

Narrative of Monthly Report October 2023

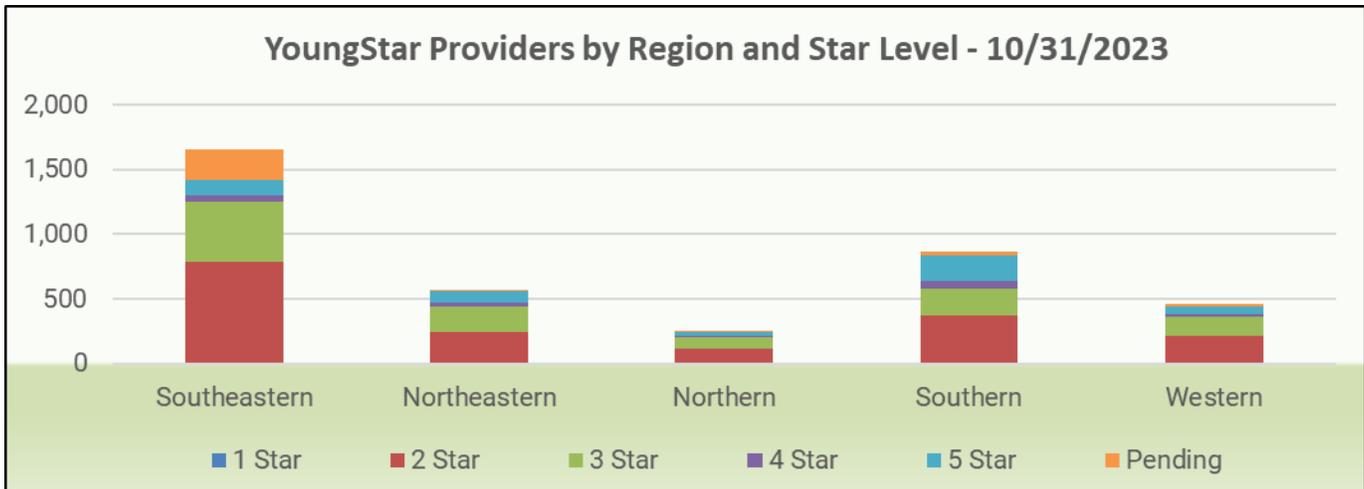
YoungStar has transitioned to a new service provider in 2023. There are now five YoungStar Regions instead of six. The Milwaukee and Kenosha/Racine Regions have been merged into the Southeastern Region. Waukesha County is now part of the Southeastern Region. These changes and adjustments are reflected in the data.

For the month of October, the following are notable YoungStar statistics.

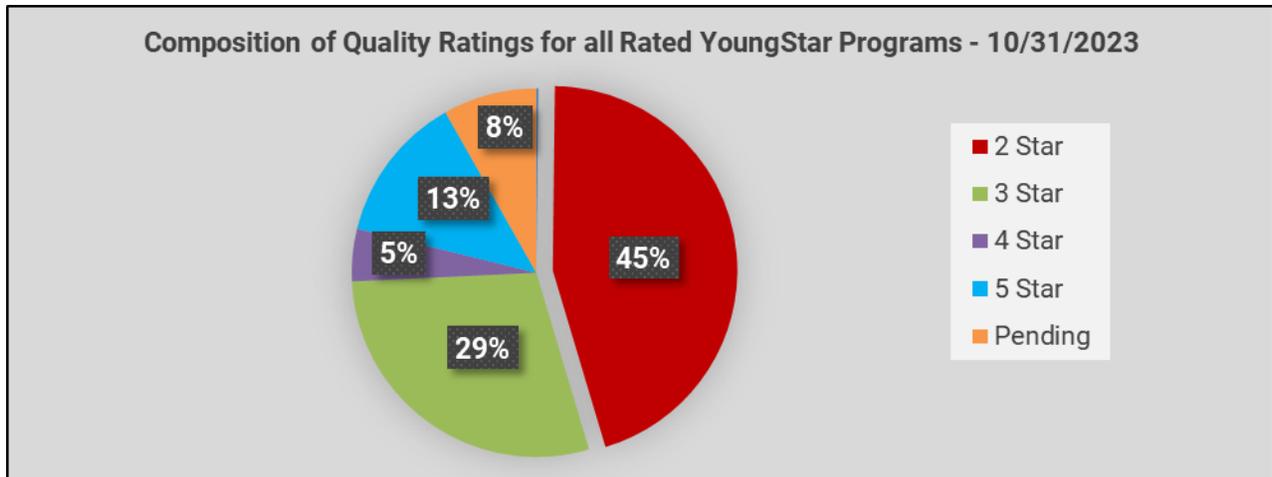
★ **Participation and Rating Composition:**

We currently have 3,805 programs participating in YoungStar. This is an increase of 9 programs as compared to September. The chart and graph below show the rating composition by region for the current month.

	1 Star	2 Star	3 Star	4 Star	5 Star	Pending	TOTAL
Southeastern	6	856	493	62	144	249	1,810
Northeastern	1	239	197	33	85	14	569
Northern	0	111	90	10	32	9	252
Southern	0	301	170	53	170	19	713
Western	0	213	148	17	62	21	461
Total	7	1,720	1,098	175	493	312	3,805



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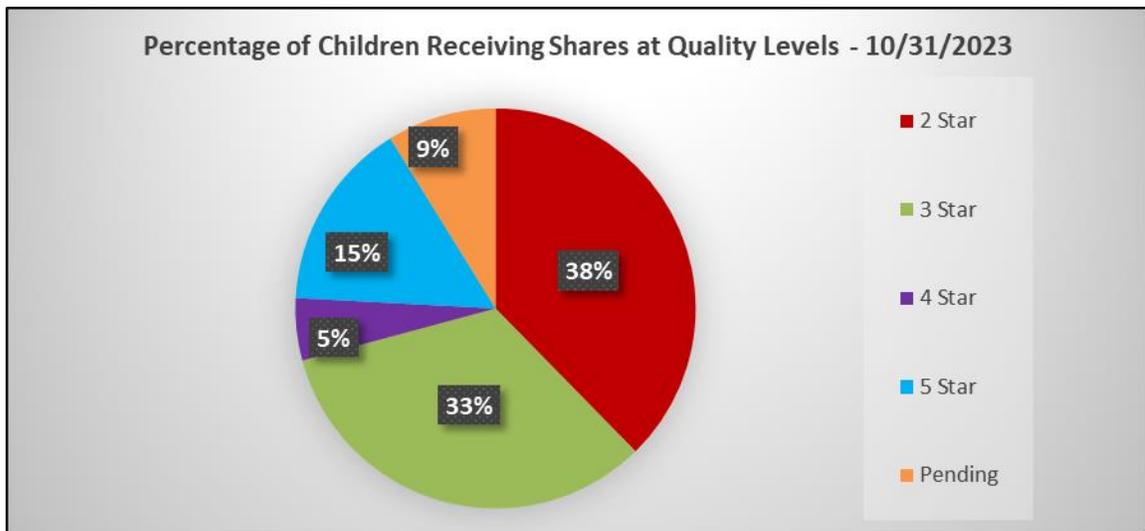
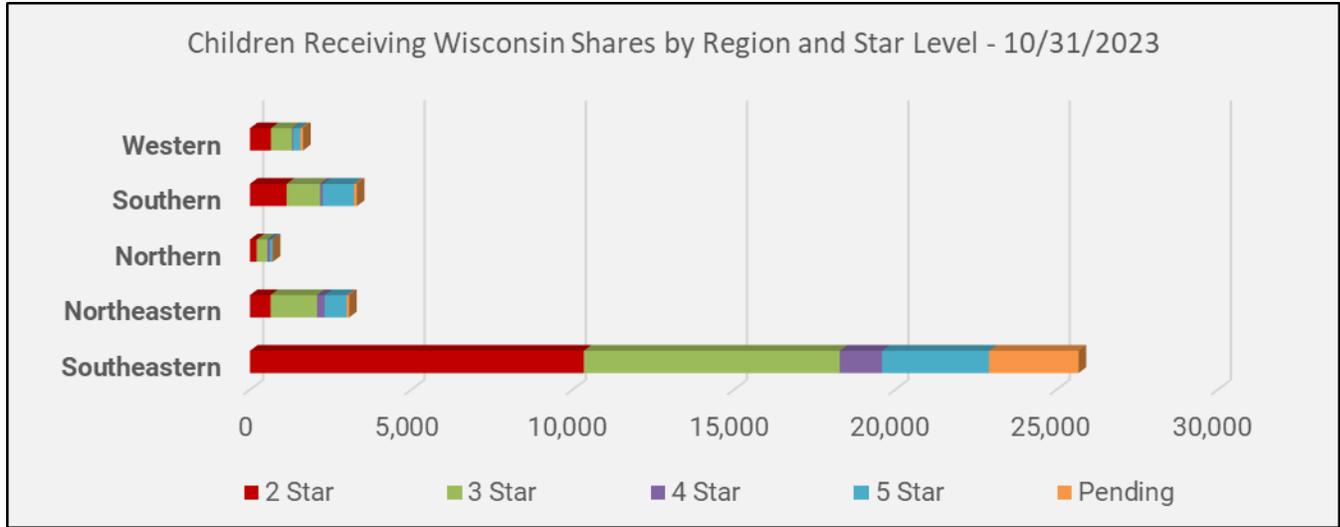


★ **Rating and Wisconsin Shares Data**

In October, the total number of programs currently rated was 3,493. There were an additional 306 programs with pending ratings. There were 2,871 programs with open Wisconsin Shares authorizations when the data was run for this report. There were children receiving Wisconsin Shares as shown by region, age, and star level.

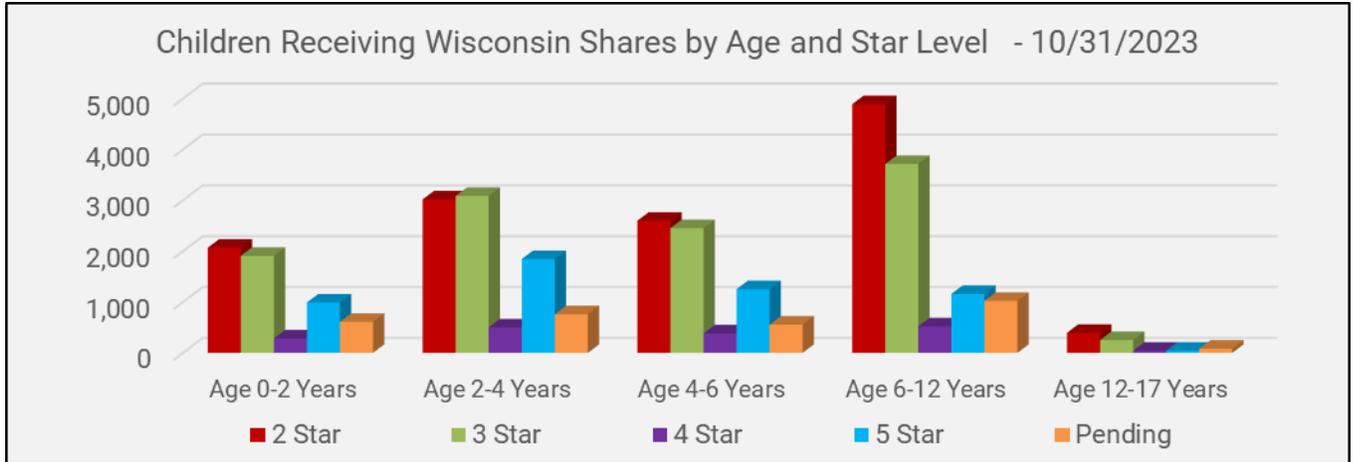
	2 Star	3 Star	4 Star	5 Star	Pending	Total
Southeastern	10,347	7,940	1,305	3,323	2,774	25,689
Northeastern	635	1,446	232	687	76	3,076
Northern	205	334	72	89	7	707
Southern	1,136	1,036	87	965	92	3,316
Western	646	657	35	223	85	1,646
Total	12,969	11,413	1,731	5,287	3,034	34,434

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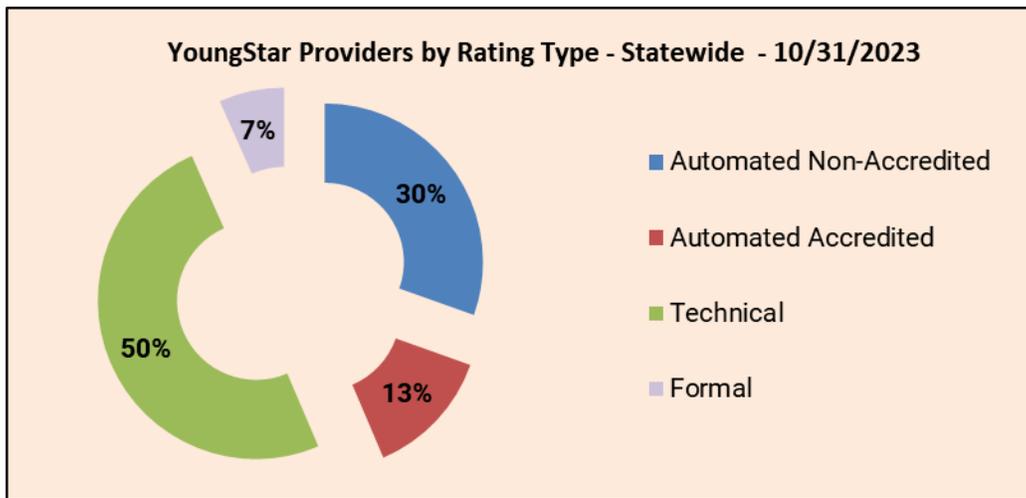
	2 Star	3 Star	4 Star	5 Star	Pending	Total
Age 0-2 Years	2,069	1,908	282	990	611	5,860
Age 2-4 Years	3,018	3,086	501	1,844	760	9,209
Age 4-6 Years	2,599	2,452	383	1,251	557	7,242
Age 6-12 Years	4,889	3,715	522	1,159	1,024	11,309
Age 12-17 Years	394	252	43	43	82	814
Total	12,969	11,413	1,731	5,287	3,034	34,434

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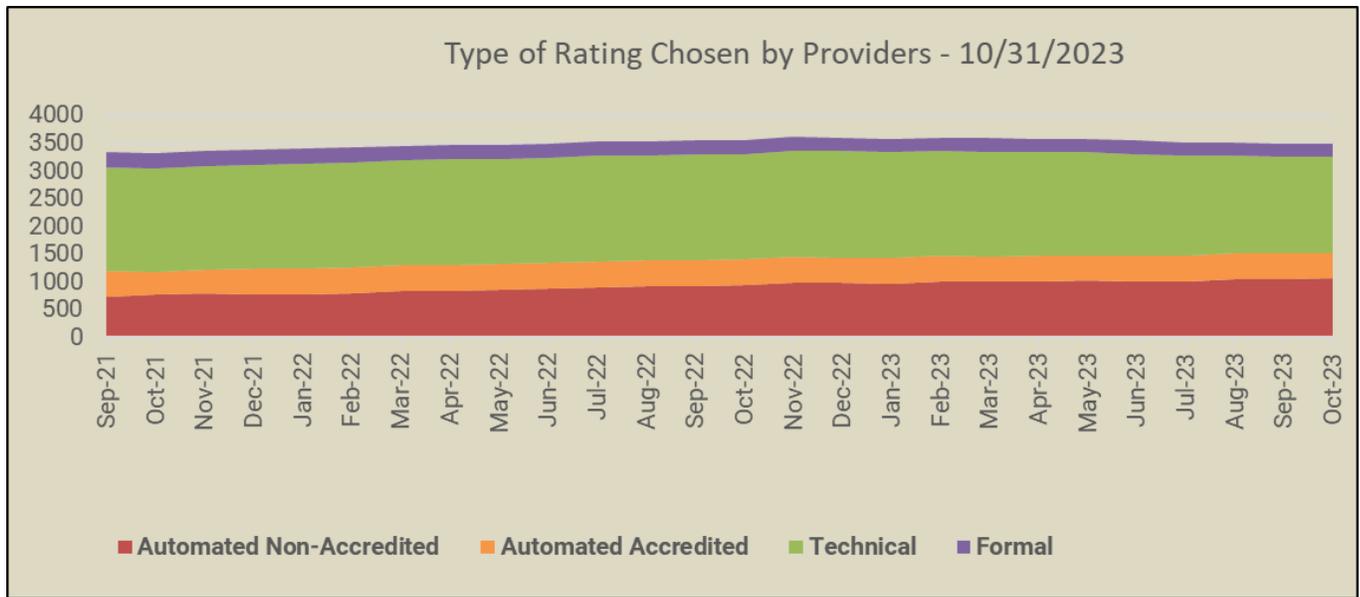
★ **Rating History and Composition:**

The composition of currently rated programs is shown below for September.

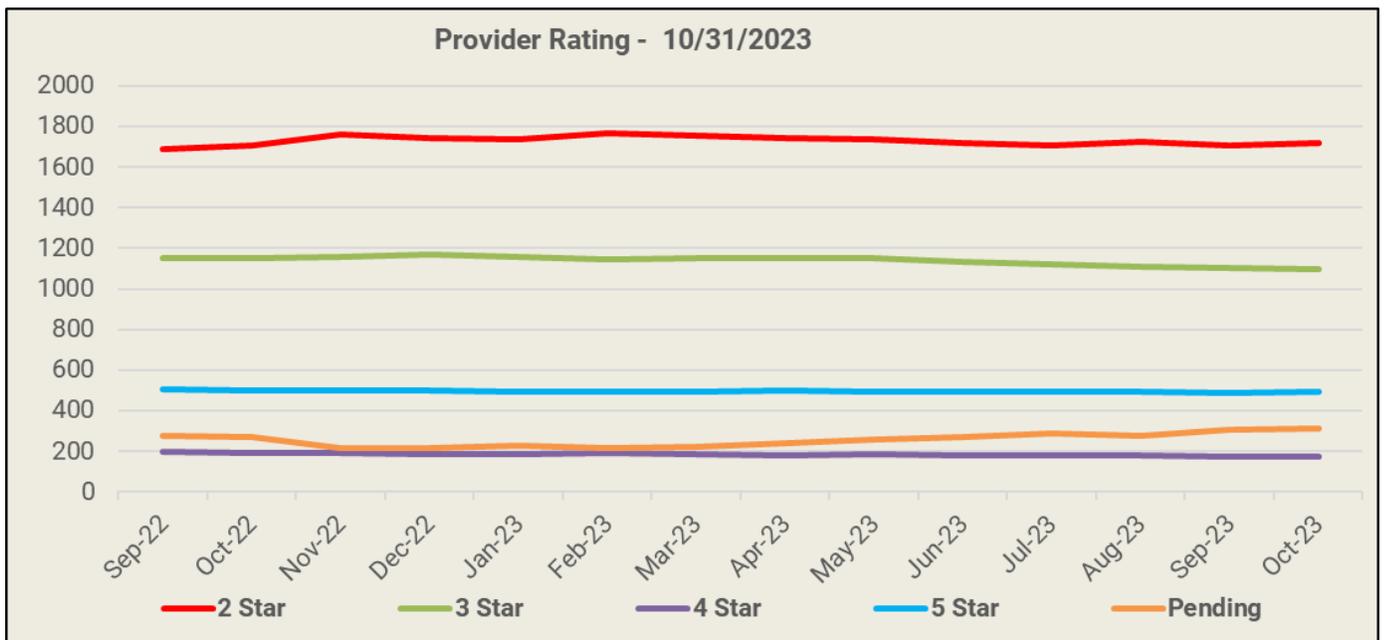


The graph below shows the movement in rating type chosen by providers over the past two years.

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The graph below shows movement in rating levels for providers over the past year.



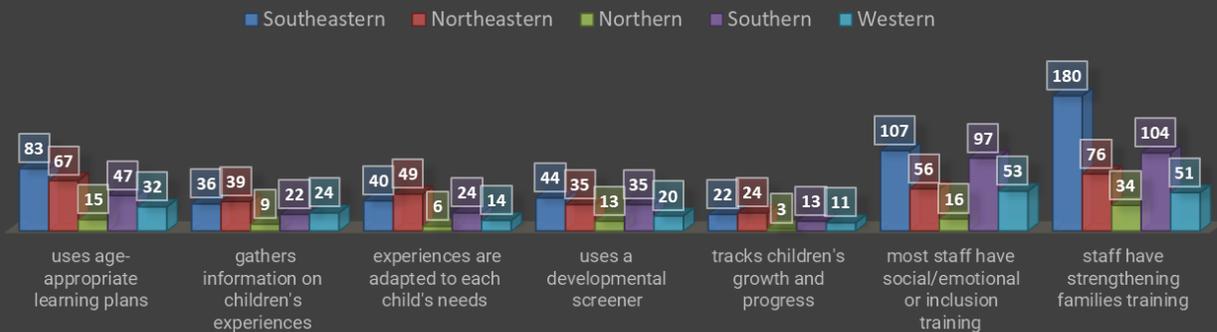
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★ **High-Quality Practices:**

As part of the YoungStar evaluation process, programs can be evaluated for having key high-quality practices. The number of programs with high-quality practices is shown below by region.

	uses age-appropriate learning plans	gathers information on children's experiences	experiences are adapted to each child's needs	uses a developmental screener	tracks children's growth and progress	most staff have social/emotional or inclusion training	staff have strengthening families training
Southeastern	83	36	40	44	22	107	180
Northeastern	67	39	49	35	24	56	76
Northern	15	9	6	13	3	16	34
Southern	47	22	24	35	13	97	104
Western	32	24	14	20	11	53	51
Total	244	130	133	147	73	329	445

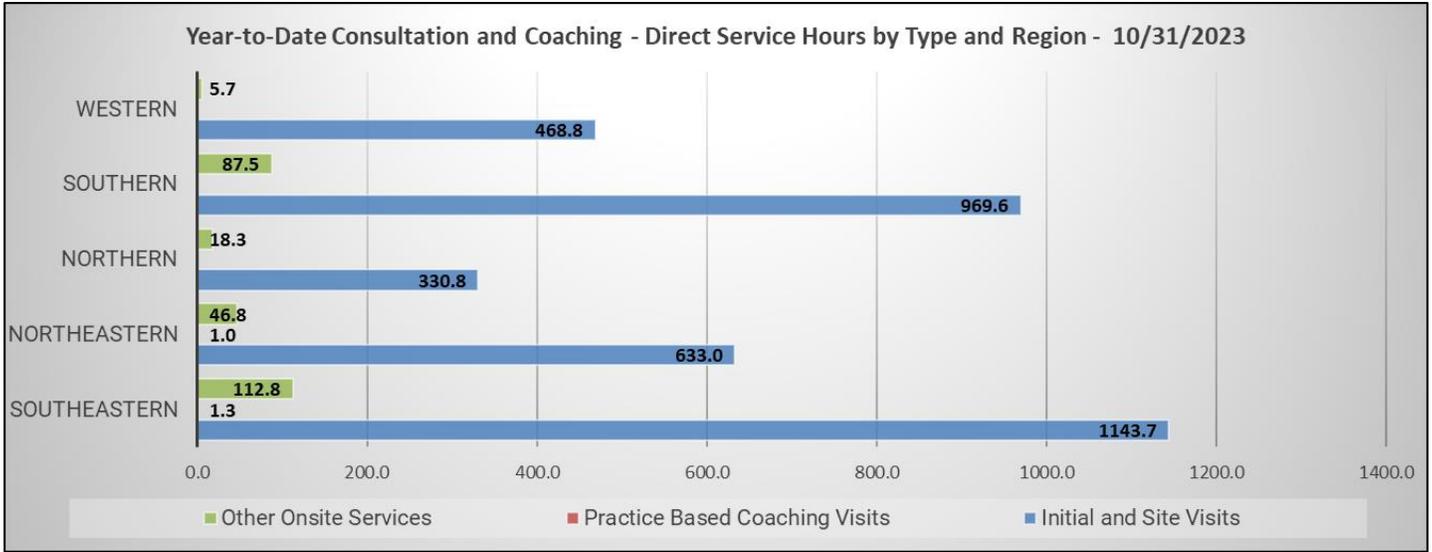
NUMBER OF PROGRAMS WITH HIGH-QUALITY PRACTICES BY REGION - 10/31/2023



★ **Onsite Services:**

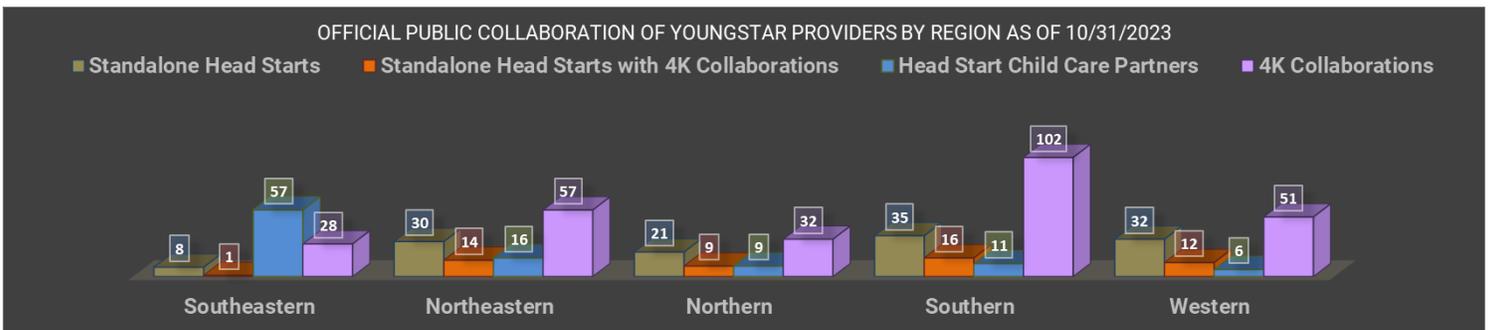
YoungStar provides thousands of hours of direct consultation and coaching services every year to help early care programs with quality improvement across the state. Direct services include things like site visits, practice based coaching services, and formal rating verification visits. The number of hours provided year-to-date are shown in the chart below by type and region.

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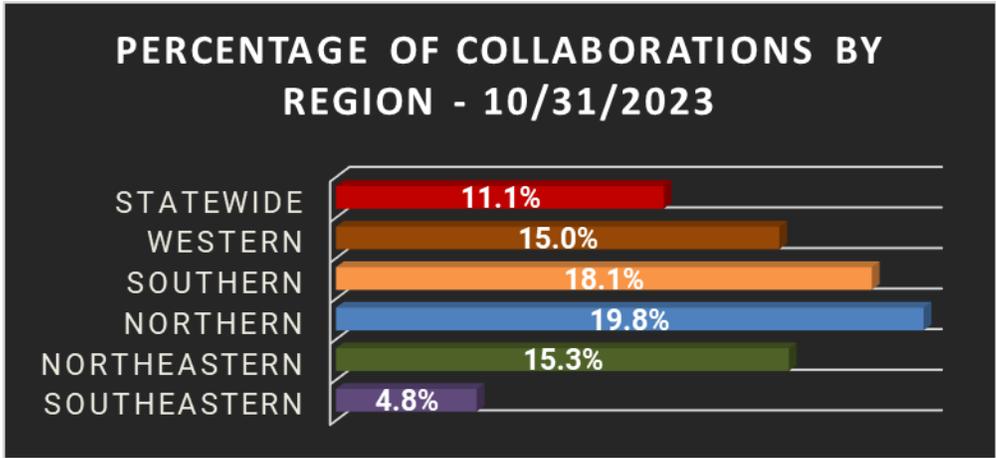
★ **YoungStar Data on Partnerships as of 10/31/2023:**

Region	Standalone Head Starts	Standalone Head Starts with 4K Collaborations	Head Start Child Care Partners	4K Collaborations	YoungStar Providers
Southeastern	8	1	57	28	1810
Northeastern	30	14	16	57	569
Northern	21	9	9	32	252
Southern	35	16	11	102	713
Western	32	12	6	51	461
Statewide	126	52	99	270	3805

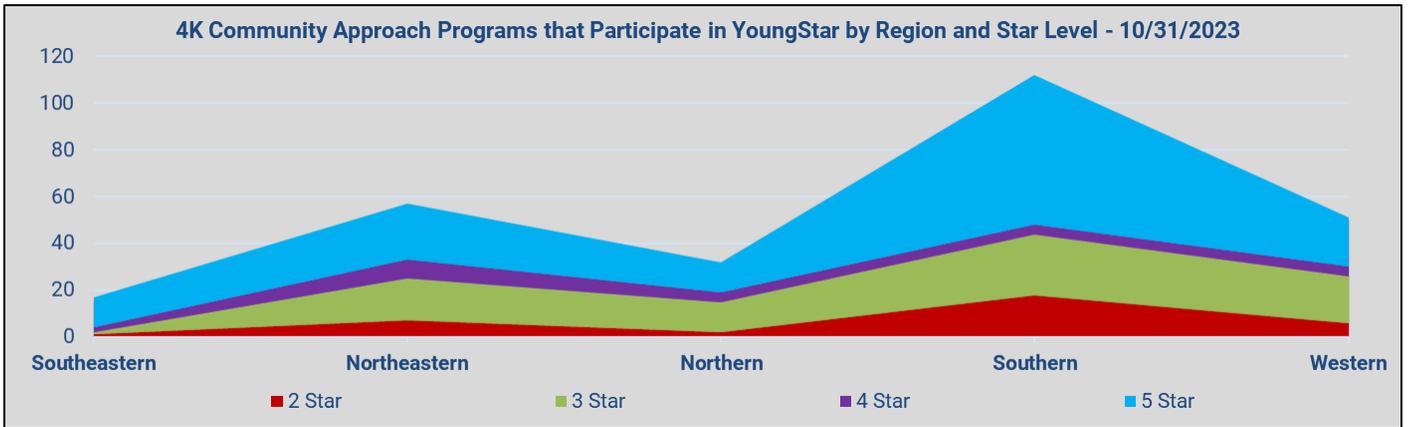


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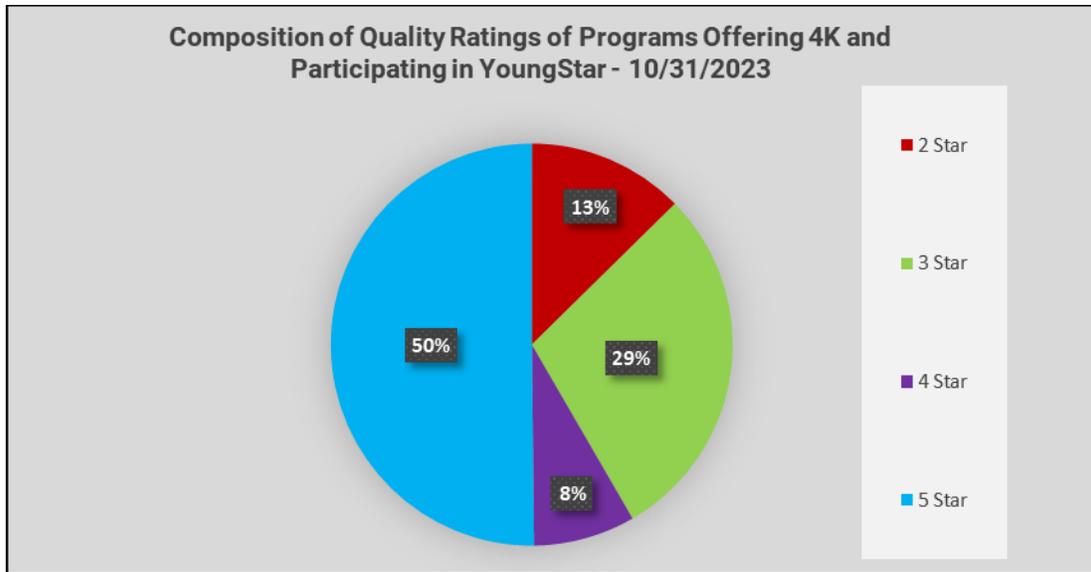
PERCENTAGE OF COLLABORATIONS BY REGION - 10/31/2023



4K Community Approach Programs that Participate in YoungStar by Region and Star Level - 10/31/2023



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The Head Start/4K Child Care Collaboration information is based on returned surveys and all programs may not be included.

Please see <https://dcf.wisconsin.gov/youngstar/program/impact> for more details.

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