



Counting All Kids

Data Disaggregation in New York's Early Intervention System

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The Need

New York's children need **equitable access to timely Early Intervention services**. Knowing who is being served and who is not is critical so we can fix systemic gaps and inequities. This requires **public access** to enrollment and service data **separated out by demographics** like race/ethnicity, gender, socioeconomic status, and disability status.

The Solution

New York needs **uniform standards for state agencies** requiring them to collect and publish data on **children's services**. The reports should include enrollment and service data **by demographic categories**. The data should be analyzed and published **annually** and explore the **intersections** between different demographics.

Available Data & Why It Matters

The Bureau of Early Intervention has made more statewide data available than other child-serving systems in New York. However, it still lacks the county-level and intersectional data (e.g., race and gender) necessary to address known disparities. This makes it difficult to ensure the State is providing equitable access to timely Early Intervention services, especially for children of color, low-income children, and those in rural or large urban areas.

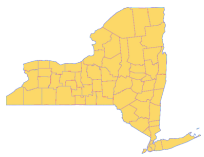


Federal IDEA Reports

Annual (year delay) statewide **enrollment** data by **age group, race/ethnicity, and gender** publicly available

NYS Dept of Health

Statewide data by **race** on the number of children who completed each step of the Early Intervention **process** obtainable by FOIL request



County Health Depts

Inconsistent **enrollment** and **program data** including types of services (OT/PT/Speech), **waitlists**, and the use of **telehealth** obtainable by FOIL request

NYC

NYC Bureau of Early Intervention Annual Reports

Annual (year delay) **enrollment** data by **race, gender, language, and zip code** for each step of the Early Intervention **process**, as well as the **timeliness** of services publicly available

See reverse for more details on the availability of disaggregated Early Intervention data in New York

Uniform Disaggregation Categories

Early Intervention - Specific Data

Disaggregation Category	Data Collected	Publicly Available	Timely Release	Available Statewide	Available by County	Available in NYC	Available by Locality
Race/Ethnicity	✓	✓	✓	✓	FOIL only	✓	
Age	✓	✓	✓	✓	FOIL only	✓	
Gender	✓	✓	✓	✓	FOIL only	✓	
Disability Status	✓						
Socioeconomic Status							
Geography	✓					✓	
Language	✓					✓	
McKinney-Vento/ Homeless Status							
Diagnosis/ Service Type	✓						
Medicaid/ Insurance Status	✓						
Timeliness of Services	Some Counties				Some Counties	✓	
Telehealth vs. In-Person	Some Counties				Some Counties		
Enrollment in Steps of the EI Process	✓			FOIL only		✓	