

Roadshow LISTENING TOUR



The State of Young Children

Lucas
County

27,135

children under 5 years old¹

30.4%

of children under 5 years old are living in poverty²

3,696

Children are accessing
Publicly-Funded Child Care (PFCC)³
(as of July, 2022)

\$14,189

Estimated 2022 yearly price
for infant center-based care⁵

36%

of PFCC programs earned
a high-quality rating⁴
(as of July, 2022)

20.5%

of family median income was
spent on child care in 2018⁶

1,433

Children are accessing public
preschool through Early Childhood
Education grants (2022)⁷

295

Children five years & younger
are in state custody⁸
(as of Jan. 1, 2022)

3,280

Babies born who are covered
by Medicaid (2019)⁹

33%

of kindergartners are
demonstrating readiness (2021-22)¹¹

404

Pregnant women & families served by
Help Me Grow home visiting (2022)¹⁰

21%

of economically-
disadvantaged
kindergartners are
demonstrating readiness
(2021-22)¹²

1. U.S. Census Bureau (2019)

2. U.S. Census Bureau (2019)

3. Ohio Department of Job and Family Services Data Production, July 2022

4. Ohio Department of Job and Family Services Data Production, July 2022

5. National Database of Childcare Prices 2016-2018, Women's Bureau, U.S. Department of Labor

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7. Ohio Department of Education (2022)

8. Ohio Department of Job and Family Services Data Portal (January 1, 2022)

9. Report on Pregnant Woman, Infants and Children SFY 2020, Ohio Department of Medicaid (July 19, 2021)

10. Ohio Department of Health Data Production, February 2023

11. Ohio Department of Education (2022)

12. Ohio Department of Education (2022)



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