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Santa Clara

Child Care Resource & Referral Agencies

Santa Clara County Resource and Referral Program

Contact your local Child Care Resource and Referral Agency using the website information here to access the child care search tool or call 1-800-KIDS-793 (1-800-543-7793) for more information and support.

County Program Profile: Santa Clara

The QCC County Program Profile provides county data from the Common Data File (CDF) and the Annual Progress Report (APR). For counties that are a part of a consortium, the QCC County Program Profile provides a combined view of the CDF and APR. Both qualitative and quantitative data are presented to provide a local view of early learning and care climate.

QRIS :: Quality Matters



Santa Clara County's Quality Rating and Improvement System also known as QUALITY MATTERS...a STRONG START for Kids, is implemented by First 5 Santa Clara County.

Licensed family child care homes and center-based programs are assessed based on quality elements in the following areas:

- Child Observation: Teachers understand each child's development and design daily learning activities based on children's needs.

- **Developmental and Health Screening:** A close monitoring of child’s overall well-being supports a child’s healthy development.
- **Effective Teacher-Child Interactions:** Teachers’ positive relationships with children promote a love of learning.
- **Ratios and Group Size:** More teachers and smaller group sizes help spend more quality time with individual children.
- **Environment:** A child-focused environment allows children to learn and develop to their fullest potential.
- **Staff Training and Education:** A high-quality program includes well-trained directors and teachers in child development and early learning.

Based on quality elements, QUALITY MATTERS providers and programs demonstrate their achievement in quality through an assigned rating in one of four categories:

- Committed to Quality Improvement (Bronze)
- Achieving Quality Standards (Silver)
- Exceeding Quality Standards (Gold)
- Excellence in Quality Standards (Platinum)

County Contact Information

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Funding Streams

- First 5 IMPACT
- CSPP QRIS Block Grant
- Infant/Toddler QRIS Block Grant
- Silicon Valley Community Foundation
- Packard Foundation
- FIRST 5 Santa Clara County

- Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors
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Partner Agencies

- Santa Clara County Office of Education
 - Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors
 - WestEd E3 Institute
 - San Jose State University & Pacific Oaks College: Local Planning Council
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Process to Outreach/Onboard Programs and Providers

QUALITY MATTERS recruits family child care home providers by utilizing SEEDS and myTeachstone Quality Improvement programs as entry points into the rating pathway.

Quality Improvement Program Support Strategies

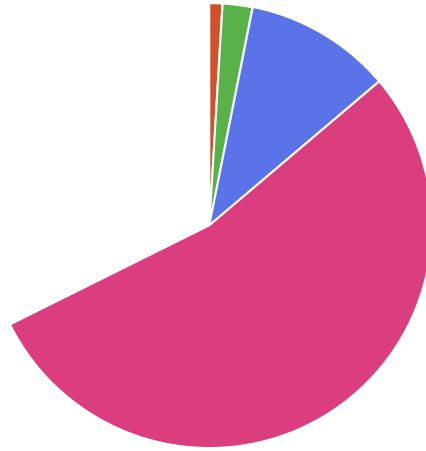
We provide communities of practice for administrators, family child care home educators, and early educators, as well as coaching support through SEEDS and myTeachstone.

Local Approach to Offering Financial Incentives and Stipends

QUALITY MATTERS partners with the County Office of Education and WestEd E3 Institute to distribute the QUALITY MATTERS stipend. Chromebooks were also distributed to family child care home educators in our quality improvement programs.

How Children Are Served by QCC

Number of children served by age groups
Total number of children served = 40,277



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QCC Settings

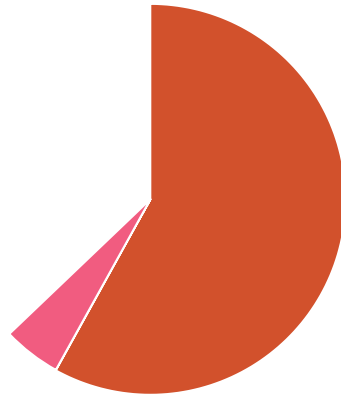
Early care and education (ECE) providers participating in QCC ☰

A total of 378 early care and education (ECE) providers participated in QCC last year.



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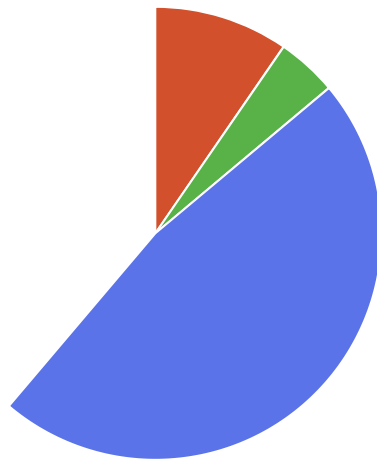
Alternative Settings



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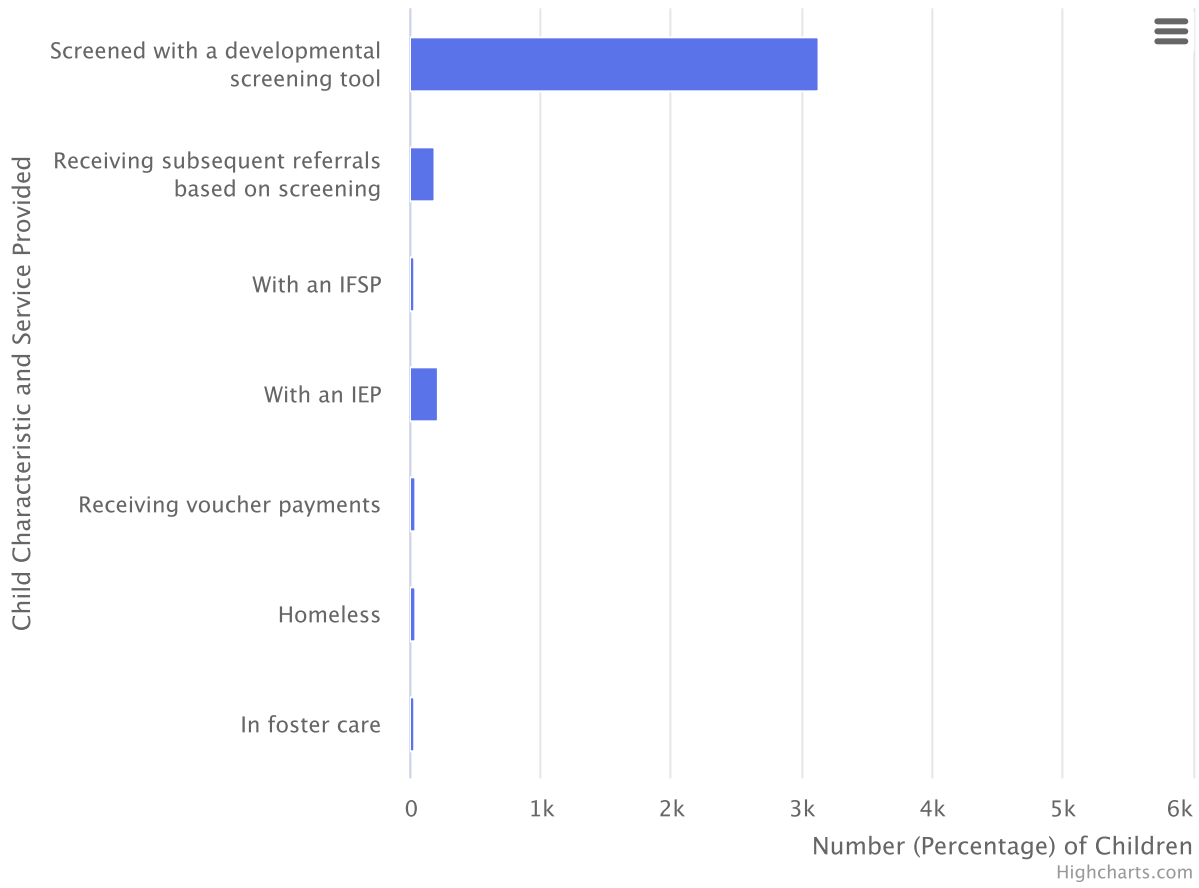
Children Served by Setting

A total of 40,277 children are served by sites participating in QCC.

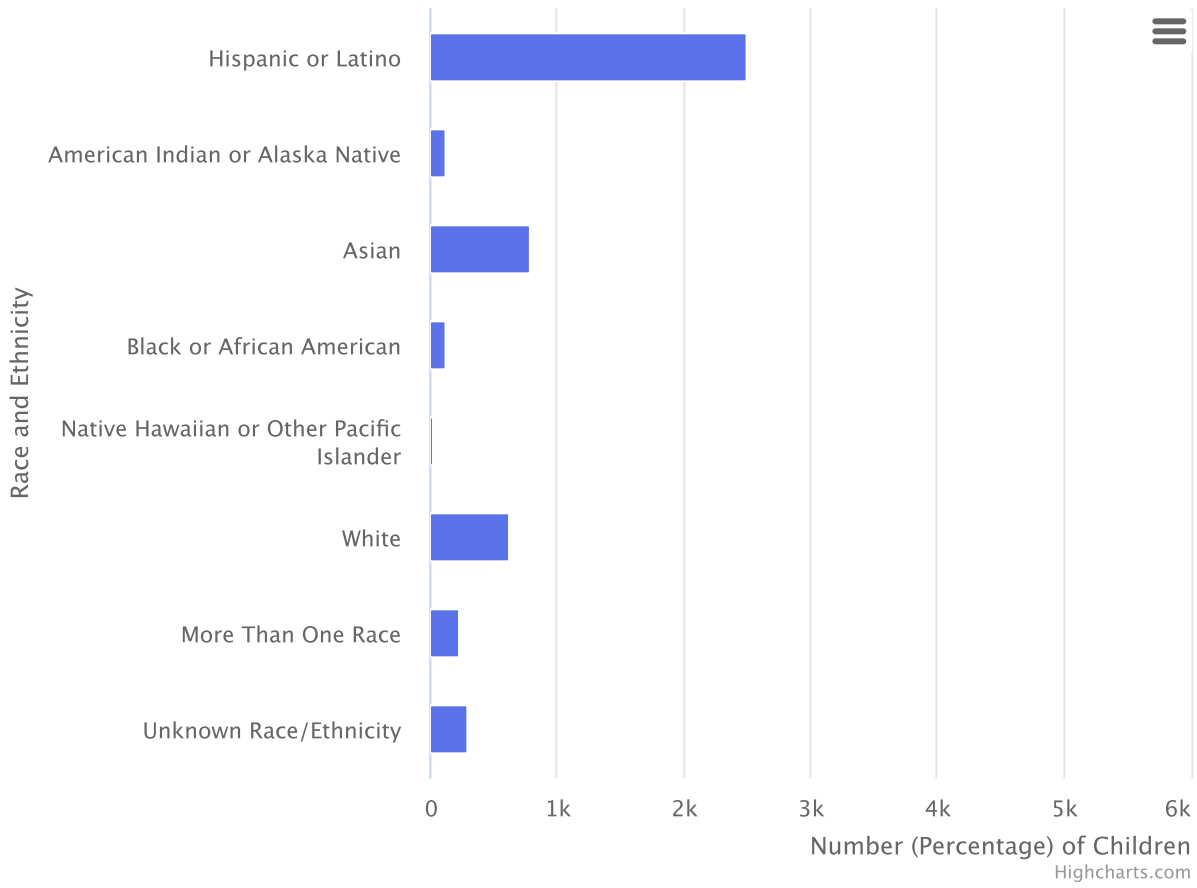


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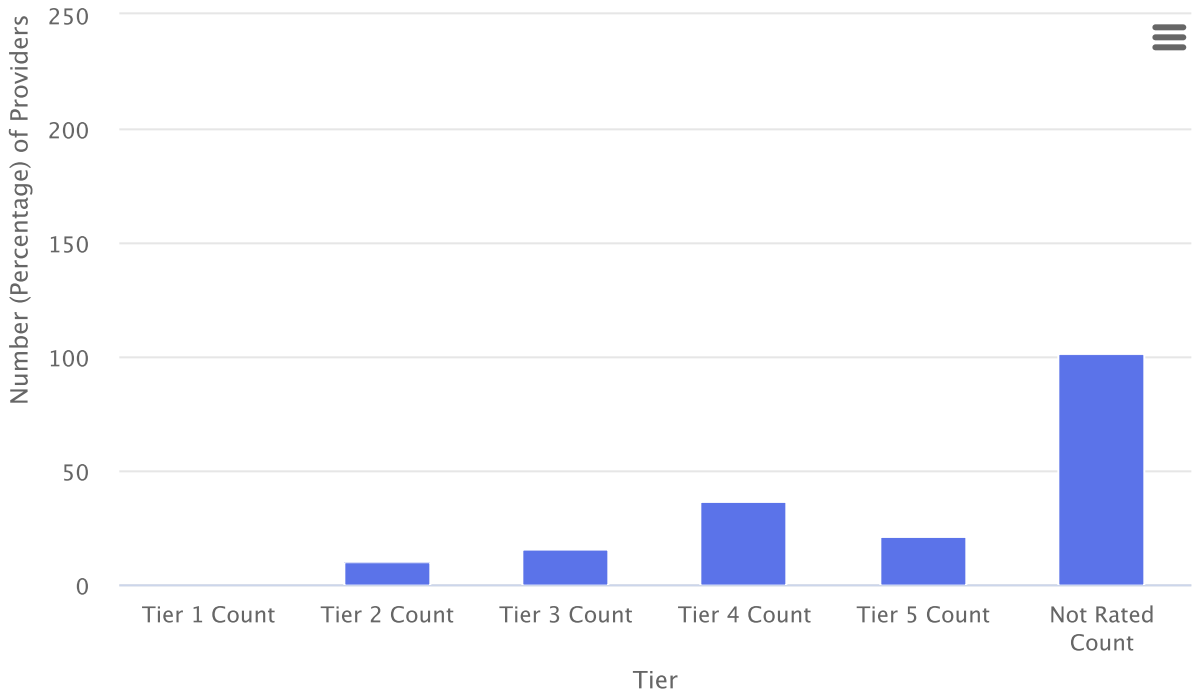
Overall Child Characteristics and Services Provided



Children’s Races and Ethnicities



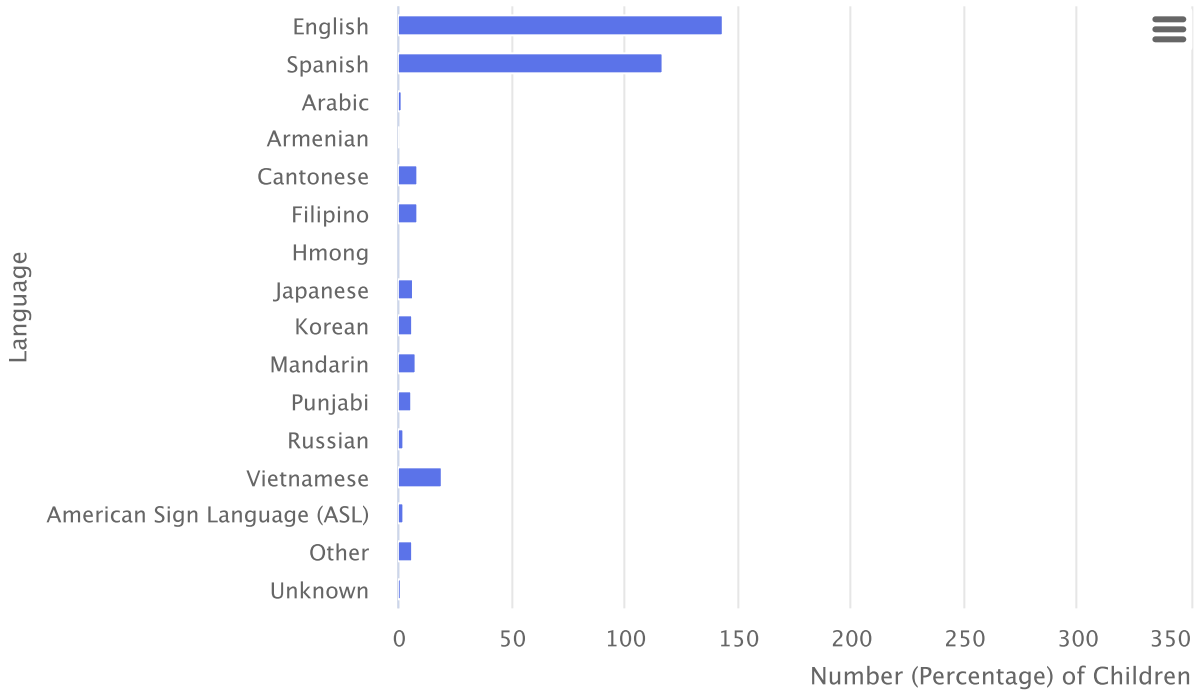
QCC Tier Rating Distribution



Footnote 1: Providers receive tier ratings based on how well they meet program standards and guidance, which follow three core areas (1) Child Development and School Readiness, (2) Teacher Qualifications and Teacher Interactions, and (3) Program Leadership and Learning Environment. Tier ratings help providers identify areas for improvement and find ways to sustain success.

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Language Spoken with Children

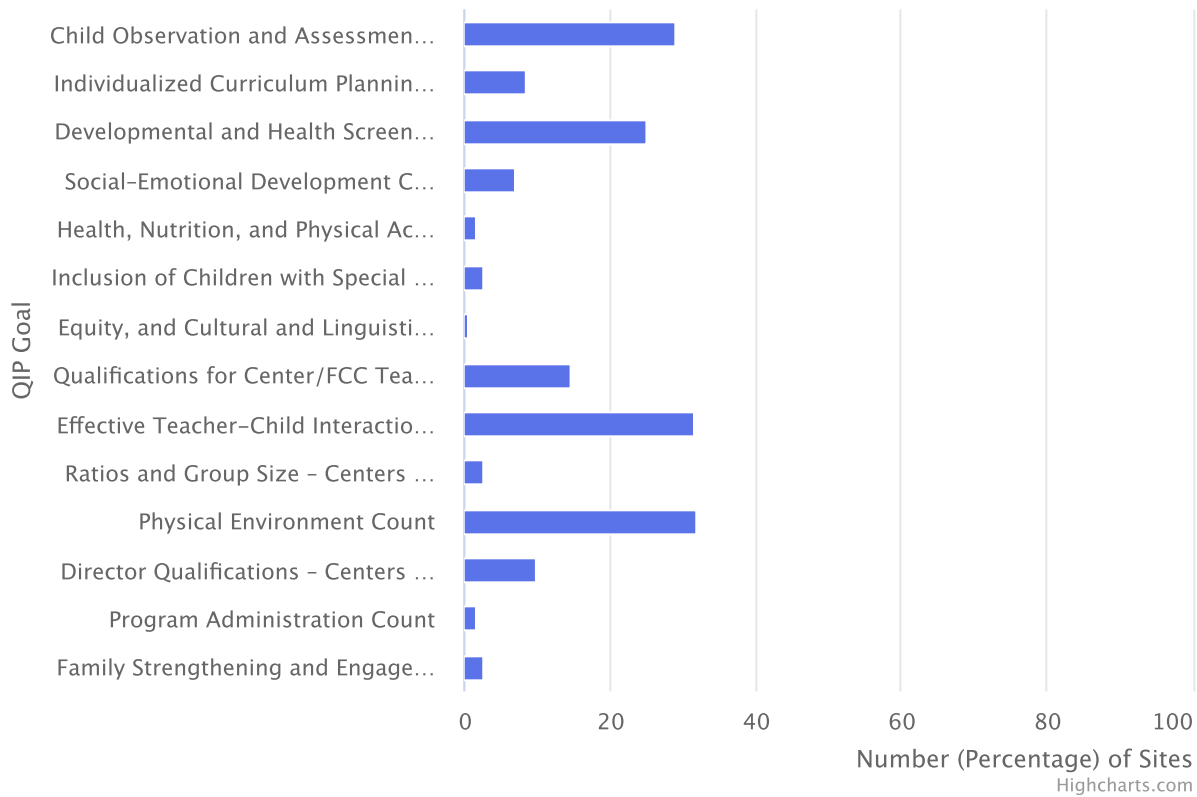


Footnote 1: QCC providers aim to develop and support children's early language skills. Providers at the QCC settings reported using the following languages for instruction with children. Many sites provide instruction in more than one language, thus, the percentages may add up to more than 100%.

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Quality Improvement Plan (QIP) Goals

QCC supports quality improvement for early learning and care programs. The table below shows the most common QIP goals for this region.



Success Story

Learn more from the video below.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Tisx8VebyOs>

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