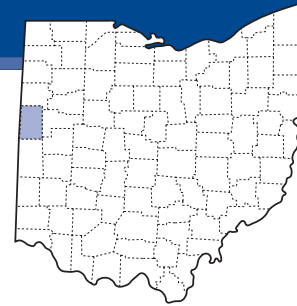


Mercer County's Children

General Statistics

Population:	41,075
Child Population:	29.6%
Poverty Rate:	4.6%
Child Poverty Rate:	6.9%
Total Births:	546
Births to Unmarried Parents:	112



County Seat:
Celina
Median Household Income:
\$42,742
Unemployment Rate:
4.0%

Child Health & Child Care

Child Health

Percent of births to mothers with late or no prenatal care:	8.6%
Percent of non-medicaid low-birthweight babies:	7.0%
Percent of medicaid low-birthweight babies:	3.0%
Percent of births to teen mothers:	7.0%
Numbers of Help Me Grow home visits:	421
Numbers of births covered by Medicaid:	116
Number enrolled in Healthy Start/Healthy Families:	2,418
Cost per individual:	\$182

Child Care

Number enrolled in the child care assistance program:	130
Number of licensed child care center spaces:	525
Number of certified family child care providers:	30
Weekly Child Care cost for	
• infants:	\$104
• toddlers:	\$99
• preschoolers:	\$86
• school-age:	\$57

Early Childhood Education

Number of allocated Head Start slots:	166	Number of allocated Early Learning Initiative slots:	17
Percentage of filled Head Start slots:	100%	Percentage of filled Early Learning Initiative slots:	12%
Number of allocated Early Head Start slots:	0	Number of allocated Early Childhood Education slots:	36
Percentage of filled Early Head Start slots:	0		