



# RICA Indiana



The percentage of Indiana children participating in an afterschool program has hovered around 10 percent over the past decade, while the national afterschool program participation rate has continued to climb. Close to the national average in 2004, Indiana has slipped further behind other states in 2014, moving from 10 percent to 11 percent in 2014, whereas the national average grew from 11 percent in 2004 to 18 percent in 2014. Although afterschool program participation remains stable, overall parent satisfaction with their child's afterschool program has grown in Indiana. In 2004, 80 percent of Indiana parents were satisfied with their child's afterschool program overall; in 2014, close to 9 in 10 parents are satisfied.



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## Children in Afterschool

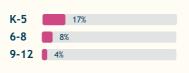
### Afterschool program participation in Indiana

2014	11%		
2009	10%		
2004	10%		

123,163 children in 2014

In 2014, 11% of Indiana's children participate in an afterschool program, compared to 10% in 2009 and 10% in 2004.

#### Children in an afterschool program, by grade

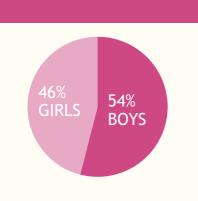


In 2014, 17% of Indiana's children in grades K-5 participate in an afterschool program, compared to 8% in grades 6-8 and 4% in grades 9-12.

#### Average time per week children spend in an afterschool program

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 72% of Indiana'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 (5%); sibling care (14%); and non-parental adult care, such as a grandparent or neighbor (25%).

#### Average weekly cost of afterschool programs

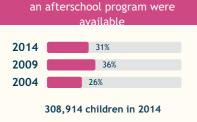
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The average weekly cost only includes parents who report that they pay a fee for their child's afterschool program.

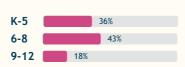
## Children Unsupervised After School & Unmet Demand

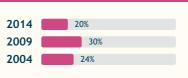




In 2014, 31% of Indiana's children would participate in an afterschool program if one were available, compared to 36% in 2009 and 26% in 2004.

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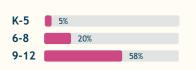




220,573 children in 2014

In 2014, 20% of Indiana's children are alone and unsupervised between the hours of 3 and 6 p.m.

# Children unsupervised after school, by grade



In 2014, 5% of Indiana's children in grades K-5 were unsupervised after school, compared to 20% in grades 6-8 and 58% in grades 9-12.

What barriers to afterschool program enrollment are Indiana families facing?

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

- Preference for alternative activities
- Lack of child's enjoyment of programs

Average time per week children spend alone & unsupervised after school

2014

7 HOURS

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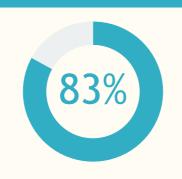
## Parent Satisfaction with Afterschool Programs 😑

Parents satisfied with their child's afterschool program



In 2014, 88% of Indiana's parents are satisfied with their child's afterschool program, compared to 87% in 2009 and 80% in 2004.

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

Parents agree that afterschool programs help children gain workforce skills

Top 5 factors in parents' selection of an afterschool program

- Opportunities for physical activity
- Homework assistance

• Their child enjoys the afterschool program

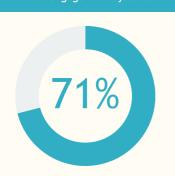


- Beverages, snacks and/or meals
- STEM learning opportunities



- Is a safe haven
- · Quality of care
- Location is convenient
- The hours meet parents' needs

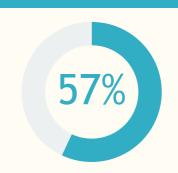
Parents agree that afterschool programs reduce the likelihood that youth will engage in risky behaviors



68%

of afterschool programs are located in a public school building

Parents agree that afterschool programs excite children about learning



## Most common afterschool program providers

- 1. Public school
- 2. YMCAs
- 3. Boys & Girls Clubs

## Public Support for Afterschool Programs •

87%

of Indiana parents support public funding for afterschool programs, while just 15% report receiving government assistance with the cost of afterschool. **76%** 

of Indiana parents agree that afterschool programs help give working parents peace of mind about their children when they are at work.

**72%** 

of parents agree that afterschool programs help parents keep their jobs.

#### **Footnotes**

In Indiana, 251 households and 1,666 children were screened for this study. According to the Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics data for 2011-2012, the total school enrollment in Indiana is 1,119,661, which is the foundation for all statewide projections in Indiana After 3PM.



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