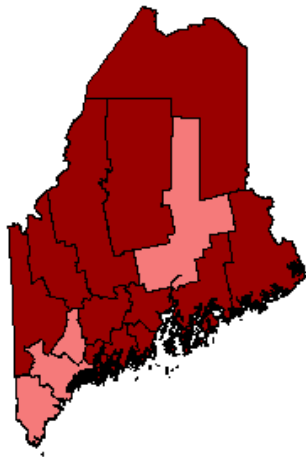


HRSA's Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) Program

supports the [Maine Home Visiting Program](#) and provides voluntary, evidence-based home visiting programs for expectant and new parents with children through kindergarten entry age living in communities that are at-risk for poor maternal and child health outcomes¹.

Evidence-Based Home Visiting Models in Maine: [Parents as Teachers \(PAT\)](#)

Maine MIECHV Program At-a-Glance



Rural Counties²:

Aroostook, Franklin, Hancock, Kennebec, Knox, Lincoln, Oxford, Piscataquis, Sagadahoc, Somerset, Waldo, Washington

Non-Rural Counties²:

Androscoggin, Cumberland, Penobscot, York

Participants

3,583

Households

1,602

Home Visits

18,098

Maine Prioritizes Community Needs

MIECHV Program awardees tailor their programs to serve populations of need within their state. In Maine:

- **67.2%** of households were at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines and **42.3%** were at or below 100% of those guidelines.
- **2.8%** of households included a pregnant enrollee under age 21

Maine Performance Highlights

MIECHV Program awardees track and report improvements in MIECHV benchmark areas every year. Awardees are required by authorizing statute to demonstrate improvement in benchmark areas every three years. In the most recent assessment following FY 2023, the Maine MIECHV program successfully met the requirements for demonstration of improvement by improving in all 6 [benchmark areas](#).

FY 2023 Performance Highlights Include:

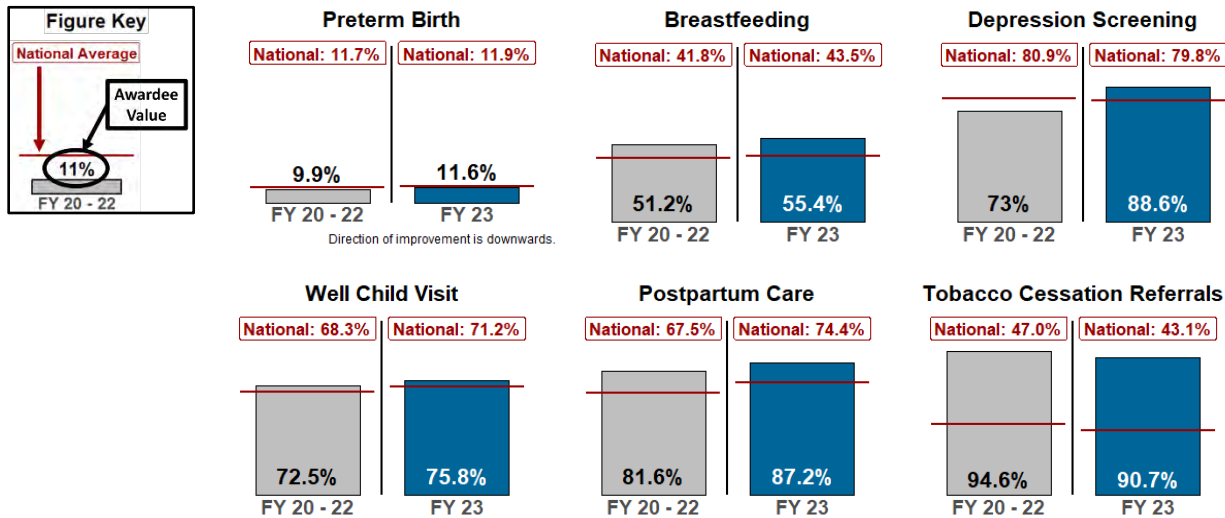
- **Service Delivery:** In 2022, all 11 Maine MIECHV local implementing agencies underwent a year-long rigorous review process with Parents as Teachers (PAT) National Center to demonstrate model fidelity. As a result, all Maine Families Programs earned a "Blue Ribbon Affiliate" endorsement, which is an exclusive recognition offered only to the top performing home visiting affiliates within PAT's international network, and maintained this endorsement throughout 2023.
- **Early Language and Literacy Activities:** 98.6% of children enrolled in home visiting had a family member who read, told stories, and/or sang with them on a daily basis. Children who are spoken to frequently by their caregivers have larger vocabularies and literacy skills, which are linked to later academic, social, and cognitive functioning.

¹ HRSA awarded ARP ([American Rescue Plan Act](#)) funds to current MIECHV awardees to address the needs of families in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

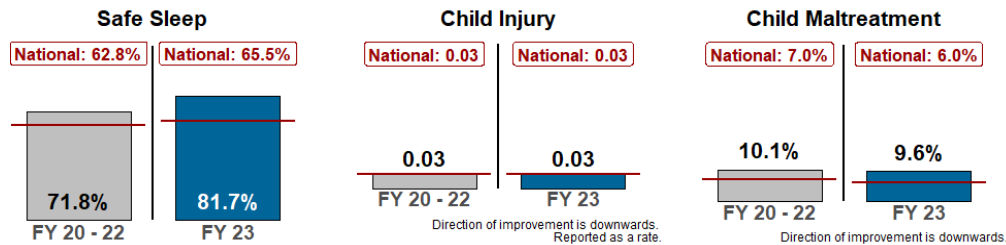
² These counties were served by MIECHV formula funds, ARP funds, or both.

Maine MIECHV Performance Data Compared to National MIECHV Averages

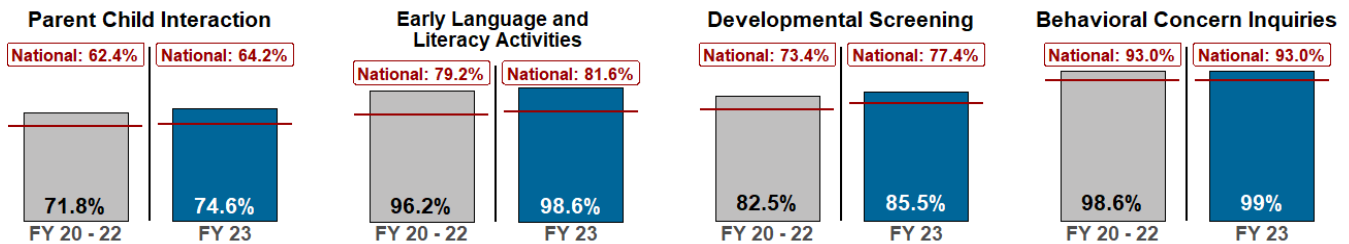
Benchmark Area 1: Maternal and Newborn Health Outcomes



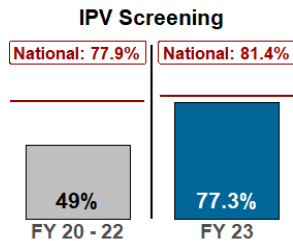
Benchmark Area 2: Child Injuries, Maltreatment, and Emergency Department Visits



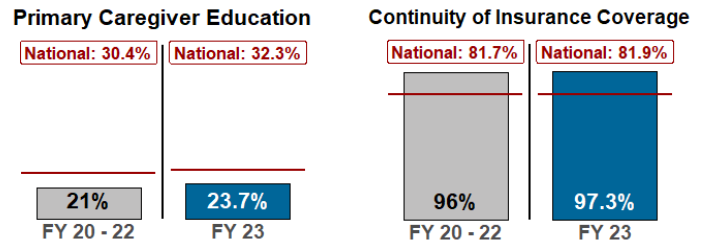
Benchmark Area 3: School Readiness and Achievement



Benchmark Area 4: Crime or Domestic Violence



Benchmark Area 5: Family Economic Self Sufficiency



Benchmark Area 6: Coordination and Referrals

