



Early Childhood Data Report

Allen County, Indiana

The Grassroots MCH Initiative and Fort Wayne Early Childhood
Alliance Collaborative

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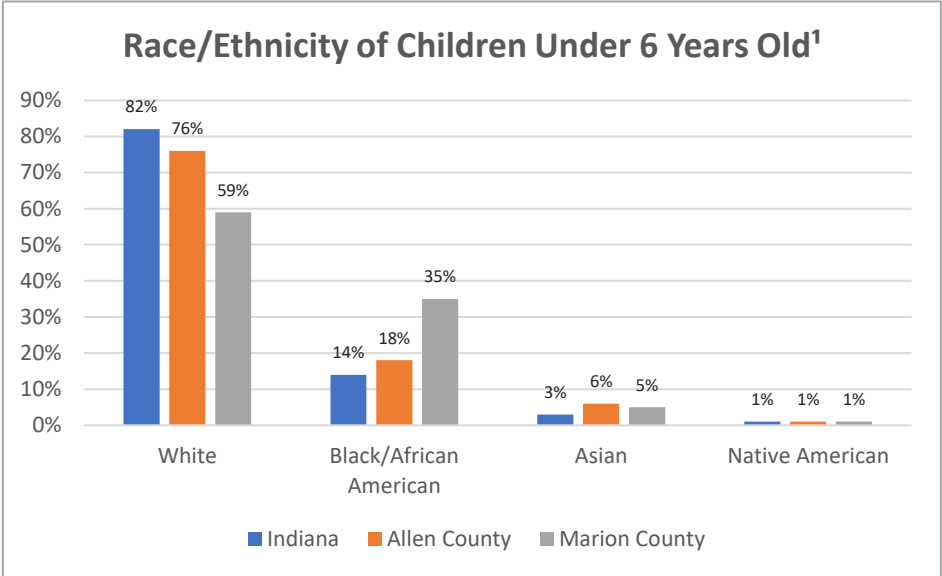
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Early Childhood Demographics

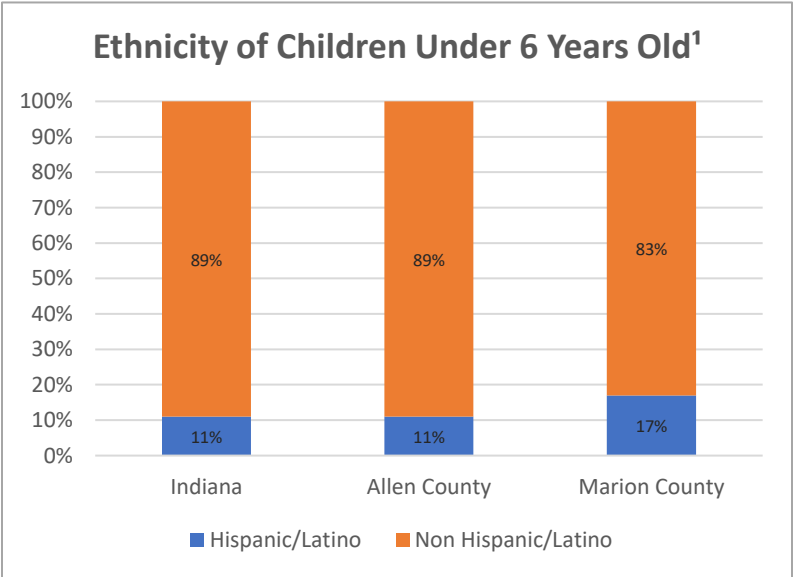


31,754

Children under 6 years old in Allen County¹

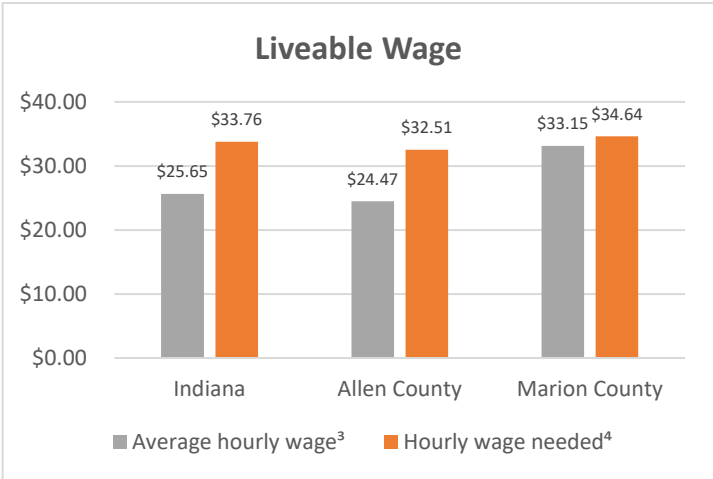
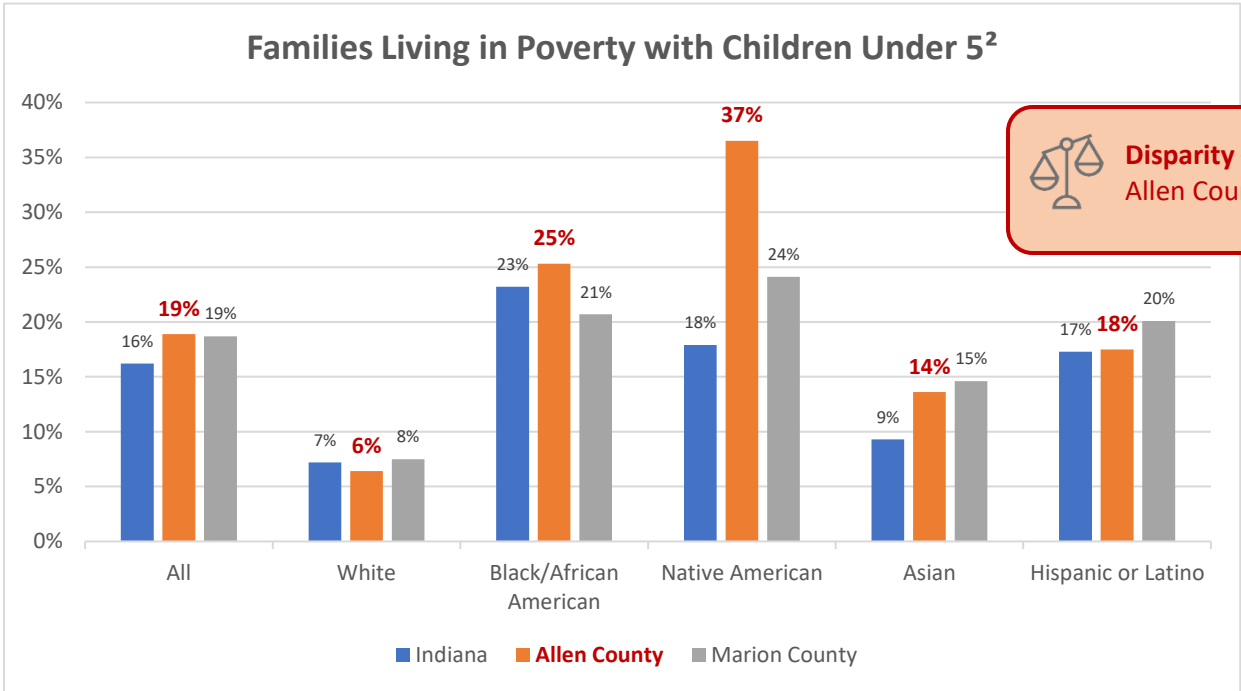


Race/Ethnicity	Number of Children under 6 – Allen County ¹
White	23,895
Black/African American	5,659
Asian	1,886
Native American	314
Hispanic/Latino	3,492



¹ Indiana Early Learning Advisory Committee 2020 Annual Report, 2020 data

Early Childhood Socioeconomic Status

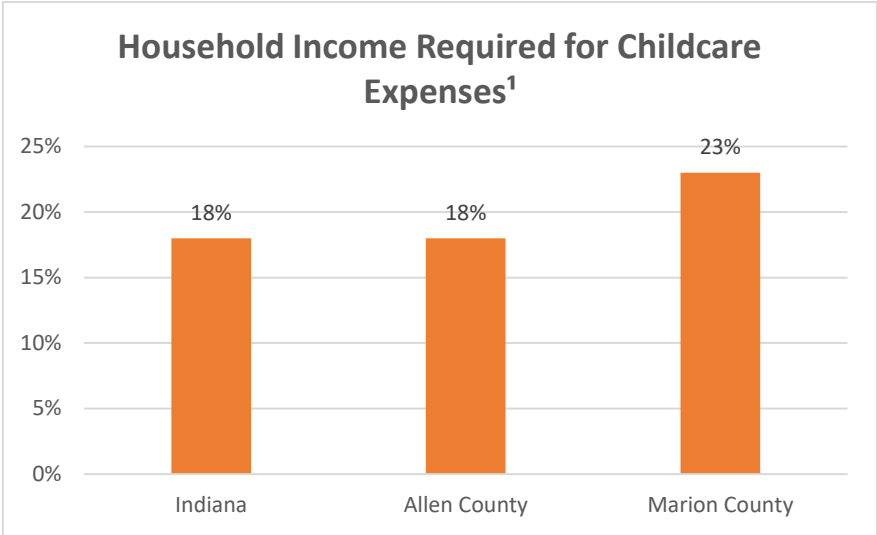


8,161
Families with children under 5 years old living in poverty in Allen County²

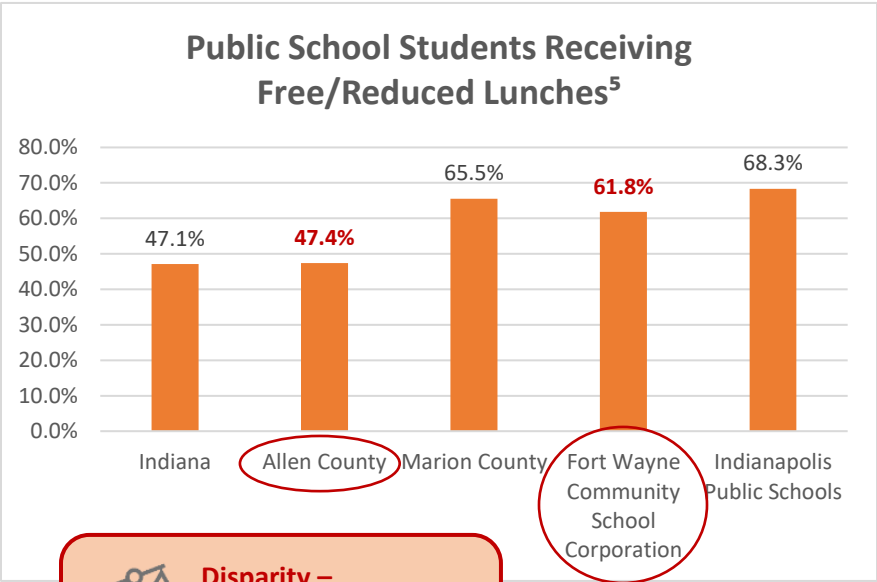
² United States Census Bureau American Community Survey, 2020 data
³ United States Bureau of Labor Statistics, first quarter 2021 data
⁴ Robert Wood Johnson Foundation County Health Rankings and Roadmaps, 2020 and 2021 combined data



Household income required for childcare expenses in Allen County¹



Public school students receiving free or reduced lunches in Allen County⁵



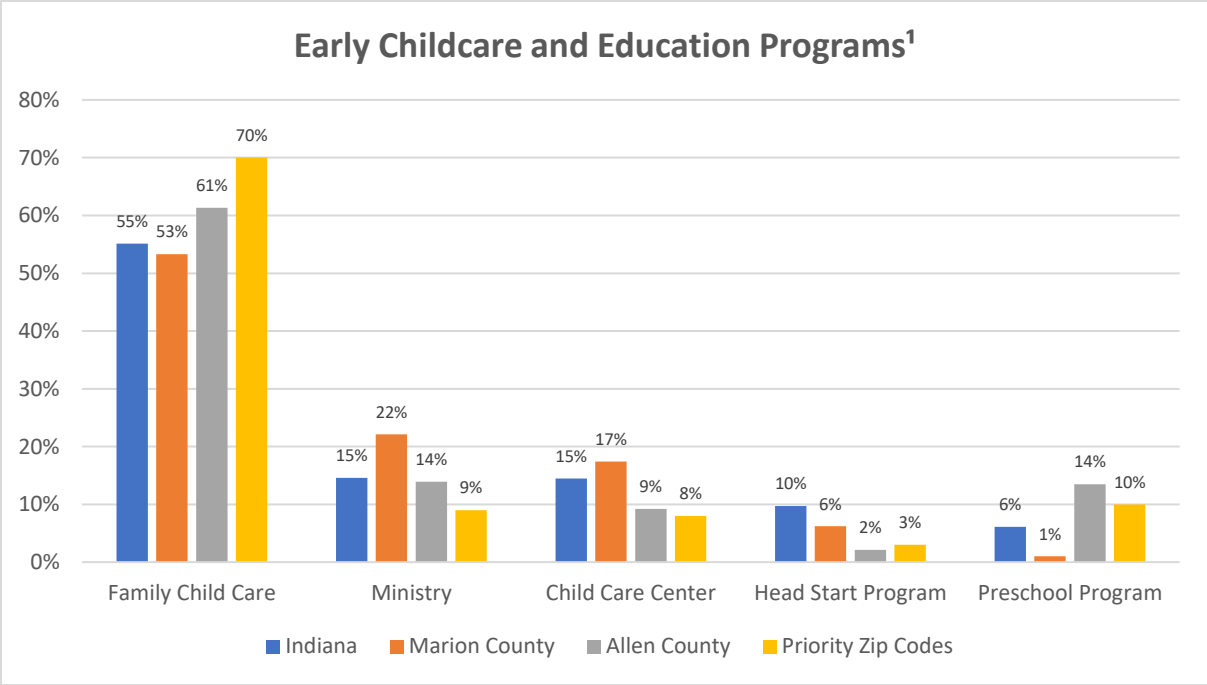
Disparity – Fort Wayne Community School Corporation

⁵ Kids Count Data Center, 2017 data

Early Childhood Program Availability



Grassroots MCH Initiative and Early Childhood Alliance Collaborative priority ZIP codes:
46803, 46805, 46806, 46816



Licensed early childcare and education programs in Allen County¹ - **131 in priority ZIP codes⁶**



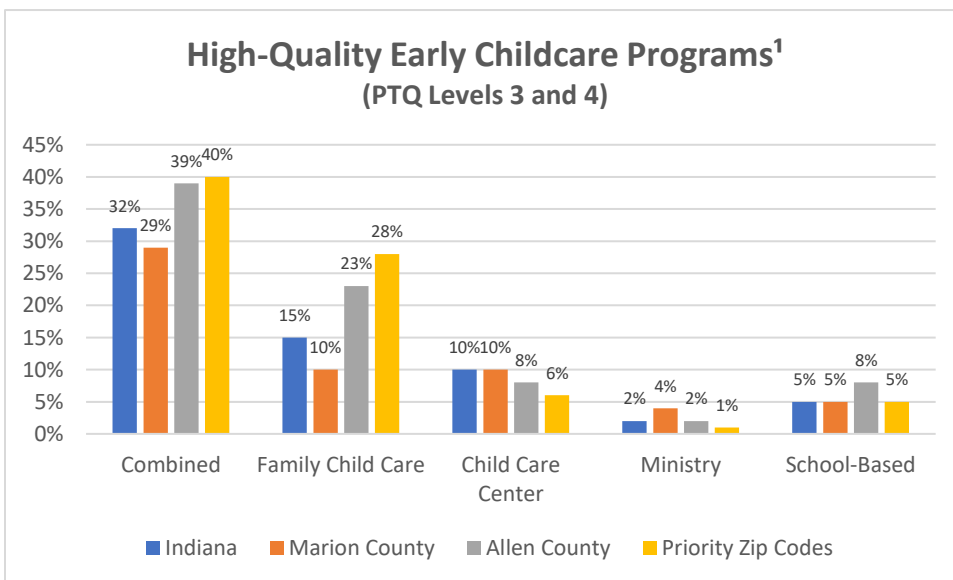
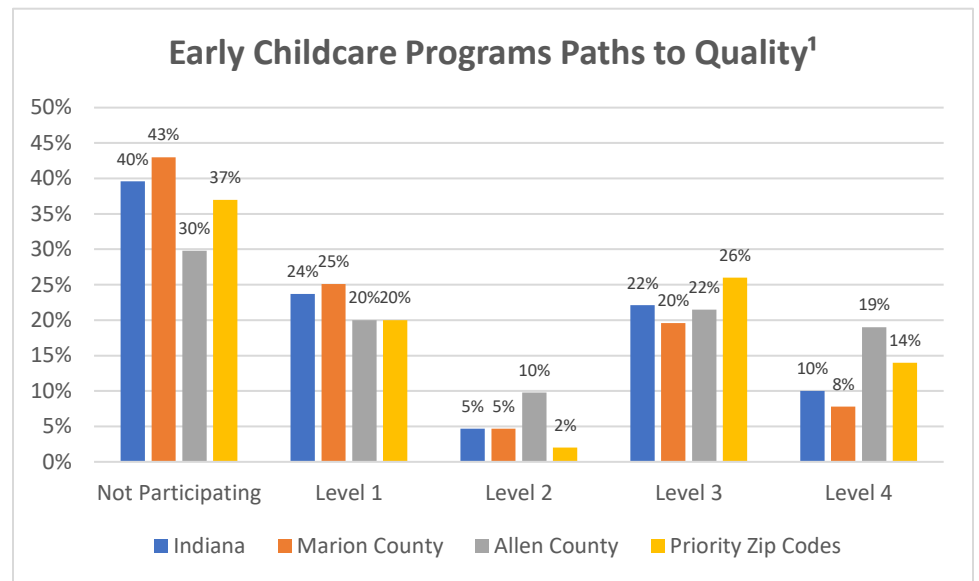
Licensed Family Child Care programs Allen County⁶- **92 in priority ZIP codes⁶**

⁶ Child Care Resource Network, 2022

High-Quality Early Childhood Programs



Early childcare programs participating in Paths to Quality in Allen County¹ - **81 in priority ZIP codes⁶**

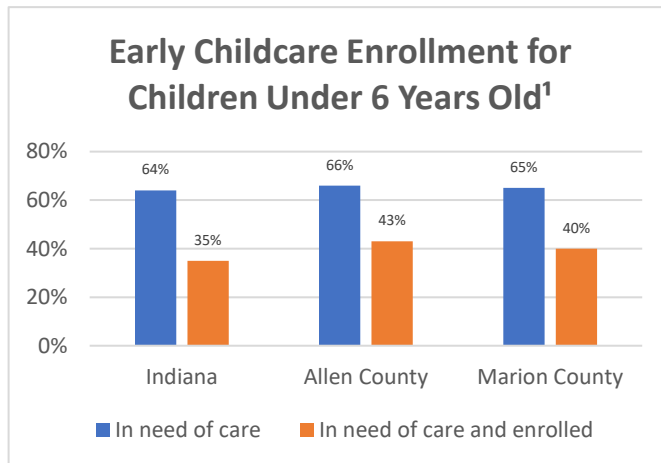


Early childcare programs certified as Paths to Quality Level 3 or 4 in Allen County¹ - **36 in priority ZIP codes⁶**

Early Childhood Education Need and Enrollment



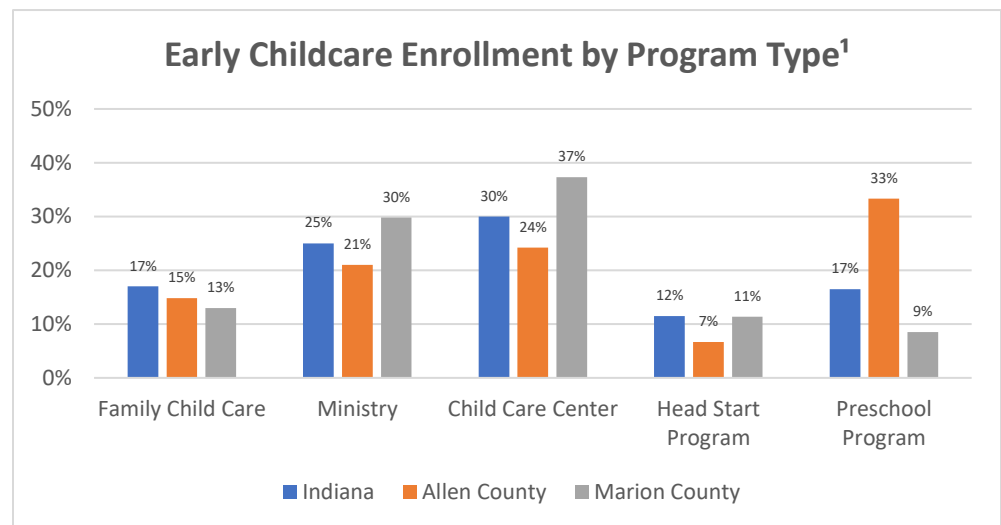
Children under 6 years old enrolled in early childcare programs in Allen County¹



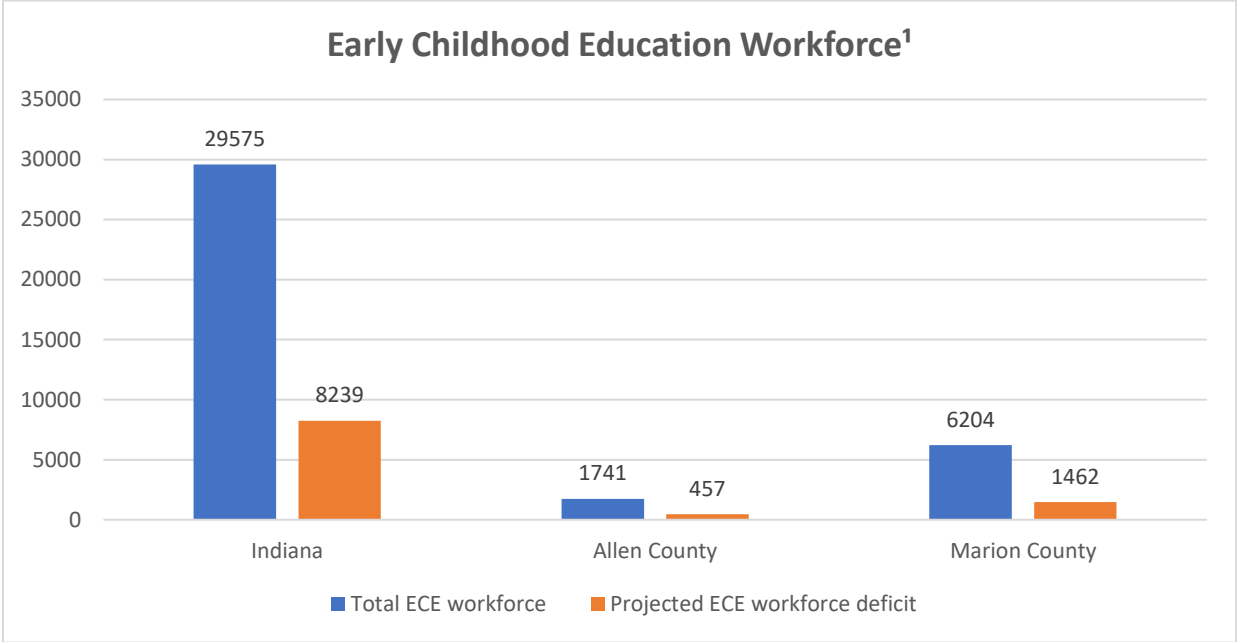
Approximate number of children under the age of 6 in Allen County who are not enrolled in needed care¹



Children under 6 years old enrolled in Family Child Care in Allen County¹



Early Childhood Education Workforce



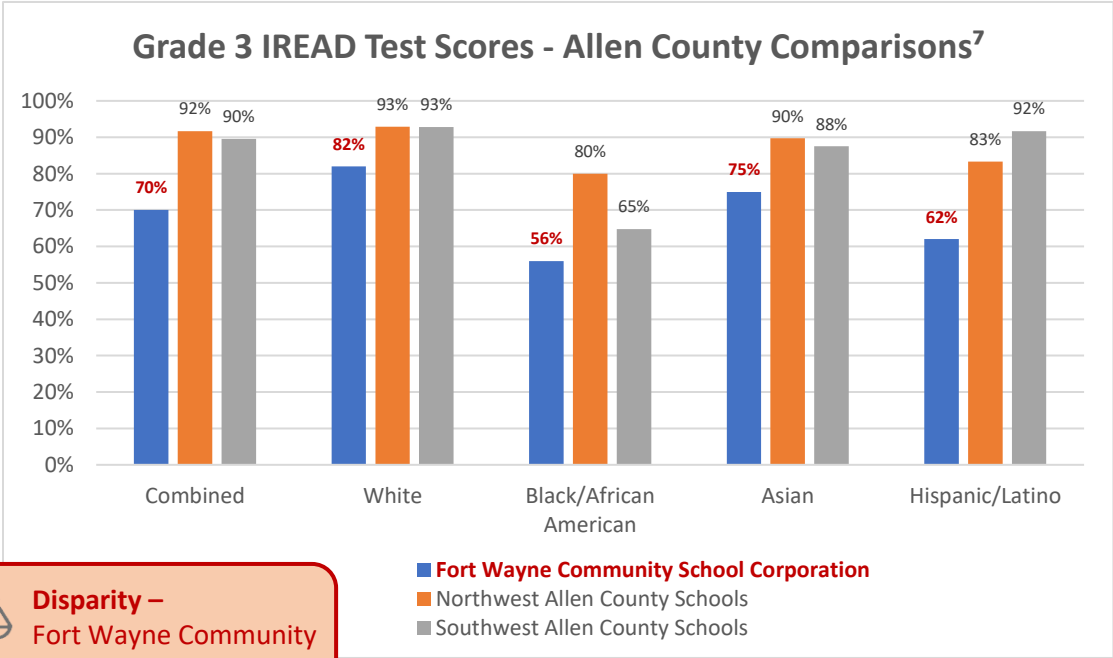
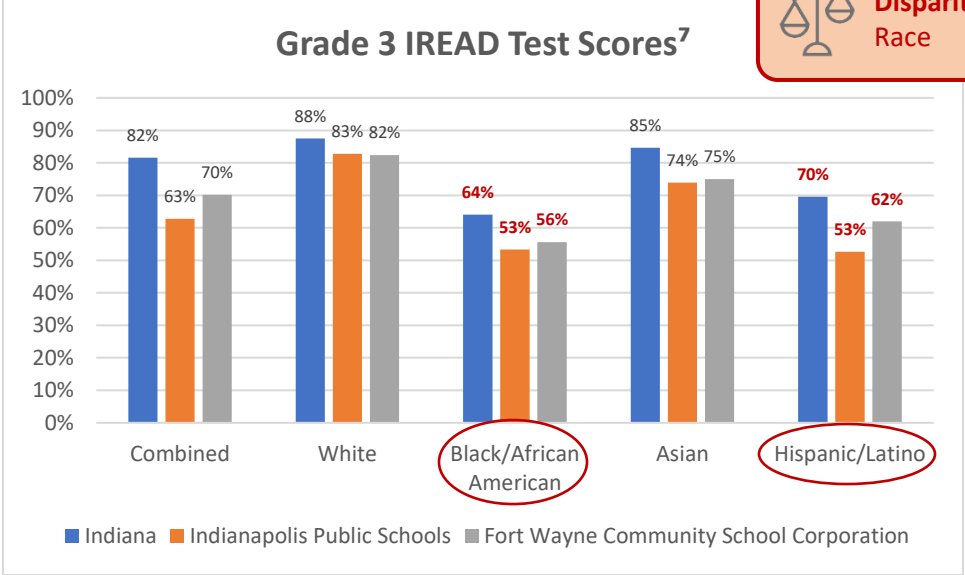
Projected early childhood education workforce deficit in Allen County¹

Early Childhood Education Outcomes



Third grade children proficient in reading in the Fort Wayne Community School Corporation⁷

Disparity – Race

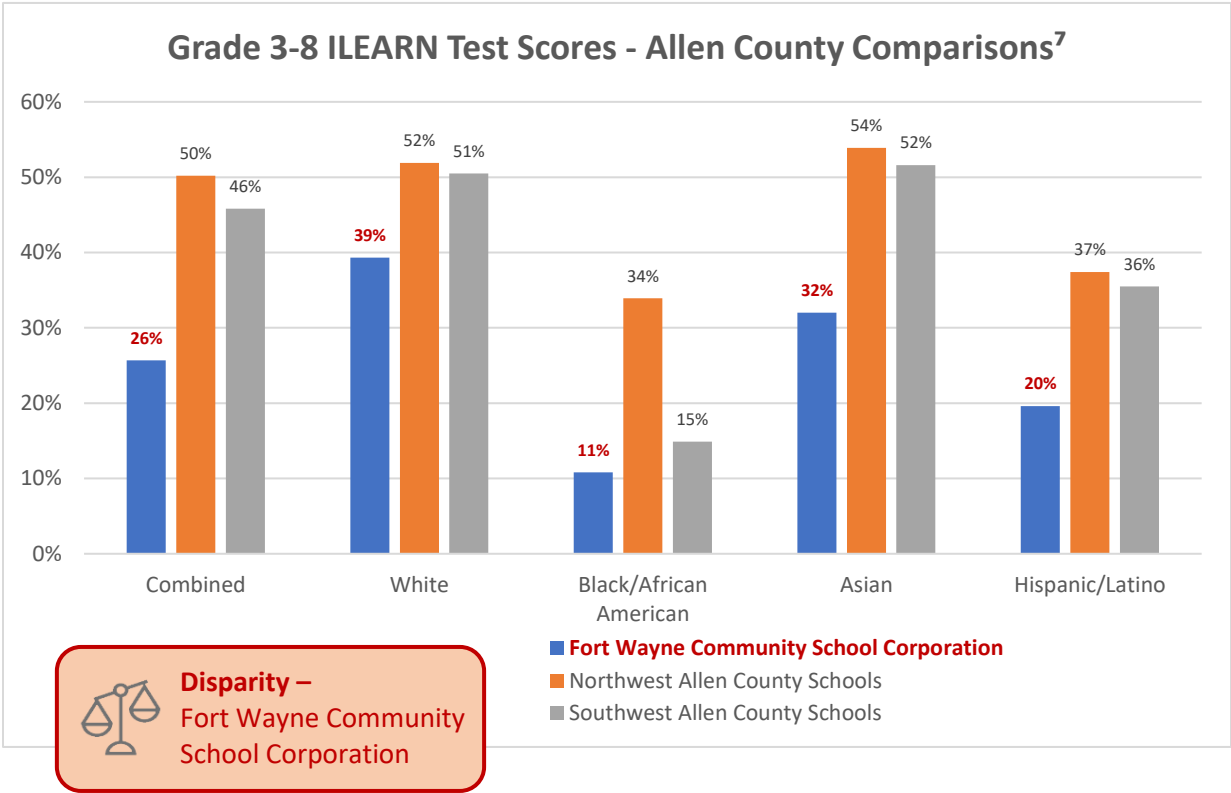
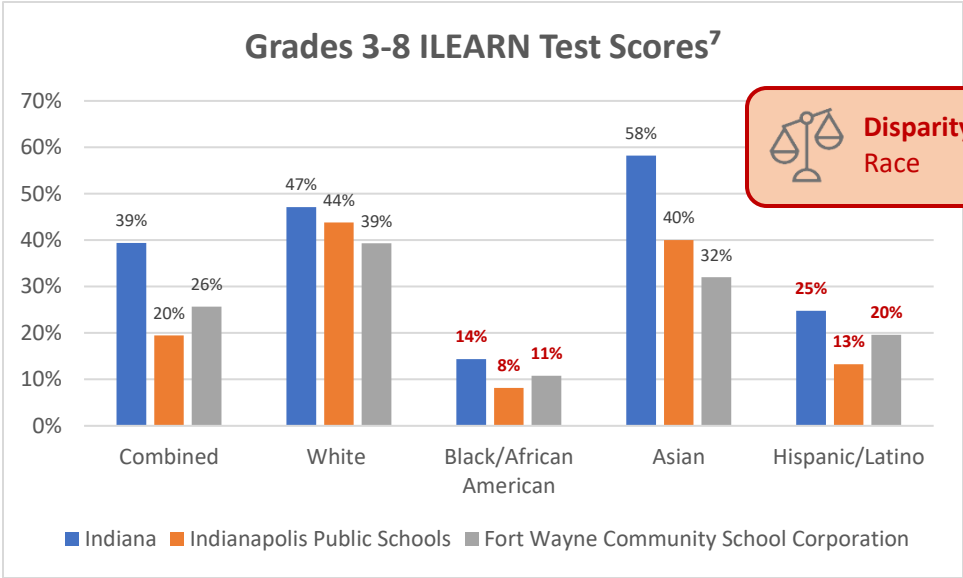


Disparity – Fort Wayne Community School Corporation

⁷ Indiana Department of Education, 2022 testing data



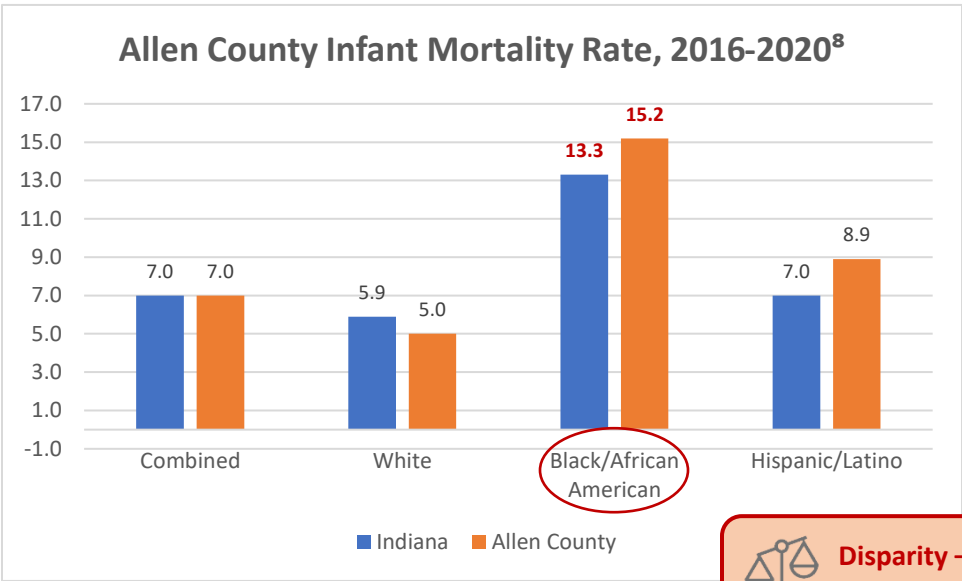
Children in grades 3-8 proficient in mathematics in the Fort Wayne Community School Corporation⁷



Infant Mortality

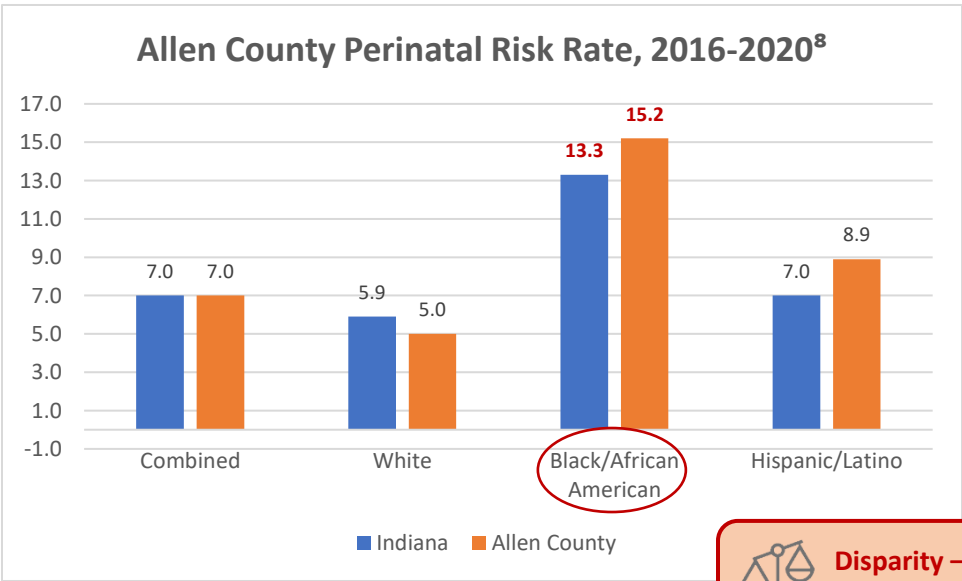


Infant deaths in Allen County from 2016-2020⁸



 **Disparity – Race**

**Perinatal risks are conditions that originate during pregnancy, during the birth process, or shortly after birth that affect the infant’s health*

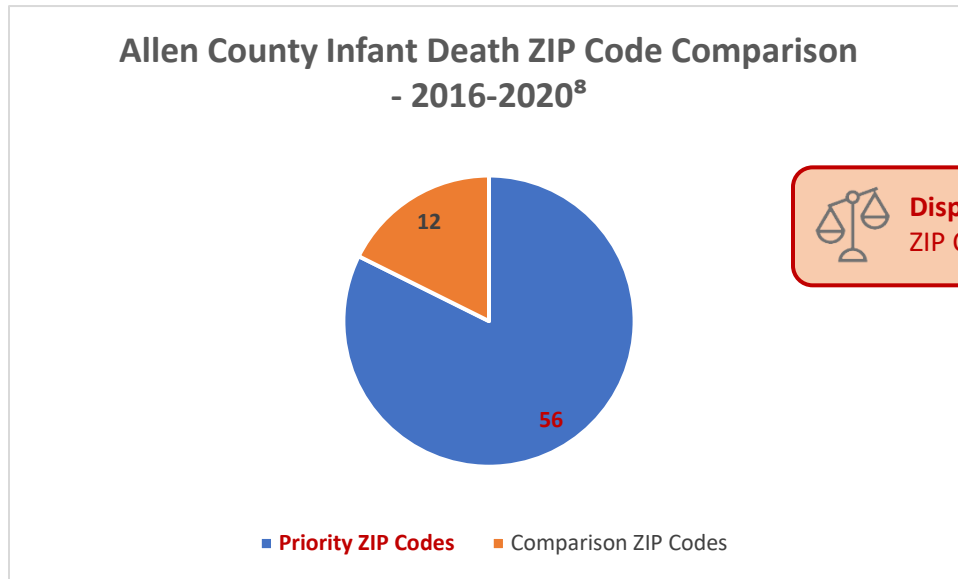


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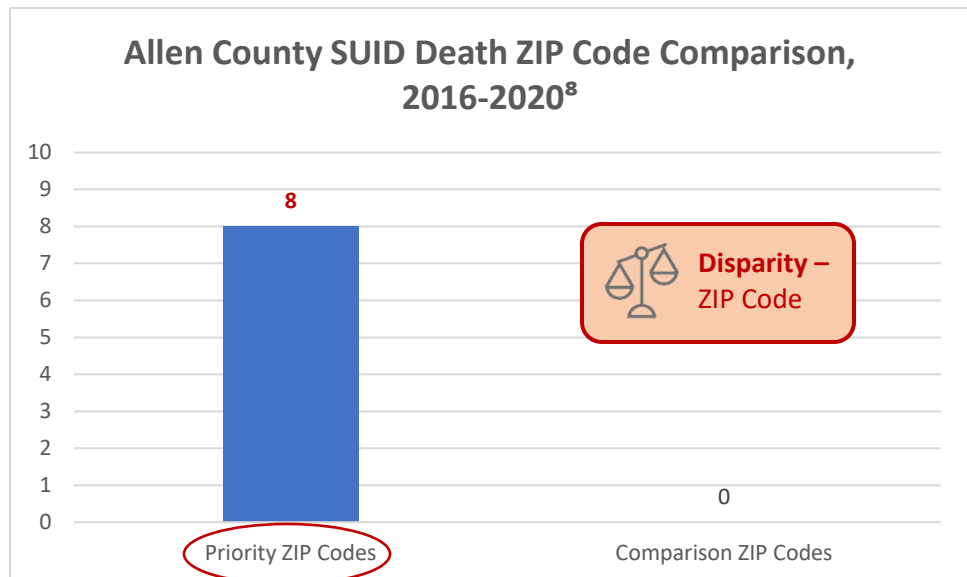
⁸ Indiana Department of Health - Maternal and Child Health Division, 2016-2020 data

Grassroots MCH Initiative and Early Childhood Alliance Collaborative priority zip codes:
46803, 46805, 46806, 46816

Allen County comparison zip codes:
46814, 46845



Sudden Unexplained Infant Death (SUID) deaths in comparison ZIP codes from 2016-2020⁸ - **8 in priority ZIP codes**



Priority ZIP Code Outcome Spotlight

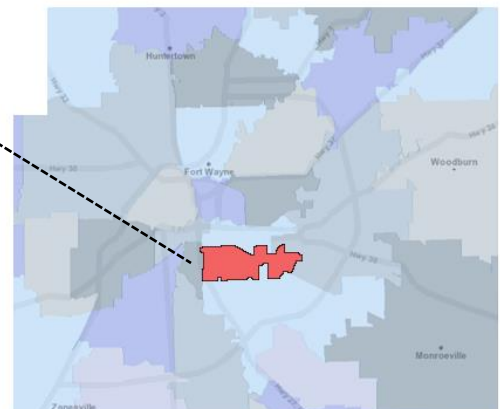


ZIP Code	Infant Deaths ⁸	SUID Deaths ⁸	Perinatal Risk Rate ⁸	Perinatal Risk Deaths ⁸
46803	10	2	N/A*	3
46805	10	2	3.7	6
46806	26	4	6.7	16
46816	10	0	3.8	6

*N/A – not enough deaths to calculate accurate rate (less than 5 deaths)

46806 Outcomes At-A-Glance from 2016-2020⁸:

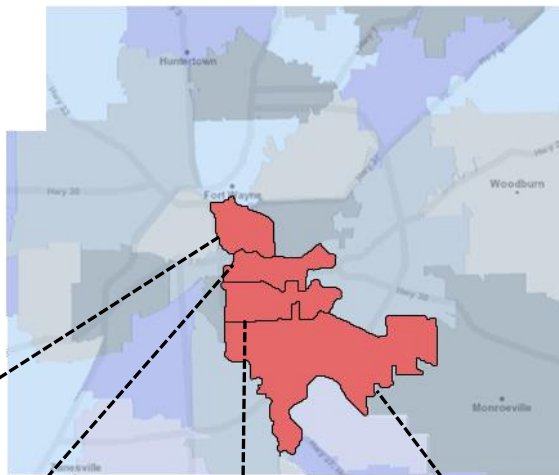
- Infant deaths occurred at more than double the rate of other priority ZIP codes
- SUID rate was double the rate of other priority ZIP codes
- Perinatal risk rate was significantly higher than that of other priority ZIP codes
- Average perinatal risk deaths occurred at triple the rate of other priority ZIP codes



Grassroots MCH / ECA Collaborative Priority ZIP Code Provider Distribution



Early childhood education programs in Allen County zip codes 46803, 46805, 46806, and 46816⁶



46805

Early Childhood Education Programs⁶

Head Start	1
Ministry	1
Center	5
Family	7
Preschool	3
School Age	2

46803

Early Childhood Education Programs⁶

Head Start	2
Ministry	4
Center	2
Family	12
Preschool	3
School Age	0

46806

Early Childhood Education Programs⁶

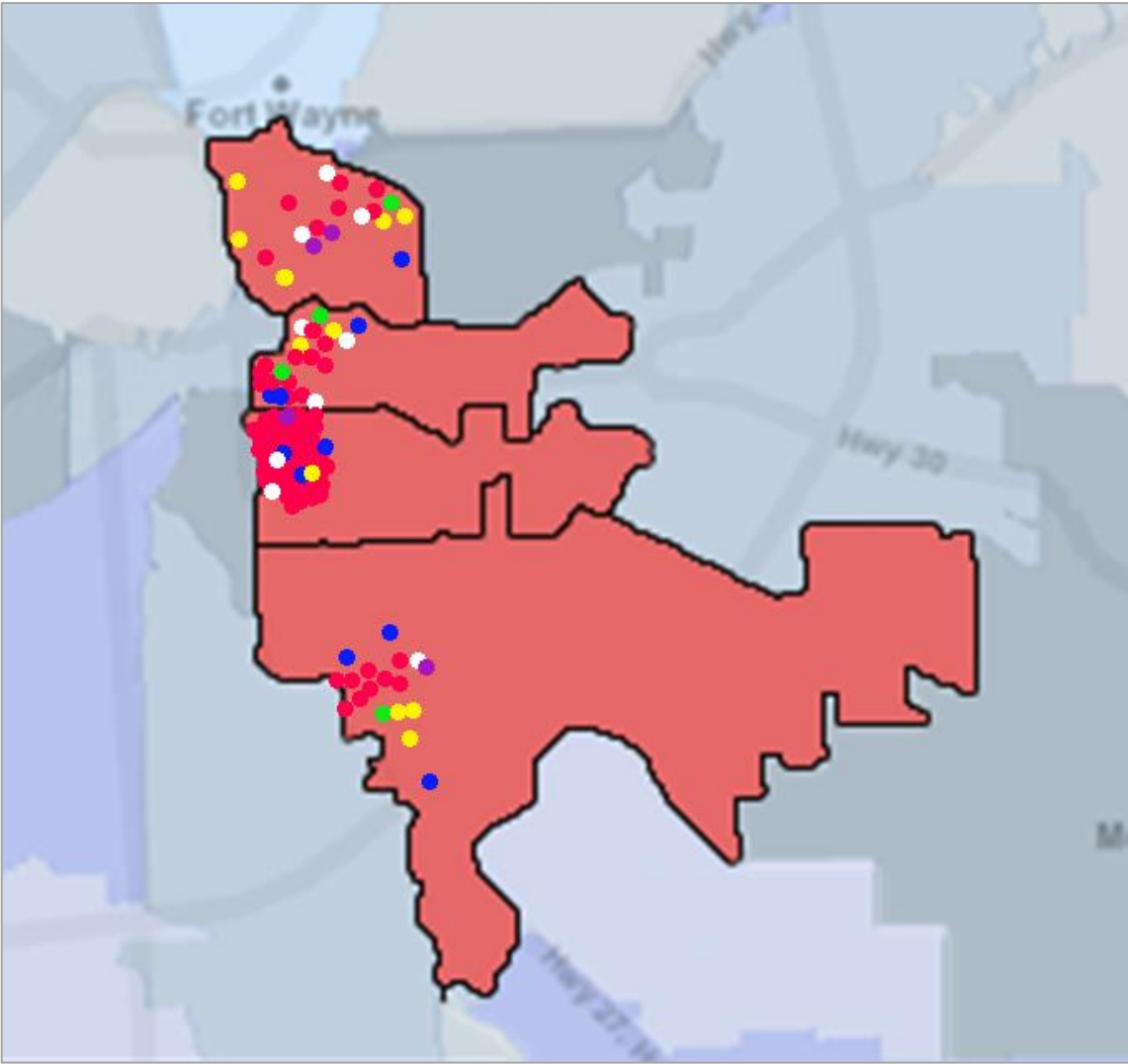
Head Start	0
Ministry	4
Center	1
Family	64
Preschool	2
School Age	1







46816

Early Childhood Education Programs⁶

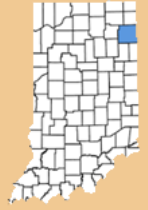
Head Start	1
Ministry	3
Center	3
Family	9
Preschool	1
School Age	1

Grassroots MCH / ECA Collaborative Priority ZIP Code Provider Map



	Head Start		Family Child Care
	Ministry		Preschool
	Childcare Center		School Age Program

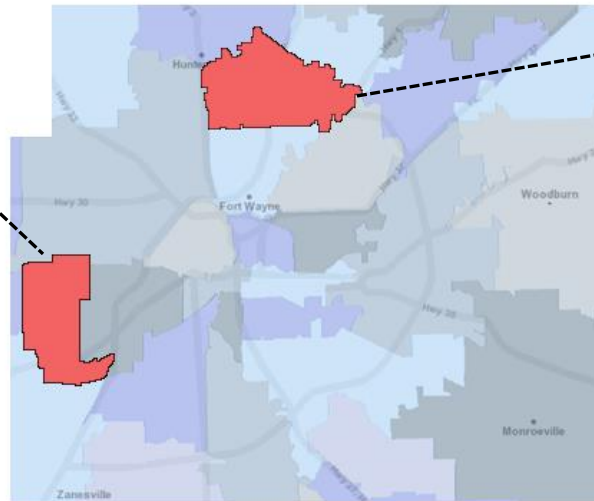
Comparison ZIP Code Provider Distribution and Map



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Early Childhood Education Programs⁶

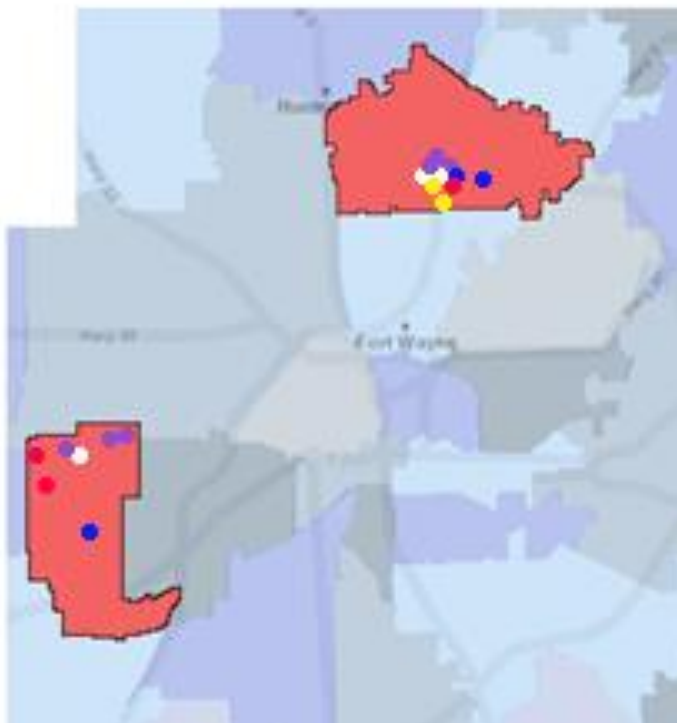
Head Start	0
Ministry	1
Center	0
Family	2
Preschool	1
School Age	3



46845

Early Childhood Education Programs⁶

Head Start	0
Ministry	2
Center	2
Family	1
Preschool	2
School Age	3



	Head Start
	Ministry
	Childcare Center
	Family Child Care
	Preschool
	School Age Program

Collaborators



Thank you to:

- Grassroots Maternal and Child Health Initiative
- Early Childhood Alliance
- Indiana Early Learning Advisory Committee
- United States Census Bureau
- Robert Wood Johnson Foundation
- Kids Count Data Center
- Indiana Department of Education
- Child Care Resource Network
- Child Care Answers
- Indiana Department of Health - Maternal and Child Health Division