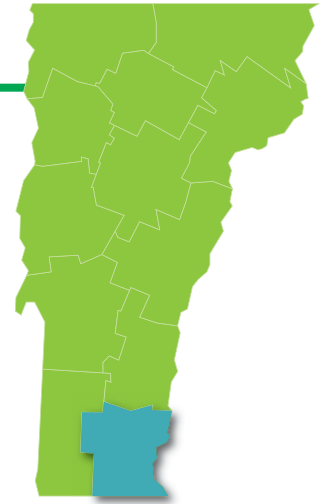
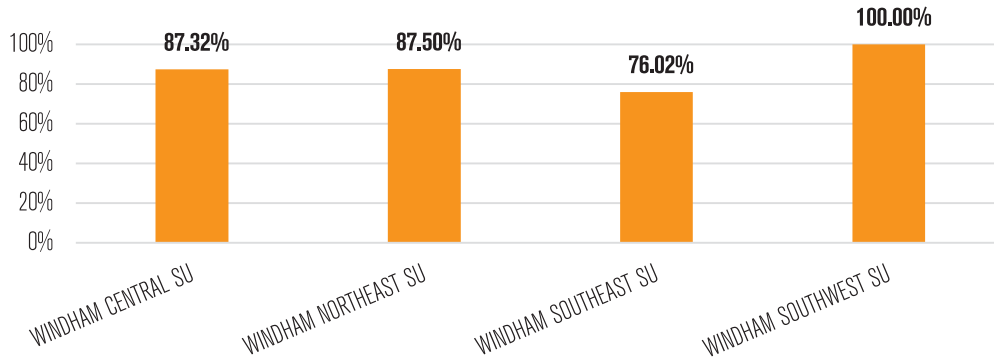


Southeast Vermont Region



2015-2016 R4KIS Percent of All Students Ready for Kindergarten



Child Population under age 9 2014	STARS Participation 2016	Immunization Rates 2015	Children in DCF Custody under age 9 2014
-2.0%	72.9%	54.9%	14.95
3,010 CHILDREN	51 PROGRAMS	279 CHILDREN	rate per 1,000 45 CHILDREN
DECLINED	IMPROVED	IMPROVED	INCREASED
2011 3,071	2010 46.1% 41 PROGRAMS	2013 54.2% 254 CHILDREN	2012 10.87 rate per 1,000 33 CHILDREN

About the region

The Building Bright Futures Southeast Vermont Region covers most of Windham County, including 19 towns. It is bordered by the Connecticut River and New Hampshire to the east and Massachusetts to the south. Major employers include C&S Wholesale Grocers, Brattleboro Memorial Hospital, and the Brattleboro Retreat.

The Building Bright Futures Southeast Vermont Regional Council reflects our community. The regional system of early childhood supports has a deep history of collaborative, innovative approaches to serving all children and families.

The work of the regional council is focused on improving upon existing assets and to address the many challenges

families face including: generational poverty, low wages, lack of timely mental health, medical and substance abuse services to meet increasing needs, and lack of basic needs such as affordable housing, food, and transportation.

In 2016–2017, the regional council's priorities are:

- Ensuring schools and communities are ready for children and families by promoting the importance of family-centered workplace policies; and
- Identifying ways to streamline how families access supports and services to create an easily accessible regional early childhood system.