

## Colorado Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP)

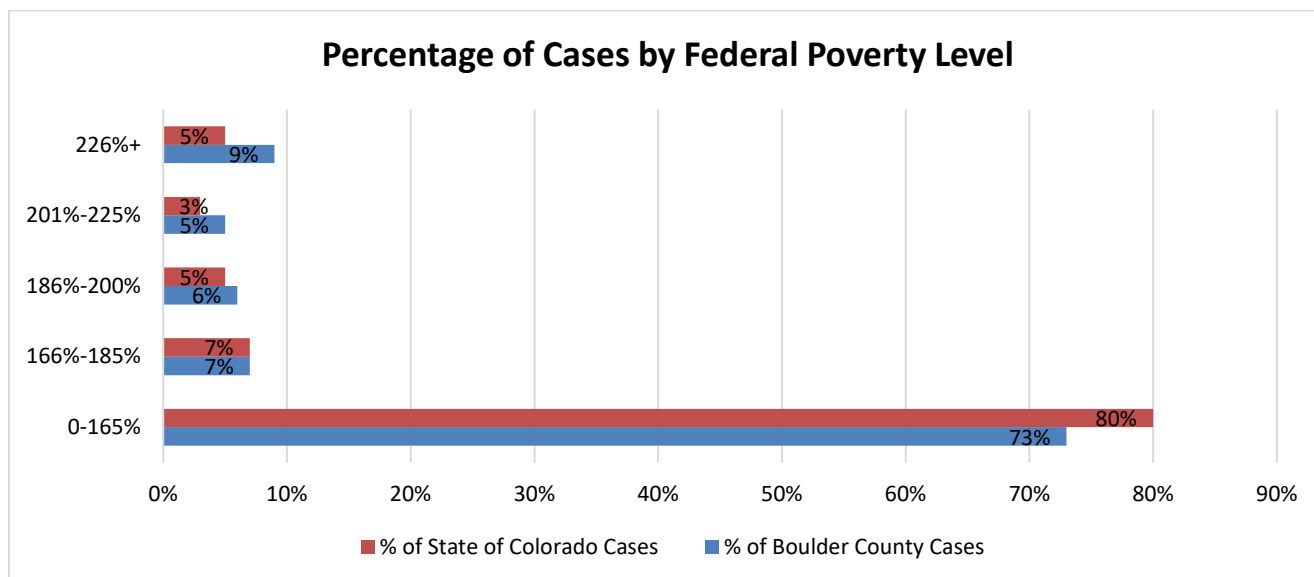
Colorado Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP) serves families in three programs: Low Income, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) and Child Welfare. Each has their own eligibility criteria and funding.

- **Colorado Works (TANF)** CCAP is available to families that meet eligibility criteria. When a case closes the case moves to Low Income CCAP automatically and is exempt from being waitlisted.
- **Child Welfare** CCAP is a temporary service to maintain children in their own homes or in the least restrictive out-of-home care setting when there are no other child care options available. This may include parents, non-certified kinship care, kinship foster care homes, and foster care homes. Eligibility is determined on a case by case basis by the Child welfare division. When a case closes the case moves to Low Income CCAP automatically and is exempt from being waitlisted.
- **Low Income** CCAP is for families that meet program eligibility criteria based on income and participation in an eligible activity.

### CCAP Eligibility Limits:

The entrance eligibility for all counties is set at 185% Federal Poverty Level and exit is 85% State Median Income.

### Cases by FPL:



Source: Tableau, May 2017-May 2018

### How funding is allocated to counties:

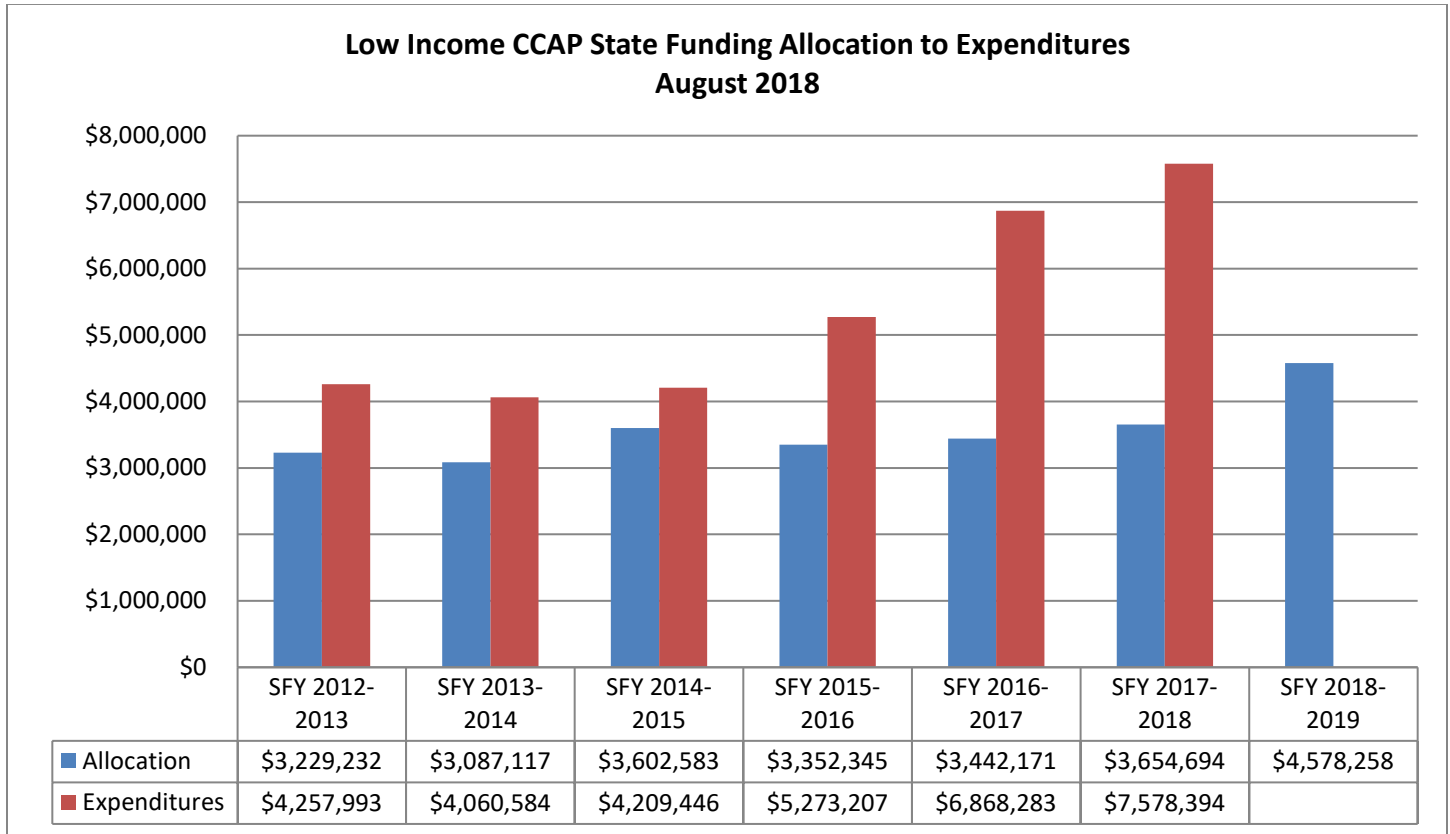
Low-Income Child Care funds are allocated to counties based on each county's share of the total statewide population in four areas, called factors. Four factors impact the distribution of funds. The County Business Climate Factor = 25%, the Likely Natural Enrollment Factor = 25%, the Income Eligible Population Factor for Children under 6 years old = 30% and the Income Eligible Population Factor for Children 6-11 years old = 20%. Each of the factors is assigned a dollar amount based on the weighting described above and counties are allocated funds based on their county share within that factor. The allocation factors are reassessed and may change each state fiscal year.

Boulder County has chosen to exceed the state allocation each year and invest more local funds into the childcare system. Boulder County has also continued to invest in outreach to assure eligible households are enrolling. Due to the significant increases in expenditures over the past several years, a waitlist for the program has been implemented June 1, 2017 to stabilize the expenditure and enrollment growth of the program. We have not seen a stabilization of

expenditures as attrition in the program is very low with participants understanding a waitlist is in place. Statewide, families participate in the program on average for 2.5 years.

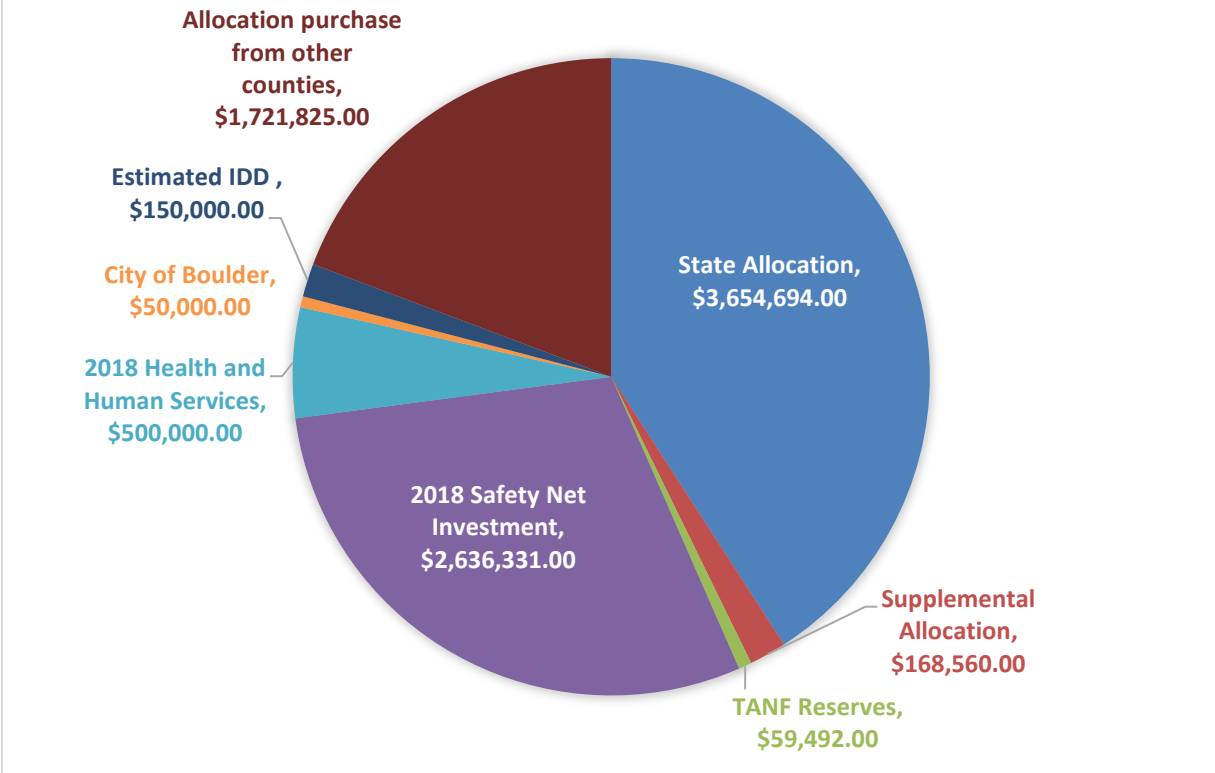
A few House Bill 1317 changes that impacted all counties:

- 12 month certification periods; families are staying on the program longer
- Counties fund more of the parent share in quality levels 3-5
- Tiered reimbursement based on quality went into effect. For Boulder County these went into effect September, 2016 and resulted in 69% increases for some providers.



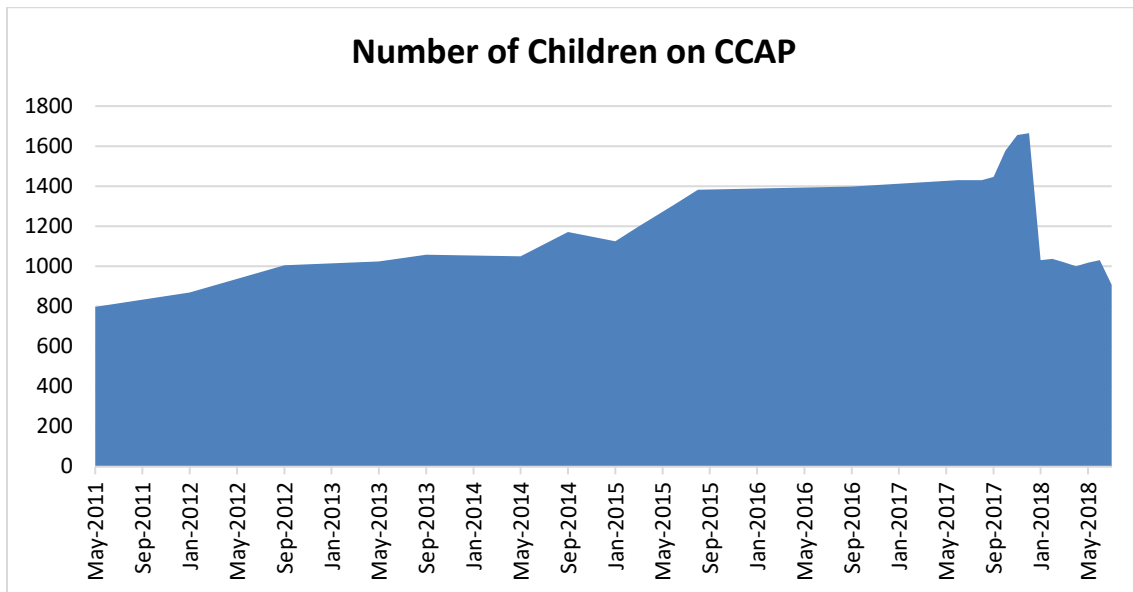
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## BOULDER COUNTY CHILD CARE INVESTMENTS THROUGH JUNE 2018



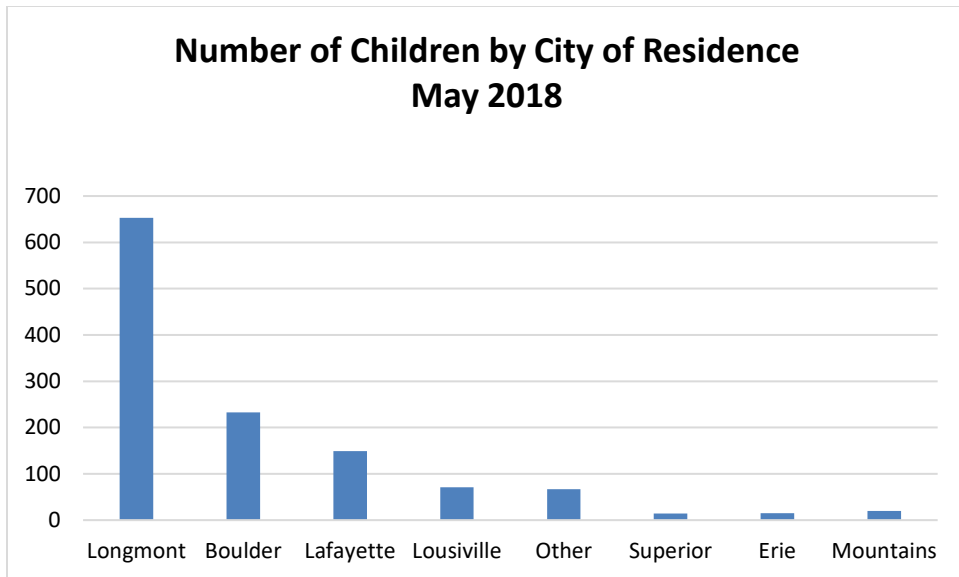
### Children on CCAP:

As of December 31, 2017 there were 1,656 children in in all CCAP programs: Low Income, TANF and Child Welfare.



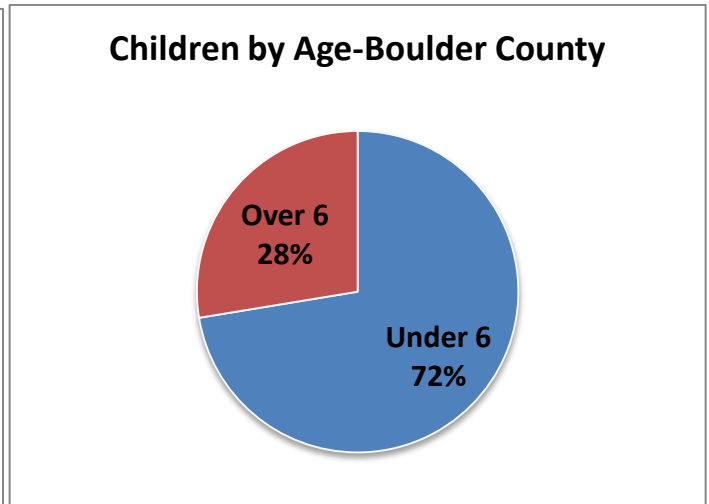
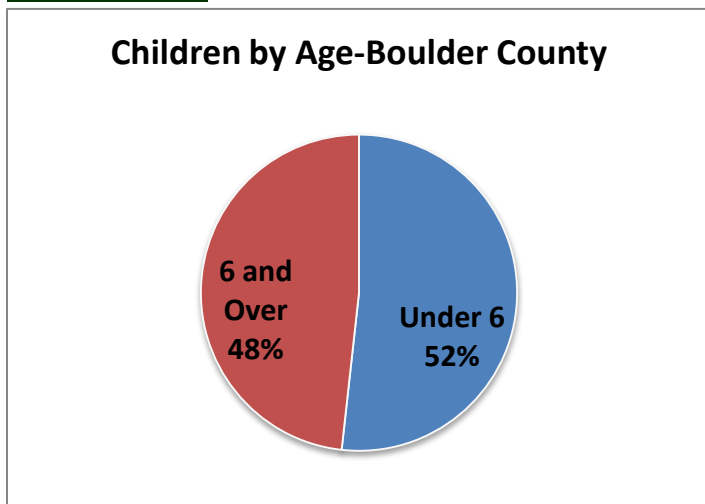
Source: CHATS-July 2018

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Source: CHATS-May 2018

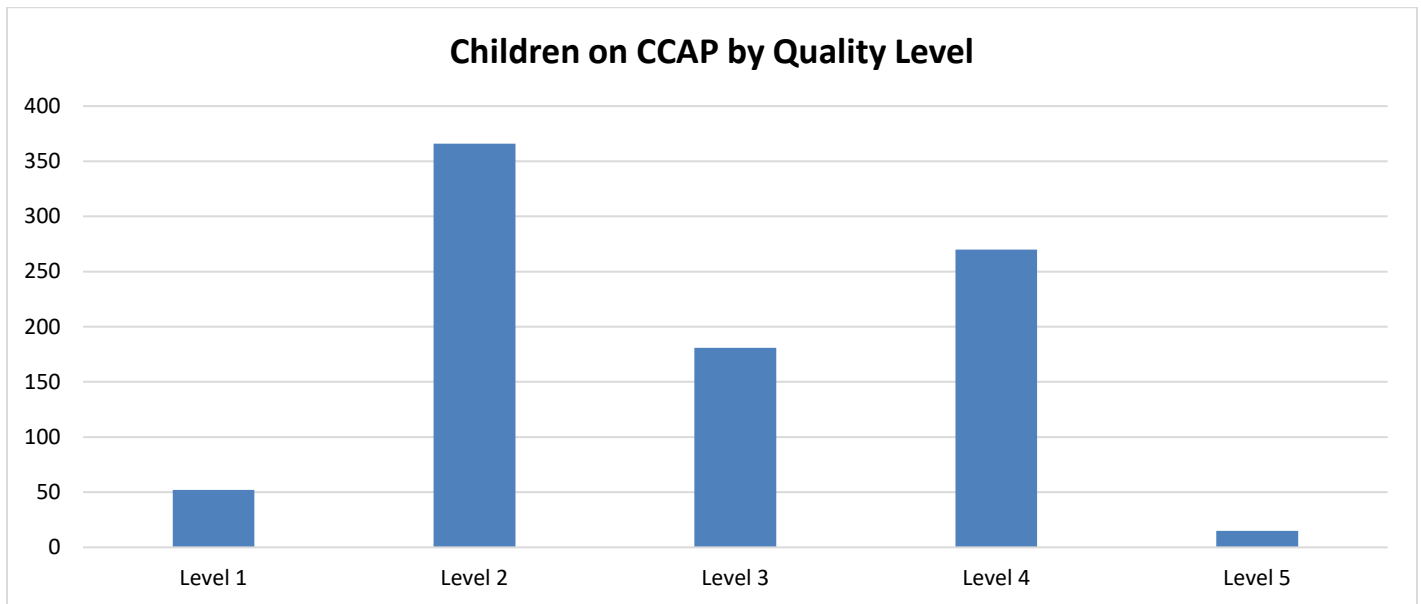
**Children Served:**



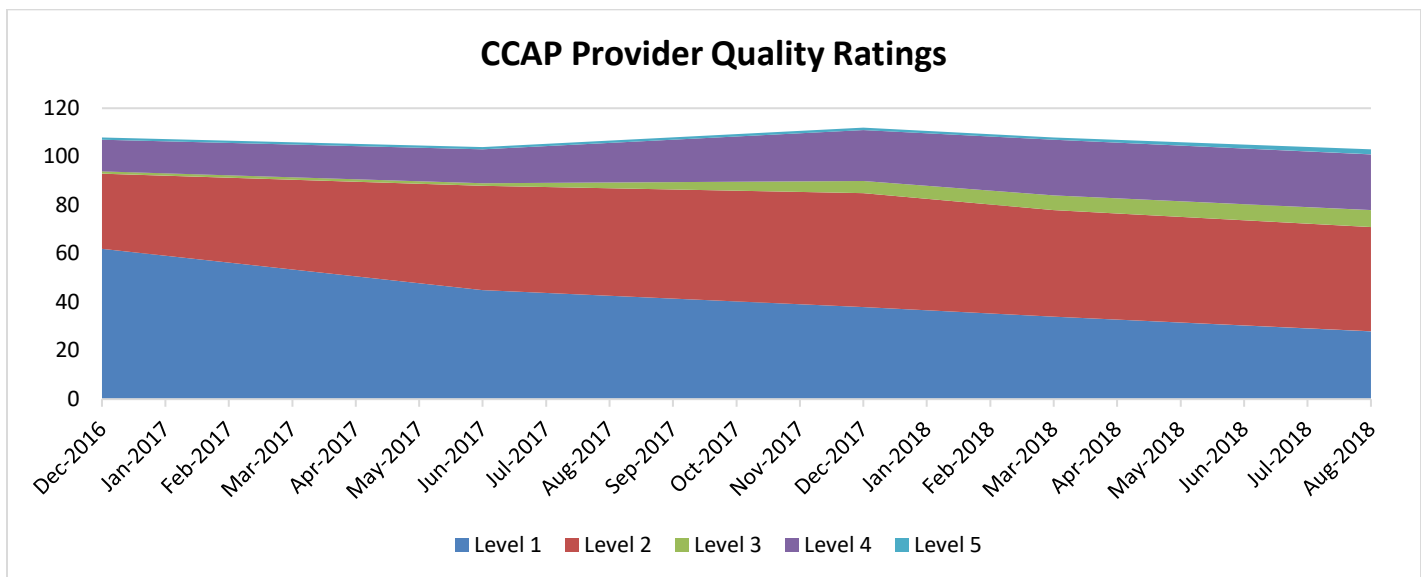
Source: CHATS Unduplicated children, May 2017-May 2018

**Provider Quality and Ratings:**

Boulder County has 336 licensed child care providers. Of those, 231 are early childhood providers and are **rated for quality**. 170 providers currently accept CCAP. **A total of 103 providers are quality rated and accept CCAP.**



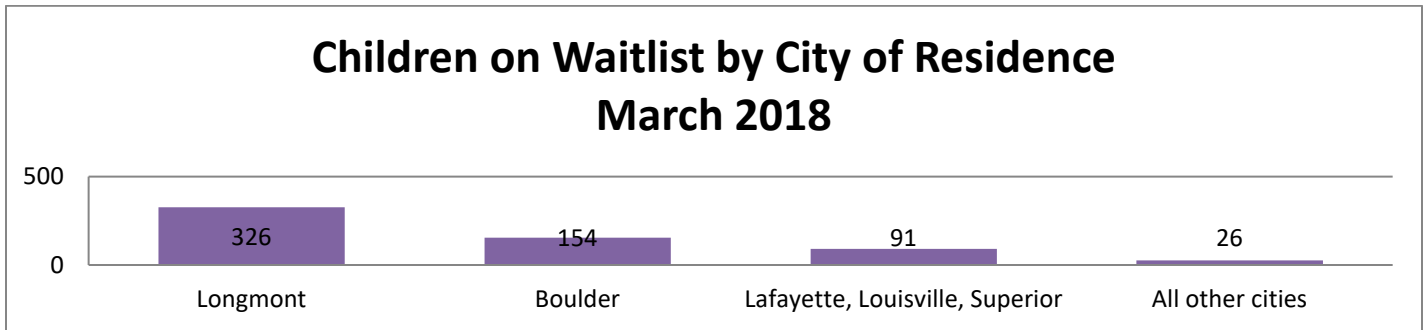
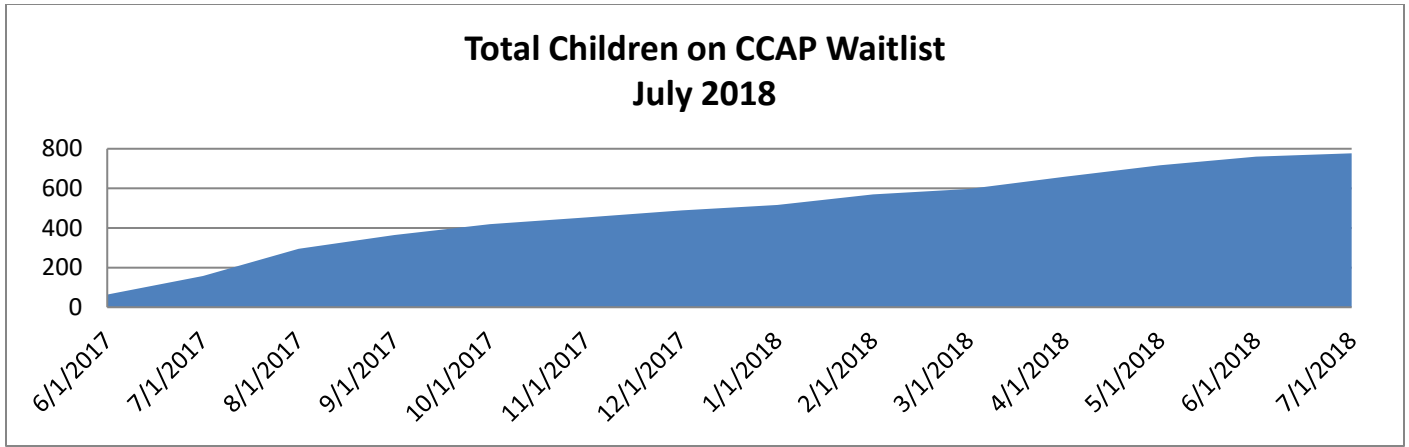
Source: Colorado Shines, August 2018



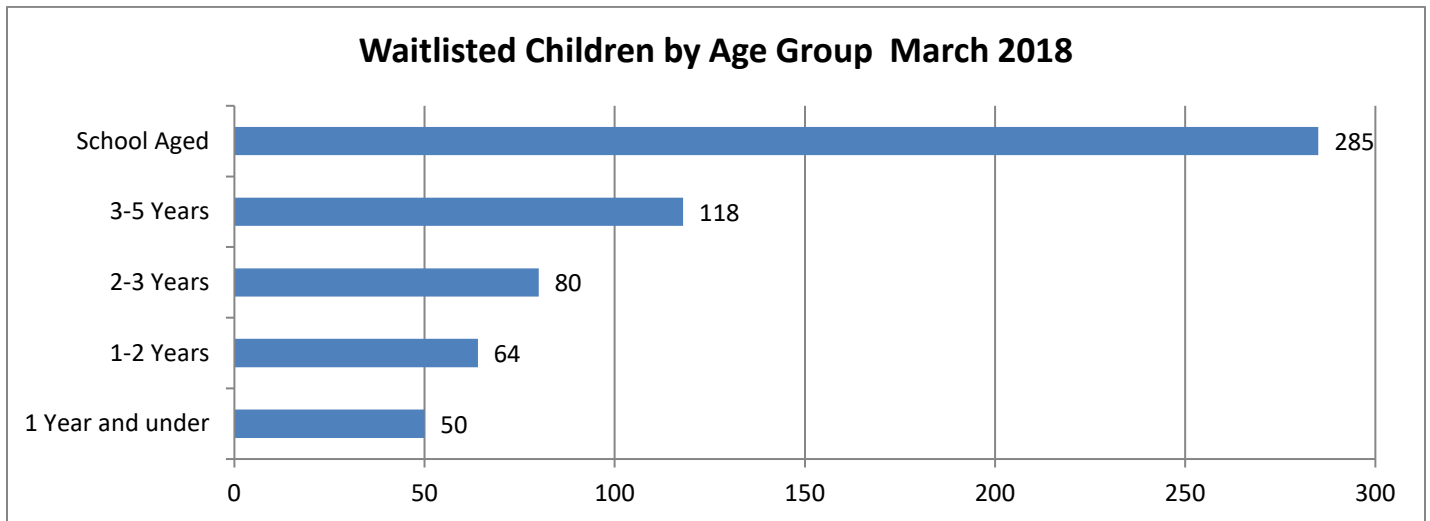
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**Waitlist:**

Updated August 23, 2018



Source: CHATS-March 2018



Source: CHATS-March 2018