STATE PROFILE – MISSISSIPPI
Families Served Through Evidence-Based Home Visiting in 2015

Models implemented in Mississippi included Early Head Start, Healthy Families America, Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters, and Parents as Teachers. Statewide, 18 local agencies operated at least one of these models.

10,603 home visits provided
703 families served
956 children served

Race

- 0% American Indian/Alaska Native
- 0% Asian
- 98% Black
- 0% Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander

Ethnicity

- <1% Hispanic or Latino

Caregiver education

- 34% No high school diploma

Child age

- 40% < 1 year
- 42% 1-2 years
- 18% 3-5 years

Child insurance status

- 96% Public
- 4% Private
- 0% None

Primary language

- 99% English
- 1% Spanish
- 0% Other
In Mississippi, there were 181,100 pregnant women and families with children under 6 years old not yet in kindergarten who could benefit from home visiting.

181,100 families could benefit from home visiting

Many home visiting services are geared toward particular subpopulations. The NHVRC estimated the percentage of families who could benefit in Mississippi who met the following criteria:

- Children < 1: 19%
- Single mother: 32%
- Parent with no high school diploma: 14%
- Teen mothers: 8%
- Low income: 35%

Of the 181,100 families who could benefit—

- 64% met one or more of the criteria above
- 33% met two or more of the criteria above

Notes
Public insurance includes Medicaid, State Children’s Health Insurance Program, and Tri-Care. • HFA data may be underreported due to new data collection procedures implemented in 2015. HFA does not report caregiver education. HFA reports primary language of caregivers. • HIPPY public insurance also includes Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment. HIPPY reports primary language of children. • PAT reports race and ethnicity of children. PAT does not report child insurance status or primary language. • EHS programs in MS include a combination of center-based and home-based services. Home-based service data cannot be isolated from statewide data; therefore, EHS data are not reported. • To protect confidentiality, race categories with fewer than five participants were combined with “Other.” • Low income is defined as family income below the federal poverty threshold. • Teen mothers include pregnant teenagers or mothers under 21 years. • Single mothers include single, never-married mothers or pregnant women.

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