

Louisiana Early Childhood Basics: Louisiana's Youngest Children

- There are nearly 315,000 children under age 5 in Louisiana. More than 70% have parents who work outside the home, and nearly one third of the children under age 5 live in poverty. Quality child care and early learning settings make a difference for all children, but the more vulnerable populations, including low income children tend to receive the greatest benefit. For a quick fact sheet on children in Louisiana including children in working families, children living in poverty, children in child care and pre-k, and quick education facts, click here.
- The 2012 Early Childhood Risk and Reach in Louisiana Report (Click here) outlines the relative risk of poor outcomes for Louisiana's young children based on indicators of early childhood well-being, compared with the availability of early childhood programs that can address these risks. This report provides the risk and reach information for each parish in the state.

Resources:

Louisiana Risk and Reach Report: http://www.lsutuearlychildhood.org/

Louisiana Baby Facts: http://www.zerotothree.org/public-policy/state-community-policy/baby-facts/louisiana-baby-facts.pdf

Louisiana Early Childhood Profile: http://www.nccp.org/profiles/pdf/profile_early_childhood_LA.pdf

Young Child Risk Calculator: http://www.nccp.org/tools/risk/

Kids Count Data Center-Louisiana Indicators:

http://www.datacenter.aecf.org/data?gclid=CjsKDwjwmuafBRCQ7ef6zJXhdRlkAFH2meczNrpthqnu 0ND9eFvp79VYlsdsClKJqDWMhdlQS3QNGqJs3PD BwE#LA/2/0

Children in the States: Louisiana: http://www.childrensdefense.org/child-research-data-publications/data/state-data-repository/cits/2014/2014-louisiana-children-in-the-states.pdf