## The state of preschool 2007: State preschool yearbook

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The 2007 State Preschool Yearbook is the fifth in a series of annual reports profiling state-funded prekindergarten programs for children at ages 3 and 4 in the United States. This latest yearbook presents data on state-funded prekindergarten during the 2006-2007 school year. State-funded preschool programs represent an important and sizeable component of the nation's patchwork of early childhood education programs.

The 2007 Yearbook is organized into three major sections. The first section offers a summary of the data, and describes national trends for enrollment in, quality of, and spending on preschool. The second section presents detailed profiles outlining each state's policies with respect to preschool access, quality standards, and resources for the 2006-2007 program year. In addition to providing basic program descriptions, these state profiles describe unique features of a state's program and recent changes that can be expected to alter the future yearbook statistics on a program. Finally, the last section of the report contains appendices, including tables that provide the complete 2006-2007 survey data obtained from every state, as well as Head Start, child care, and U.S. Census data.

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