

Narrative of Monthly Report January 2025

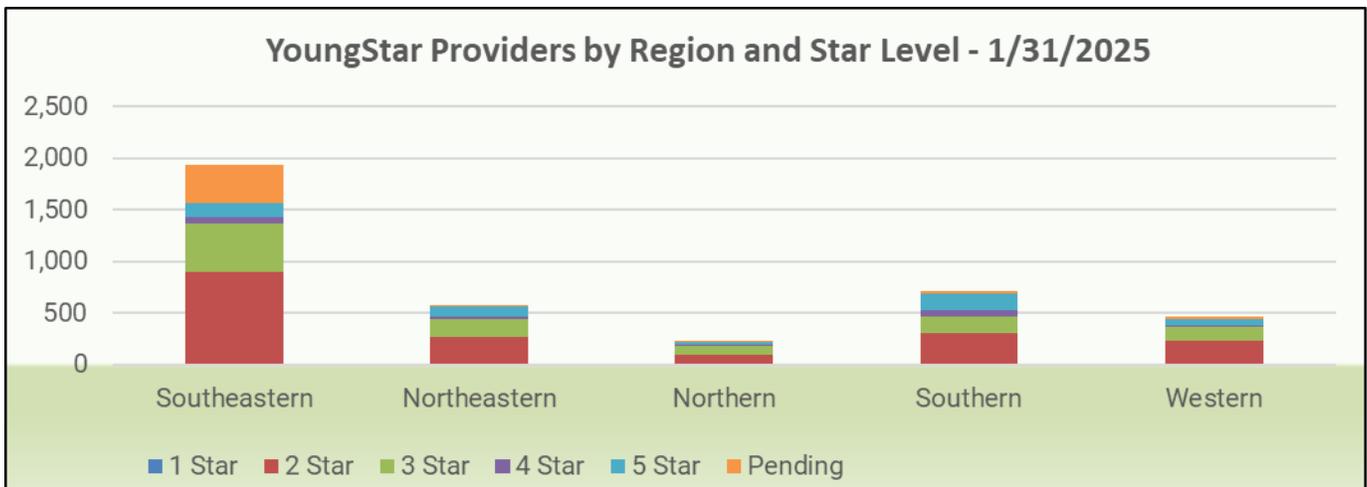
YoungStar has transitioned to a new service provider in 2023. There are now five YoungStar Regions instead of six. The Milwaukee and Kenosha/Racine Regions have been merged into the Southeastern Region. Waukesha County is now part of the Southeastern Region. These changes and adjustments are reflected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

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

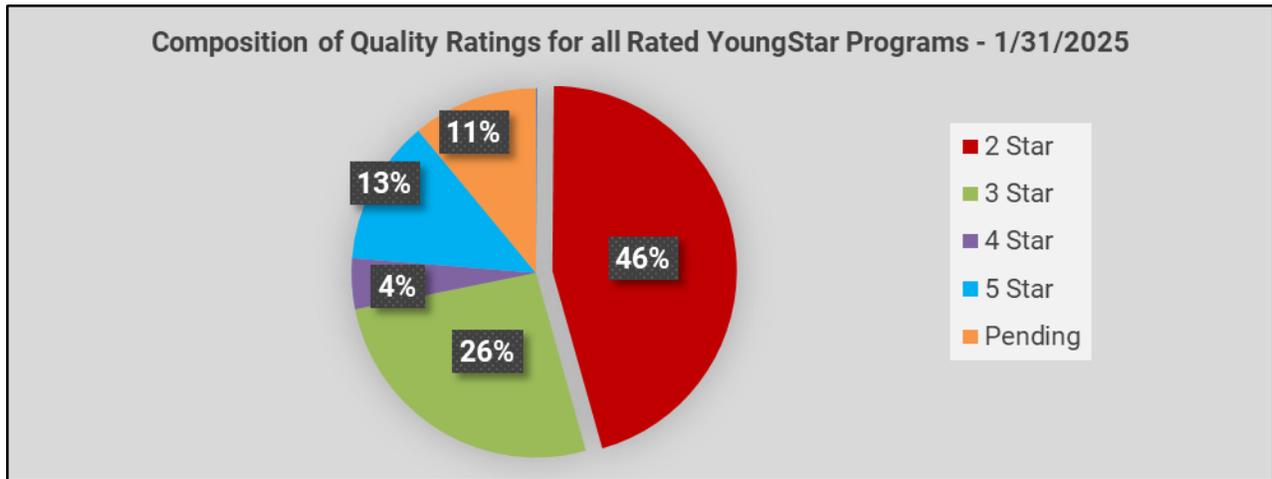
★ **Participation and Rating Composition:**

We currently have 3,889 programs participating in YoungStar. This is a decrease of 17 programs as compared to last month. 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	5	892	462	60	144	360	1,923
Northeastern	0	261	176	33	92	11	573
Northern	0	97	80	11	31	10	229
Southern	0	300	167	56	166	18	707
Western	0	225	139	14	63	16	457
Total	5	1,775	1,024	174	496	415	3,889



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★ **Rating and Wisconsin Shares Data**

The total number of programs currently rated was 3,474. There were an additional 415 programs with pending ratings. There were 2,839 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.

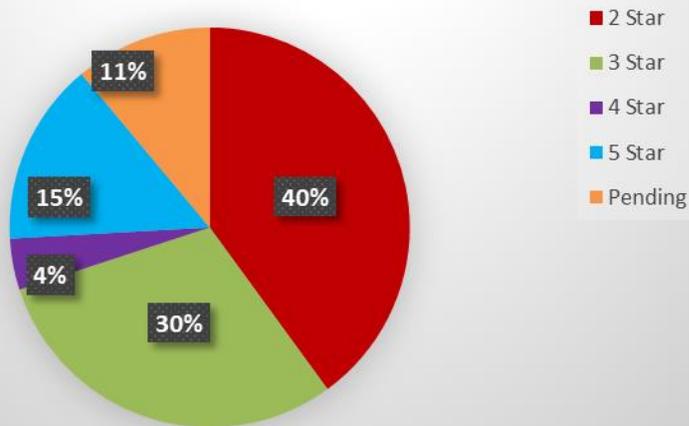
	2 Star	3 Star	4 Star	5 Star	Pending	Total
Southeastern	11,283	7,232	1,046	3,475	3,659	26,695
Northeastern	830	1,431	242	659	25	3,187
Northern	167	385	65	66	19	702
Southern	1,266	1,066	100	956	75	3,463
Western	740	638	38	183	75	1,674
Total	14,286	10,752	1,491	5,339	3,853	35,721

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Children Receiving Wisconsin Shares by Region and Star Level - 1/31/2025

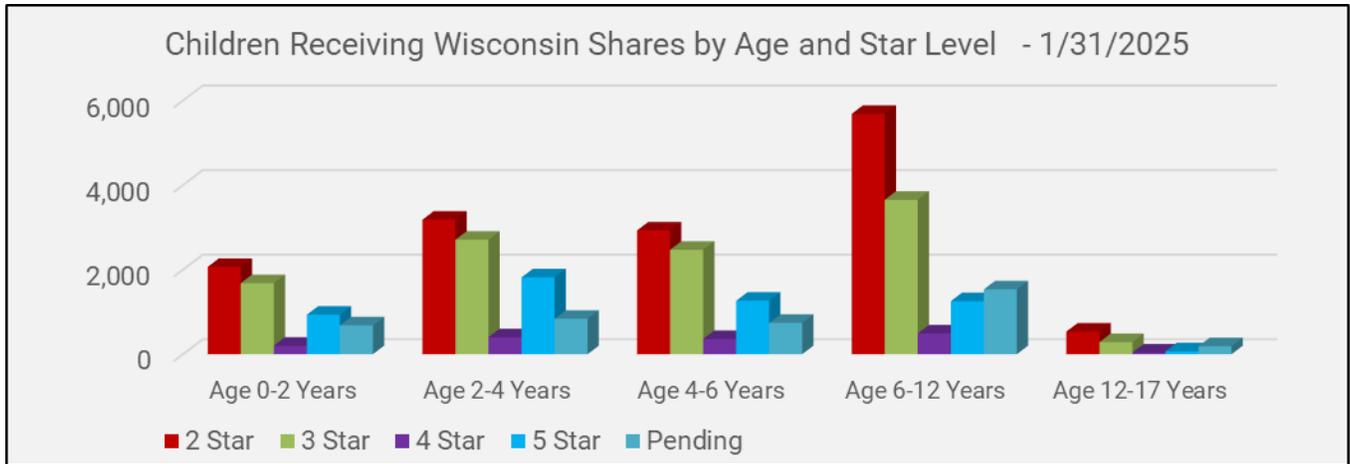


Percentage of Children Receiving Shares at Quality Levels - 1/31/2025



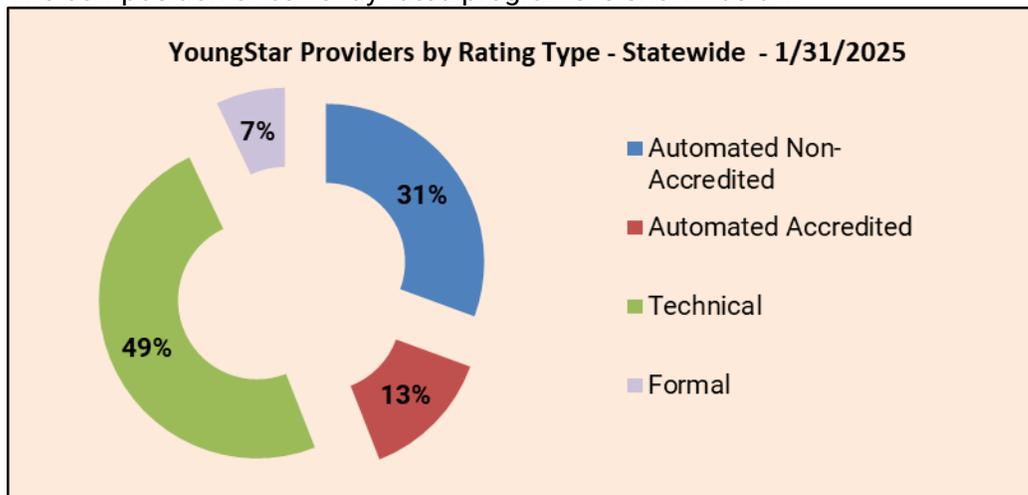
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	2 Star	3 Star	4 Star	5 Star	Pending	Total
Age 0-2 Years	2,041	1,675	201	935	667	5,519
Age 2-4 Years	3,151	2,698	400	1,817	815	8,881
Age 4-6 Years	2,899	2,458	358	1,264	716	7,695
Age 6-12 Years	5,659	3,634	492	1,253	1,473	12,511
Age 12-17 Years	536	286	40	70	182	1,114
Total	14,286	10,752	1,491	5,339	3,853	35,721



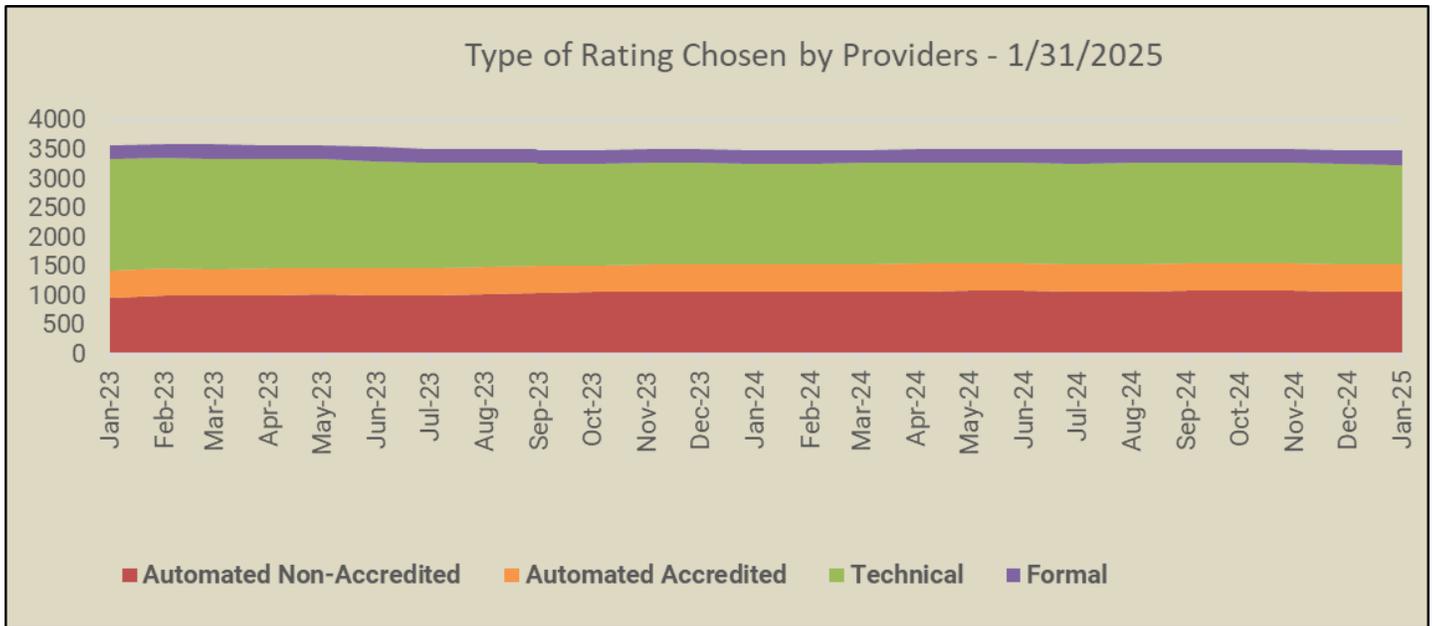
★ **Rating History and Composition:**

The composition of currently rated programs is shown below.

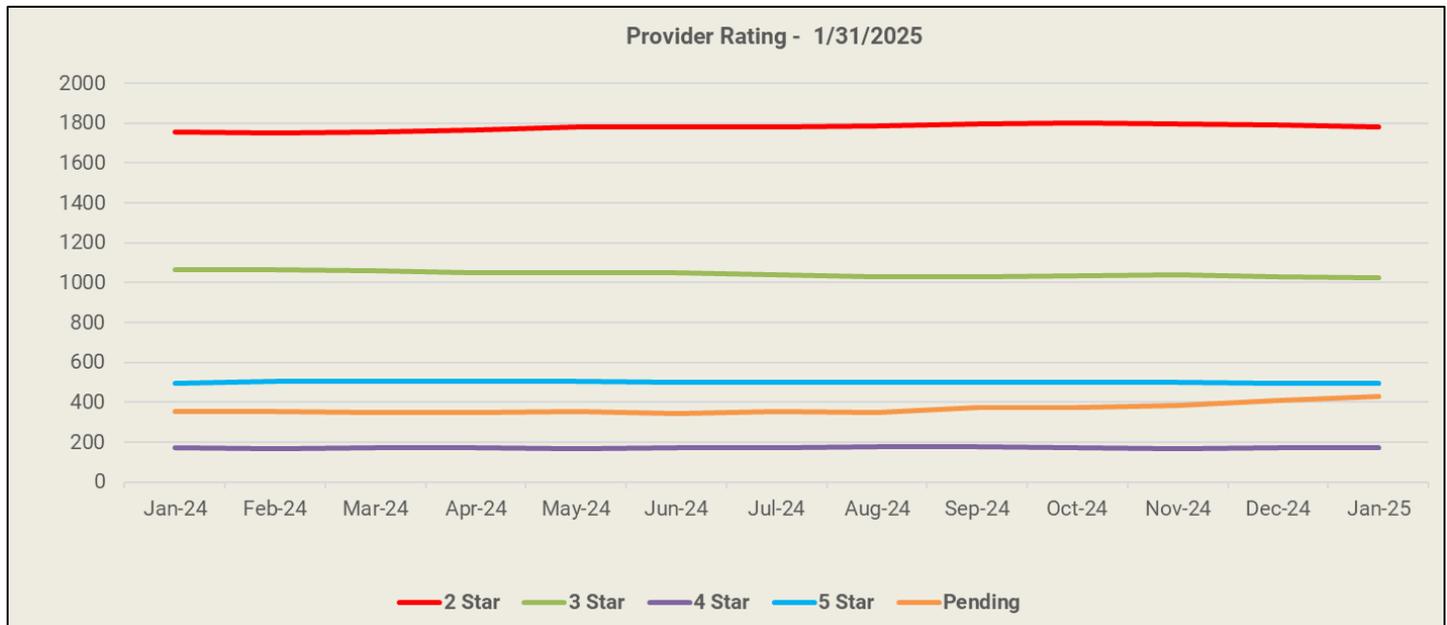


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The graph below shows the movement in rating type chosen by providers over the past two years.



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

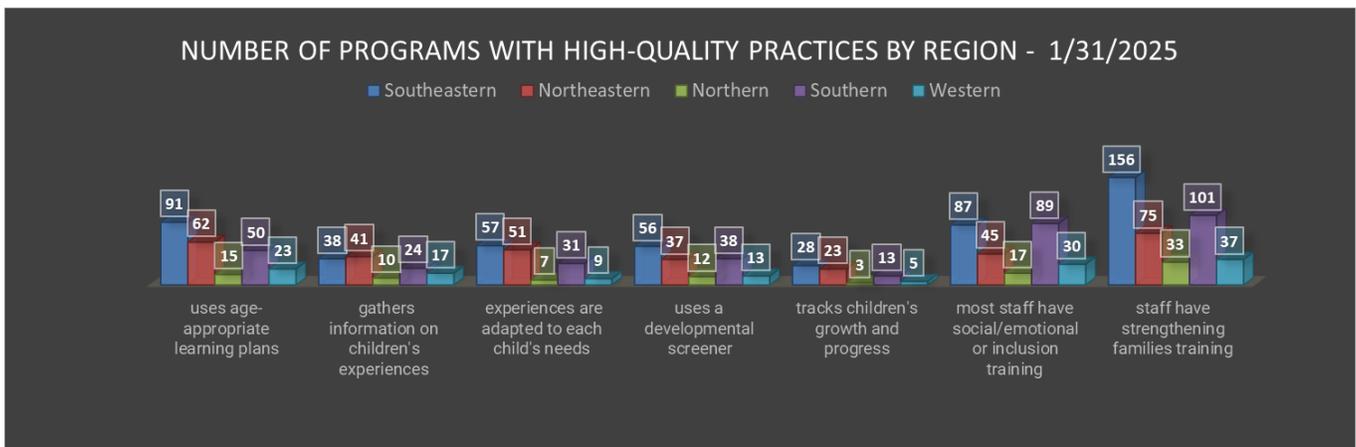


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★ **High-Quality Practices:**

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.

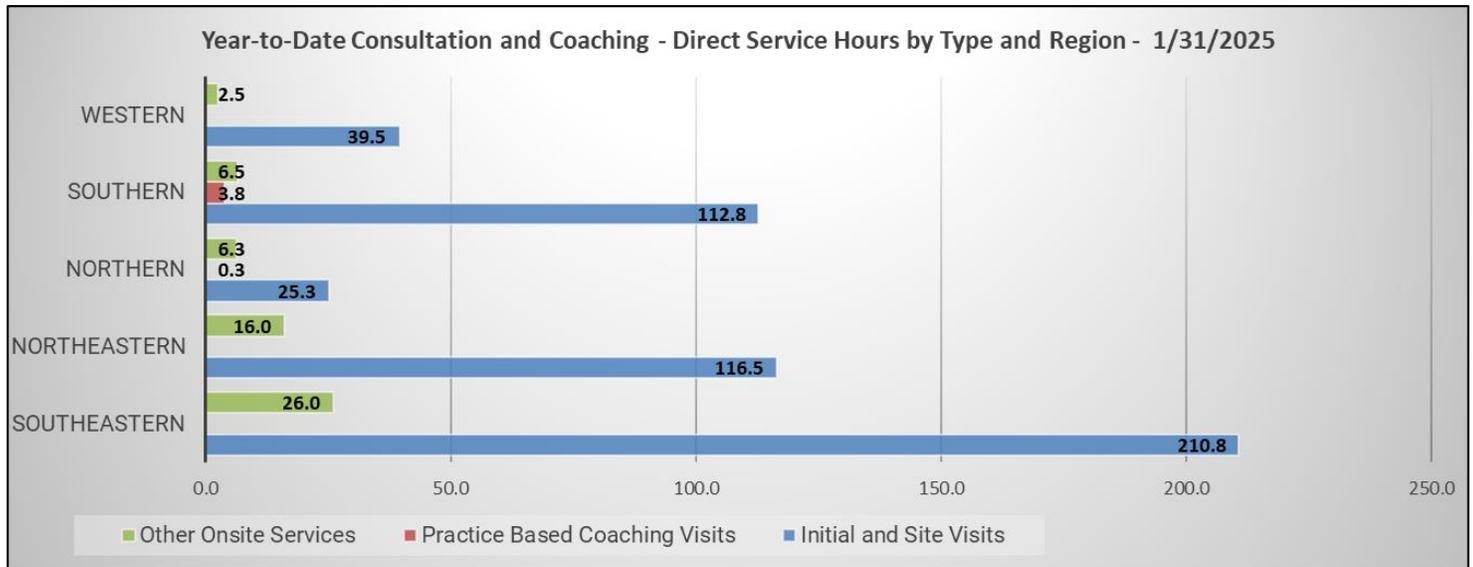
	uses age-appropriate learning plans	gathers information on children's experiences	experiences are adapted to each child's needs	uses a developmental screener	tracks children's growth and progress	most staff have social/emotional or inclusion training	staff have strengthening families training
Southeastern	91	38	57	56	28	87	156
Northeastern	62	41	51	37	23	45	75
Northern	15	10	7	12	3	17	33
Southern	50	24	31	38	13	89	101
Western	23	17	9	13	5	30	37
Total	241	130	155	156	72	268	402



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★ **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.



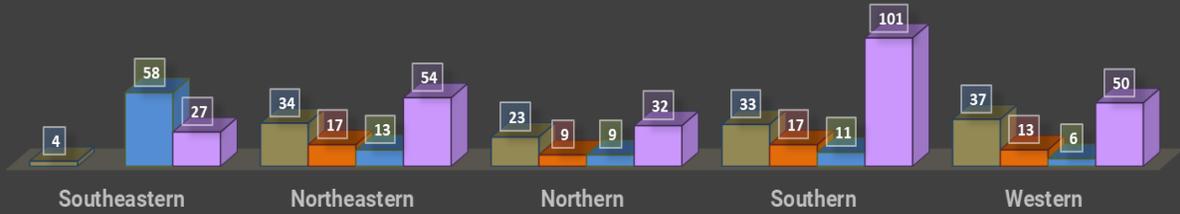
★ **YoungStar Data on Partnerships:**

Region	Standalone Head Starts	Standalone Head Starts with 4K Collaborations	Head Start Child Care Partners	4K Collaborations	YoungStar Providers
Southeastern	4		58	27	1,923
Northeastern	34	17	13	54	573
Northern	23	9	9	32	229
Southern	33	17	11	101	707
Western	37	13	6	50	457
Statewide	131	56	97	264	3,889

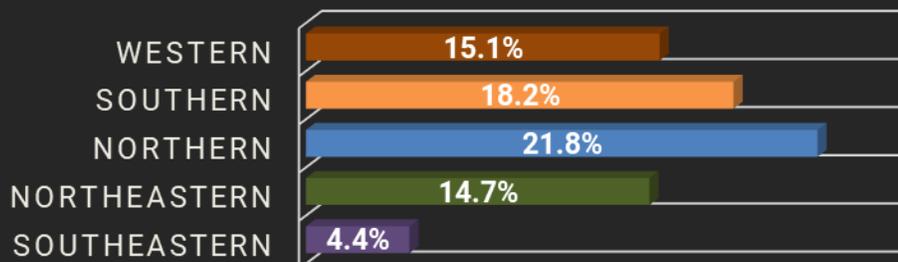
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OFFICIAL PUBLIC COLLABORATION OF YOUNGSTAR PROVIDERS BY REGION AS OF 1/31/2025

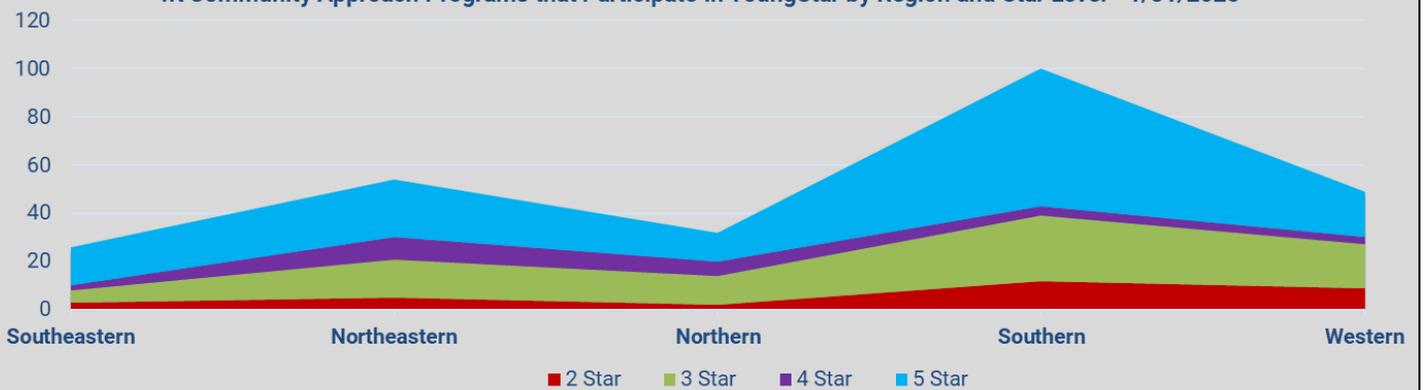
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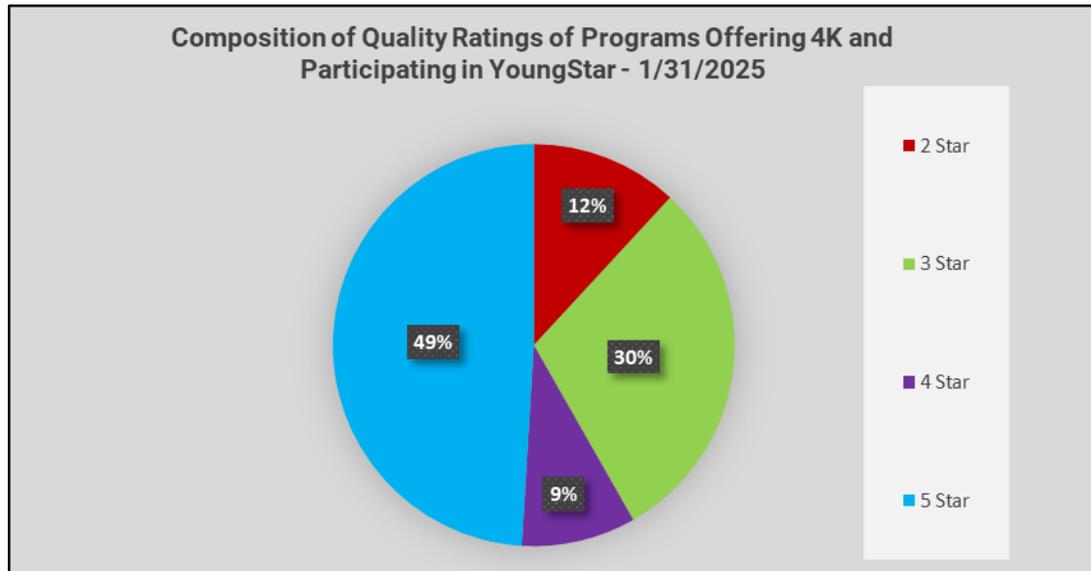
PERCENTAGE OF COLLABORATIONS BY REGION - 1/31/2025



4K Community Approach Programs that Participate in YoungStar by Region and Star Level - 1/31/2025



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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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