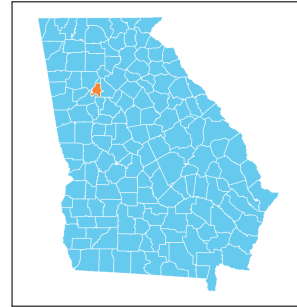


City of Atlanta Early Childhood Profile

The Georgia Early Childhood Profiles are produced by GEEARS: Georgia Early Education Alliance for Ready Students, with technical assistance from Neighborhood Nexus. GEEARS is a nonpartisan, nonprofit organization whose vision is to ensure that, by 2020, all Georgia children will enter kindergarten prepared to succeed and be on a path to “read to learn” by third grade. These profiles highlight indicators relevant to early childhood and school readiness. To learn more, please visit www.geears.org.



Early Care and Education Providers

	Atlanta	State
Total Early Learning Providers¹	227	5,043
Child Care Learning Centers	163	2,562
<i>Serves infants</i>	84%	85%
<i>Serves toddlers</i>	94%	92%
<i>Serves preschoolers</i>	98%	99%
Family Child Care Learning Homes	29	1,578
<i>Serves infants</i>	83%	87%
<i>Serves toddlers</i>	97%	96%
<i>Serves preschoolers</i>	90%	93%
Other Providers [†]	35	903
Total Licensed Capacity¹	18,987	305,919
Quality Rated: [#]	37%	39%
Child Care Learning Centers	18,813	296,467
Quality Rated: [#]	37%	39%
<i>1-star programs</i>	17%	15%
<i>2-star programs</i>	17%	19%
<i>3-star programs</i>	4%	5%
Family Child Care Learning Homes	174	9,452
Quality Rated: [#]	31%	24%
<i>1-star programs</i>	17%	6%
<i>2-star programs</i>	3%	10%
<i>3-star programs</i>	10%	7%

Program Enrollment

	Atlanta	State
Kindergarten ²	4,555	126,400
Lottery Funded Georgia Pre-K ^{1 ‡}	2,682	77,593
<i>At-risk children served¹</i>	65%	49%
Head Start and Early Head Start ^{3 ‡}	2,544	23,896

[†]The category represents entities not subject to licensing by The Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning (DECAL) such as local school systems. Only providers known to DECAL are included.

[#]*Quality Rated* is Georgia's Quality Rating and Improvement System for child care and early learning programs. For more information, visit qualityrated.org.

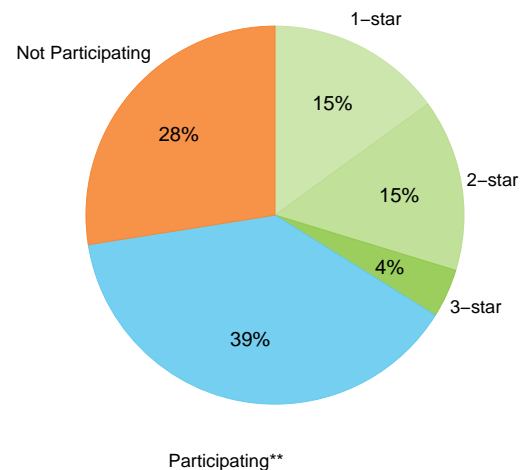
[‡]There may be overlap between Pre-K and Head Start enrollments due to braided and blended funding sources, so these categories are not summative.

* Insufficient data

Third Grade Assessment Results

	Atlanta	State
Students Tested, ELA⁴	4,678	136,238
Proficient/Distinguished Learners:	32%	36%
<i>White</i>	77%	49%
<i>Black or African-American</i>	19%	24%
<i>Hispanic or Latino</i>	25%	26%
<i>Limited English Proficiency</i>	16%	22%
<i>Economically Disadvantaged</i>	18%	26%
Students Tested, Math⁴	4,690	136,670
Proficient/Distinguished Learners:	34%	42%
<i>White</i>	78%	56%
<i>Black or African-American</i>	21%	27%
<i>Hispanic or Latino</i>	29%	35%
<i>Limited English Proficiency</i>	26%	32%
<i>Economically Disadvantaged</i>	20%	32%

Quality Rated Licensed Early Learning Providers¹



** Participating in the Quality Rated process, but not yet rated as of 1/1/2018.

City of Atlanta

Living Arrangements by Householder

	Atlanta	State
Population under age 6 ⁶	31,521	825,000
Parent (includes adoptive)	81%	82%
<i>Married parents (both present)</i>	43%	56%
<i>Single parent</i>	38%	26%
Other relative	17%	16%
Non-relative	2%	2%

Parental Employment

	Atlanta	State
Population under age 6 living with parent ⁵	30,904	766,730
Both parents or only parent in labor force	73%	65%
One parent in labor force, one not	14%	25%
No parent in labor force	13%	10%

Family, Health, and Services

	Atlanta #	Atlanta %	State %
Children under age 6 living below: ⁵			
100% Poverty	12,923	40%	29%
150% Poverty	16,004	50%	42%
200% Poverty	18,154	57%	53%
Children under age 6 without health insurance ⁵	1,765	5%	6%
Limited English-speaking households ⁵	3,056	2%	3%
	DeKalb	Fulton	State
Child Maltreatment Reports (duplicated) ⁷	30.2 [‡]	32.3 [‡]	38.3 [‡]
Births to mothers who are not high school graduates ⁸	15%	12%	15%
Births to girls ages 15-19 ⁸	26.1 [†]	19.3 [†]	25.7 [†]
Low birth weight babies ⁸	10%	11%	10%
Preterm babies ⁸	11%	11%	11%
Asthma-related ER visits (ages 0-4) ⁸	170.5 [‡]	95.1 [‡]	116.9 [‡]

† Rate per 1,000 population

‡ Rate per 10,000 population

* Insufficient data

Economic Status



Of every 20 children ages 0-5 in the City of Atlanta, **11 are economically disadvantaged, including 8 living in poverty.**⁵

Children by Race and Ethnicity

	Atlanta	State
Population under age 5 ⁵	27,107	660,941
White	32%	53%
Black or African-American	60%	34%
Asian and Pacific Islander	2%	4%
Other race or multiracial	6%	10%
Hispanic or Latino (any race)	6%	16%

Children who attend high-quality early education are:

MORE LIKELY
to graduate high school, attend college, have a job, and earn higher wages

LESS LIKELY
to drop out of school, depend on social services, or be arrested

EARLY LEARNING BUILDS THE FOUNDATION

\$1 INVESTED
in high-quality early education

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SAVES \$13
by lowering demand for social services and reducing crime rates

Sources:

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