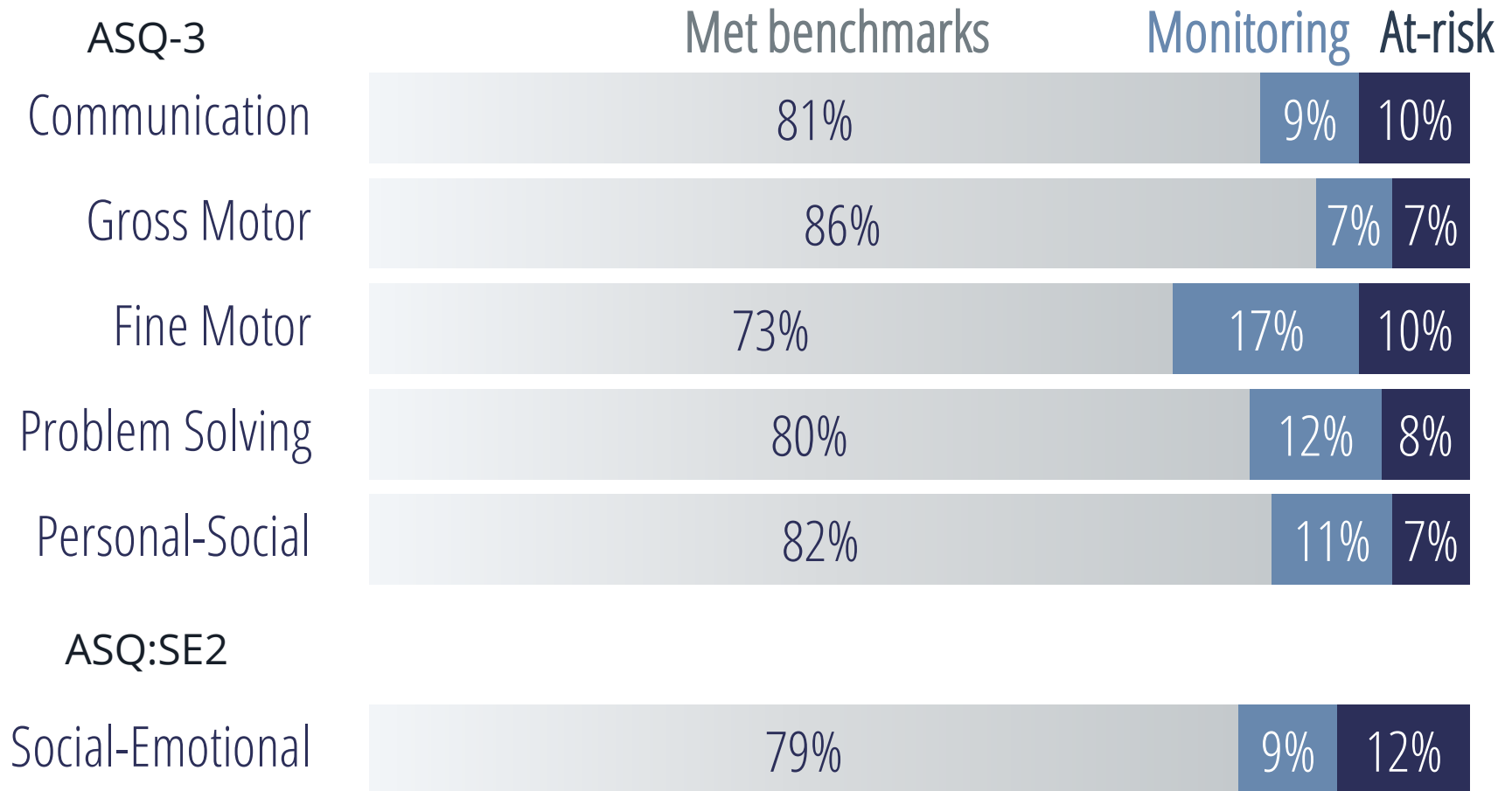
Promote activities and interactions to encourage development of skills



Make referrals to additional services as needed

Developmental & Social-Emotional Screening

Early Identification



Overall, 49% of children had an indication of risk.

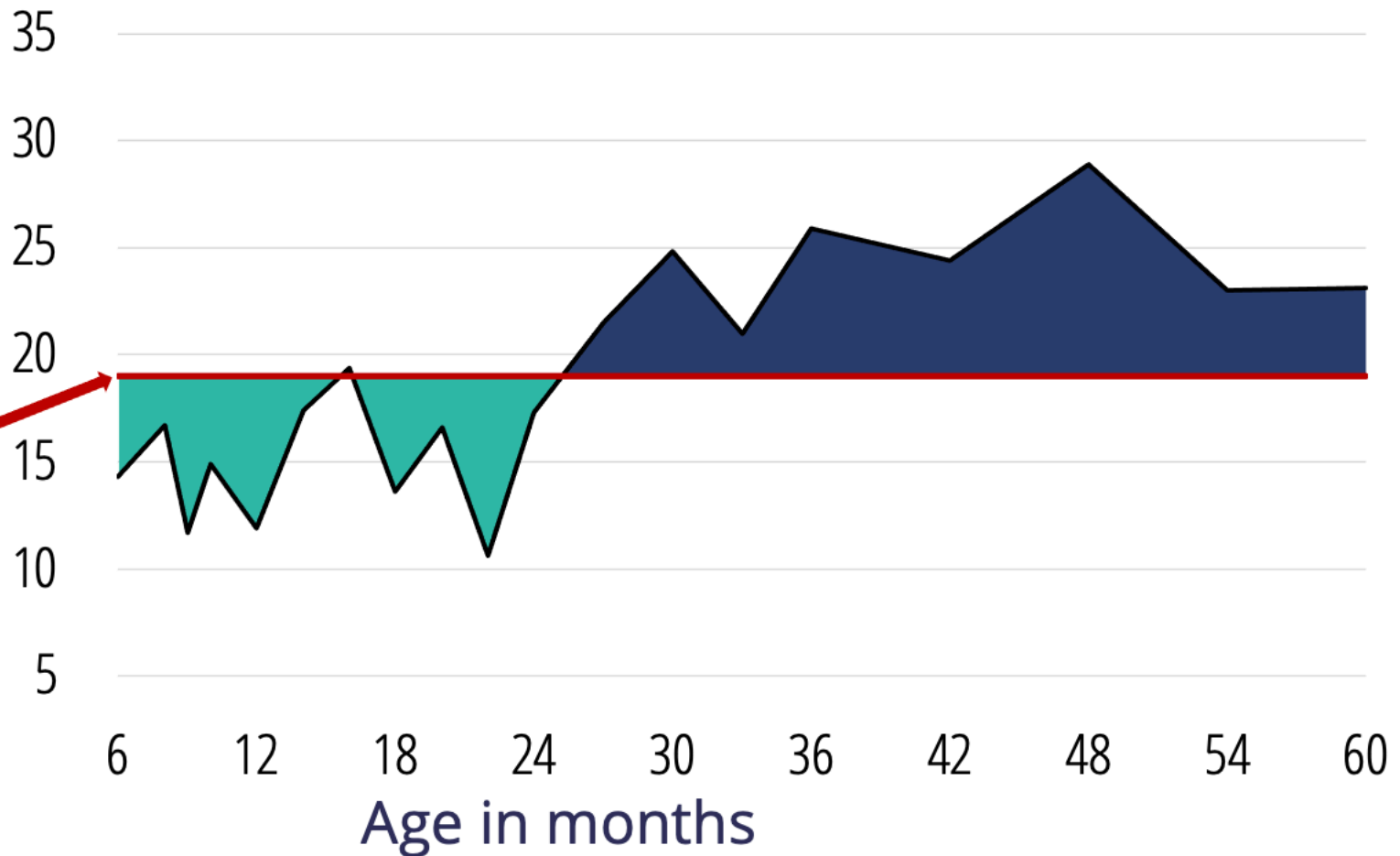
Developmental & Social-Emotional Screening

Fine Motor

Children over the age of 2 have much higher risk in the fine motor domain

% of children at-risk of delay

19% national average (<2009)



Impact of COVID-19 on Early Learning



40% of environments shut down due to COVID-19



1480 children were impacted by closures

1% closed **permanently** due to COVID-19

39% shut down **temporarily** due to COVID-19

Range of weeks temporarily shut down



Number of weeks temporarily shut down

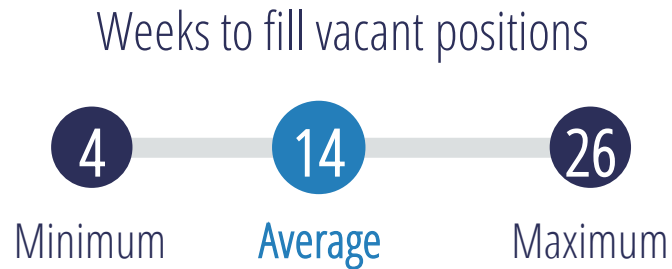
1 day-4 weeks 95%

5-8 weeks 3%

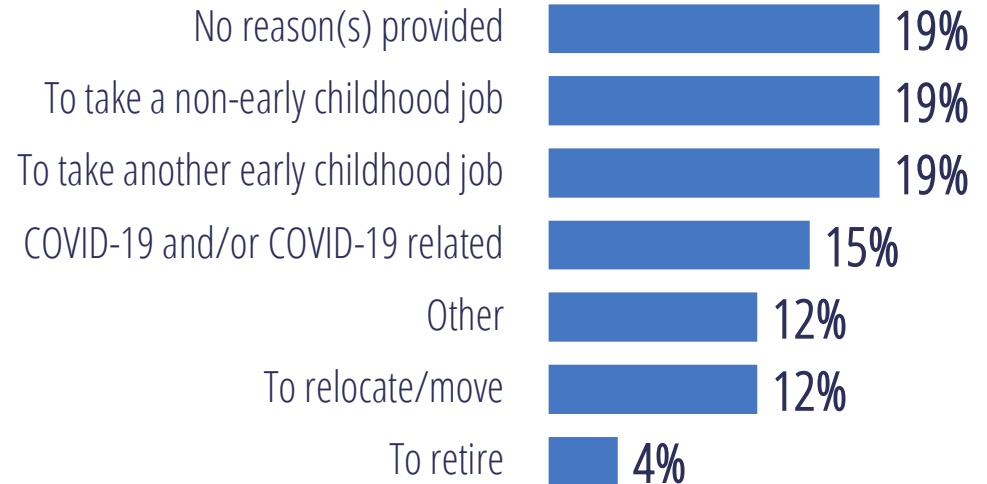
9-15 weeks 2%

Staff Turnover in Early Learning

84 staff members left positions during the year



Reasons staff members left



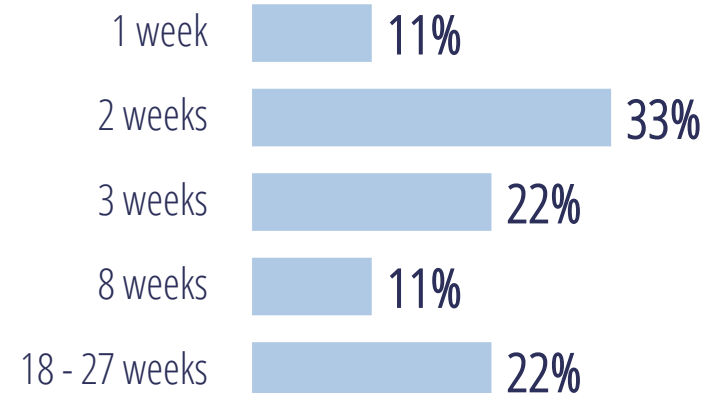
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classrooms closed **permanently** due to lack of staff

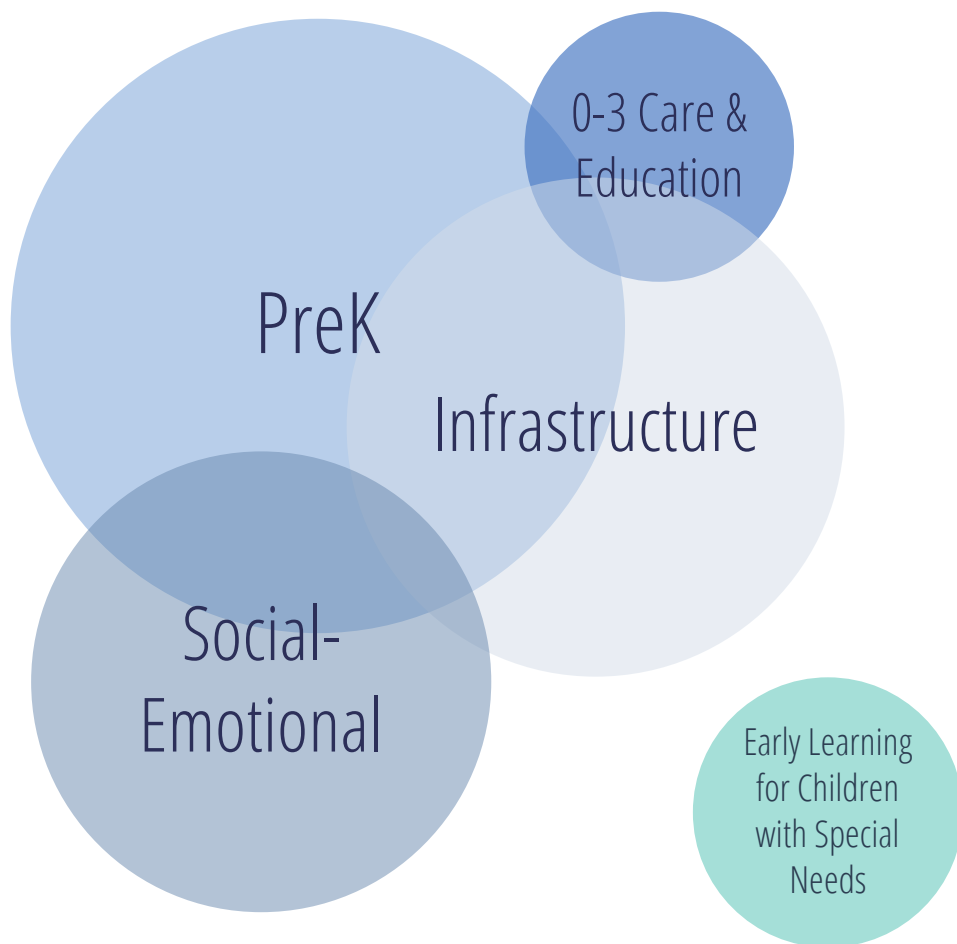
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classrooms closed **temporarily** due to staff turnover

Average number of weeks temporarily closed

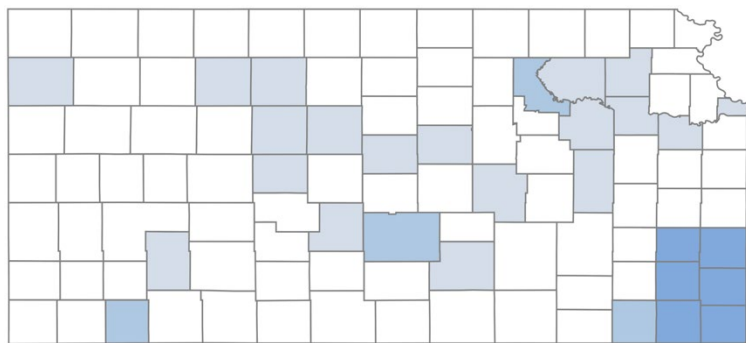


Early Learning

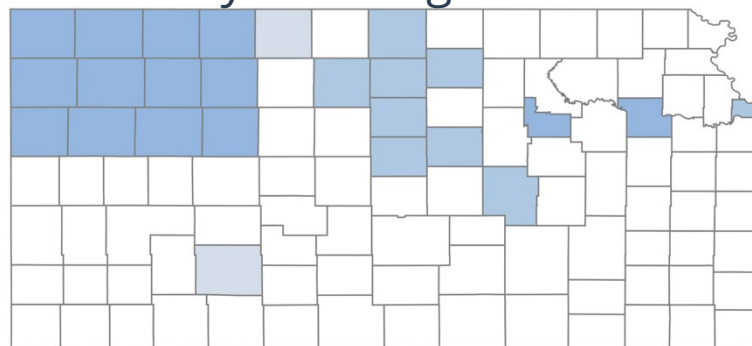


Geographic Distribution of Early Learning Programs

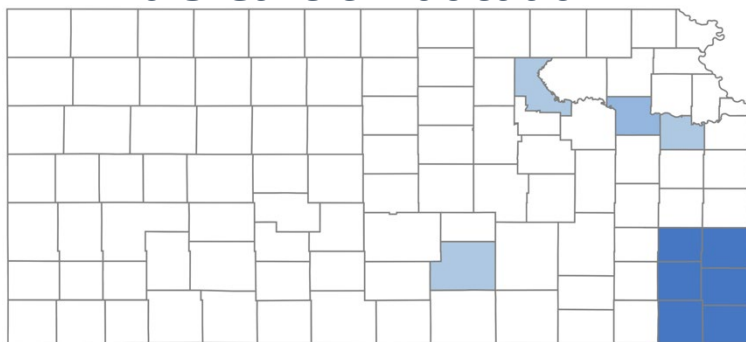
PreK



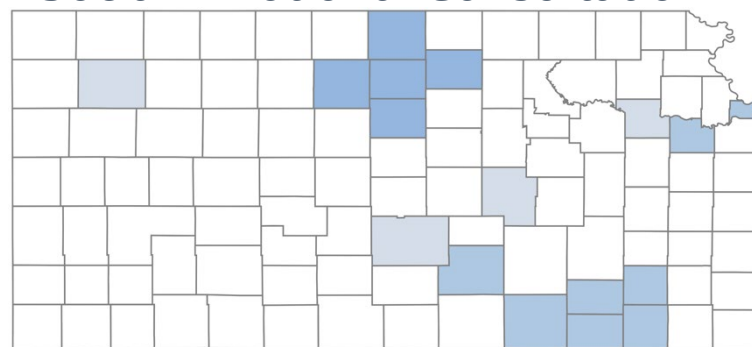
PreK & Early Learning Infrastructure



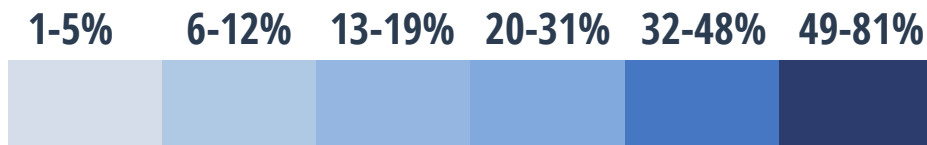
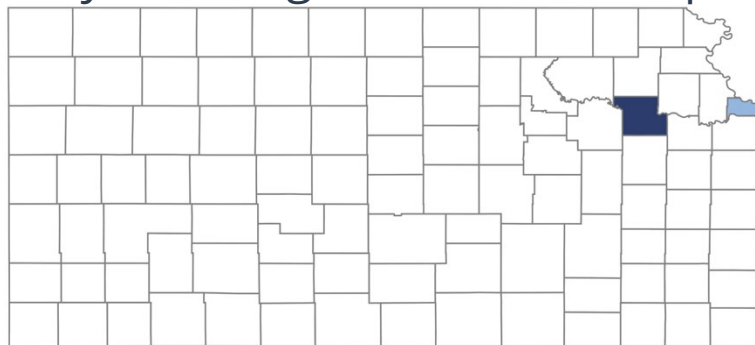
0-3 Care & Education



Social-Emotional Consultation



Early Learning for Children w/Special Needs



Early Learning Programs

Children Served

PreK & Early Learning for
Children with Special Needs

296

0-3 Care & Education

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Social-Emotional Classroom
& Family Consultation

1123

PreK & Early Learning
Infrastructure

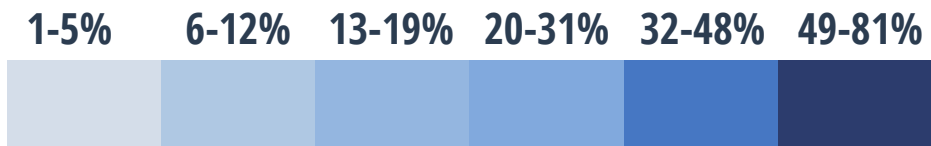
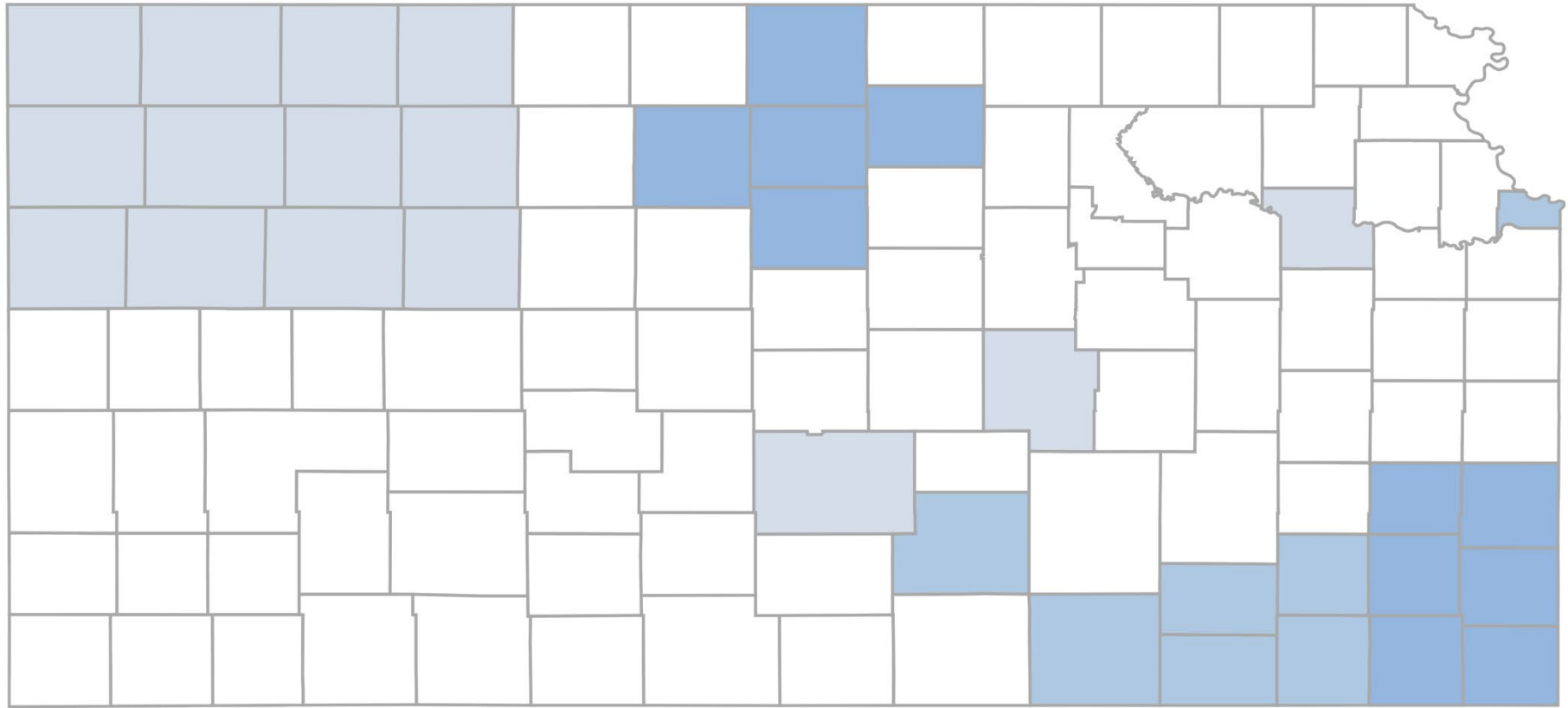
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PreK

2054



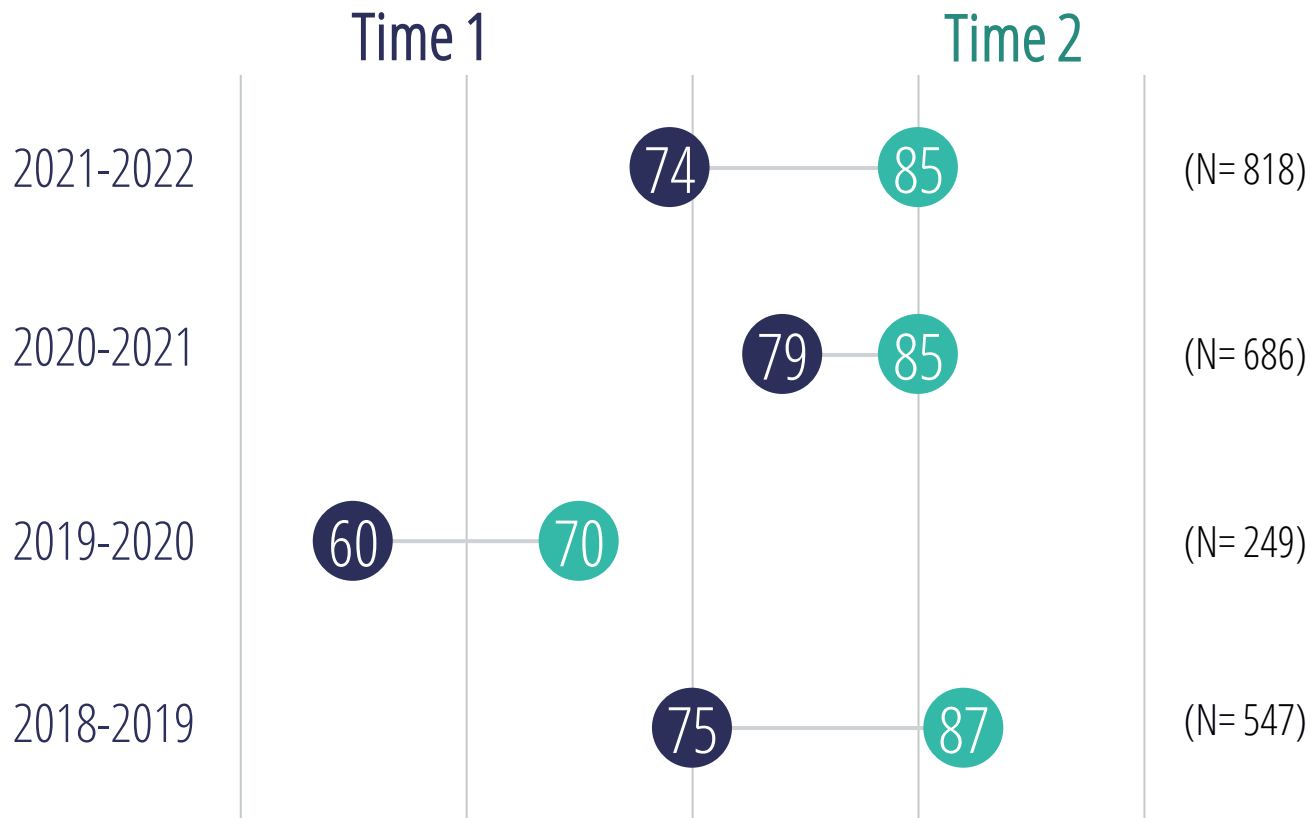
Healthy Development Social-Emotional Classroom Consultation



Social-Emotional Outcomes

DECA – % children on track

The DECA is a strengths-based measure of:
Attachment/Relationships, Self-Regulation, & Initiative¹

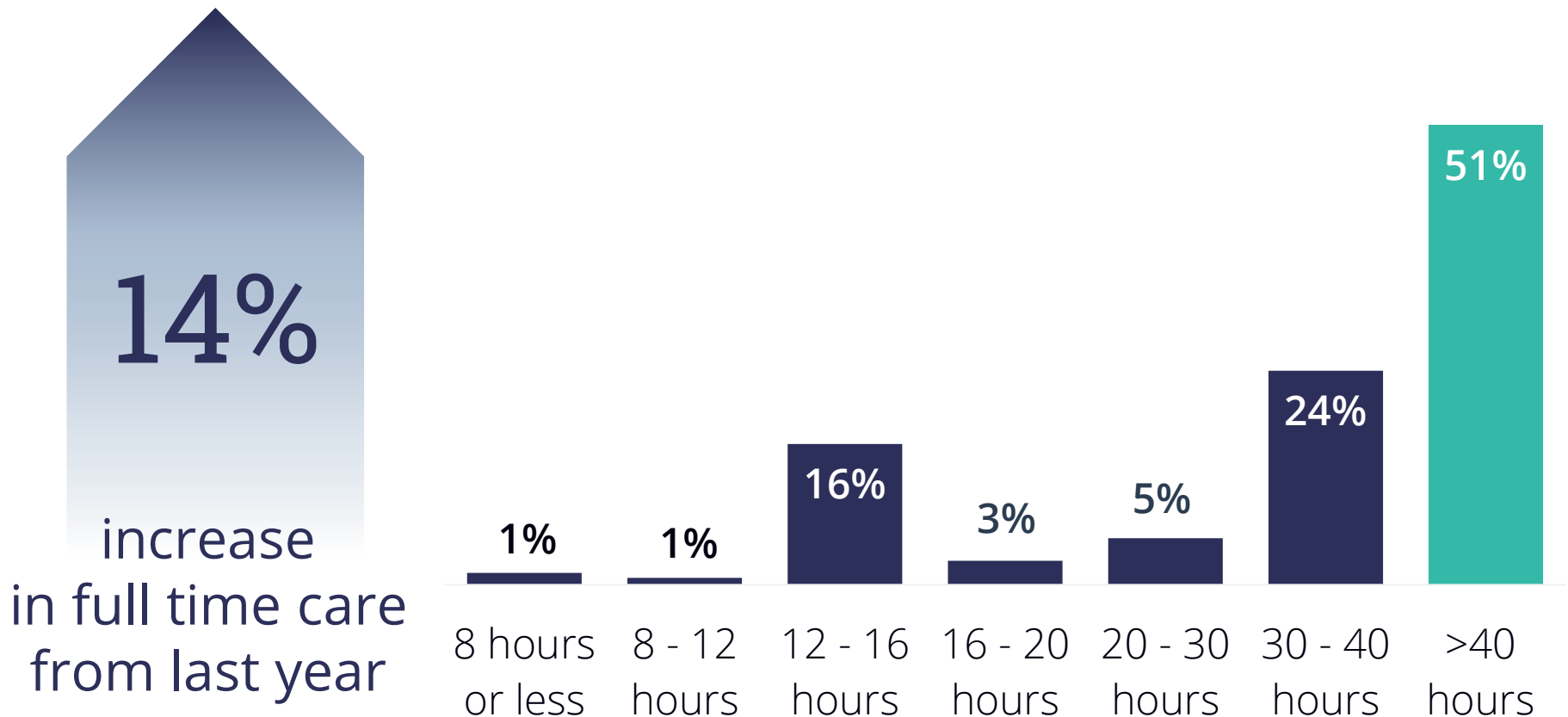


11%
increase
this year



Early Learning

Just over half of the children in 0-3 Care and PreK were in care more than 40 hours per week.



Early Learning

Why are classroom observations so important?

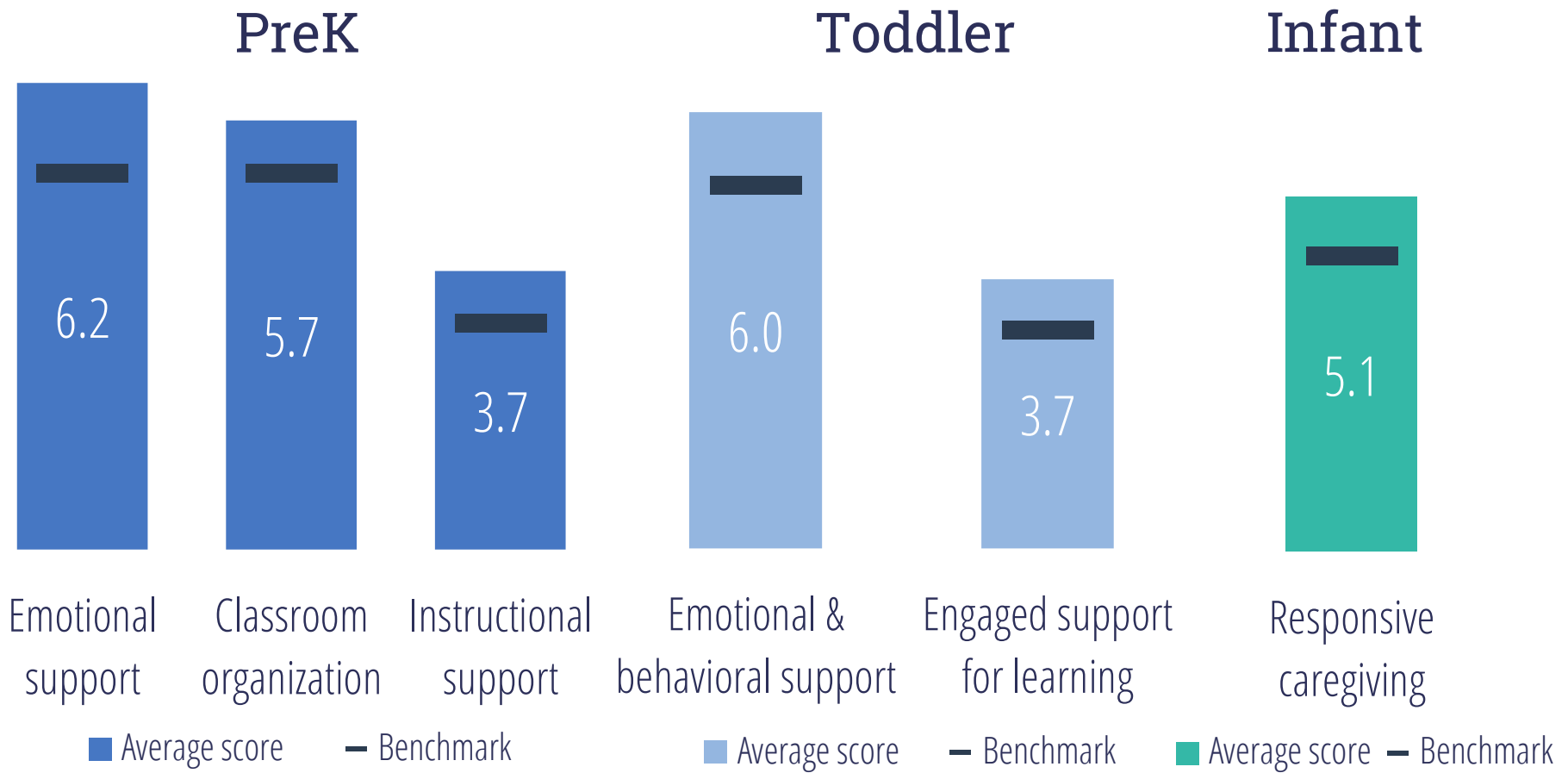
Observations that measure high quality, responsive teacher-child relationships are most predictive of positive change in academic outcomes and social skills.^{2,3}

Quality early care is defined as responsive serve and return relationships with adults.⁴

CLASS 2nd Edition is a standardized, reliable, valid observational measure that is sensitive to change and is used to measure the quality of ECBG early childhood environments throughout Kansas.⁵



Early Learning CLASS – average scores



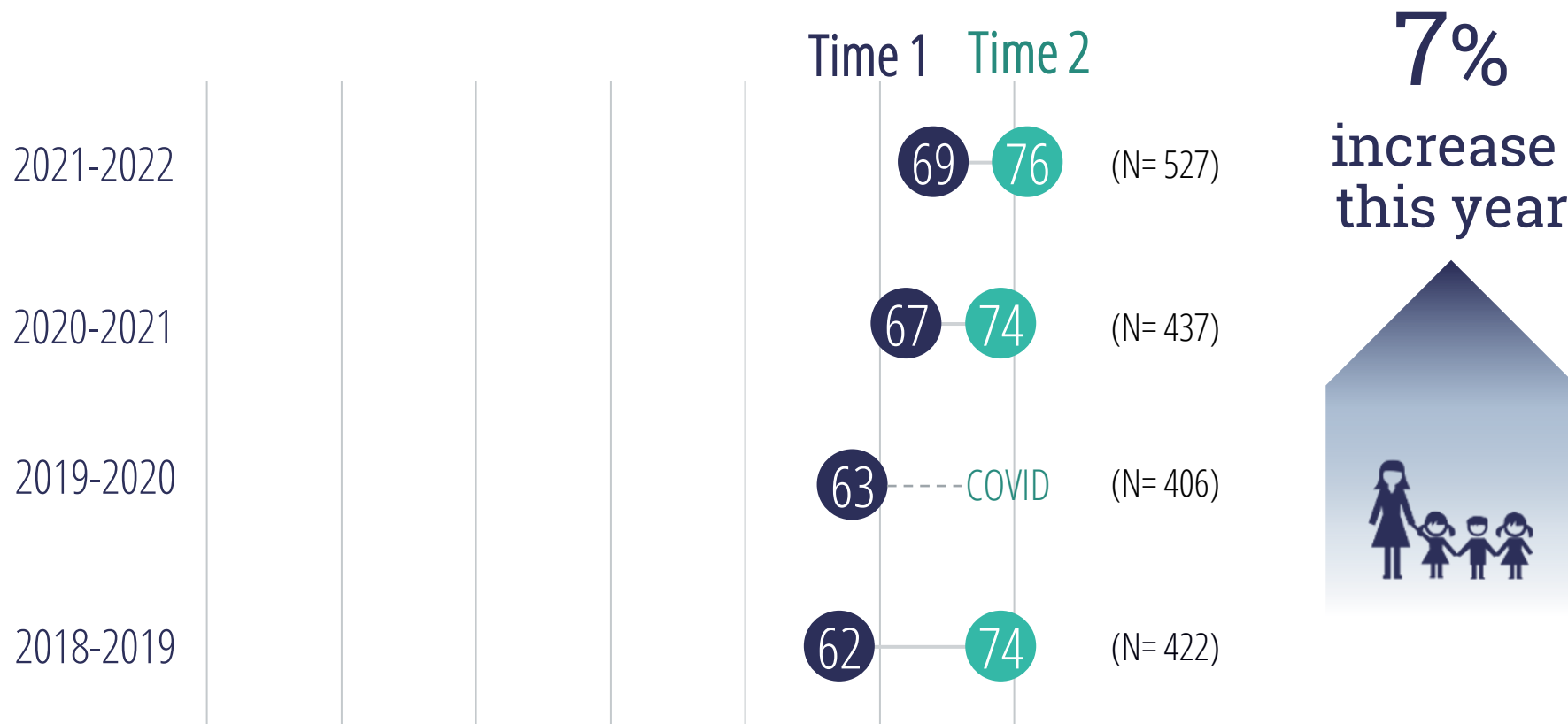
76% high-quality

78% high-quality

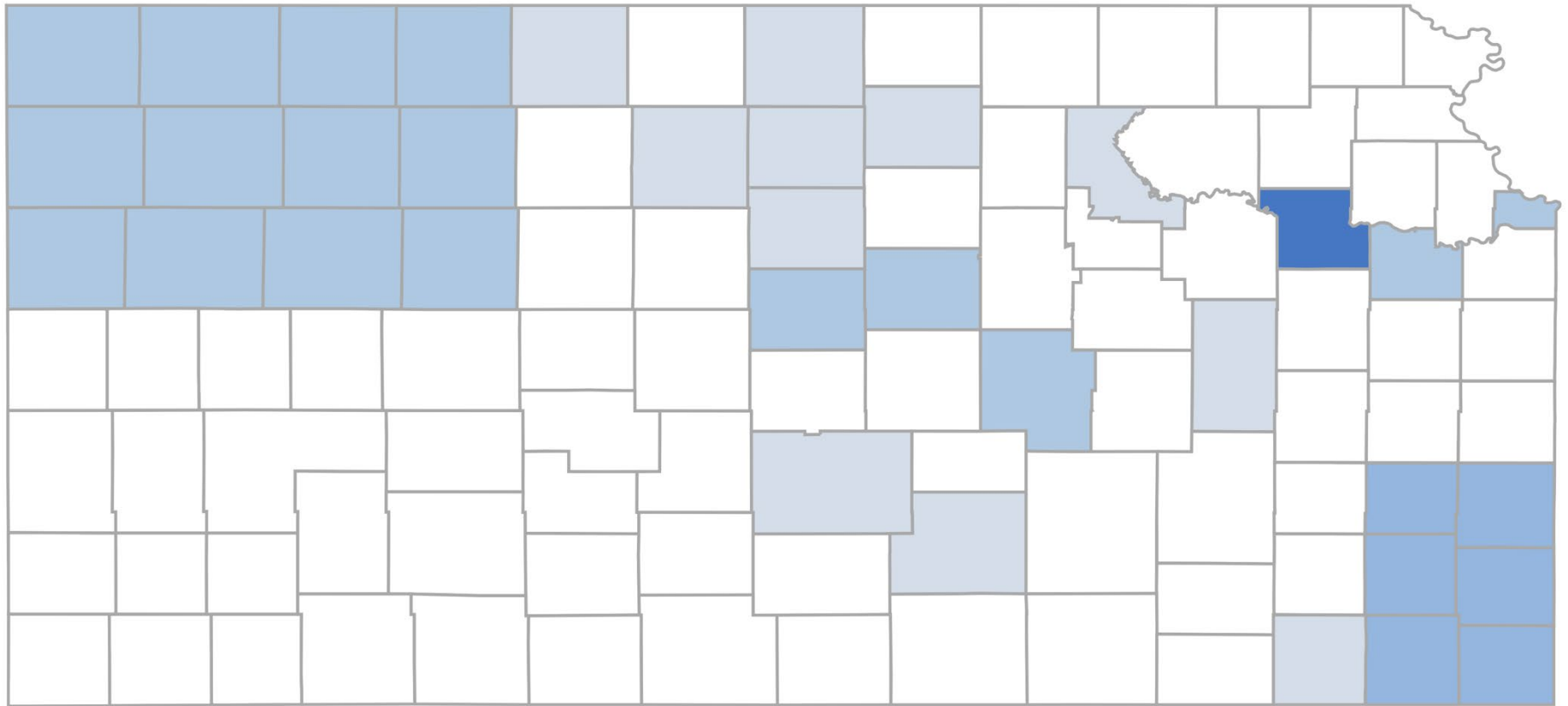
73% high-quality

Early Learning CLASS – % high-quality classrooms

When CLASS observations were grouped by quality, higher quality teacher-student interactions and classrooms resulted in stronger gains for students in Phonological Awareness.



0-3 Early Learning Programs



1-5% 6-12% 13-19% 20-31% 32-48% 49-81%



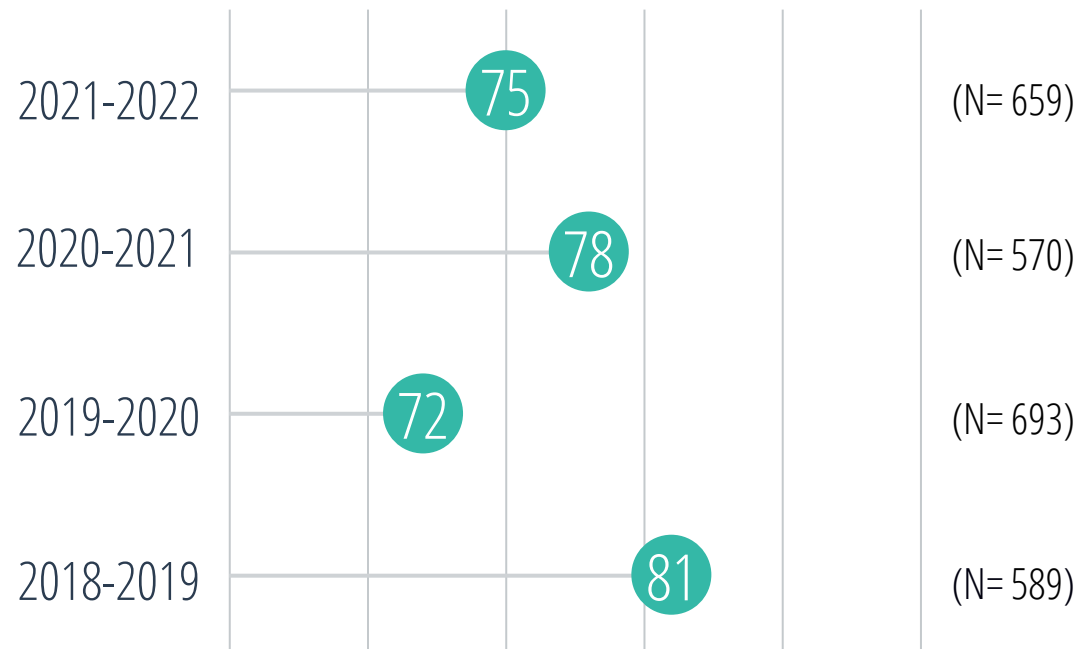
0-3 Early Learning Outcomes IGDI ECI – % positive change

Why is an early communication measure important?

Early language is:

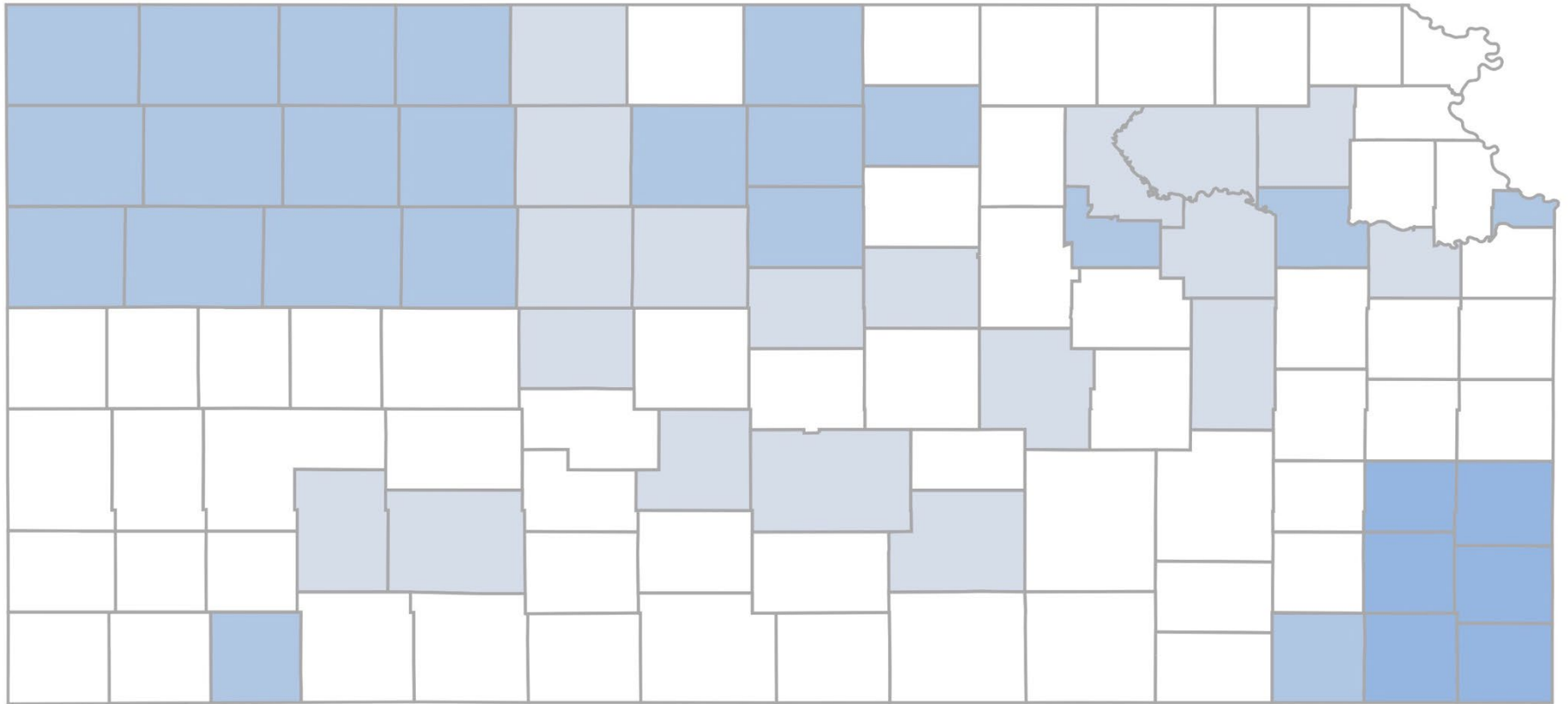
- the best predictor future school readiness.⁶
- the best predictor academic success.⁶
- essential for early identification and intervention.⁷

The IGDI ECI
focuses on:
Gestures
Vocalizations
Single words
Multiple words⁸



53% of the ECBG children assessed had an established delay.

PreK Programs



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4-Year-Old Early Literacy Language Comprehension

Why is a measure of Language Comprehension important?

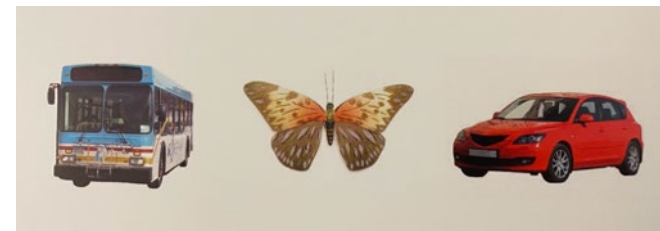
- This is the ability to derive meaning and draw inferences from both written and spoken language.
- Language comprehension predicts literacy and reading outcomes.¹⁰
- Larger vocabularies at school entry predict stronger acquisition of new words and language comprehension.¹¹

myIGDIs Literacy focuses on:⁹

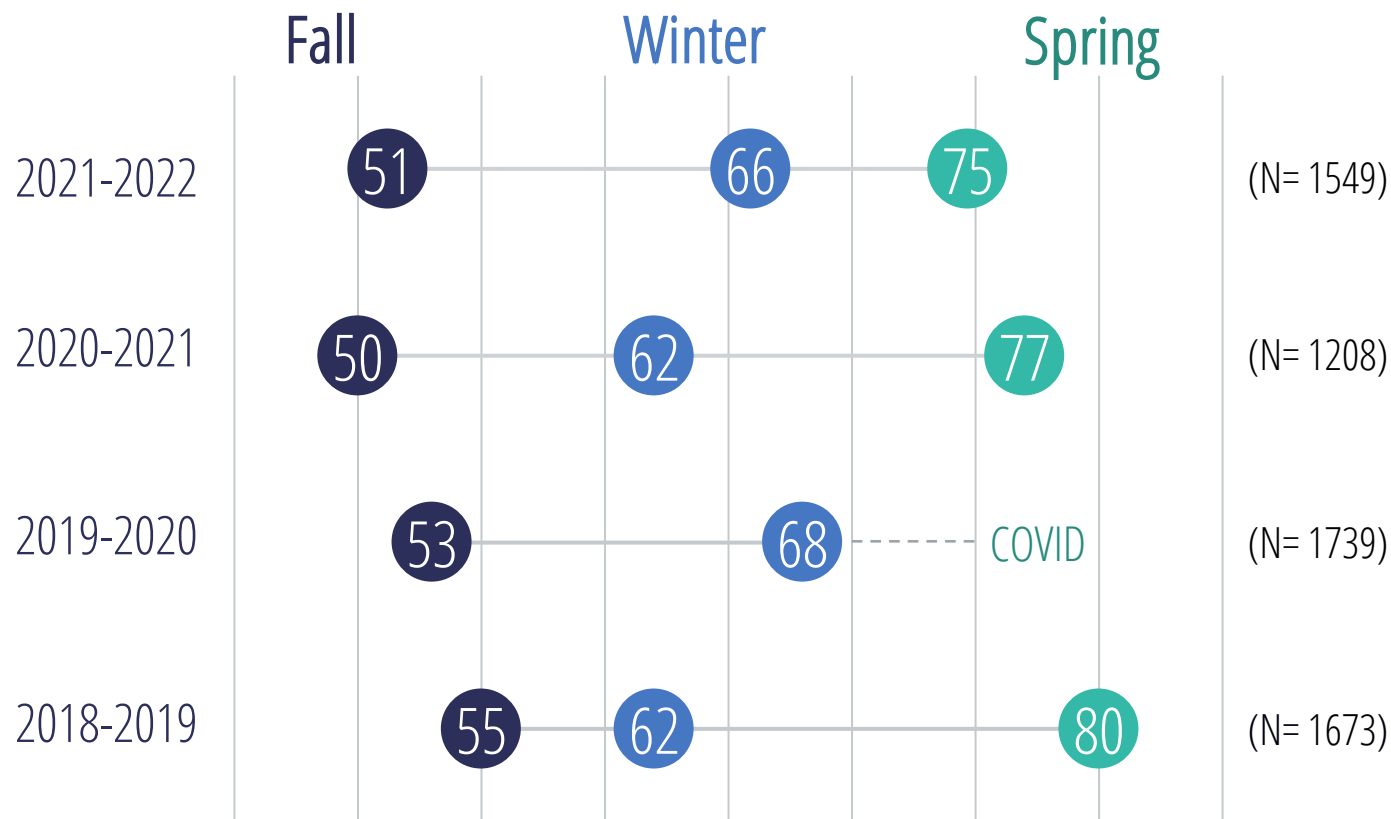
Picture Naming



Which One Doesn't Belong



PreK Literacy Outcomes myIGDIs Language Comprehension – % on track



24%
increase
this year



4-Year-Old Early Literacy Phonological Awareness

Why is a measure of Phonological Awareness important?

- The ability to detect, identify, and manipulate individual sounds in spoken language is key to learning to read.¹²
- Strong phonological awareness in PreK predicts third grade reading proficiency.^{13,14}
- Research has demonstrated that small group instruction is the most effective approach to Phonological Awareness.¹⁵

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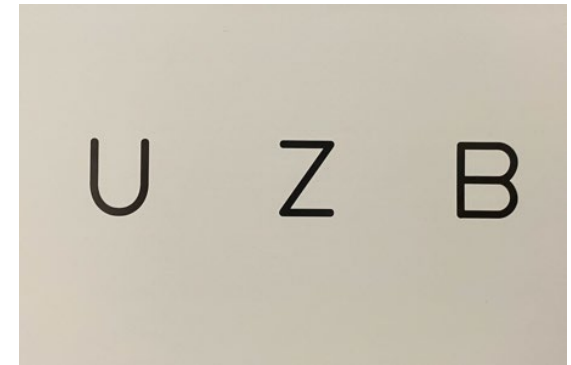
Rhyming



Alliteration

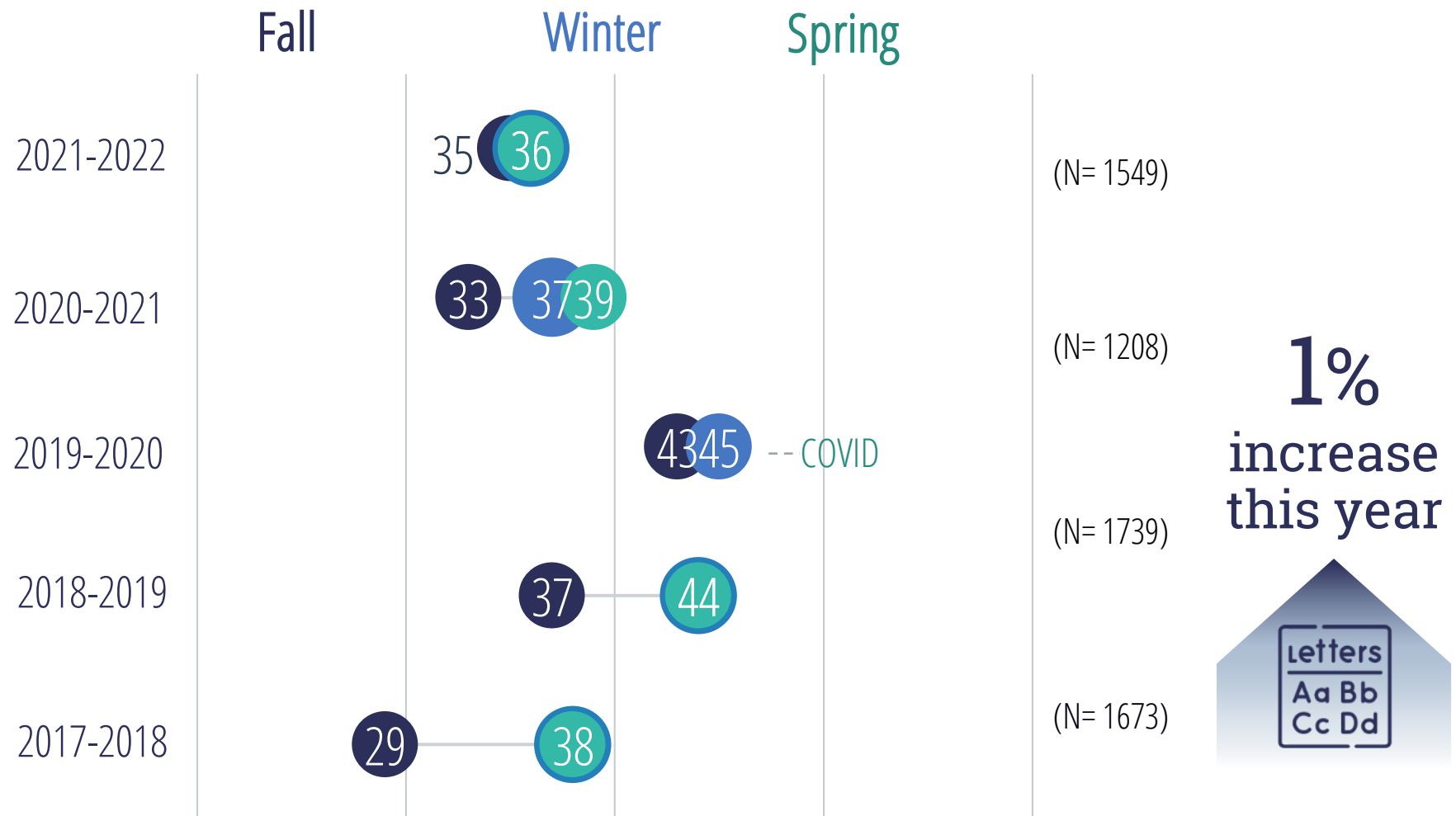


Sound Identification



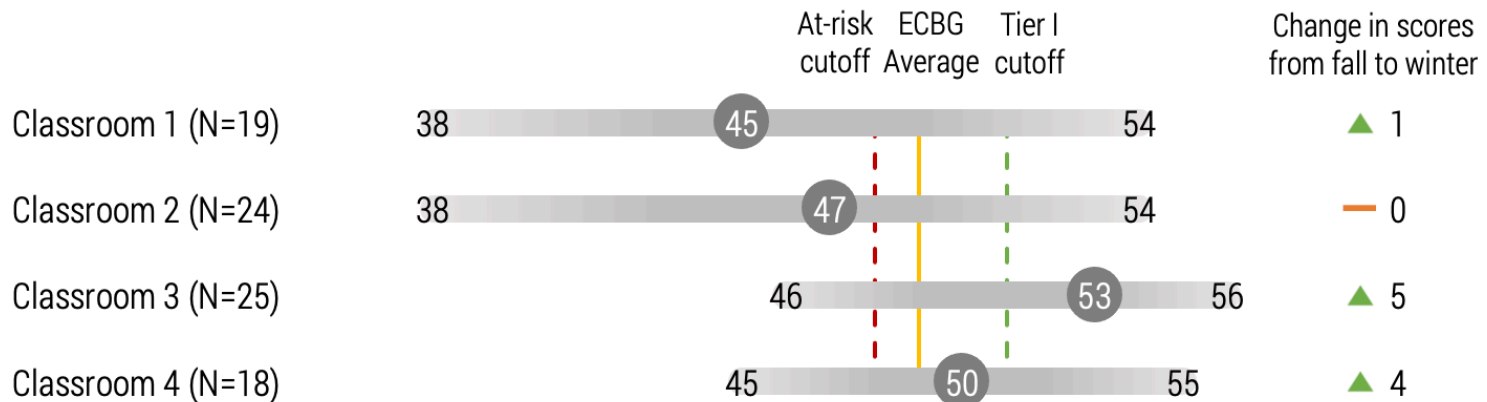
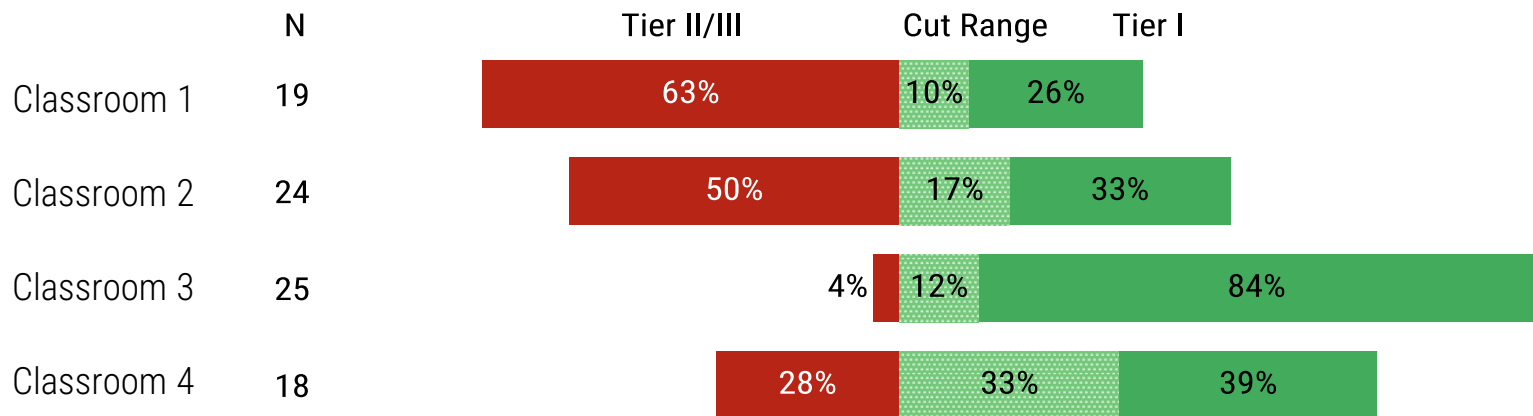
PreK Literacy Outcomes myIGDIs Phonological Awareness – % on track

CLASS quality predicts stronger gains while economic disadvantage predicts weaker gain in Phonological Awareness.



Data Utilization – Data Coaching Calls

Collaborative one-on-one discussions with grantees, coaches, and/or teachers focus on reviewing the data to develop a deeper understanding of the implications for schools, classrooms, and students.



Range of Scores

Data Utilization – Child Level Reports

Another aspect of data utilization involves reports for teachers. WSU developed child level reports in consultation with the grantees, which coaches use to expand data coaching with individual teachers.

The child level reports show PK3, myIGDIs Literacy+, and myIGDIs Numeracy data by child and by classroom.

Classroom 1

Name	Picture Naming			Rhyming			Sound Identification			Which One Doesn't Belong			Alliteration	Phonemic Awareness	Language Comp
	Fall	Winter	Change	Fall	Winter	Change	Fall	Winter	Change	Fall	Winter	Change	Winter		
Child 1															
Child 2															
Child 3	44	49	↗	45	55	↗	47	51	↗	42	49	↗	51	●	●
Child 4	49	44	↘	37	45	↗	39	49	↗	48	50	↗	45	●	●
Child 5	49	50	↗	37	47	↗	47	57	↗	48	50	↗	50	●	●

Oral Counting			Quantity Comparison			Number Naming			1-to-1 Corr Counting			Numeracy	Alpha Knowledge		Oral Language		Robot Blending	PK3
Fall	Winter	Change	Fall	Winter	Change	Fall	Winter	Change	Fall	Winter	Change		Fall	Winter	Fall	Winter	Winter	
0	0	↔	0	0	↔	0	9	↗	0	9	↗	●						●
20	2	↘	0	15	↗	0	5	↗	11	10	↘	●						
4	42	↗	11	21	↗	1	11	↗	4	10	↘	●						
25	6	↘	24	25	↗	3	0	↘	40	5	↘	●						
5	12	↗	23	16	↘	3	14	↗	12	12	↔	●						

Data Utilization – Child Level Reports

Classroom 2																
Name	Picture Naming			Rhyming			Sound Identification			WODB			Alliteration	Phonemic Awareness	Language Comp	
	Fall	Winter	Change	Fall	Winter	Change	Fall	Winter	Change	Fall	Winter	Change	Winter			
Child 1	49	49	—	36	45	—	47	51	—	48	52	—	48	●	●	
Child 2	48	48	—	44	48	—	52	49	—	40	49	—	47	●	●	
Child 3	48	49	—	42	40	—	39	48	—	53	53	—	47	●	●	
Child 4	49	50	—	37	42	—	55	57	—	49	56	—	51	●	●	
Child 5	45	46	—	37	48	—	48	51	—	48	49	—	47	●	●	
Child 6	48	50	—	37	47	—	45	52	—	40	50	—	47	●	●	
Child 7	53	53	—	38	47	—	50	52	—	50	52	—	50	●	●	
Child 8	49	49	—	39	43	—	49	46	—	50	49	—	49	●	●	
Child 9	47	47	—	44	49	—	50	53	—	53	49	—	50	●	●	
Child 10	53	56	—	45	44	—	52	51	—	50	52	—	51	●	●	
Child 11	50	49	—	46	49	—	45	53	—	49	50	—	48	●	●	
Child 12	50	50	—	43	46	—	48	52	—	49	52	—	48	●	●	
Child 13	51	51	—	42	50	—	44	49	—	50	51	—	51	●	●	
Child 14	49	49	—	45	44	—	39	46	—	40	52	—	45	●	●	
Child 15	50	52	—	48	49	—	49	49	—	49	49	—	48	●	●	

Oral Counting			Quantity Comparison			Number Naming			1-to-1 Corr Counting			Numeracy
Fall	Winter	Change	Fall	Winter	Change	Fall	Winter	Change	Fall	Winter	Change	
20	39	—	26	36	—	7	18	—	9	50	—	●
6	13	—	4	11	—	7	8	—	7	15	—	●
19	30	—	20	15	—	1	6	—	20	50	—	●
29	43	—	26	29	—	16	16	—	20	31	—	●
13	14	—	26	29	—	6	22	—	20	15	—	●
2	15	—	19	25	—	5	15	—	10	14	—	●
39	57	—	24	31	—	9	13	—	20	19	—	●
15	29	—	13	20	—	1	3	—	2	10	—	●
20	29	—	20	17	—	3	10	—	19	35	—	●
13	39	—	29	27	—	7	10	—	18	15	—	●
19	36	—	25	28	—	12	15	—	13	13	—	●
10	19	—	16	24	—	2	9	—	7	13	—	●
13	26	—	21	29	—	1	4	—	14	15	—	●
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30	19	—	25	21	—	3	4	—	15	15	—	●

3- & 4-Year-Old Numeracy

Why is a measure of Numeracy important?

- Multiple longitudinal studies demonstrated preschool numeracy skills are strongly associated with future academic success.¹⁶

myIGDIs Numeracy focuses on:⁹

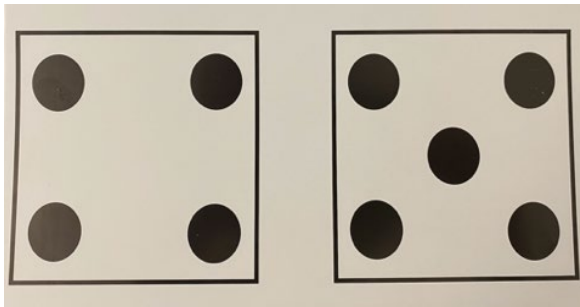
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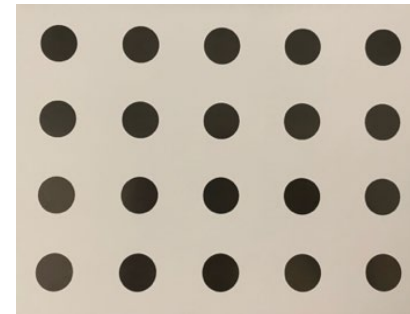
Quantity Comparison

1-to-1 Correspondence Counting

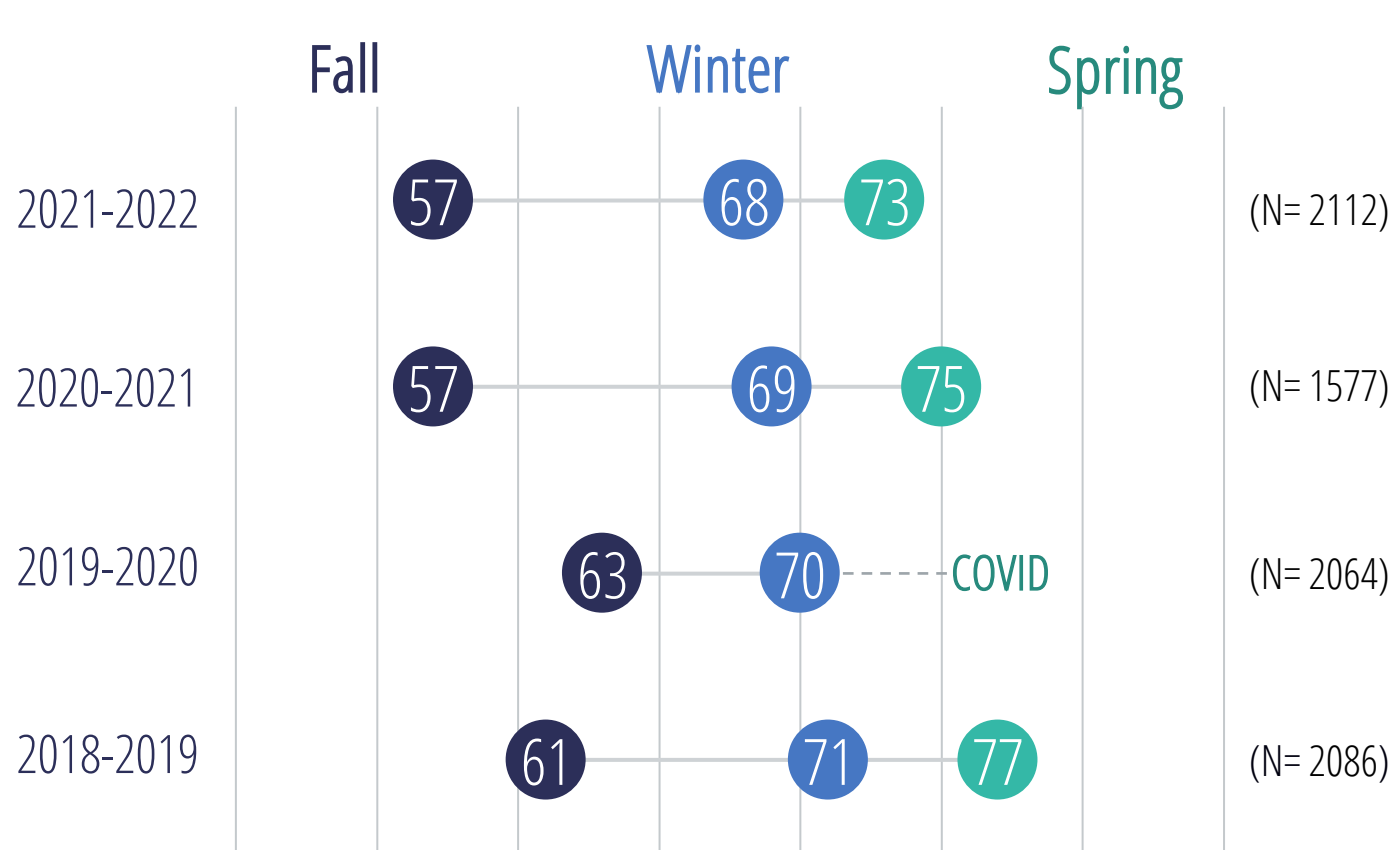
Quantity Comparison



1-to-1 Correspondence Counting



PreK Early Numeracy Outcomes myIGDIs Numeracy – % on track



16%
increase
this year



Family Services



Family Programs

- Family programs meet a variety of needs, vary in intensity as needed, and are selected based on the needs of the community.
- They can ameliorate the impacts of trauma and toxic stress.¹⁷
- These programs also positively impact communication, social-emotional skills, and brain development.¹⁸



Family Services

Home Visiting

940

Parent Education

917

Case Management

195

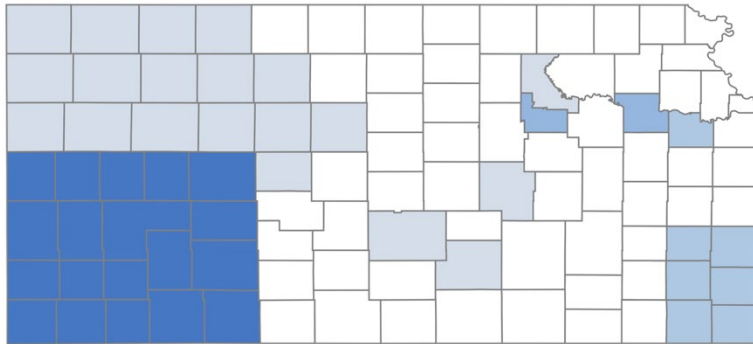
Mental & Behavioral Health

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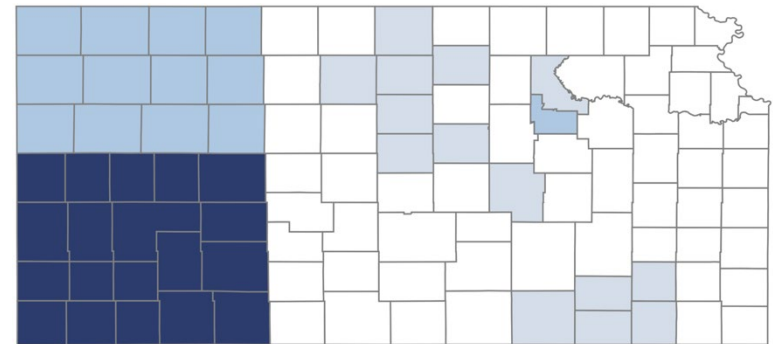


Geographic Distribution of Family Services

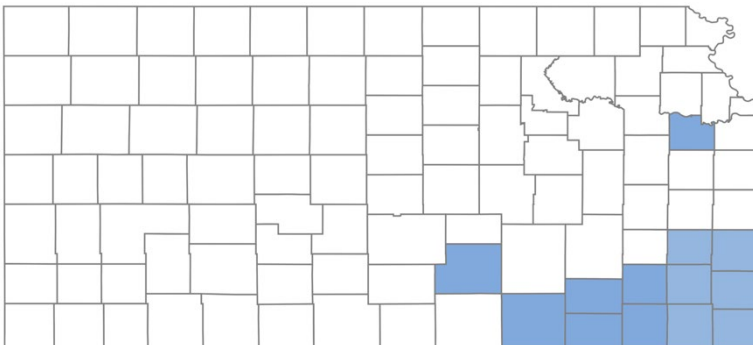
Home Visiting



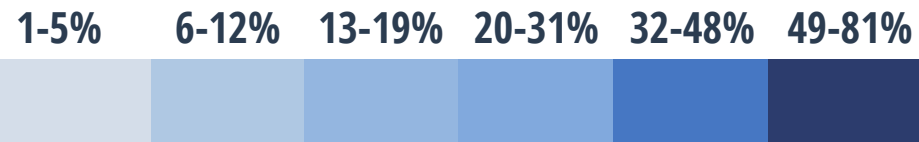
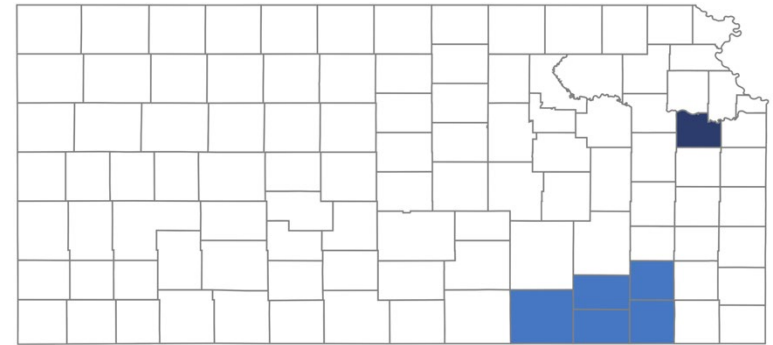
Parent Education



Case Management



Mental & Behavioral Health Services



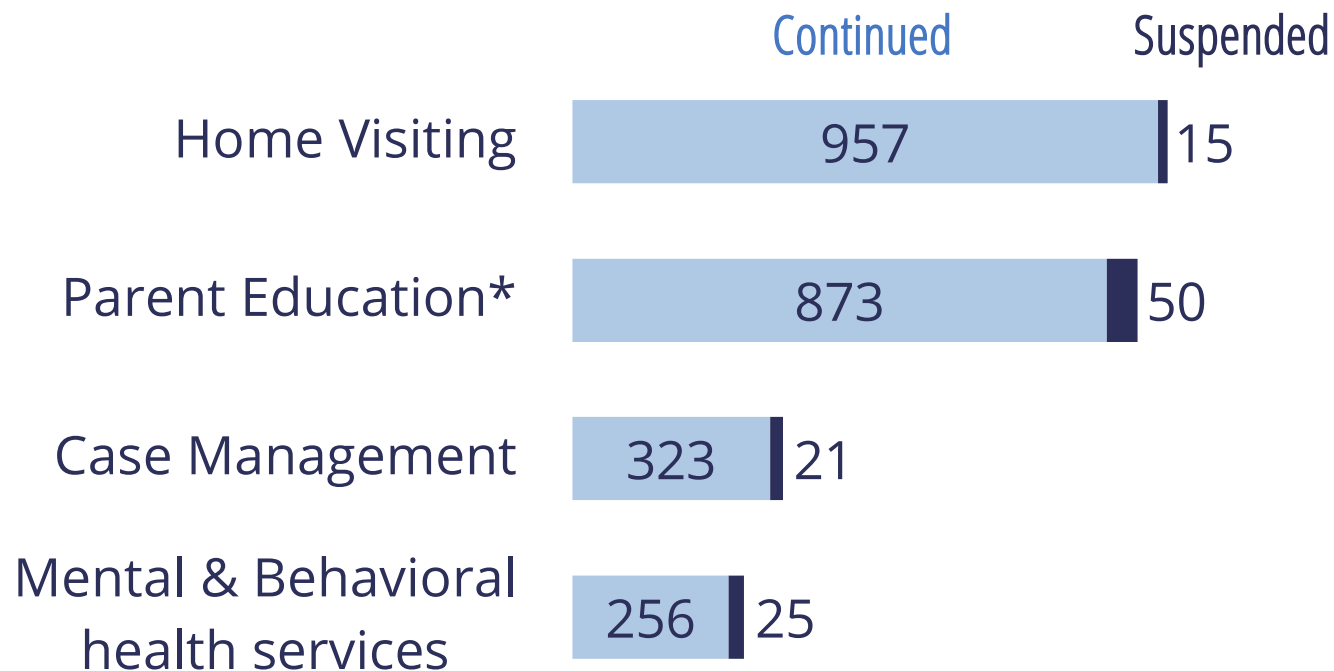
Impact of COVID-19 on Family Services

2409

continued to be served during 2021-2022

111

suspended services due to the pandemic



*41 parent education groups, sessions, and/or classes were cancelled due to the pandemic

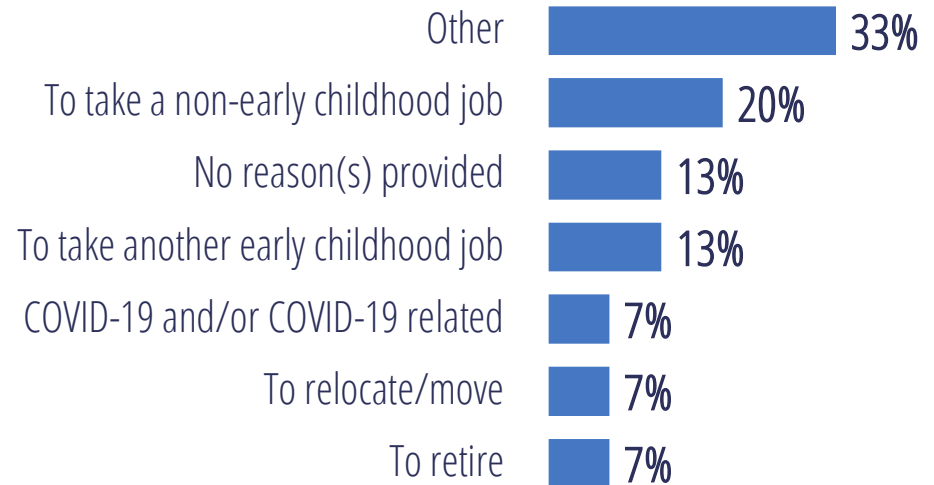
Staff Turnover in Family Services

18 staff members left positions during the year

Weeks to fill vacant positions



Reasons staff members left



Due to a lack of staff:

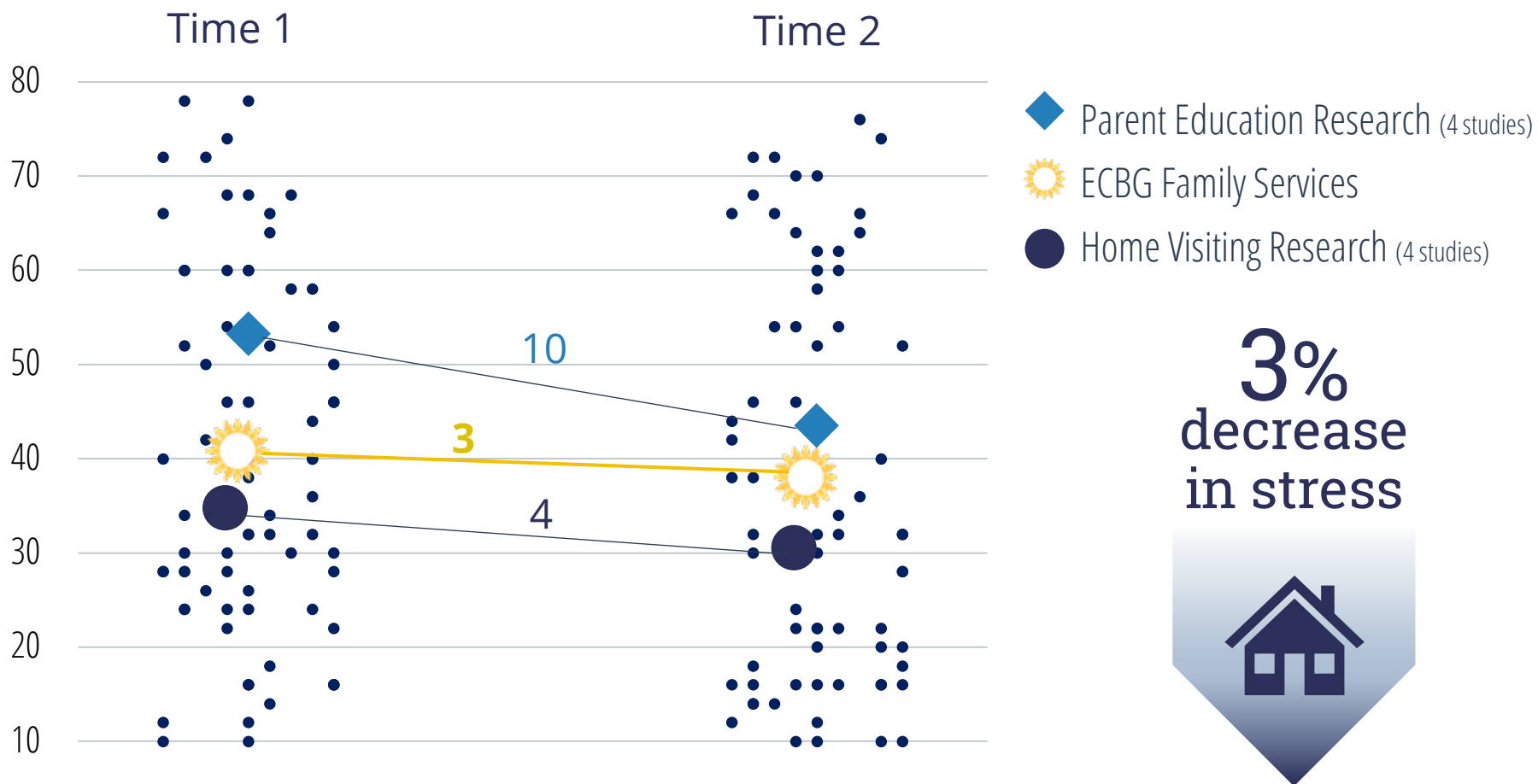
 **75** families were unable to be served

 **16** events, sessions, and/or classes were cancelled

Home Visiting Outcomes

PSI – Parent Stress Index

The PSI focuses on 4 areas: Parental Distress, Parent-Child Dysfunctional Interaction, Difficult Child, and Overall Stress¹⁹

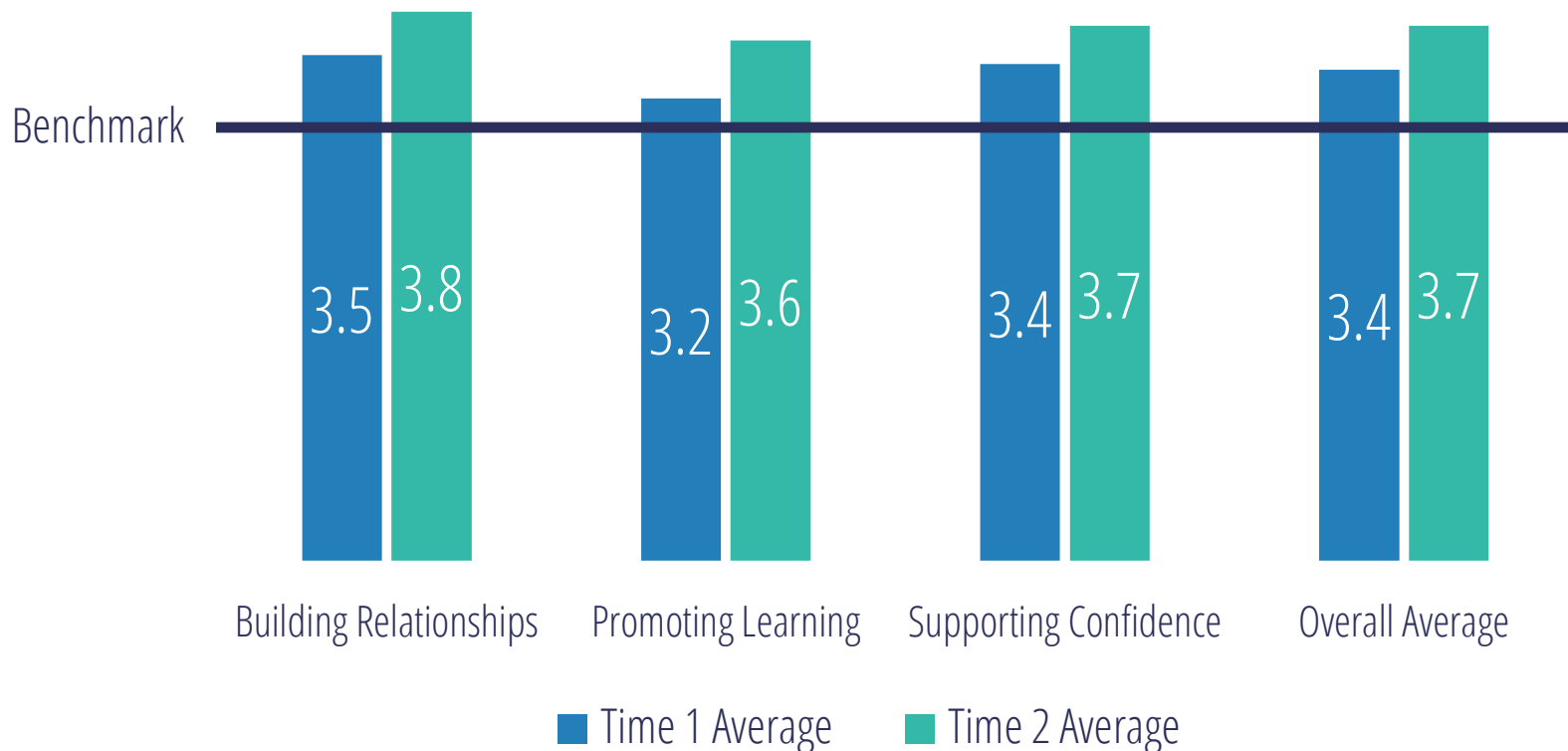


Parent Education Outcomes

KIPS – subcategory and overall averages

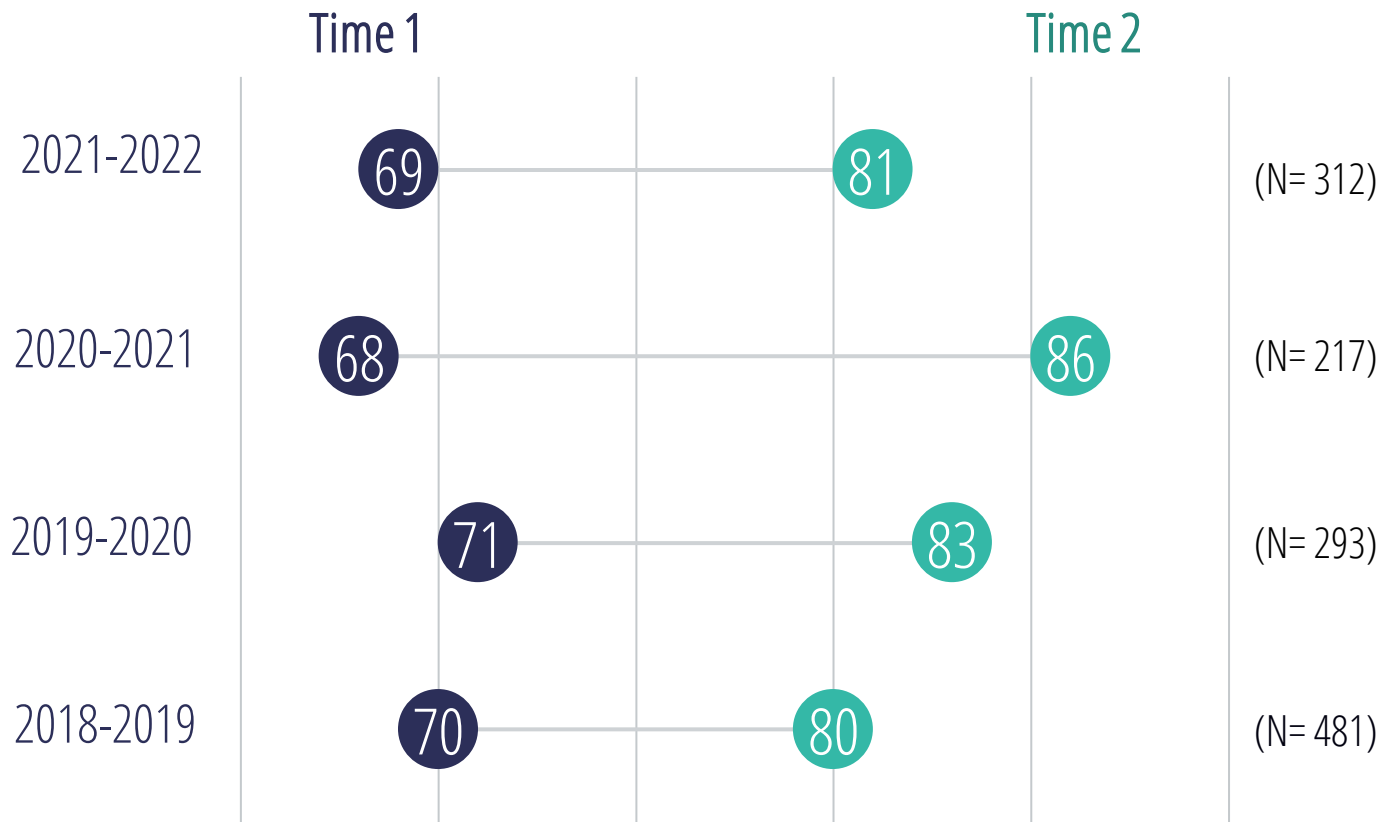
Why is a measure of positive parenting important?

Parent education promotes supportive and nurturing parent-child relationships. Evidence-based parent education programs promote positive parenting and reduce developmental risk.^{20,21}



Parent Education Outcomes

KIPS – % positive parenting



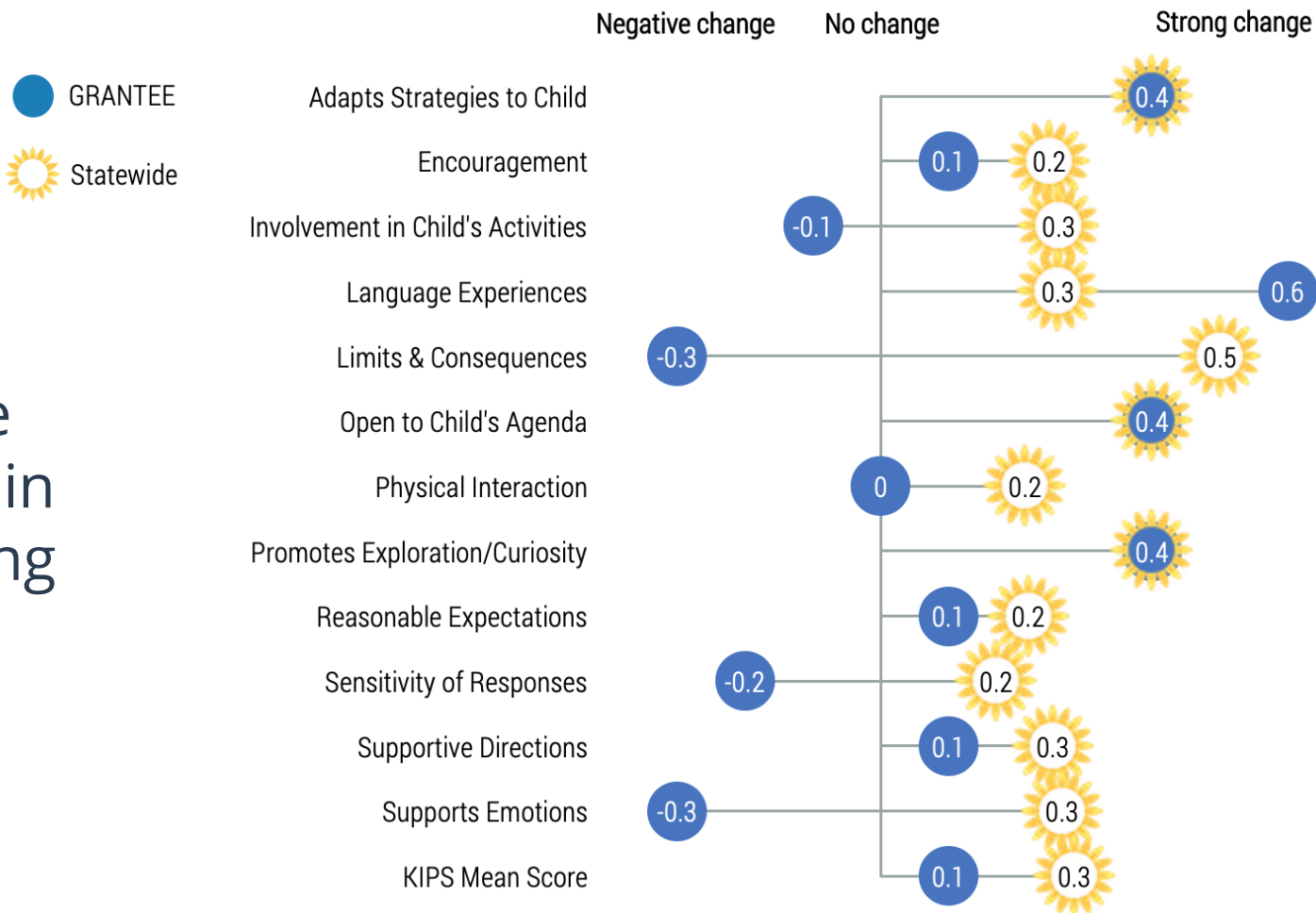
12%
increase
this year



Data Utilization – Family Services

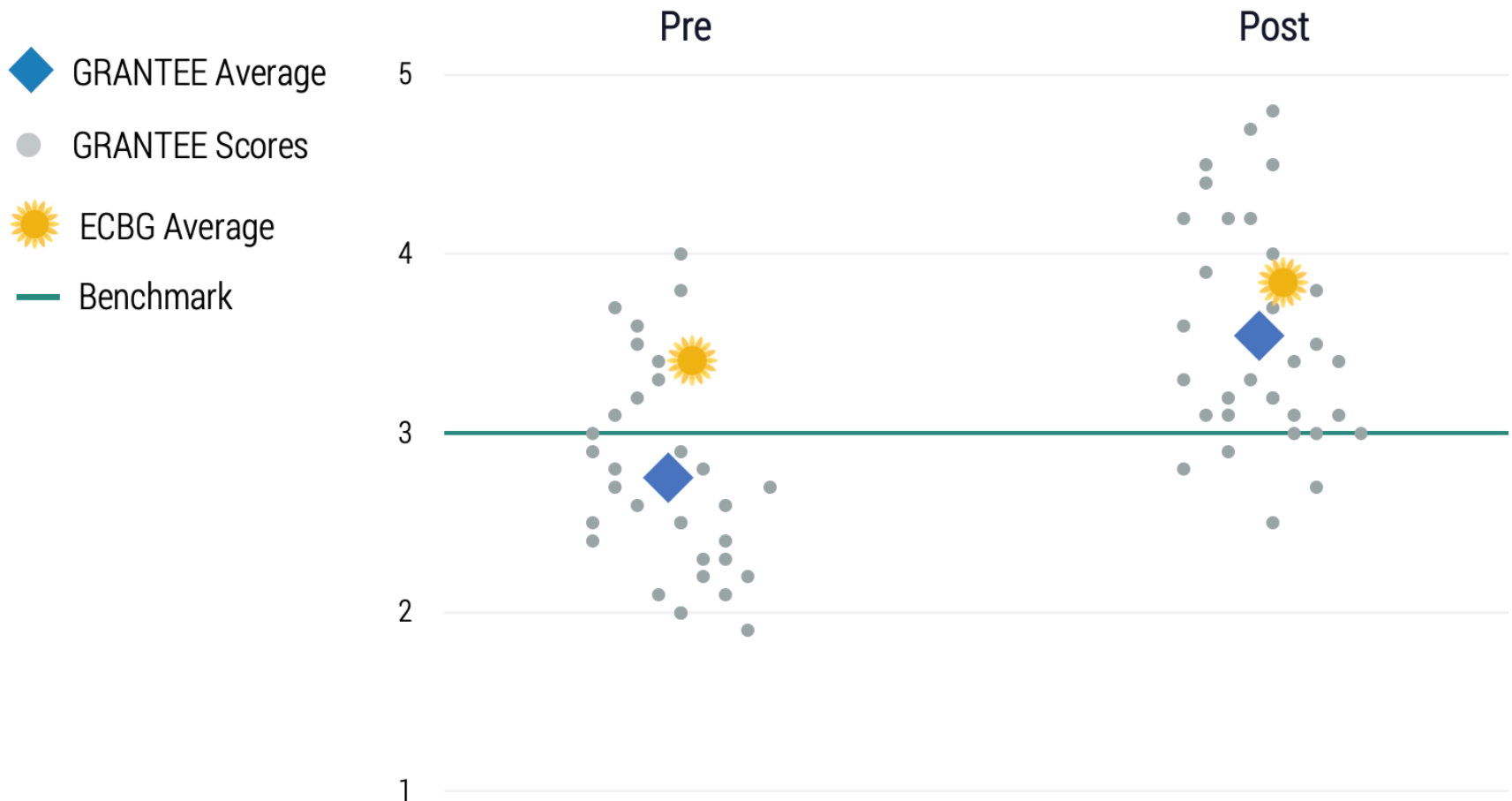
A variety of data visualizations are used to enhance understanding of family measures.

Average change in parenting skill



Data Utilization – Family Services

Distribution of scores and change in overall average score



Summary & Conclusions: ECBG

In the 2021-2022, 6719 children and 5968 families were served, which is an increase from the previous year. Forty-two percent of children served had 3 or more risk factors. The most common risk factors for children and families were:

- Children at-risk/established developmental delay (34% at risk/18% with an IEP/IFSP)
- Families that qualified for free or reduced-price lunch (69%)
- Families earning less than \$40,000 annually (56%)

Although COVID-19 had less of an impact this year, it continued to disrupt early childhood programs with shutdowns impacting children and families. Staff turnover also played a role in loss of services. While closures impacted families, one bright spot was the increase (14%) in full time care in funded classrooms.

Screening and early learning measures continued to reveal the impact of COVID-19, but some measures remained strong:

- 49% of children at-risk on the ASQ-3 and/or ASQ:SE2 (vs. 46% in 2020-2021)
- 36% of children were on track in Phonological Awareness
- Observed classroom quality remained strong (76% high quality)
- Social-emotional, language comprehension and numeracy outcomes remained strong.

Communities Aligned in Early Development & Education (CAEDE)

2021-2022



2021-2022 Children

660 children served

Risk Factors

Children in foster care/out of home care 11%

Children without health insurance 3%

Children whose first language was not English 26%

3 or more risk factors 44%

Children at-risk or established developmental delay

At-risk

38%

IEP/IFSP

2%

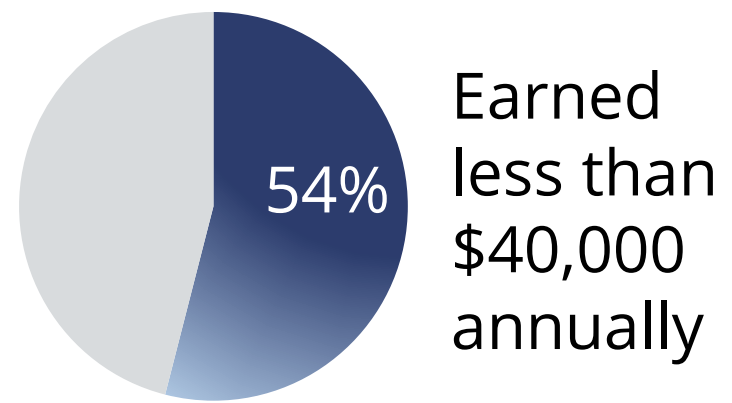
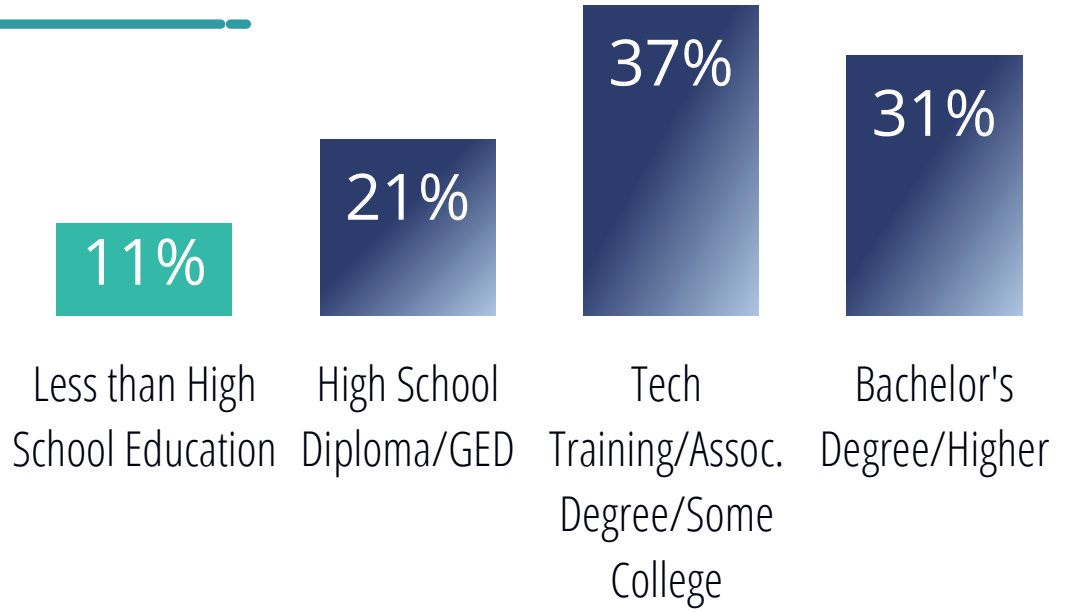


2021-2022 Families

546 families served

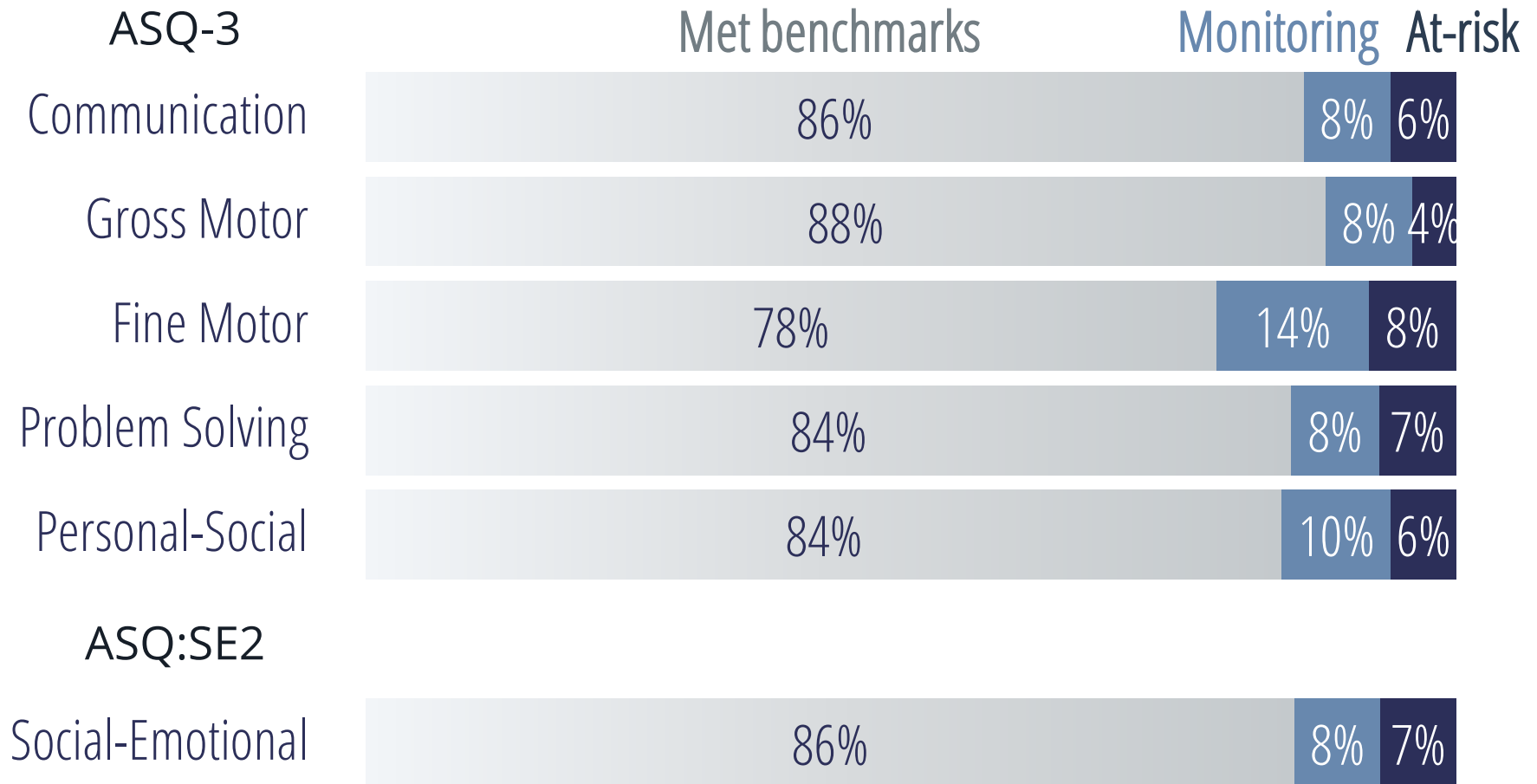
Risk Factors

- 53% Unmarried
- 5% Teen Parents
- 1% Migrant Families
- 5% Families Experiencing Homelessness
- 60% Free & Reduced-Price Lunch
- 33% English is not the primary language in the home



Developmental & Social-Emotional Screening

Early Identification



Overall, 45% of children had an indication of risk.

Impact of COVID-19 on Early Learning



76% of environments shut down due to COVID-19



488 children were impacted by closures

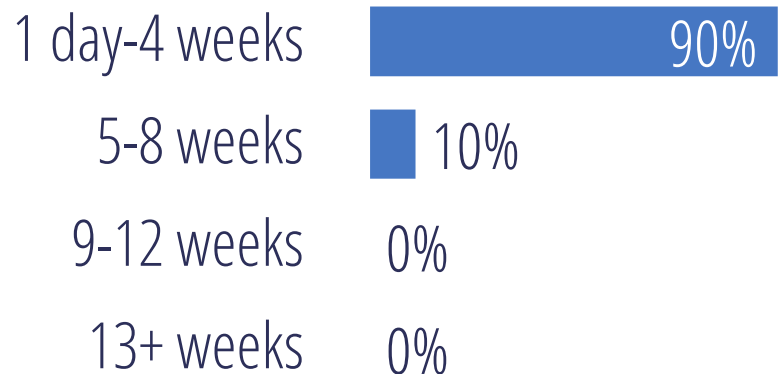
2% closed **permanently** due to the COVID-19 pandemic

75% shut down **temporarily** due to the COVID-19 pandemic

Range of weeks temporarily shut down



Number of weeks temporarily shut down



Staff Turnover in Early Learning

52

KCCTF-funded staff members left positions during the year



Vacant positions took an average of **12 weeks** to fill

Reasons staff members left:

- COVID-19 and/or COVID-19 related
- To take another early childhood job
- To take a non-early childhood job
- To relocate/move
- No reason provided
- Other

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classrooms closed **permanently** due to lack of staff

14

classrooms closed **temporarily** due to staff turnover

CAEDE Programs

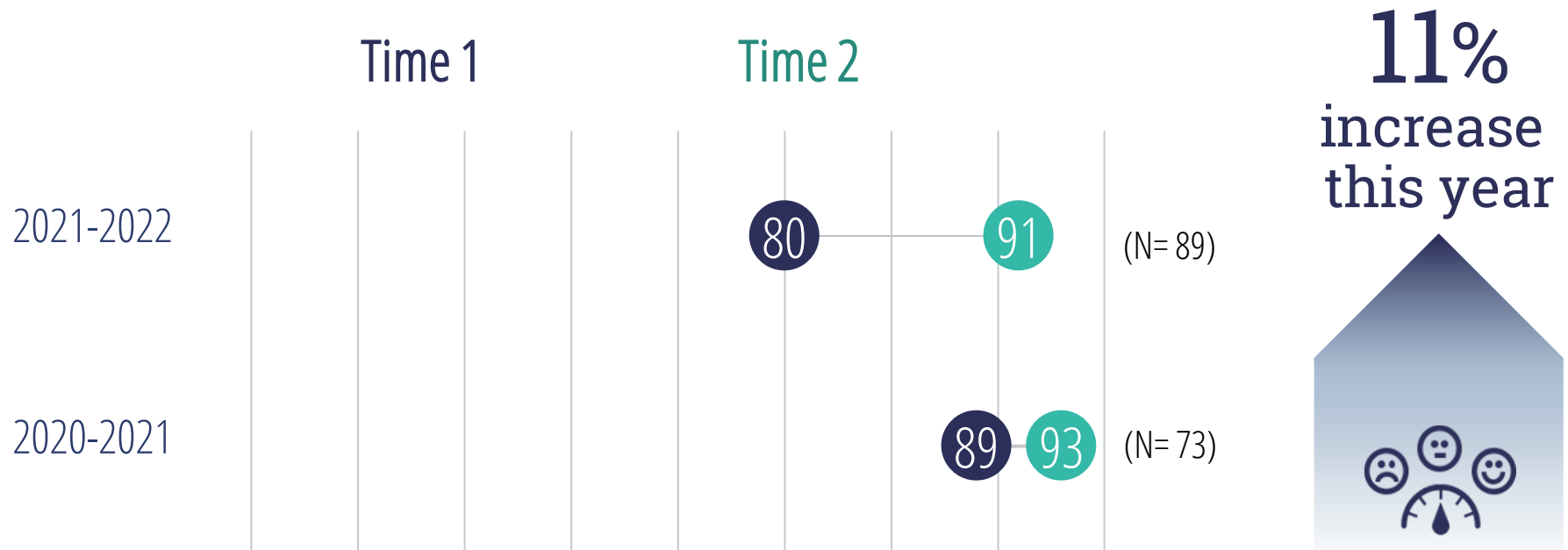
Children Served



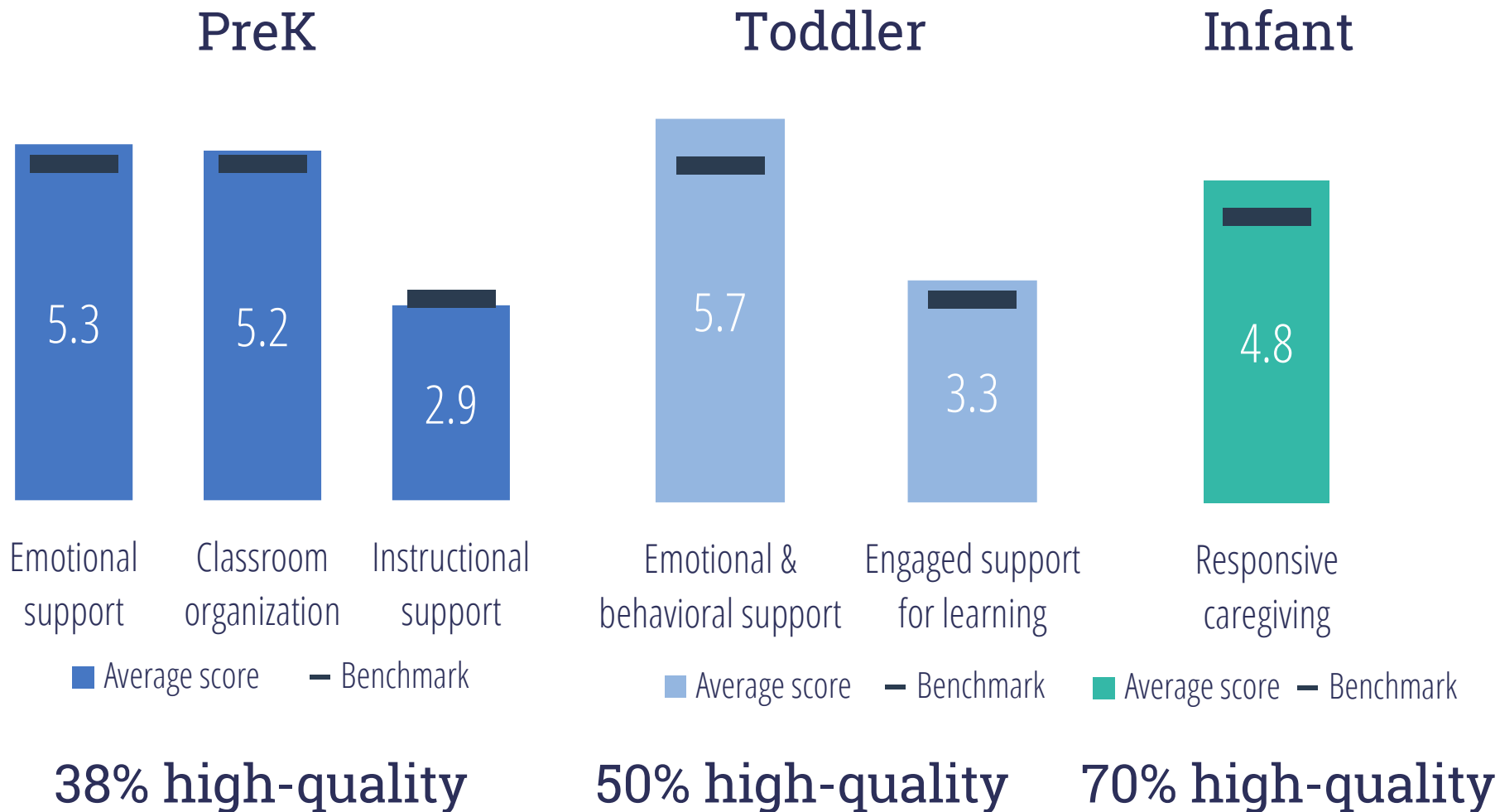
Social-Emotional Outcomes

DECA – % children on track

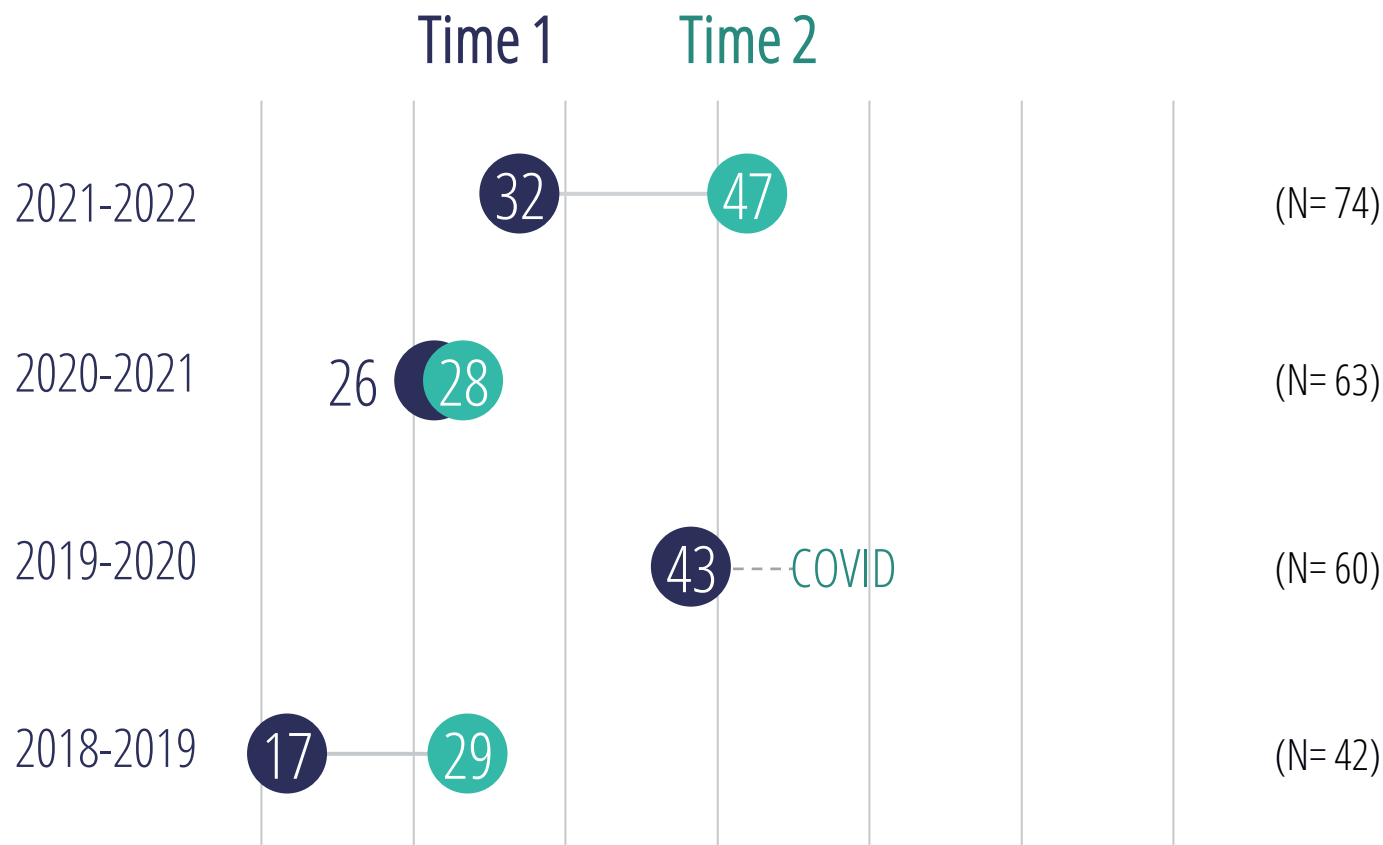
The DECA is an observational measure designed to evaluate social-emotional strengths associated with resiliency and protective factors.¹



Early Learning CLASS – average scores



Early Learning CLASS – % high-quality classrooms



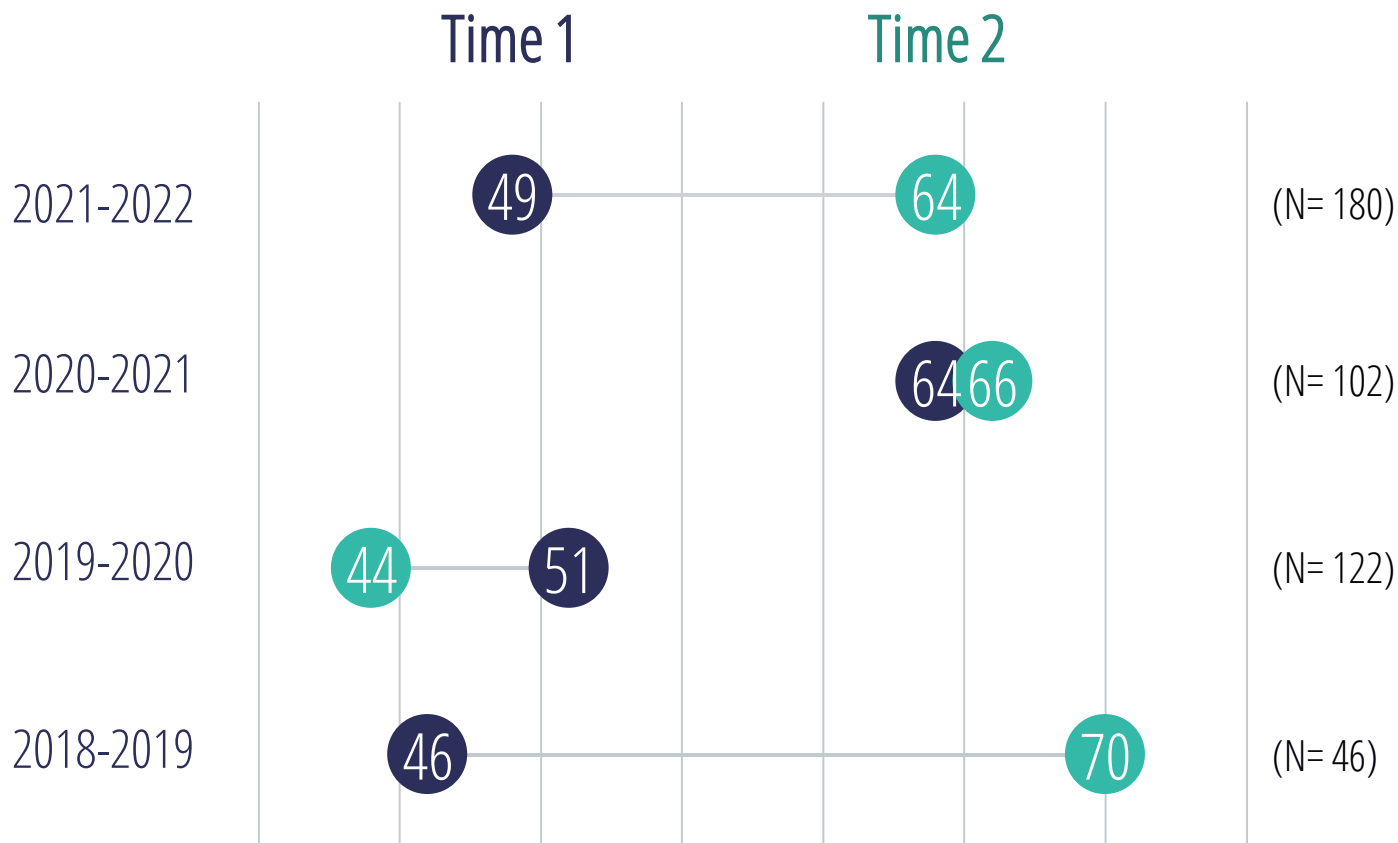
15%
increase
this year



0-3 Early Care & Education Outcomes

IGDI ECI – % on track

The ECI is a play-based measure that monitors expressive communication skills.⁸



15%
increase
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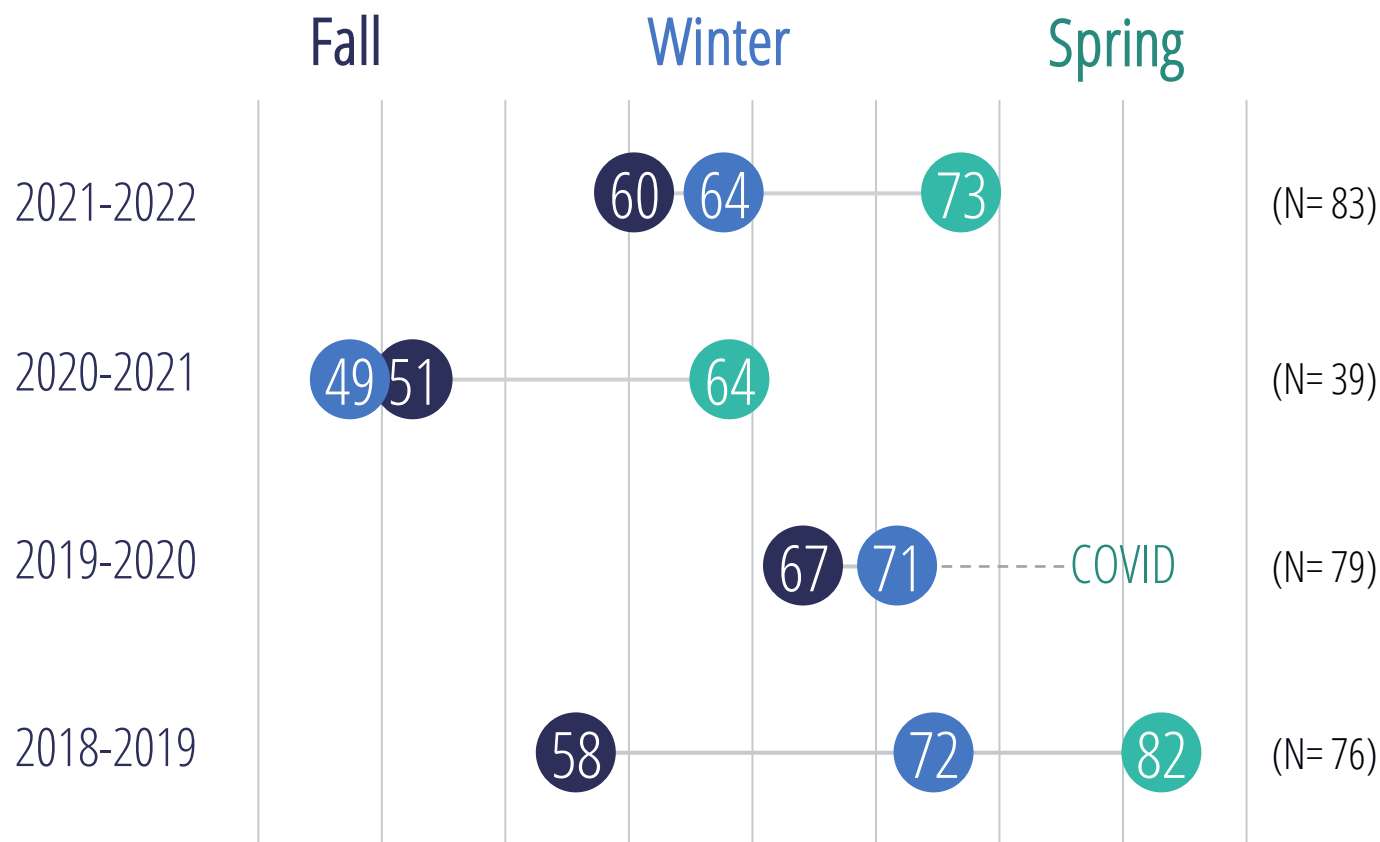


3% of children assessed had an established delay.

PreK Literacy Outcomes

myIGDIs Language Comprehension – % on track

The myIGDIs Literacy measures provide essential information on the emergence of critical literacy skills in preschool-aged children.⁹

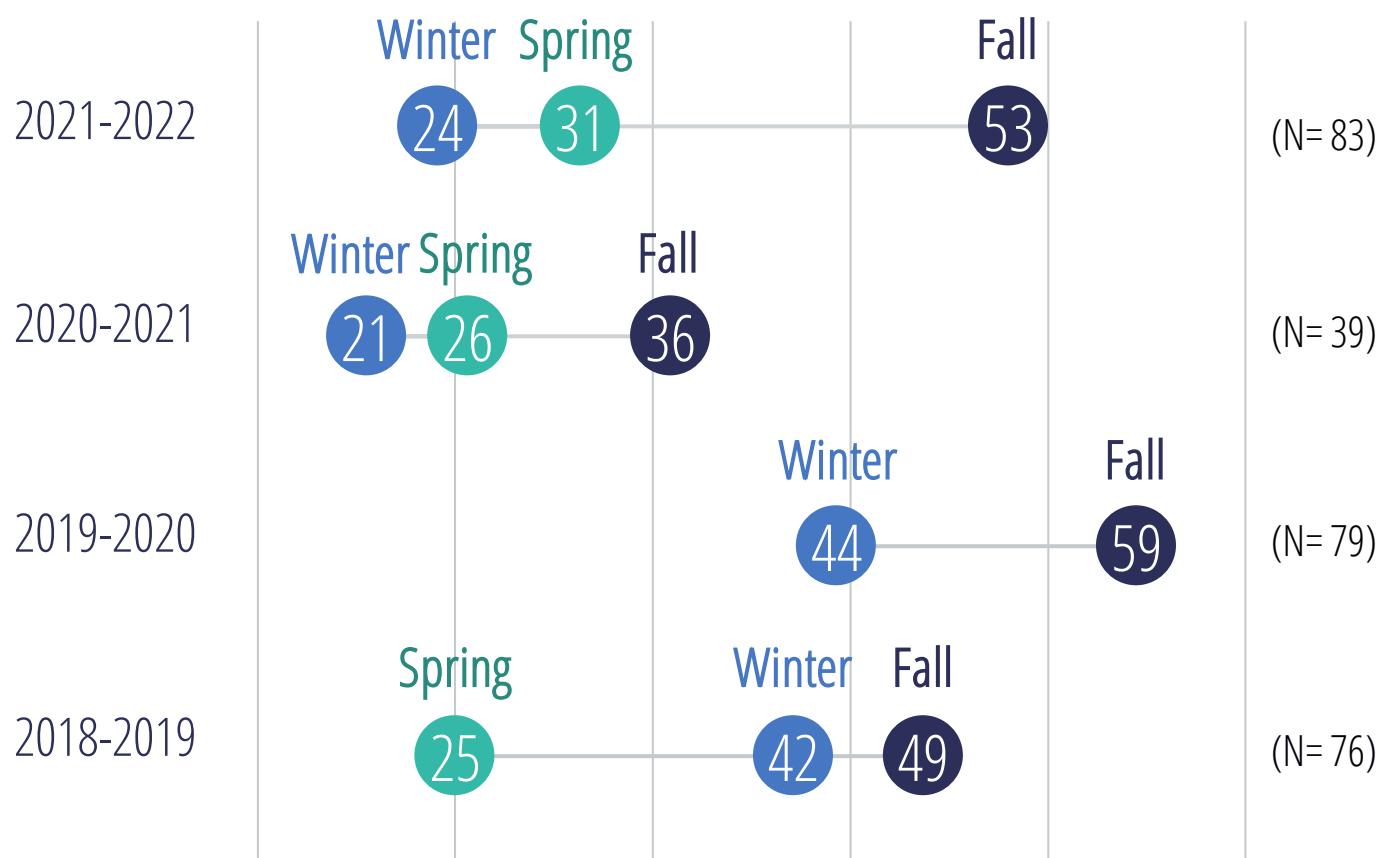


13%
increase
this year



PreK Literacy Outcomes myIGDIs Phonological Awareness– % on track

Phonological Awareness has decreased every year.

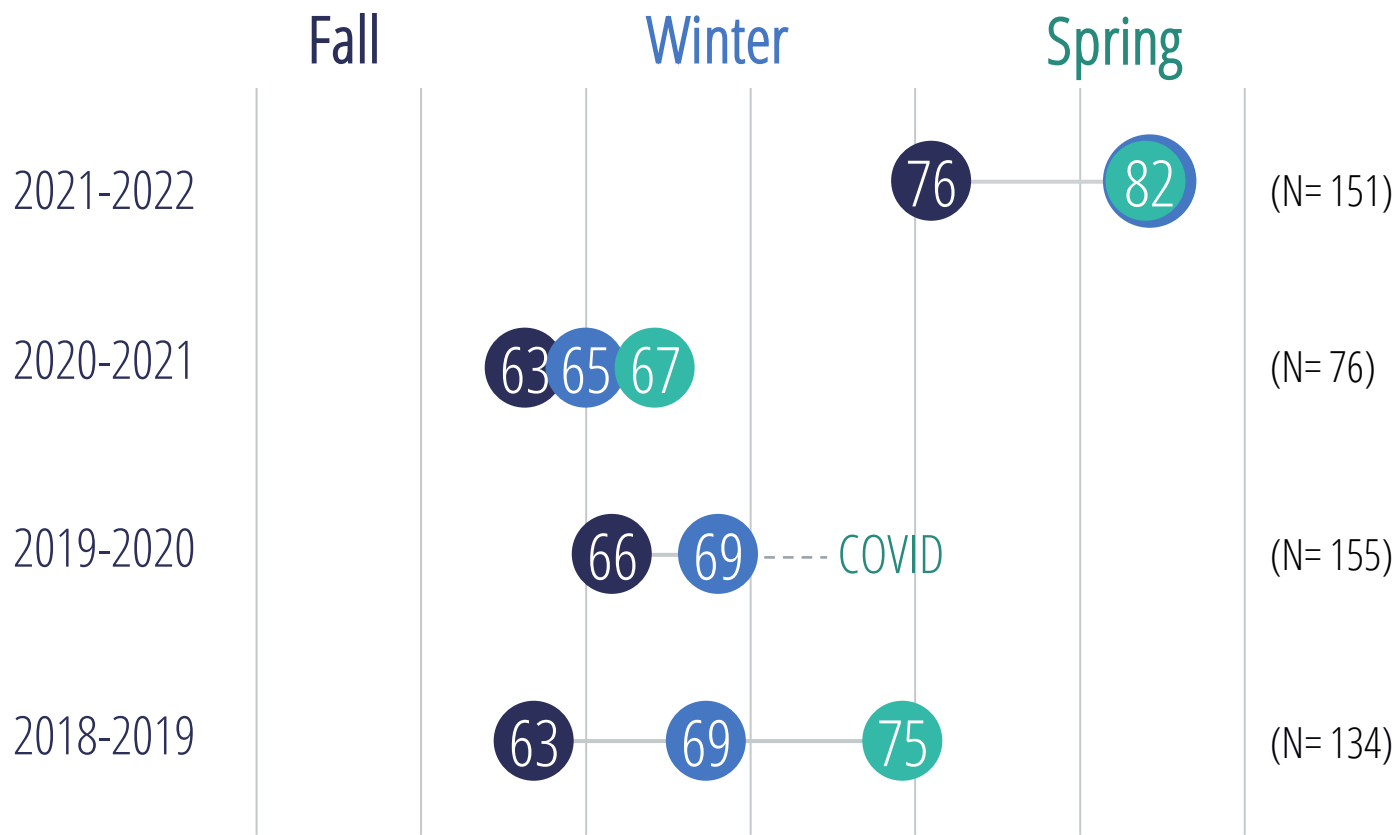


22%
decrease
this year

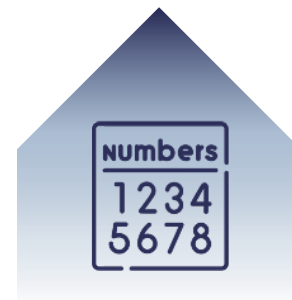


PreK Early Numeracy Outcomes

myIGDIs Numeracy – % on track



6%
increase
this year



Summary & Conclusions: CAEDE

In 2021-2022, CAEDE served 660 children and 546 families. Forty-four percent (44%) of children and families had 3 or more risk factors, with the most common being:

- Children at-risk or having an established developmental delay (40%)
- Families that qualified for free or reduced-price lunch (60%)
- Families earning less than \$40,000 per year (54%)

Although the impact of COVID-19 had lessened, 76% of Start Young environments shut down for at least some time during the year impacting 488 children. Start Young programs also struggled with staff turnover.

Forty-five percent (45%) of children had an indication of risk on the ASQ-3 and/or ASQ:SE2 screeners.

Outcomes for Start Young were mixed with most measures showing an increase across the year but still lagging behind previous years.

- The exception is myIGDIs early numeracy where scores increased across the year and were higher in Spring than in any previous year.
- Conversely, scores for myIGDIs phonological awareness dropped by 22% from Fall to Spring.
- Although classroom quality scores increased across the year, only 47% of classrooms were considered high quality.

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ECBG Timeline Review

MELISSA ROOKER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



ECBG FUNDING OVERVIEW

- Grantees face uncertainty year over year with planning for program staffing and budgeting.
- The Children's Cabinet values a long-term perspective in investing in early childhood care and education.
- This includes both maintaining stability of grantees over time and investing in innovative, promising new projects and transformational ideas.

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ECBG FY24 RECOMMENDATION

- Fast-track application for existing grantees
 - Provides more stability in program planning, efficiencies for submission and review processes, and reduced grant-writing burdens on grantees
- Open competition and RFP for consideration of new programs

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Community Based Child Abuse Prevention Renewal



AMY MEEK, PROGRAM DIRECTOR

RENEWAL PROCESS

- Annual awardee renewal grants (6 community-based, 1 statewide)
- Renewal applications submitted via Kansas CommonApp
- Federal funding award – FY23 begins Oct 1
 - Pending Congressional budget action and formal award notice

CBCAP



CBCAP FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Applicant	FY 23 Funding
Elizabeth Layton Center – Circle of Security	\$49,274
Family Resource Center – Family Response Advocate	\$163,191
KCSL – Parent Child Assistance Program	\$195,477
KCSL – WCCAP & Crisis Nursery	\$186,032
KCSL – Statewide	\$400,000
Pony Express Partnership for Children – Family Support Program	\$200,000
The Family Conservancy – Healthy Parents, Healthy Kids	\$125,300
Total Grantee Awards	\$1,319,274
<i>*Federal Award Received FY22</i>	<i>\$1,376,576</i>


CBCAP RENEWAL FUNDING APPROVAL

- Motion
- Second
- Vote

- Sen. Renee Erickson
- LeEtta Felter
- DiAnne Owen Graham
- Deliece Hofen
- Monica Murnan
- Terri Rice
- Dr. Tyler Smith
- John Wilson
- Cabinet Chair, Kim Moore

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ROLE OF THE KANSAS EARLY CHILDHOOD RECOMMENDATIONS PANEL

- The Kansas Early Childhood Recommendations Panel is an **advisory group** to the Kansas Children's Cabinet and Trust Fund
- Meeting materials are posted at kschildrenscabinet.org/panel-meetings



**State-Level
Coordination**



PANEL UPDATES

- First meeting with new membership on July 15
- Introduction to Panel procedures
- Discussion about strengths of the Panel as a vehicle for state-wide collaboration





PDG B-5 Renewal Grant Update

MELISSA ROOKER



UPDATES

- PDG Year 2 Annual Performance Progress Report and Annual Financial Report (Apr 30, 2021-April 29, 2022)
- Carry-Forward Request
- Strategic Plan Progress Updates
- Coordinated Sustainability Planning Underway
- Child Care Technical Assistance Network Highlighted Kansas Intragovernmental Partnerships as a Function of ECCE Governance

PDG-Renewal Grant





Agency Updates



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Director's Update

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

Cabinet meetings are held the first Friday of every other month from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm.

2022 Meeting Schedule

- October 7 (*Virtual*)
- December 2 (tbd)

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