

**SEPTEMBER 2017**

Participating Programs Statewide		
Number Participating	Percentage of Child Care & Early Education Programs Participating	*Increase + or Decrease -
4,473	51%	+1 percentage point

Published Quality Ratings		*Increase + or Decrease -
Level 1	2,819	+38
Level 2	399	-2
Level 3	449	+11
Level 4	50	+7
Level 5	277	+12
<b>Total Published</b>	<b>4,001</b>	<b>+56</b>

Percentage of Eligible Programs Participating			
Maryland EXCELS	Child Care Centers <i>(includes School-Age Programs)</i>	Family Child Care Homes <i>(includes Large Family Child Care Homes)</i>	Public Prekindergarten
Percent Participating	<b>72%</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>13%</b>
*Increase + or Decrease -	+2 percentage points	No Change	+1 percentage point

\*Increase + or Decrease - from previous month

**FIND A PROGRAM**

Search for published programs at [www.marylandexcels.org](http://www.marylandexcels.org) and on the Maryland EXCELS mobile app.

- ✓ To remain a participant, programs achieve and publish a quality rating within 12 months of acceptance into Maryland EXCELS.
- ✓ Published programs have met requirements for a quality rating which is valid for 12 months. Published programs renew and republish their quality rating annually, and may achieve and publish at a higher level at any time.