



## Rhode Island

### IDEA Part C - Child Count and Settings Release 10.0

Year: 2021-22

A zero count should be used when there were no children to report in the specific category for the given reporting period. Enter "M" (Missing) if the state did not collect or could not report a count for the specific category. Please provide an explanation for the missing data in the comment box at the bottom of the survey pages. Enter "NA" if the category is not applicable to your state.

Your State's Part C Child Count Date is: **12/1/2021**

Has your state elected under 20 U.S.C. 1432(5)(B)(ii) and 1435(c) to provide parents the choice of, and the child's parent has consented to their child, continuing to receive Part C services (in lieu of FAPE) under 20 U.S.C. 1435(c) for children ages 3 and older? **No**

#### Section A: Child Count and Settings by Age

##### A.1. Age Group and Settings of Infants and Toddlers, Ages Birth through 2

Age Group	Home	Community-Based Setting	Other Setting	Total	Percentage
Birth to 1	261	0	4	265	12.88
1 to 2	584	1	2	587	28.52
2 to 3	1198	0	8	1206	58.6
Total (Birth through 2)	2043	1	14	2058	100

##### A.2. Age Group and Settings of Children, Ages 3 or Older

Age Group	Home	Community-Based Setting	Other Setting	Total	Percentage
3 to 4	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
4 to 5	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
5 or Older	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Total (3 or Older)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

Comment:

#### Section B: Child Count and Settings by Race/Ethnicity

##### B.1. Race/Ethnicity and Settings of Infants and Toddlers, Ages Birth through 2

Race/Ethnicity	Home	Community-Based Setting	Other Setting	Total	Percentage
Hispanic/Latino	625	0	3	628	30.52
American Indian or Alaska Native	5	0	0	5	0.24
Asian	37	0	2	39	1.9
Black or African American	142	0	1	143	6.95

Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	5	0	0	5	0.24
White	1162	1	7	1170	56.85
Two or More Races	67	0	1	68	3.3
Total (Birth through 2)	2043	1	14	2058	100

*B.2. Race/Ethnicity and Settings of Children, Ages 3 or Older*

Race/Ethnicity	Home	Community-Based Setting	Other Setting	Total	Percentage
Hispanic/Latino	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
American Indian or Alaska Native	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Asian	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Black or African American	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
White	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Two or More Races	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Total (3 or Older)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

**Comment:**

**Section C: Child Count by Gender**

*C.1. Gender Of Infants and Toddlers, Ages Birth through 2, Receiving Early Intervention Services*

Gender	Total	Percentage
Male	1304	63.36
Female	754	36.64
Total (Birth through 2)	2058	100

*C.2. Gender of Children, Ages 3 Or Older, Receiving Early Intervention Services*

Gender	Total	Percentage
Male	NA	NA
Female	NA	NA
Total (3 or Older)	NA	NA

**Comment:**

### Section D: At Risk Child Count

Has your state elected under 20 U.S.C. 1432(5)(B)(i) to serve children under the age of three and at risk of having substantial delays if early intervention services are not provided? **No**

<i>At Risk Infants and Toddlers, Ages Birth through 2</i>				
<i>Ages as of Child Count Date</i>				
Race/Ethnicity	Total	Birth to 1	1 to 2	2 to 3
Hispanic/Latino	NA			
American Indian or Alaska Native	NA			
Asian	NA			
Black or African American	NA			
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	NA			
White	NA			
Two or More Races	NA			
Total (Birth through 2)	NA	NA	NA	NA

**Comment:**

### Section E: Cumulative Child Count by Race/Ethnicity and Gender

**Cumulative Number of Infants and Toddlers Who Received Early Intervention Services by Race/Ethnicity and Gender**

Cumulative Child Count Reference Period: From: **7/1/2020** To: **6/30/2021**

<i>E.1. Cumulative Count of Infants and Toddlers, Ages Birth through 2, by Race/Ethnicity</i>		
Race/Ethnicity	Total	Percentage
Hispanic/Latino	1397	31.79
American Indian or Alaska Native	21	0.48
Asian	89	2.03
Black or African American	293	6.67
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	3	0.07
White	2459	55.95
Two or More Races	133	3.03
Total (Birth through 2)	4395	100
<i>E.2. Cumulative Count of Infants and Toddlers, Ages Birth through 2, by Gender</i>		
Gender	Total	Percentage

Male	2692	61.25
Female	1703	38.75
Total (Birth through 2)	4395	100

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**Comment:** Although Rhode Island saw a slight increase in its child count numbers this year, we are still not back to typical child count numbers before the Pandemic. Last year's data reported on 8 months of Pre-Covid and 4 months during Covid. RI saw a significant dip in referrals to Early Intervention during the months of March and August of 2020. The dip in referrals was primarily due to families staying at home and not participating in the normal activities as pre-Covid times. RI reported significant decreases in pediatric visits and childcare attendance which are RI's two greatest referral sources other than parent referrals typically due to being involved in these two types of services. August 2020 and July 2021, Rhode Island did pull out of the "dip" and saw a steady incline of referrals leading to an increase in child count over that period of time. Rhode Island also noted that many referral sources had a misconception that Early Intervention was closed like child care centers and other early childhood programs. We implemented an intensive outreach campaign in the early Fall of 2021 to let community agencies and pediatricians that EI never stopped providing services to families and encouraged them to continue to make referrals. This had a positive impact on our EI system. In addition, state ARPA and CARES ACT funds have been provided to the EI agencies to encourage staff retention and recruitment, and to help with outreach related activities to improve referral rates which, in turn, improves child count rates. Rhode Island is now at about 85% of typical referral rates and child count rates and this has increased every quarter during the current year. It is Rhode Island's goal to return to Pre-COVID rates by December of 2022.

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