

Child Care Works (CCW) - Unserved, Eligible Families



	Under 5 years	Infants and toddlers
Eligible children	4,840	2,800
Eligible children enrolled	1,782	856
<b>Unserved, eligible children</b>	<b>3,058</b>	<b>1,944</b>
	63% unserved	69% unserved

ONLY **51%**  
of Child Care Works (CCW)  
children under five years are  
in high-quality programs

...and ONLY **52%** of CCW  
infants and toddlers are in  
high-quality programs

Only **47%** of child care  
capacity in this  
county currently  
meets high-quality  
standards

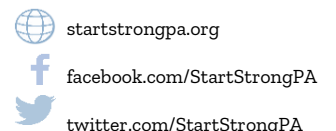
**BENEFITS OF HIGH-QUALITY CHILD CARE**

-  increased employment and tax revenue
-  increased job retention and productivity for employers
-  higher earning potential for parents
-  improved math and language ability
-  healthy development
-  reduced grade repetition



Start Strong PA believes that because every child deserves an equal opportunity to a quality educational foundation that will prepare them to grow, learn, and succeed, we are calling on Pennsylvania to focus on the most important years of a child's development; the first three years of life.

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	Under 5 years	Infants and toddlers
Eligible children	203,110	120,430
Eligible children enrolled	53,770	27,016
<b>Unserved, eligible children</b>	<b>149,340</b>	<b>93,414</b>
	<b>74% unserved</b>	<b>78% unserved</b>

**ONLY 40%**  
of Child Care Works (CCW)  
children under five years are in  
high-quality programs



...and **ONLY 37%** of CCW infants and  
toddlers are in high-quality programs

Only **43%** of child care capacity in the state currently  
meets high-quality standards

**Invest in Working Families in the FY 2020-21 Budget by:**

- Restoring \$36 million in state child care funding to reverse the FY 2019-20 cut by increasing the Child Care Services line item to expand access to high-quality, subsidized child care for 2,400 infants and toddlers and their working families in FY 2020-21.
- Use \$30 million in unallocated federal funds to boost the subsidized child care tiered reimbursement rates for infant and toddler child care provided by Keystone STAR 2, 3 and 4 programs to stabilize and expand high-quality options for working families.



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