

children at Risk

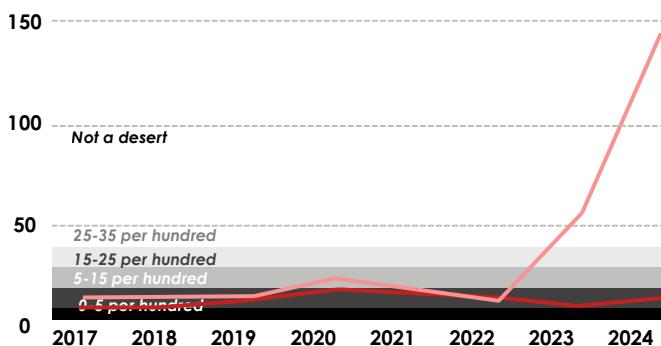
MCALLEN LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY LWDB

TRS RISING 2, 3, 4 CHILD CARE ONLY

Number of TRS child care seats per 100 children of working parents (<200% of poverty line)

Texas

Lower RGV



OF TRS PROGRAMS BY TRS RATING LOWER RGV LWDB

2024

2023

TRS 4

136

86

TRS 3

34

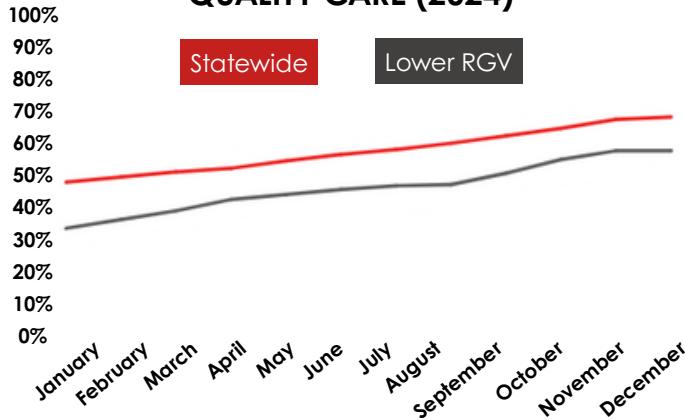
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TRS 2

1

0

PERCENT OF CHILDREN RECEIVING TRS QUALITY CARE (2024)



TRS CHILD CARE DESERTS TEXAS VS. LOWER RGV LWDB

TEXAS TRS CHILD CARE DESERTS

84,132

Total # of TRS Seats

850

TRS Desert Zip Codes

LOWER RGV TRS CHILD CARE DESERTS

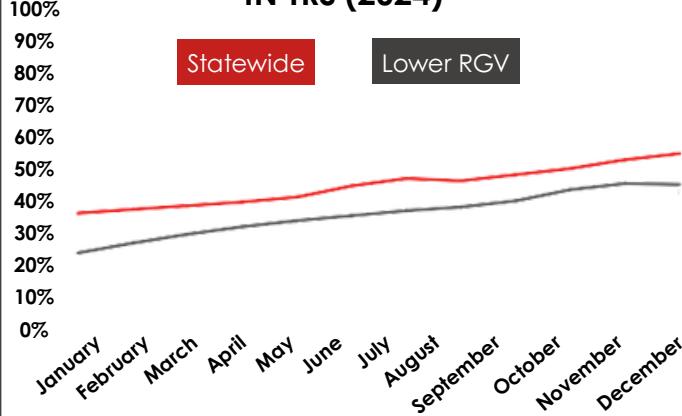
6,014

Total # of TRS Seats

4

TRS Desert Zip Codes

PERCENT OF PROVIDERS PARTICIPATING IN TRS (2024)



CHRONIC CHILD CARE DESERTS

ZIP CODES WHERE THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN UNDER 5 WITH WORKING PARENTS IS 3X THE AMOUNT OF CHILD CARE SEATS AVAILABLE IN THE ZIP CODE FOR THREE CONSECUTIVE YEARS.

LOWER RGV OVERALL CHILD CARE DESERTS

13

Overall Desert Zip
Codes

32%

Of Eligible Zip Codes

LOWER RGV CHRONIC CHILD CARE DESERTS

4

Overall Chronic Desert
Zip Codes

10%

of Eligible Zip Codes

WHAT'S NEXT?

INTERIM ADVOCACY OPPORTUNITIES

GET INVOLVED & ADVOCATE FOR TEXAS CHILD CARE

TEXAS SUNSET REVIEW ADVISORY COMMISSION

TWC HHSC DFPS DSHS

QUAD AGENCY CHILD CARE INITIATIVE COMMISSION

TWC HHSC DFPS TEA

GOVERNOR'S TASKFORCE ON GOVERNANCE OF EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION & CARE

TWC HHSC TEA DSHS

REGULAR INTERIM CHARGES

TWC HHSC TEA DSHS DPFS Dept of Ag

STAY IN TOUCH



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TEXAS CHILD CARE GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION

- Child Care Regulations
- Family Support Services
- 211
- Early Childhood Intervention
- Texas Thriving Families
- Medicaid & CHIP
- SNAP

TEXAS WORKFORCE COMMISSION

- Child Care Services
- Child Care Subsidies
- Texas Rising Star (QRIS)

DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY & PROTECTIVE SERVICES

- Child Abuse and Neglect Statewide Intake
- Foster Care
- Kinship Care

TEXAS EDUCATION AGENCY

- Pre-K
- Special Education Services

DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES

- Maternal & Child Health
- Help Me Grow

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

- CACFP (Child and Adult Care Food Program)