

## **Early Care & Education Use In Yancey County**

## Did you know that ...

• families sought consumer education and referrals for **8** children from birth to five years of age from a child care resource and referral agency in Yancey County in fiscal year 2015?

• 23 children from birth to three years of age and 111 children from three to five years of age are currently enrolled in a licensed early care and education center in Yancey County? Of these children under three years of age, 74% are in 4-and 5-star centers. Of these children three to five years of age, 82% are in 4 or 5-star centers.

• 2 children from birth to three years of age and 3 children from three to five years of age are currently enrolled in a licensed family child care home in Yancey County? Of these children under three years of age, **100%** are in 4- and 5- star homes. Of these children three to five years of age, **100%** are in 4 or 5-star homes.

• many families receive help paying for early care and education for their children through one of three major programs: Head Start/Early Head Start, NC Pre-K and child care subsidy?

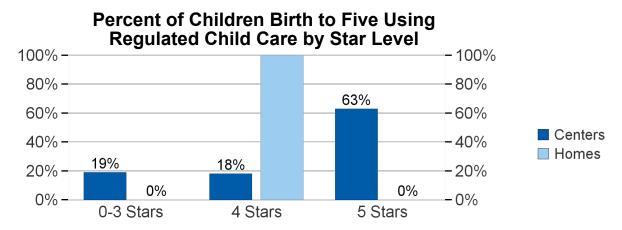
• **17,928** children participated in Head Start and Early Head Start (excluding migrant Head Start) in North Carolina in fiscal year 2013? This program uses federal funds and serves preschool children in families living in poverty.

• as of January 2015, **34** children are participating in NC Pre-K in Yancey County? This program uses state funds and serves four-year-old children who are at risk for school failure.

• **38** children in Yancey County participated in the state subsidized child care program in August? This program uses federal and state funds and targets working families with low income and/or in crisis. Additional children may be served through the N.C. Smart Start subsidy program.

• of the **38** children who participated in the state subsidized child care program in Yancey County, **53%** were under three years of age and **21%** were three to five years of age?

• eligible children from birth to twelve years of age were on the state subsidized child care program waiting list in the county?



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