

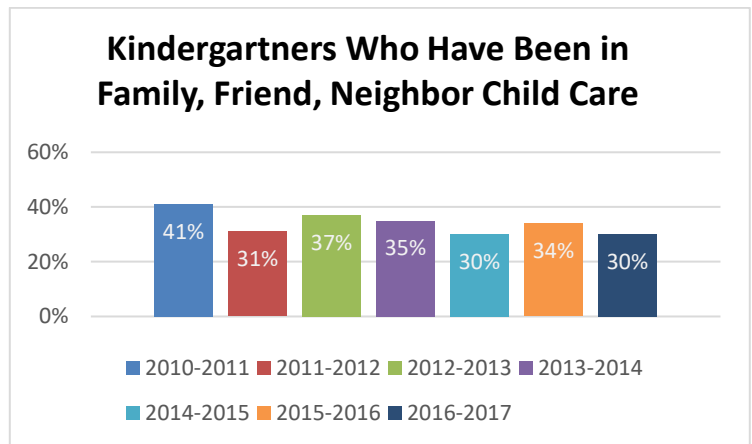
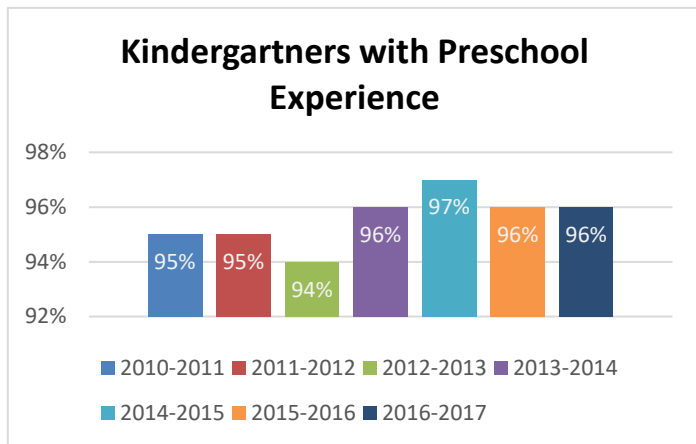


Dubuque County Kindergarten Survey Report for 2016-2017

Dubuque County Early Childhood facilitates an annual Kindergarten Survey to share information about children in the area. It's a project unique in Iowa. The survey shows a picture of incoming kindergartners' early experiences that can impact long-term success in school. This report includes results for the 2016-2017 school year and trendlines from previous years.

PROJECT ADMINISTRATION	SCHOOL SYSTEM PARTNERS	SURVEY RESULTS
At the beginning of the year, school systems ask parents and primary caregivers of kindergartners to complete a one-page survey form. A high number of families participate. Once surveys are finished, school systems forward results to Dubuque County Early Childhood to share this report with the community.	All public and private schools in Dubuque County collaborate to accomplish this project, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dubuque Community Schools • Western Dubuque Community Schools • Dubuque Lutheran School • Dubuque Montessori School • Holy Family Catholic Schools of Dubuque • Eastern Iowa System of Catholic Education 	Most of the Kindergarten Survey's questions have not changed since the project began in 2004, leading to consistent trendline comparisons across the years and high response rates. Questions address core areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preschool and child care participation • Reading in the home • Medical/dental service access • Special needs services • Other community services (out next year)

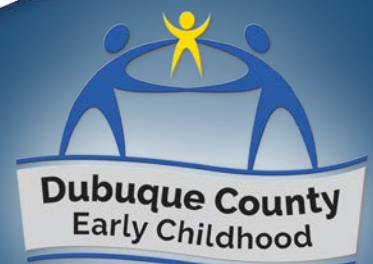
PRESCHOOL AND CHILD CARE



2016-2017: 98% (94% last year) attended preschool 3 or more days per week; 89% (87% last year) attended preschool 1 or more years.

SURVEY RESPONSE RATE

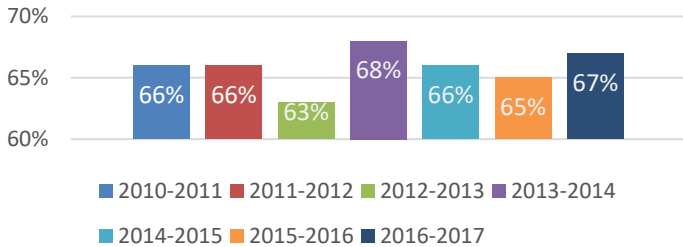
School Year	Response Rate	Kindergarten Enrollment
2010-2011	86%	1181
2011-2012	95%	1151
2012-2013	93%	1354
2013-2014	84%	1345
2014-2015	95%	1256
2015-2016	91%	1297
2016-2017	92%	1210



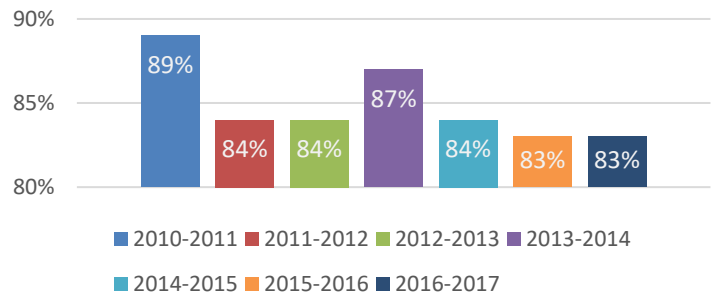
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READ-ALOUD EXPERIENCE

Kindergartners Whose Parents Began Reading to Them at Age Birth-1 Year

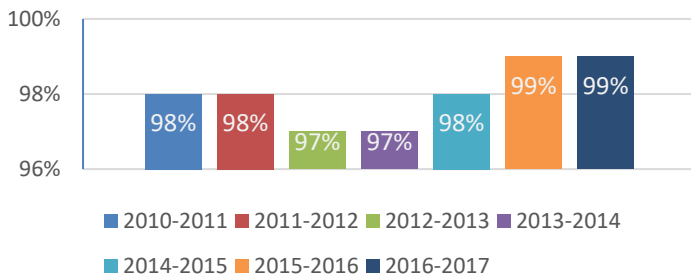


Kindergartners Whose Parents Read to Them 3-6 Times a Week or More

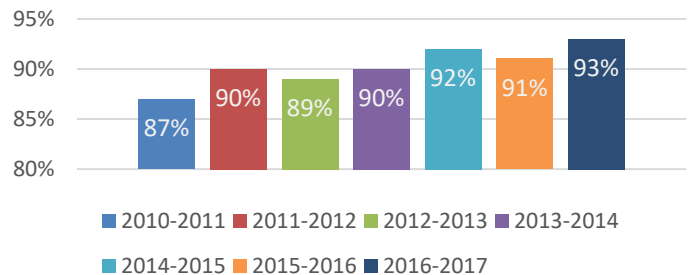


MEDICAL AND DENTAL INSURANCE

Kindergartners with Medical Insurance



Kindergartners with Dental Insurance

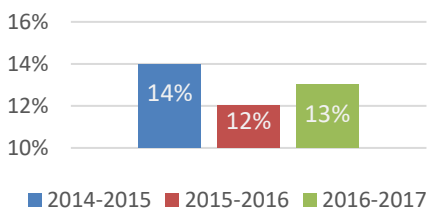


2016-2017: 33% (33% last year) had Medicaid or *hawk-I* vs. other medical insurance; 89% (91% last year) were able to find a provider to accept their coverage; 7% (2% last year) stated deductibles or copays were so high they prevented them from getting medical care for the child.

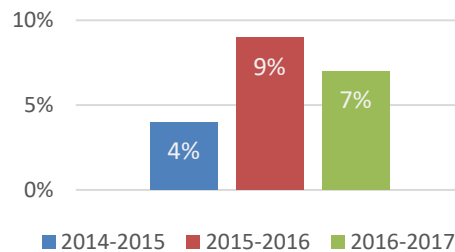
2016-2017: 34% (33% last year) had Medicaid or *hawk-I* vs. other dental insurance; 87% (84% last year) were able to find a dentist to accept their coverage; 4% (1% last year) stated deductibles or copays were so high they prevented them from getting dental care for the child.

SPECIAL NEEDS SERVICES

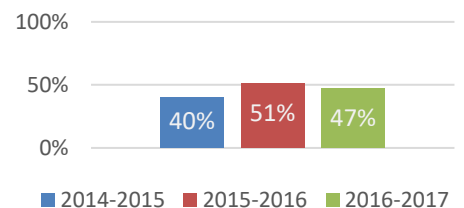
NEW - Children Receiving Special Needs Services Prior to Kindergarten



NEW - Children with Difficulties Accessing Special Services



NEW - Children Who Still Need Special Services After Starting Kindergarten



**Dubuque County Early Childhood's Vision:
"All Children are Healthy & Successful"**