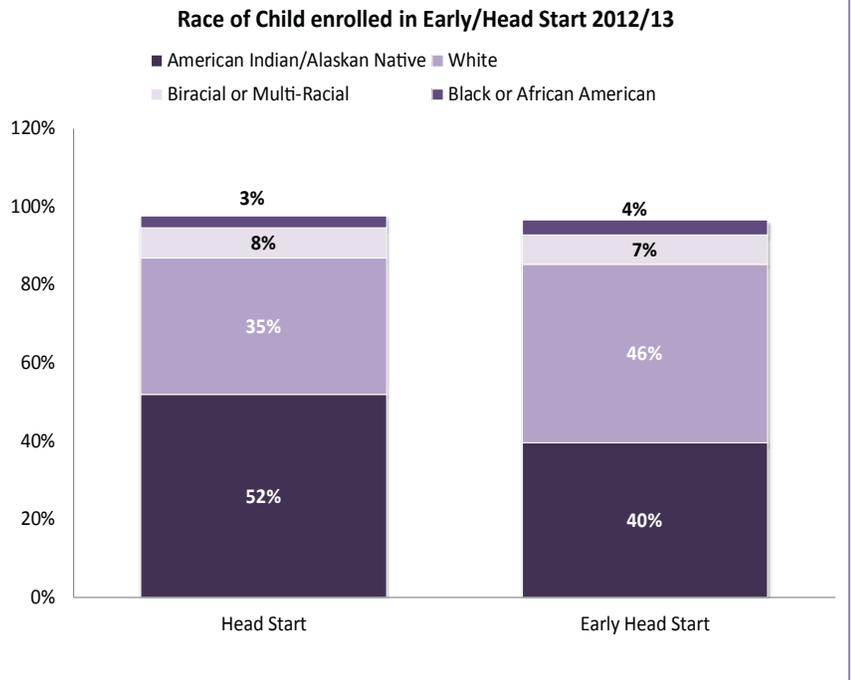




Enrollment by Race

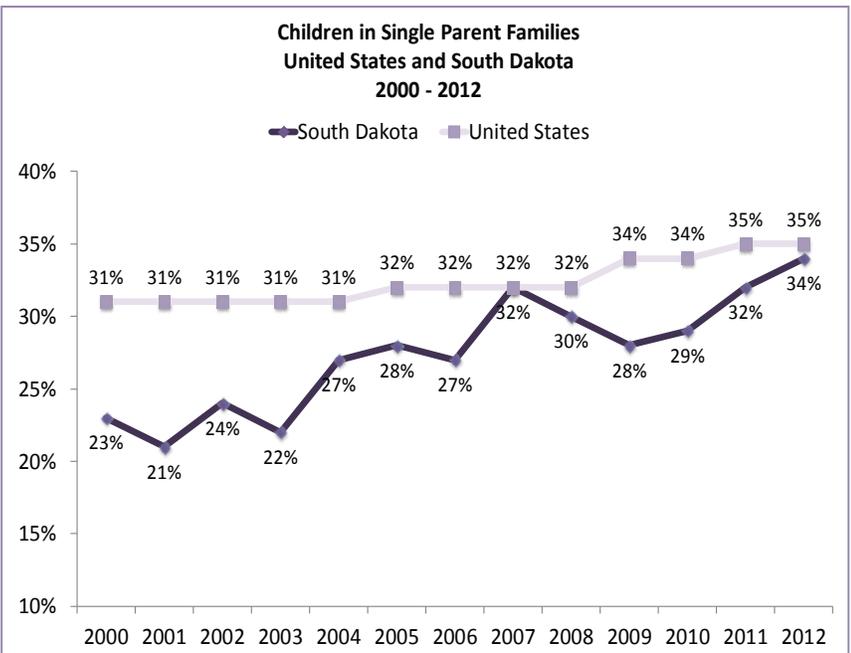
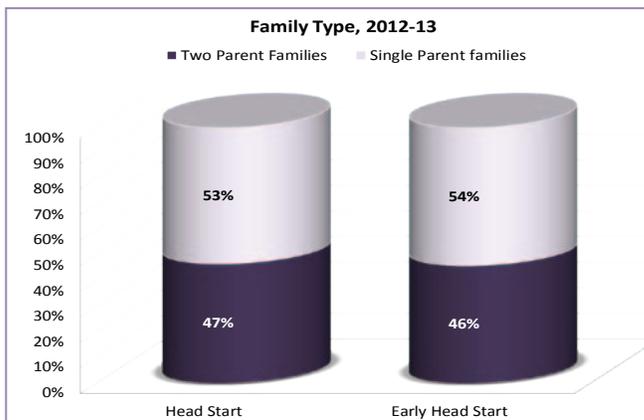
The chart on the right shows a breakout of the percent of children enrolled in Early Head Start and Head Start by race for 2012/13. The race of a child is reported by the child's family. American Indian/Alaskan Native children comprise the greatest percentage of children enrolled in Head Start. White children comprise the greatest percentage in Early Head Start. Biracial or Multi-Racial children comprised eight percent of the total racial grouping for Head Start and seven percent for Early Head Start. Black or African American comprised three percent of the total racial grouping for Head Start and four percent for Early Head Start.



Family Type

Information on types of families with children enrolled in South Dakota Head Start in 2012-13 show there were 4,697 families (cumulative enrollment) enrolled in either Head Start/Early Head Start programs with a higher percentage of single-parent families than two-parent families. The number of children in single-parent families in South Dakota has increased by 48 percent from 2000 to 2012.

Early/Head Start programs provide support to families. Two services, health education and parenting education, constitute the majority of services provided.



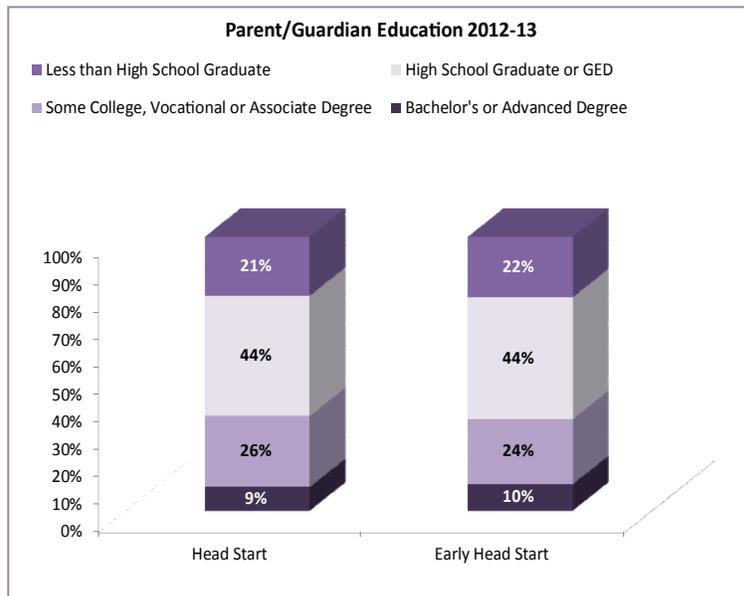
The Head Start / State Collaboration Office - (<http://doe.sd.gov/oess/headstart.aspx>)

The Head Start / State Collaboration Office, at the Department of Education was established in 1990, is the state's central point of contact between South Dakota Head Start programs and State agencies. Its purpose is to disseminate information about Head Start, assist in development of multi-agency and public/private partnerships between Head Start and the State, assist with interagency agreements for services and transitions from early childhood into the public schools, collaborate with other agency initiatives, and help build early childhood systems and access to comprehensive services for all low-income children.

Education Level

In 2012/13, 44 percent of families in Early Head Start and Head Start contained a parent whose highest education level attained was a high school diploma or GED. For 24 percent of EHS and 26 percent of HS families, the highest level of parental education was some college, vocational or associates degree. There were 10 percent of families in Early Head Start and 9 percent of Head Start that had a bachelor's or advanced degree.

There were 265 families who received services in adult education and 94 families who received job training during the 2012/13 program year. The family services staff assists parents in completing their educational goals.



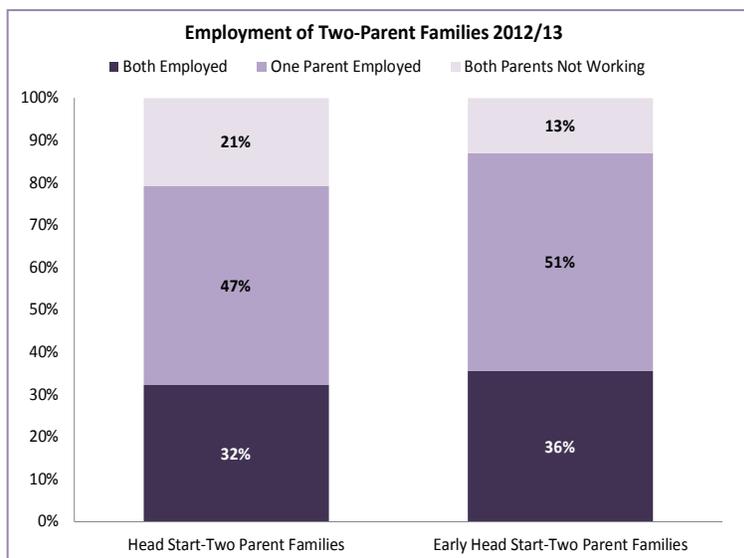
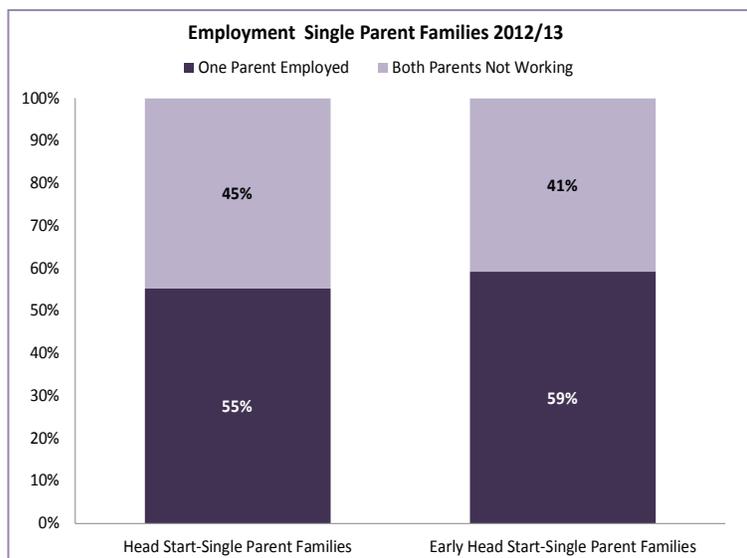
Employment

In 2012, South Dakota ranked second in the nation with 74 percent of children under age six with all available parents in the labor force¹. The national rate was 65 percent.

For Head Start and Early Head Start programs, over half of single- and almost half of two-parent families have a parent in the labor force. A third of two-parent families have both parents in the labor force.

For single-parent families in Early Head Start 41 percent are not working, however over one-fifth are in training or school. There are 45 percent of single-parents in Head Start not working, however 15 percent are in training or school.

¹Annie E. Casey Foundation KIDS COUNT Data Center, <http://datacenter.kidscount.org> accessed 3/11/14.



Data Sources: Data are from the Head Start Program Information Reports 2011/12. The figures are all Head Start and Early Head Start programs in South Dakota, including Tribal programs. In 2011/12 there were 23 reporting sites.

South Dakota Head Start Association (<http://sdheadstart.org>)



The South Dakota Head Start Association, established in 1989, is to coordinate and conduct activities designed to enhance awareness of Head Start in South Dakota, to be a support link between local, regional and National Head Start programs, to develop joint policy positions and statements which reflect a consensus of the opinions of Head Start Parents, Staff, Directors, and Friends, to establish communication, cooperation and an action network between head Start Directors, Staff, Parents, and Friends within the State of South Dakota, to conduct training on a statewide basis for Head Start parents, Staff, Directors, and Friends and to coordinate efforts with other interested groups.

Our Mission: The South Dakota Head Start Association is a leading voice supporting the work of Head Start programs and their partners through education, advocacy, training and networking for quality early childhood education and services to families. **Our Vision:** To be a positive voice, a powerful advocate and promoter of quality programs for children, families, and communities in South Dakota.