

## Head Start

**Department:** HHS

**Bureau:** Administration for Children and Families

**Type of Funding:** Discretionary

**Share of Funding Allocated for Children:** 100%

**Funding level 2008-2012:** +17.35%

## Funding Data

	Budget	Change	Change (Inflation Adjusted)
<b>FY 2004</b>	6.77B	-	-
<b>FY 2005</b>	6.84B	1.01%	-2.31%
<b>FY 2006</b>	6.78B	-0.85%	-3.95%
<b>FY 2007</b>	6.89B	1.53%	-1.28%
<b>FY 2008</b>	6.9B	0.20%	-3.51%
<b>FY 2009</b>	7.11B	3.05%	3.05%
<b>FY 2010</b>	7.23B	1.72%	0.11%
<b>FY 2011*</b>	0	-100.00%	-100.00%
<b>FY 2012</b>	8.1B	0.00%	0.00%

\* Proposed

## Description of Program

Head Start's goal is to bridge the gap that exists between economically disadvantaged children and their more advantaged peers by providing education, social, health, and nutrition services primarily to low-income children before they enter school.

Click [here](#) to visit the program website.