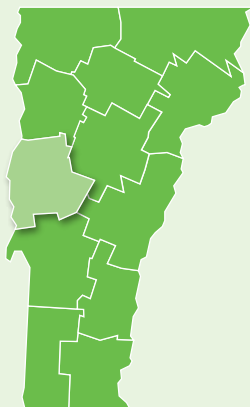


Addison Region

About the Region



In the Addison Region the number of children living in poverty and in DCF custody under the age of 9 continues to increase, despite a decline in population of children. The region struggles with food insecurity, substance abuse, a persistent lack of high quality infant care, and a shortage of people entering the early childhood education workforce. Addison County is very rural, and a lack of transportation and affordable housing is a struggle for many.

REGIONAL PRIORITIES

The collaboration and integration of the BBF and Integrated Family Services infrastructures and community-wide focus on social-emotional development are tremendous assets to the community. The Council is focused on:

- Working with area businesses and pediatricians to explore new ways to support and fund child care
- Ways to attract and retain employees to the field of early care and education
- Holding several trainings in the area using the Pyramid Model for Supporting Social Emotional Competence in Infants and Young Children

Current Status

CHILD POPULATION

under age 9

The percent* of children under 9 years old **increased** from 43.8% (3,279) in 2010 to **46.3%** (2,972) in 2016.

INCREASED TO
46.3%

**Denominator is children under 18 years old.*

CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY

under age 6

The percent of children under 6 years old living in poverty** **increased** from 32.3% (688) in 2010 to **40.1%** (759) in 2016.

INCREASED TO
40.1%

***Living below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level*

CHILDREN IN DCF CUSTODY

under age 9 (rate per 1,000)

The rate[†] of children under 9 years old (per 1,000) in DCF custody **increased** from 6.8 (21) in 2012 to **14.5** (43) in 2016.

INCREASED TO
14.5

†As of September 30th each year.

STARS PARTICIPATION

The percent of regulated child care, early learning, and afterschool programs with 1-5 STARS[‡] **increased** from 33.7% (35) in 2010 to **70.1%** (61) in 2018.

INCREASED TO
70.1%

‡As of June each year.

Percent of All Students Ready for Kindergarten

SUPERVISORY UNION/DISTRICT	SCHOOL YEAR 2015-16	SCHOOL YEAR 2016-17	SCHOOL YEAR 2017-18
Addison Central SD	86.9%	94.2%	89.2%
Addison Northeast SU	78.8%	84.0%	80.3%
Addison Northwest SU	87.5%	87.0%	97.9%