



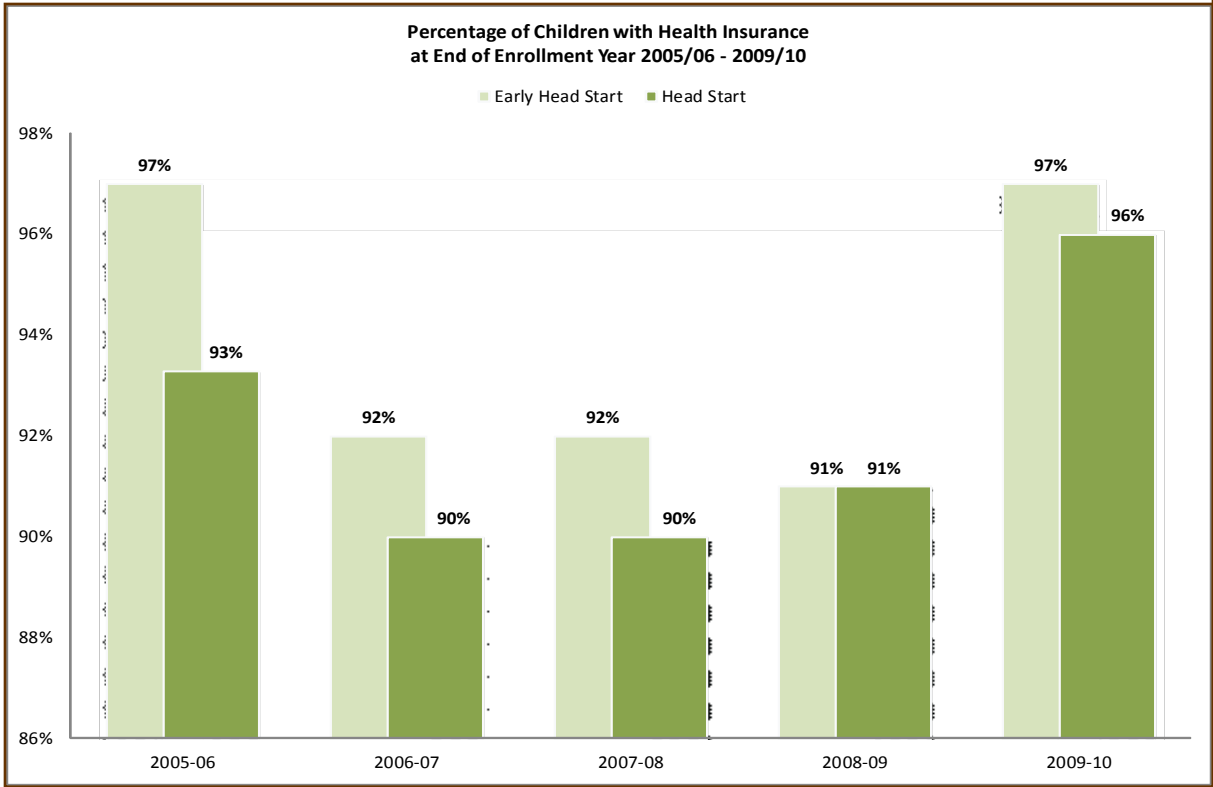
**South Dakota Head Start Association**

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# South Dakota Head Start & Early Head Start Immunizations & Health Insurance

The data show that children in Early Head Start are more likely to have health insurance than children in Head Start. Some reasons may be a mother's possible participation in Title 19 provided services during pregnancy, the coverage of well baby checks and the public health thrust for early childhood immunizations.

The percentage of children with health insurance increased for both Early Head Start Children and Head Start. Comparing the 2008/09 and 2009/10 program years shows an overall decrease in the number of children without health insurance. The majority of enrolled children under age 5 in South Dakota depend on/rely on Medicaid/CHIP to meet their insurance needs. (See table)



Types of Health Insurance*	2008/09	2009/10	Difference
<b>Medicaid/EPSDT</b>	36%	25%	-11%
<b>SCHIP</b>	3%	2%	-1%
<b>Combined SCHIP/Medicaid</b>	45%	59%	13%
<b>State Funded Insurance</b>	0%	0%	-0%
<b>Private Health Insurance</b>	11%	9%	-2%
<b>Other Health Insurance (e.g., Military health-Tri-Care or CHAMPUS)</b>	4%	6%	2%
<b>Children without Health Insurance</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>-5%</b>



*Note: Indian Health Services are not considered health insurance for these purposes.*

### The Head Start / State Collaboration Office

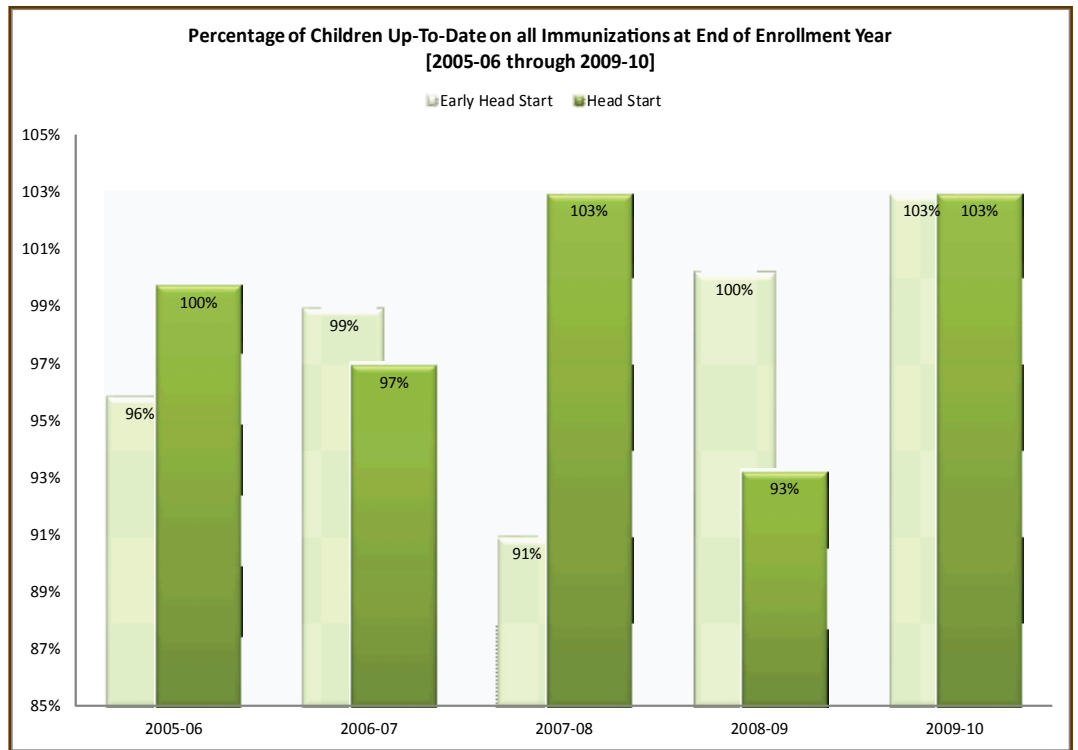
(<http://doe.sd.gov/oess/headstart.asp>)

The Head Start / State Collaboration Office, at the Department of Education was established in 1990, is the state's central point of contact between South Dakota Head Start programs and State agencies. Its purpose is to disseminate information about Head Start, assist in development of multi-agency and public/private partnerships between Head Start and the State, assist with interagency agreements for services and transitions from early childhood into the public schools, collaborate with other agency initiatives, and help build early childhood systems and access to comprehensive services for all low-income children.

The percentage of children who are up-to-date on all immunizations at end of enrollment year in Head Start and Early Head Start topped 100 percent for 2009/10 year. For both programs the percentage of children who were up-to-date on all immunizations increased from the previous year.

The goal of Early Head Start and Head Start programs is to ensure children are up-to-date with the Early & Periodic Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) immunization guidelines (see chart below).

South Dakota Head Start programs are able to access the South Dakota Immunization Information System (SDIIS). The South Dakota Department of Health strives to enroll all children in South Dakota in SDIIS.



### 2010 Recommended Immunizations for Children from Birth Through 6 Years Old

The Recommended Immunization Schedule for Persons Aged Birth Through 6 Years Old is approved by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the American Academy of Pediatrics, and the American Academy of Family Physicians.

Age	Birth	1 month	2 months	4 months	6 months	12 months	15 months	18 months	19-23 months	2-3 years	4-6 years
HepB	HepB	HepB			HepB						
RV											
DTaP											
Hib											
PCV											
IPV											
Influenza (Yearly)*											
MMR											
Varicella											
HepA, 2 doses <sup>§</sup>											

Shaded boxes indicate the vaccine can be given during shown age range. See back page for more information on vaccine-preventable diseases and the vaccines that prevent them.

**NOTE:** If your children miss a shot, you don't need to start over, just go back to your healthcare provider for the next shot. The healthcare provider will keep your children up-to-date on vaccinations. Talk with your healthcare provider if you have questions.

**FOOTNOTES**  
<sup>§</sup> HepA vaccination is recommended for high-risk children older than 2 years, along with a dose of meningococcal vaccine (MCV4) and pneumococcal vaccine (PPSV). HepA vaccination may be administered to any child over 2 for immunity is desired. See vaccine-specific recommendations at [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/ACIP-list.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/ACIP-list.htm)  
<sup>\*</sup> Children 6 months or older should receive flu vaccination every flu season. If this is the first time for flu vaccine, a child 6 months through 8 years of age should receive two doses, separated by at least 4 weeks. If this child only receives one dose in the first season, he or she should receive two doses the next season, if still younger than 9 years. Ask your child's healthcare provider if a second dose is needed.

For more information, call toll free 1-800-CDC-INFO (1-800-232-4636) or visit <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines>

Data Sources: Data are from the Head Start Program Information Reports 2004-2010. The figures are all Head Start and Early Head Start programs in South Dakota, including Tribal programs. In 2005/06 there were 24 reporting sites. In 2006/07, 2007/08, 2008/09 and 2009/10 there were 23 reporting sites. Note: Information reflects total enrollment throughout the year. Some charts show a percentage above 100% due the number of children who moved or left the program prior to the end of the year and were replaced by other eligible children.

### South Dakota Head Start Association (<http://sdheadstart.org>)

The South Dakota Head Start Association (SDHSA) was established in 1989 to coordinate and conduct activities designed to enhance awareness of Head Start in South Dakota. As the primary support link between local, regional and National Head Start programs we advocate for the low-income families in South Dakota with pre-birth to age five children. In addition, we strive to solidify communication, cooperation and an action network between Head Start Directors, Staff, Parents and Friends within the State of South Dakota.

**Our Mission:** The South Dakota Head Start Association is a leading voice supporting the work of Head Start programs and their partners through education, advocacy, training and networking for quality early childhood education and services to families. **Our Vision:** To be a positive voice, a powerful advocate and promoter of quality programs for children, families, and communities.



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