

2011 Snapshot

Georgia's Children: Ages 0 – 5

There are 864,413 young children ages 0 – 5 in Georgia.¹

Health

- **8** out of every 1,000 infants died before their first birthday²
- **63%** of young children have both medical and dental preventive care visits³
- **41%** of young children do not have a medical home⁴
- **8%** of young children do not have health insurance⁵
- **32%** of young children live in a household where someone used tobacco⁶
- **17%** of young children have special health needs⁷

Education

- **27,239** young children are enrolled in Early Head Start and Head Start⁸
- **57%** of eligible young children are in the Georgia Pre-Kindergarten program (**81,068** children)⁹
- **23%** of young children are born to mothers with less than 12 years of education¹⁰
- **40%** of young children ages 1 – 5 watch two to three hours of TV or videos on an average weekday¹¹

Safety

- **8,777** young children are abused or neglected¹²
- **183** young children between the ages of 1 and 5 died¹³

Family and Economic Security

- **23%** of young children live in households with incomes below the federal poverty level¹⁴
- **218,621** young children live in single-parent households¹⁵

¹ U.S. Census Bureau, ACS, 2005-2009, Table B09001

² Georgia Department of Public Health, OASIS, 2008

^{3,4,5,6,7,11} National Survey of Children's Health, 2007

⁸ Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning Bright from the Start, Head Start Collaboration Office, 2009-2010

⁹ Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning Bright from the Start, 2009-2010

¹⁰ Georgia Department of Public Health, OASIS, 2009

¹² Georgia Department of Human Services, DFCS data, 2010

¹³ Georgia Department of Public Health, OHIP data, 2008

¹⁴ U.S. Census Bureau, ACS, 2005-2009, Table B17001

¹⁵ U.S. Census Bureau, ACS, 2005-2009, Table B09002