



Office of School Improvement  
 McKinney-Vento Education of  
 Homeless Children and Youth Program



**PROGRAM DATA BRIEF 2015-16**

**Program Purpose:** The McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Assistance Act requires local educational agencies (LEAs) to remove barriers to the enrollment, attendance, and opportunity to succeed in school for homeless children and youth (HCY). All LEAs are required to designate a homeless liaison, pro-actively identify homeless children and youth, and provide transportation to stabilize the educational experiences of homeless students.

**Use of Funds:** Allowable expenditures include outreach and identification of HCY, enrollment assistance, transportation assistance, school records transfer, immunization referrals, tutoring, counseling, school supplies, professional development for educators, and referrals for community services.

<b>NUMBER OF HCY IDENTIFIED BY PUBLIC SCHOOLS</b>			
	<i>2006-07</i>	<i>2013-14</i>	<i>Percent Increase</i>
Georgia	13,311	29,138	118.9%
United States	679,724	1,301,239	91.4%

<b>SELECT LEA ALLOCATIONS AND HCY STUDENT COUNTS</b>						
<i>LEA*</i>	<i>2006-07 Award</i>	<i>2014-15 Award**</i>	<i>% Funding Decrease</i>	<i>2006-07 HCY Student Count</i>	<i>2014-15 HCY Student Count</i>	<i>% Student Increase</i>
Cobb County Schools	\$342,920	\$52,847	84.6%	898	1,610	79.3%
DeKalb Public Schools	\$248,508	\$54,880	77.9%	1,087	1,975	45.0%
Gwinnett Public Schools	\$178,632	\$71,543	59.9%	853	2,497	192.7%
Muscogee Public Schools	\$148,300	\$60,067	59.5%	185	964	421.1%

\*The four LEAs presented here have been Georgia's most consistent McKinney-Vento sub-grant recipients.  
 \*\*Georgia experienced a considerable increase in student homelessness that resulted in more LEA sub-grant awards in 2014-15 (51) than were awarded in 2006-07 (17). During this period of increased homelessness, the total grant amounts awarded to Georgia remained relatively consistent resulting in decreases in per LEA award totals.

<b>ANNUAL ALLOCATIONS AND HCY PER PUPIL AMOUNT</b>				
	<i>Federal Funding</i>	<i>State Allocation</i>	<i>HCY Student Count</i>	<i>Per Pupil Amount</i>
2008-09	\$64.0 million	\$1,729,277	23,724	\$72.89
2009-10	\$65.4 million	\$2,319,108	27,338	\$84.83
ARRA	\$70.0 million	\$1,873,212		\$68.52
2010-11	\$64.4 million	\$2,338,478	31,384	\$74.51
2011-12	\$65.3 million	\$2,206,876	35,048	\$62.97
2012-13	\$61.7 million	\$2,106,646	35,764	\$60.11
2013-14	\$65.0 million	\$2,264,988	29,138	\$77.73
2014-15	\$65.0 million	\$2,202,823	39,113	\$56.32

**Statewide Homeless Survey:** Georgia's McKinney-Vento program conducts an annual survey of LEAs across the state. The survey combines data provided by LEAs to the Office of Technology Services at the Georgia Department of Education with additional LEA program implementation data. The results below provide a summary of findings from the 2014-15 survey.

<b>NATIONAL STANDARDS AND PROGRAM DATA</b>			
	<i>Grantees</i>	<i>Non-Grantees</i>	<i>Statewide</i>
<b>1.0 ASSESSMENTS*</b>			
1.1 Percent of HCY who took the standards-based assessment in math	--	--	--
1.2 Percent of HCY who took the standards-based assessment in reading	--	--	--
<b>2.0 ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE*</b>			
2.1 Percent of HCY who met or exceeded state proficiency rates on the standards-based assessment in math	--	--	--
2.1 Percent of HCY who met or exceeded state proficiency rates on the standards-based assessment in reading	--	--	--
<b>3.0 IDENTIFICATION</b>			
3.1 Number of HCY enrolled in school	29,427	9,686	39,113
3.2 Percent of students in LEA who are HCY	3.68%	2.04%	2.45%
<b>4.0 IMMEDIATE ENROLLMENT</b>			
4.1 Percent of HCY who attended classes within one school day of enrollment	95.5%	92.3%	94.7%
<b>5.0 School Stability</b>			
5.1 Average attendance rate for HCY	92.3	76.7	80.6
5.2 Average attendance rate for non-HCY	95.5	95.3	95.4
<b>6.0 Comparable Services</b>			
6.7 Number of HCY who were also SWD (Percent of overall HCY population)	4,878 (16.6%)	1,567 (16.2%)	6,445 (16.5%)
6.7 Number of HCY who were also LEP (Percent of overall HCY population)	880 (3.0%)	308 (3.2%)	1,188 (3.0%)
6.7 Number of HCY who were also Migrant students (Percent of overall HCY population)	96 (0.3%)	147 (1.5%)	243 (0.6%)
<b>7.0 Preschool-Aged</b>			
7.1 Number of preschool-aged children identified as homeless by LEA	494	294	788
<b>8.0 Unaccompanied Youth</b>			
8.1 Number of homeless unaccompanied youth enrolled in school by LEA	1,561	556	2,117
<b>9.0 Family Engagement</b>			
9.4 Percent of HCY whose parents require local liaison assistance or intervention to settle a disagreement	17.5%	0.1%	13.3%
<b>10.0 Outreach</b>			
10.7 Percent of schools displaying McKinney-Vento posters	99.6%	96.1%	98.3%
10.8 Number of community locations displaying posters	572	866	1,438
*Student achievement data for 2014-15 was not available for inclusion in the current data brief.			

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