

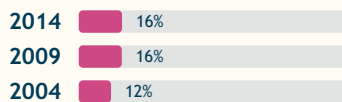


Arizona

The exceptionally high number of parents who report satisfaction with various aspects of their child's afterschool program drives Arizona's number six ranking in the top 10 states for afterschool. Arizona parents who report they are extremely satisfied with their child's afterschool program overall almost doubled between 2009 and 2014. However, while parent satisfaction with their child's afterschool program has increased, the percentage of Arizona children in an afterschool program has stayed level from 2009 to 2014 and the average number of hours children spend in afterschool programs in Arizona dropped significantly, from more than 11 hours in 2009 to 6.79 hours in 2014.

Children in Afterschool

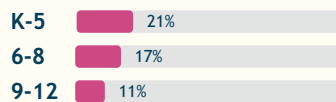
Afterschool program participation in Arizona



178,554 children in 2014

Participation in afterschool programs has steadily increased over the past decade. In 2014, 10.2 million children are in afterschool programs, up from 8.4 million in 2009 and 6.5 million in 2004.

Children in an afterschool program, by grade

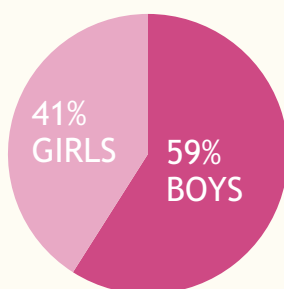


Average time per week children spend in an afterschool program

2014
7 HOURS
3 DAYS

For the purposes of this study, timing was limited to 15 hours per week in afterschool care, reflecting the hours of 3 to 6 p.m.

Children in an afterschool program, by gender



Most families piece together a variety of afterschool solutions, with 74% of Arizona's K-12 children spending some portion of the hours after school in the care of a parent or guardian. Other afterschool arrangements include traditional child care centers (8%); sibling care (14%); and non-parental adult care, such as a grandparent or neighbor (28%).

Average weekly cost of afterschool programs

2014

401 \$

The average weekly cost only includes parents who report that they pay a fee for their child's afterschool program. One in 5 parents surveyed report receiving government assistance to pay for their child's afterschool program, at an average of \$113.20 per week.

Children Unsupervised After School & Unmet Demand

Children who would participate if an afterschool program were available

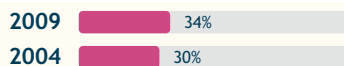


Children who would participate if an afterschool program were available, by grade level



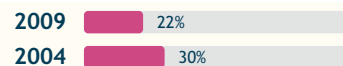
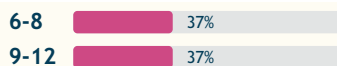
Children unsupervised after school





318,223 children in 2014

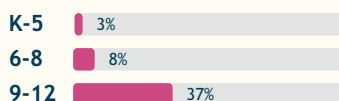
The unmet demand for afterschool — parents who want to enroll their child in a program but say they don't have one available — has increased over the last decade. The parents of a projected 19.4 million children now say they would enroll their child in a program if one were available to them.



214,043 children in 2014

The number of children alone and unsupervised in the hours after school has decreased, but 1 in 5 children still don't have someone to care for them after school.

Children unsupervised after school, by grade



What barriers to afterschool program enrollment are Arizona families facing?

After lack of need, the predominant challenges parents face enrolling their child in an afterschool program include:

- Preference for alternative activities
- The afterschool programs are too expensive

Average time per week children spend alone & unsupervised after school

2014

6 HOURS

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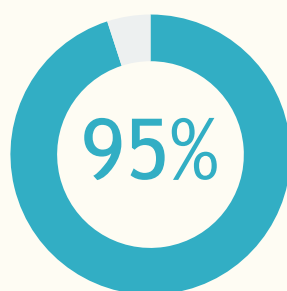
Parent Satisfaction with Afterschool Programs

Parents satisfied with their child's afterschool program

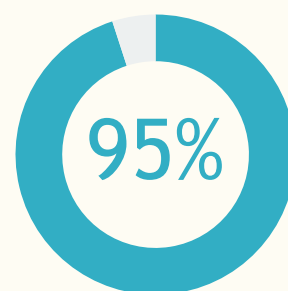


Parents' overall satisfaction with their child's afterschool program has been high over the past decade, where approximately 9 in 10 parents surveyed in 2004, 2009 and 2014 report that they are satisfied.

Parents satisfied with the quality of care in their child's afterschool program



Parents satisfied with the safe environment of their child's afterschool program



Top 5 activities/services offered by afterschool programs

- Opportunities for physical activity
- Homework assistance
- Opportunities for reading or writing
- Music or art
- Parent/family activities

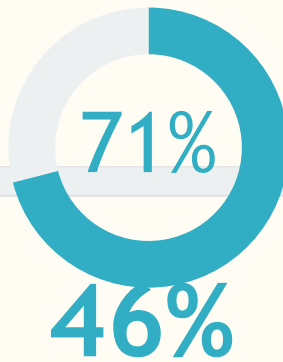
Parents agree that afterschool programs help children gain workforce skills

Top 5 factors in parents' selection of an afterschool program

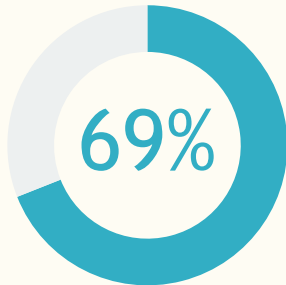
- Their child enjoys the afterschool program
- Quality of care
- Location is convenient
- Opportunities for reading or writing

offered

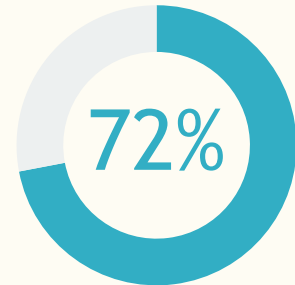
- Is a safe haven



Parents agree that afterschool programs reduce the likelihood that youth will engage in risky behaviors



Parents agree that afterschool programs excite children about learning



Most common afterschool program providers

1. Public school
2. City or town (including Parks and Recreation Department)
3. Private school

Public Support for Afterschool Programs

84%

More than 5 in 6 parents report that they favor public funding for afterschool opportunities in communities where children and youth have few opportunities, up slightly from 83 percent in 2009.

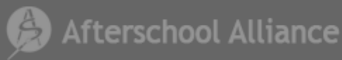
In 2014, just 20 percent of parents receive public funding to help pay for an afterschool program.

72%

73%

Healthy Eating and Afterschool Programs

Physical Activity and Afterschool Programs



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