Early Childhood Data Hub

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Early Childhood Data -Community Context & Coalition Data

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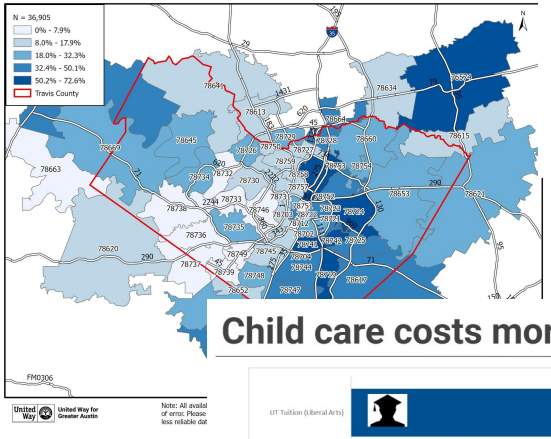

Many families are struggling to make ends meet

	Annual income for family of 4
Federal poverty level	$32,150
Low-income	$64,300
Annual survival budget (two adults, two in child care)	$100,488

Meeting the basic survival budget requires an hourly wage of over $50.

Almost 48,000 families are from low income HH ar almost 76,000 families are not even "surviving" in Travis County.

2025 Federal Poverty Guidelines; Survival Budget based on United Way Worldwide' s ALICE Survival Budget

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27% of children under age 6 in Travis County live in households with low income.

22,335 children under 6 in Travis County live in households with low income.

94% of children under 6 from households experiencing poverty are children of color.

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Data Source: 2023 American Community Survey, One Year Estimates; 2019-2023 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Measure	Baseline 2023 data	2024 data	2029 Target	On target?
Percent of children who enter kindergarten school ready in literacy	51%	54%	70%	
Percent of children in low-income families who enter kindergarten school ready in literacy	36%	40%	70%	
Percent of African American children who enter kindergarten school ready in literacy	44%	45%	70%	
Percent of Hispanic children who enter kindergarten school ready in literacy	40%	44%	70%	
Number of confirmed victims of child abuse and neglect for children ages 0-5/ rate per 1000 kids	1018/3.44	975/3.27	0	
Overall Outcomes: City and County spending on early childhood development and learning per low-income child	$459 (ARPA:$781)	$525 (ARPA:$763)	N/A	
High Quality ECE: Percent of full-day early care and education centers serving children from low-income families aged 0 – 5 that are rated TRS 4 Star or higher	56%	61%	70%	
Percent of children from low-income families ages birth to 5 years old in early care and education centers, that are TRS 4 star or higher	63%	64%	70%	
Percent of registered or licensed home-based providers serving children aged 0 – 5 that are in the TRS system	TBD	39%	50%	
Percent of eligible 3 year old children enrolled in public Pre-k in Travis County school districts and other high-quality early education settings	16%	19%	50%	
Percent of all eligible 4 year old children enrolled in full-day Public Pre-K in Travis County School districts and other high-quality early education settings	69%	71%	85%	

Child care costs more than college.

61%

of centers serving children from households with low income are high quality

**High-quality infant care in Travis County costs over $27,000/year.*

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Data Source: UT website; 2024 Texas Child Care Market Rate Survey

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Key Features and Purposes of EC Data Hub

- Centralized, public, local early childhood data website
- Includes Public data (e.g., Census Bureau) and Community data
- Primary geographic regions are Travis and Williamson - some data will be displayed for the 5 county MSA
- Real-time tracking and trends
- Geographic insights
- Evidence and data based decision making
- Downloadable reports and visuals
- Community Engagement tool
- Progress monitoring tool

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Important Components of the EC Data Hub

- Collaboration
  - Co-designed with community
  - Use current coalition and program networks for engagement

- No duplication/reinventing the wheel
  - Imbed or linking to existing dashboards and resources (e.g., March of Dimes, Texans Care for Children, CAN, COA)
  - Use our resources for local visualization and data that is not currently available.

- Iterative - resources added over time

Early Childhood Community Data Hub
(Initial launch late Fall 2025)

Demographics
(e.g., age, race/ethnicity, household composition)

Economic Stability
(e.g., poverty, rent/housing cost, median income, cost of child care)

Are children ready to learn?
(e.g., school readiness)

Maternal and Infant Health
(e.g., prenatal care, birth outcomes)

Child Health
(e.g., developmental screeners, vaccinations, maltreatment)

Family Support
(e.g., parent education, home visiting)

Early Learning and Child Care
(e.g., quality, teacher education & wages)

Investment in Early Childhood
(e.g., city & county spending)

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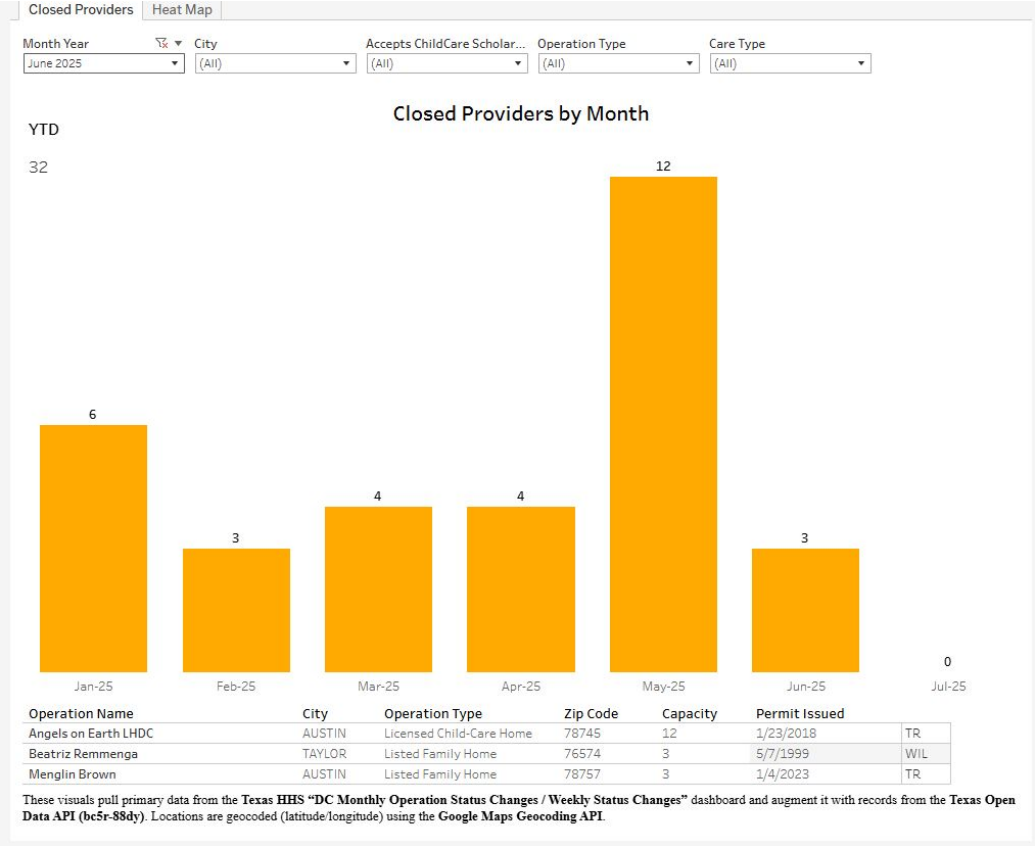
Example - Child Care Provider Closure Data



Operation Name	City	Operation Type	Zip Code	Capacity	Permit Issued	
Angels on Earth LHDC	AUSTIN	Licensed Child-Care Home	78745	12	1/23/2018	TR
Beatriz Remmenga	TAYLOR	Listed Family Home	76574	3	5/7/1999	WIL
Menglin Brown	AUSTIN	Listed Family Home	78757	3	1/4/2023	TR

These visuals pull primary data from the **Texas HHS "DC Monthly Operation Status Changes / Weekly Status Changes"** dashboard and augment it with records from the **Texas Open Data API (bc5r-88dy)**. Locations are geocoded (latitude/longitude) using the **Google Maps Geocoding API**.

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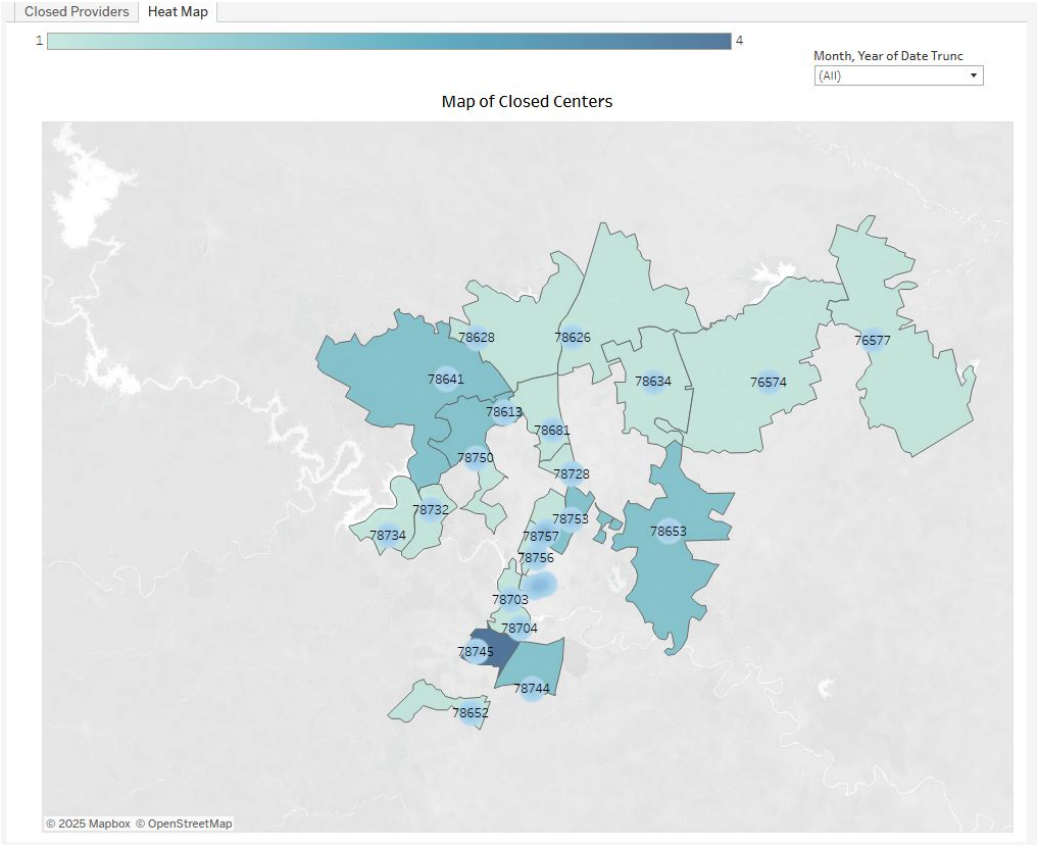

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Austin & Travis County ECE Landscape Survey

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Goals of the Survey

- **Community profile** of the ECE landscape - including supply, demand, and challenges.
- **A baseline** for future tracking and trend analysis.
- **Enhanced Planning:** Actionable insights for coalition members and other target users to inform local and strategic planning.
- **Enhanced Decision-Making**: Users will be better equipped to allocate resources and shape programs that address children's positive development and school readiness.
- **Increased Transparency and Accountability:** Public access to data increases trust and drives collective action.
- **Equity-Driven Solutions**: Disaggregated data, highlight disparities and inform targeted, inclusive policies.
- **Improved Cross-Sector Collaboration:** A shared survey and reports enables coordinated responses across agencies and sectors.
- Increased **advocacy power** through shared data.

Example Key Indicators

1. Enrollment Information (e.g., current & desired enrollment; waitlists)
2. Staffing and Qualifications (e.g., # teaching & support staff; education levels; staffing challenges)
3. Wages and Compensation (e.g., wages by role; benefits offered)
4. Tuition Costs (e.g., annual cost, changes in tuition cost)
5. Operational Costs (e.g., rent, supplies)
6. Successes, needs, and challenges

Key Components

- Travis County (and Austin) licensed centers & registers and licensed homes (currently ~550 providers)
- Co-creation with partners and providers
- Ensure adequate representation by type of care (e.g., home-based, corporate, small business), and geographic location.
- Provider compensation
- Data shared back through reports & dashboards as part of the EC Data Hub

Questions and Discussion

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