**Demographics**

- Estimated population, 2013:
  - Birth to 5: 6.2 million
  - Birth to 8: 9.3 million
- Percentage in poverty, birth to age 4, 2013: 32.8

**Education**

- Percentage of 3- to 6-year-old children (not yet enrolled in kindergarten) with specific parent-reported cognitive/literacy-related school readiness skills, 2007:
  - Recognizes all letters: 15
  - Counts to 20 or higher: 42
  - Writes name: 50
  - Reads words in a book: 3
- Percentage of children, ages 3 to 6 (not yet in kindergarten), who attended early childhood care and education programs, 2012: 52
- Percentage of children, birth to 4, with employed mothers, by primary child care arrangement, 2011:
  - Parental care only: 29.4
  - Any non-parental care: 61.9
  - Care in a center-based program: 14.4

**Health**

- Percentage (birth to 2) who ate meals with their families at least 4 days per week, 2011/12: 81
- Percentage of children, ages 3 to 5, read to every day by a family member in the last week, 2007: 37.3
- Percentage of newborns with low birth weight, 2013: 7.1
- Unintentional injuries per 100,000 population, birth to age 2, 2013: 6,807
- Child maltreatment victims (substantiated cases) per 1,000 population, birth to age 17, 2012: 8.4
- Percentage of children, ages 2 to 5, who are obese or overweight, 2011/12: 28.1
- Percentage of children, 19 months to 35 months, with recommended immunizations (4:3:1:3 series), 2013: 77
- Percentage of children, birth to 17, covered by health insurance at any point in the past year, 2013: 88.3
- Percentage (ages 2-17) with unmet dental needs, 2011: 9
- Percentage (ages 2-17) with no dental visit in the past year, 2011: 20
- Percentage (birth to 2) with a preventive medical visit in the past year, 2011/12: 86
- Percentage of children (ages 4 months to 5 years) at high risk for developmental delay, 2011/12: 16.7

*Birth to age eight, unless indicated
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