

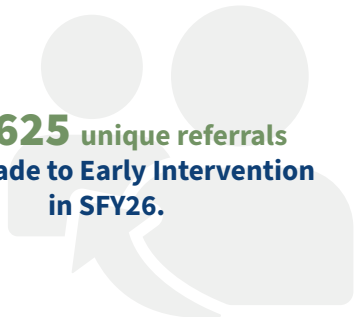
Ohio Early Intervention

SFY26 SUMMARY



Early Intervention is a statewide system that provides coordinated early intervention (EI) services to families with children under the age of three with developmental delays or disabilities. The federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) establishes EI programs in all 50 states. In Ohio, the Department of Children and Youth (DCY) serves as the lead agency for the EI program. Terms included here are defined in rule and can be found at ohioearlyintervention.org.

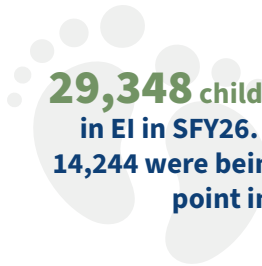
REFERRALS



32,625 unique referrals were made to Early Intervention in SFY26.

Referral Source	Number	Percent
Family or Caregiver	10,088	31%
Hospital	6,965	21%
Physician	6,880	21%
PCSA Form	3,280	10%
EI #8045	3,003	9%
All Other Sources	2,409	7%
Total	32,625	

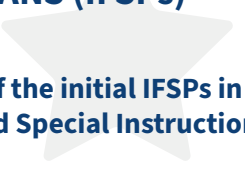
CHILDREN SERVED



29,348 children were served in EI in SFY26. An average of 14,244 were being served at any point in time.

Eligibility Reason	Number	Percent
One or More Substantial Delay(s)	10,833	37%
One or More Mild Delay(s)	4,539	15%
Informed Clinical Opinion (ICO)	5,670	19%
Dx on List	6,658	23%
Dx on Form	1,648	6%
Total	29,348	

SERVICES ON INITIAL INDIVIDUALIZED FAMILY SERVICE PLANS (IFSPs)



56% of the initial IFSPs in SFY26 listed Special Instruction.

Services on Initial IFSPs	Number	Percent
Special Instruction	8,464	56%
Speech-Language Pathology	3,087	21%
Occupational Therapy	2,130	14%
Physical Therapy	2,123	14%
Total Initial IFSPs	15,027	

EXITING/LENGTH OF STAY



19.2 months was the average age at initial E&A completion.

11.3 months was the average stay of children served in EI and exited during SFY26.

Exit Reason	Number	Percent
Reached Age 3	9,242	64%
Withdrawn by Parent (Guardian) Before Age 3	2,182	15%
No Longer Eligible for Part C Prior to Reaching Age 3	1,787	12%
Attempts to Contact Unsuccessful	993	7%
Moved Out of State (Before Child is Age 3)	316	2%
Deceased	21	0%
Total	14,541	