

Local Reporting: Louisiana Part C Annual Performance Report 2023-2024

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (IDEA) requires that each state has a State Performance Plan (SPP) to evaluate the state's efforts in meeting the requirements and purposes of IDEA and to report annually on its performance. Louisiana's statewide performance on the 11 indicators which are used to measure performance is available on the EarlySteps website at www.earlysteps.dhh.louisiana.gov. In addition, The U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education Programs requires that all States report annually to the public on the performance of its local early intervention programs. Louisiana defines "local program" as the programs in the 10 Louisiana Department of Health regions which include family support coordination agencies and the System Point of Entry Offices (SPOEs). In most cases, reporting periods through 2023-24 are shown together for comparison across fiscal years where possible. The results are presented compared to national and state data as well as by region. Items marked with an asterisk () for national average data results are not available for the 2023-24 fiscal year as of this posting.*

Monitoring Priority: Indicator 1--Early Intervention Services Received in a Timely Manner

This indicator is calculated as the percentage of infants and a toddler with IFSPs who receive the early intervention services on their IFSPs in a timely manner. *Timely* is defined as within 30 days of parent consent for services on the IFSP. Data is collected in the first quarter of each fiscal year. IFSPs for each family support coordination agency from all regions of the State were reviewed and results are averaged to report regional results. The national average for 2023-24 is not currently available.

State target: 100%
2022-2023: National Average: 96%
2019-2020: State Actual: 93.66%
2020-2021: State Actual: 95.69%
2021-2022: State Actual: 94.25%
2022 – 2023: State Actual: 95.93%
2023 – 2024: State Actual: 92.81%

Regional Indicator 1 Results:

Region	Results 2019	Results 2020	Results 2021	Results 2022	Results 2023
1/10	92%	94%	91%	R1 92%	R1 78%
				R10 96%	R10 92%
2	95%	98%	89%	91%	94%
3	92%	89%	96%	99%	94%
4	98%	100%	98%	98%	94%
5	90%	100%	96%	90%	94%
6	68%	91%	76%	100%	76%
7	100%	100%	100%	97%	100%
8	98%	100%	91%	98%	98%
9	98%	94%	99%	99%	98%

The percentages exclude delays due to family reasons for a delay. Agencies with less than 100% performance receive findings of noncompliance and may be placed under corrective action. Prior to 2022, agencies in Regions 1 & 10 serve children in both regions and previous data was reported together.

Monitoring Priority: Indicator 2--Early Intervention Services in the Natural Environment

This indicator is calculated as a percentage of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who primarily receive early intervention services in the home or in community settings. Louisiana has consistently exceeded its target since 2018.

Statewide Performance

Year	National Mean	Target	Actual
2019	98%	98%	99.75%
2020	98%	98%	99.87%
2021	*	98%	99.9%
2022	96.%	98.%	99.86%
2023	*	98%	99.89%

*National average for 2021-22 is not currently available

Indicator 2: Regional Results

Region	Results 2019	Results 2020	Results 2021	Results 2022	Results 2023
1	93%	99%	99%	99%	*
2	98%	99%	99%	100%	*
3	100%	99%	99%	100%	*
4	99%	100%	100%	100%	*
5	98%	100%	100%	100%	*
6	99%	99%	99%	100%	*
7	99%	99%	99%	100%	*
8	98%	99%	99%	100%	*
9	99%	99%	99%	100%	*
10	93%	99%	99%	99%	*

*Regional breakdown not available at the time of posting.

**Monitoring Priority: Indicator 3--
Percent of infants and toddlers with
IFSPs who demonstrate improved
development:**

As part of Louisiana's system improvement, the outcome measurement process for calculating child outcomes was changed in 2017. New state targets for the measures were "reset" for the new measures for 2019 and 2020 (indicated with ^).

Outcome A: Positive Social Emotional Skills

Summary Statement 1 (SS1) Of those children who entered or exited the program below age expectations in Outcome A, the percent who substantially increased their rate of growth by the time they turned 3 years of age or exited the program.

Summary Statement 2 (SS2) The percent of children who were functioning within age expectations in Outcome A by the time they turned 3 years of age or exited the program

Region	Results 2020		Results 2021		Results 2022		Results 2023	
	SS1	SS2	SS1	SS2	SS1	SS2	SS1	SS2
Targets	^46%	^70%	^47%	^70%	48.00%	70%	48%	70%
Statewide	47.9%	69.95%	44.18%	69.15%	39.2%	67.22%	40.09%	65.42%
National Average	64%	53%	66%	52%	66%	51%	65%	51%
1	52.7%	63.7%	45.9%	66.4%	47.4%	64.6%	30.91%	53.93%
2	44.0%	57.0%	43.1%	52.9%	29.7%	53.4%	31.13%	54.86%
3	56.0%	80.9%	51.9%	81.4%	47.8%	76.7%	54.20%	80.47%
4	60.1%	72.5%	47.0%	68.0%	54.5%	70.8%	50.42%	63.94%
5	45.0%	72.5%	47.6%	68.2%	39.1%	57.8%	40.35%	63.41%
6	53.7%	69.5%	44.4%	67.1%	24.0%	45.9%	40.00%	62.07%
7	43.8%	73.7%	39.1%	72.4%	30.6%	66.4%	33.33%	69.15%
8	43.9%	74.0%	42.9%	79.3%	40.0%	77.2%	37.14%	67.47%
9	40.9%	68.3%	42.3%	68.4%	32.8%	69.1%	37.24%	68.07%
10	43.9%	69.4%	42.3%	66.8%	42.0%	66.8%	38.65%	61.44%

Indicator 3

Outcome B: Acquisition and Use of Knowledge

Summary Statement 1 (SS1) Of those children who entered or exited the program below age expectations in Outcome B, the percent who substantially increased their rate of growth by the time they reached 3 years of age or exited the program

Summary Statement 2 (SS2) The percent of children who were functioning within age expectations in Outcome B by the time they reached 3 years of age or exited the program.

Region	Results 2020		Results 2021		Results 2022		Results 2023	
	SS1	SS2	SS1	SS2	SS1	SS2	SS1	SS2
Targets	74%	34.5%	74%	34.5%	74%	34.5%	74%	34.5%
Statewide	70.8%	27.21%	68.76%	28.73%	69.04%	27.21%	68.84%	26.58%
National Average	69%	43%	71%	42%	71%	42%	71%	43%
1	66.5%	16.7%	67.7%	15.3%	66.9%	16%	61.50%	13.09%
2	75.8%	18.2%	72.3%	18.7%	64.8%	17%	69.64%	17.97%
3	67.0%	34.0%	68.8%	32.8%	73.8%	33.1%	70.38%	34.28%
4	71.8%	32.2%	67.2%	33.1%	71.9%	31.4%	65.74%	27.58%
5	67.5%	25.3%	72.4%	28.2%	54.1%	20.0%	63.56%	22.66%
6	58.3%	17.8%	60.3%	19.0%	52.2%	13.5%	57.65%	13.48%
7	68.4%	22.6%	68.8%	24.4%	67.9%	20.4%	71.59%	24.83%
8	75.2%	33.1%	68.8%	32.2%	68.5%	32.1%	70.86%	29.17%
9	76.7%	34.4%	74.1%	38.9%	74.3%	36.8%	73.10%	34.52%
10	67.9%	25.9%	85.3%	47.1%	66.5%	23.5%	69.26%	25.78%

Indicator 3:
Outcome C: Use behavior to meet needs

Summary Statement 1 (SS1) Of those children who entered or exited the program below age expectations in Outcome C, the percent who substantially increased their rate of growth by the time they reached 3 years of age or exited the program—"greater than expected growth."

Summary Statement 2 (SS2) The percent of children who were functioning within age expectations in Outcome B by the time they reached 3 years of age or exited the program—"exited within age expectations."

Region	2020		2021		2022		2023	
	SS#1	SS#2	SS1	SS2	SS1	SS2	SS1	SS2
Targets	87%	59%	87%	59%	87%	59%	87%	59%
Statewide	84.87%	51.08%	84.02%	53.08%	85.45%	54.72%	84.64%	49.37%
National Average	72%	53%	69%	51%	69%	51%	69%	51%
1	80.8%	44.1%	77.2%	38.7%	88.3%	44.2%	79.17%	30.89%
2	84.7%	54.4%	79.6%	56.1%	79.4%	57.9%	86.59%	61.46%
3	86.1%	62.0%	88.0%	65.6%	88.8%	65.1%	90.00%	59.79%
4	82.2%	48.4%	78.2%	48.5%	84.9%	54.1%	80.00%	44.84%
5	76.1%	41.8%	71.6%	51.8%	71.0%	41.1%	69.81%	35.16%
6	81.0%	55.9%	73.5%	60.8%	75.9%	45.9%	84.13%	56.18%
7	84.2%	44.8%	83.5%	44.8%	86.3%	50.6%	84.13%	41.61%
8	83.1%	58.0%	86.8%	58.0%	87.5%	59.3%	85.60%	53.36%
9	89.2%	48.8%	91.1%	54.6%	89.4%	55.6%	88.54%	51.42%
10	88.0%	49.0%	85.3%	47.1%	84.4%	51.2%	86.35%	43.17%

Monitoring Priority: Indicator 4—Percent of Families participating in Part C who report that early intervention services have helped the family:

- a. Know their rights**
- b. Effectively communicate their child’s needs**
- c. Help their children develop and learn**

Louisiana performance exceeded the targets in a .Rights; met the target for c. Help child develop and learn; and did meet its target for b Address child’s needs.

2023-2024 results	a. Rights	b. Needs	c. Learn
State Target	91%	92%%	92%
State Actual	98.51%	97.76%	98.06%
National Average (2022-2023)	91%	91%	92%
Region			
1	96.48%	98.33%	94.72%
2	98.33%	93.98%	93.89%
3	97.27%	100%	99.56%
4	98.56%	97.98%	99.43%
5	98.52%	100%	100%
6	97.05%	97.00%	98.53%
7	100%	98.56%	96.30%
8	100%	98.95%	98.73%
9	98.92%	100%	99.47%
10	100%	97.12%	100%

The results from this indicator are determined from surveys with families exiting early intervention between Jan. to June of FFY 2023 - 2024.

Monitoring Priority: Indicator 5—Number of infants ages birth to one year with IFSP's.

This indicator is calculated as the percentage of infants and toddlers ages birth to 1 with IFSP's compared to:

- A. National Data
- B. Annual State Results

	Target	State Totals	National average	Louisiana actual
12/01/2019	1.50%	844	1.37%	1.45%
12/01/2020	1.32%	698	1.6%	1.22%
12/01/2021	1.32%	687	1.14%	1.24%
12/01/2022	1.32%	725	*	1.01%
12/01/2023	1.45%	834	*	1.49%

Indicator 5: Regional Results

The table below shows the birth to age one year child count by region for the December 1, 2023 child count. The estimated population is the number of children in the birth to three age range for 2023. The count may not compare exactly with the regional percentages and count from 2022, since the data sources for population ages are taken from different sources. *National average not available at time of posting.

Birth to Age One Year Count by Region

Region	Est. Population	Birth-1 Served	Percentage
1	6,241	43	.69%
2	10,545	106	1.00%
3	5,894	93	1.58%
4	9,634	142	1.47%
5	5,083	61	1.20%
6	4,695	36	.77%
7	7,338	78	1.06%
8	5,746	73	1.27%
9	9,558	137	1.43%
10	6,743	73	1.08%
Total	71,477	842	1.18%

Monitoring Priority: Indicator 6—Number of infants ages birth to three years with IFSP's in EarlySteps

This indicator is calculated as the percentage of infants and toddlers, birth to 3, with IFSP's compared to:

- A. Other states with similar eligibility definitions, and
- B. National Data.

	December 2019	December 2020	December 2021	December 2022	December 2023
Target	2.50%	2.50%	2.6%	3.00%	3.00%
Actual	3.10%	2.69%	3.0%	3.06%	3.90%
	5,514	4,673	5,029	6,567	6,538
National Average	3.70%	3.3%	3.20%	3.66%	4.01%

The table below shows the regional child count for birth to 3 year olds for 12/1/2023. The regional population of birth to 3 year olds are estimates, so may not show the percentage calculations exactly and may not match OSEP population estimates due to different data sources for the counts.

Region	Est. Population	B-3 Served	Percentage
1	18,722	458	2.45%
2	31,636	1104	3.49%
3	17,683	762	4.31%
4	28,902	937	3.24%
5	15,250	352	2.31%
6	14,084	223	1.58%
7	22,014	613	2.78%
8	17,237	380	2.20%
9	28,675	1114	3.88%
10	20,228	624	3.08%
Total	214,431	6,567	3.06%

Monitoring Priority: Indicator 7—Evaluation and assessment and IFSP developed within the 45-day timeline

This indicator is calculated as the percentage of eligible infants and toddlers with IFSP's for whom an evaluation and assessment and an initial IFSP meeting were conducted within the required 45-day timeline. The State Actual amounts include all delayed IFSPs: those delayed due to family reasons and due to system reasons. Family delay reasons are not counted against compliance with the requirements. Agencies who achieve less than 100% for this indicator receive findings of noncompliance and may be placed under corrective action. There were 10 delays due to system reasons.

2020 State Actual: 97%
2021 State Actual: 99.8%
2022 State Actual: 99%
2023 State Actual: 99.34%

2023 National Average: *
Indicator 7 Regional Performance for 2023-2024

Region	Total IFSPs	total >45	Family	System	Total On Time	% On Time	% Family Reasons
1	468	27	11	16	441	94%	2%
2	1037	5	5	0	1032	99%	1%
3	584	4	4	0	580	99%	1%
4	721	1	1	0	720	99%	1%
5	263	0	0	0	263	100%	-
6	187	0	0	0	187	100%	-
7	516	21	21	0	495	96%	4%
8	335	16	15	1	319	95%	4%
9	873	4	4	0	869	99%	1%
10	591	20	0	20	571	97%	-
Totals	5,575	98	61	37	5,477	99%	1%

Monitoring Priority: Indicator 8—Children Exit EarlySteps with timely Transition

This indicator is calculated as the percentage of all children exiting Part C who receive timely transition planning to support the child’s transition to preschool and other appropriate community services by their third birthday including:

- A. IFSP’s with transition steps and services;
- B. Notification sent to LEA if child is potentially eligible for Part B services—this target is 100%
- C. Transition conference, if child is potentially eligible for Part B.

Data for A. and C. was collected through of monitoring of IFSP’s and 8B. is collected through the data system.

A. Percentage of children who have an IFSP with transition steps and services at least 90 days, and at the discretion of all parties, not more than 9 months prior to the toddler’s third birthday

IFSPs with transition steps and services:

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
State Target	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
State Actual	98.37%	82.32%	92.92%	94%	100%
National Ave.	98%	97%	*	*	*
Region 1/10	99%	71%	90%	R1 96%	R1 100%
				R10 94%	R2 100%
2	100%	93%		100%	100%
3	98%	69%	68%	100%	100%
4	100%	100%	98%	100%	100%
5	100%	91%	100%	89%	100%
6	100%	100%	91%	100%	100%
7	100%	100%	73%	63%	100%
8	98%	75%	86%	97%	100%
9	93%	47%	83%	92%	100%

*National Average not available at this time. Agencies in Regions 1 & 10 serve children in both regions and previous data was reported together.

B. The percentage of toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C where notification to the SEA and the LEA occurred at least 90 days prior to their third birthday for toddlers potentially eligible for Part B preschool services.

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
State Target	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
State Actual	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
National Ave	98%	97%	*	*	*
Region 1	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
2	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
3	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
4	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
5	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
6	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
7	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
8	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
9	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
10	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

*Indicates national average data not currently available

Louisiana achieved 100% for this indicator. This is accomplished through a report sent by the EarlySteps State office to the Louisiana Department of Education monthly. The report provides notice of the children in Part C that are potentially eligible for Part B services from all areas of the state. The report is then sent to the school systems by the Department of Education.

C. Percent of children exiting Part C and potentially eligible for Part B where the transition conference occurred.

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
State Target	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
State Actual	96.51%	95.18%	94.94%	96%	95.37%
National Ave.	96%	96%	*	*	*
Region 1/10	93%	88%	93%	R1 97%	R1 99%
				R10 97%	R2 99%
2	99%	98%	96%	92%	87%
3	98%	98%	92%	100%	99%
4	99%	100%	100%	100%	92%
5	97%	90%	96%	93%	98%
6	100%	100%	87%	88%	100%
7	100%	98%	86%	69%	95%
8	83%	95%	98%	92%	97%
9	99%	95%	99%	98%	98%

*National Average not currently available

The percent of toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C with timely transition planning with a transition conference held with the approval of the family at least 90 days, and at the discretion of all parties, not more than 9 months prior to the toddler's 3rd birthday for toddlers potentially eligible for IDEA Part B services

Agencies which receive less than 100% for Indicator 8 receive findings of noncompliance and may be placed under corrective action.

Agencies in Regions 1 & 10 serve children in both regions and previous data was reported together.