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21.9% 1,954 children under 5 years old of children under 5 years old are living in poverty² Estimated 2024 yearly price for <u>\$12,795</u> 302 Babies born in 2023 ° infant center-based cares **15.3%** of family median income was spent on child care in 2022⁶ Pregnant women and families 150 served by Help Me Grow home visiting 12 (2024)Children are accessing Publicly-Funded Child Care (PFCC) and the Child Care Voucher ³ 125 (as of December 2024) Children under age 5 covered 1,073 by Medicaid¹¹ (as of July 2024) Children are accessing public 105 preschool through Early Childhood Education grants⁷ Children ages 0-3 receiving (2024)45 Part-C Early Intervention Services (as of Jan 2025) of kindergartners are 20.6% demonstrating readiness¹⁰ (2022-2023) Children five years and younger 21 are in state custody 15.7% of economically disadvantaged kindergartners are demonstrating (as of Jan. 1, 2024)⁸ readiness¹³ (2022 - 2023)SOURCES AVAILABLE HERE

