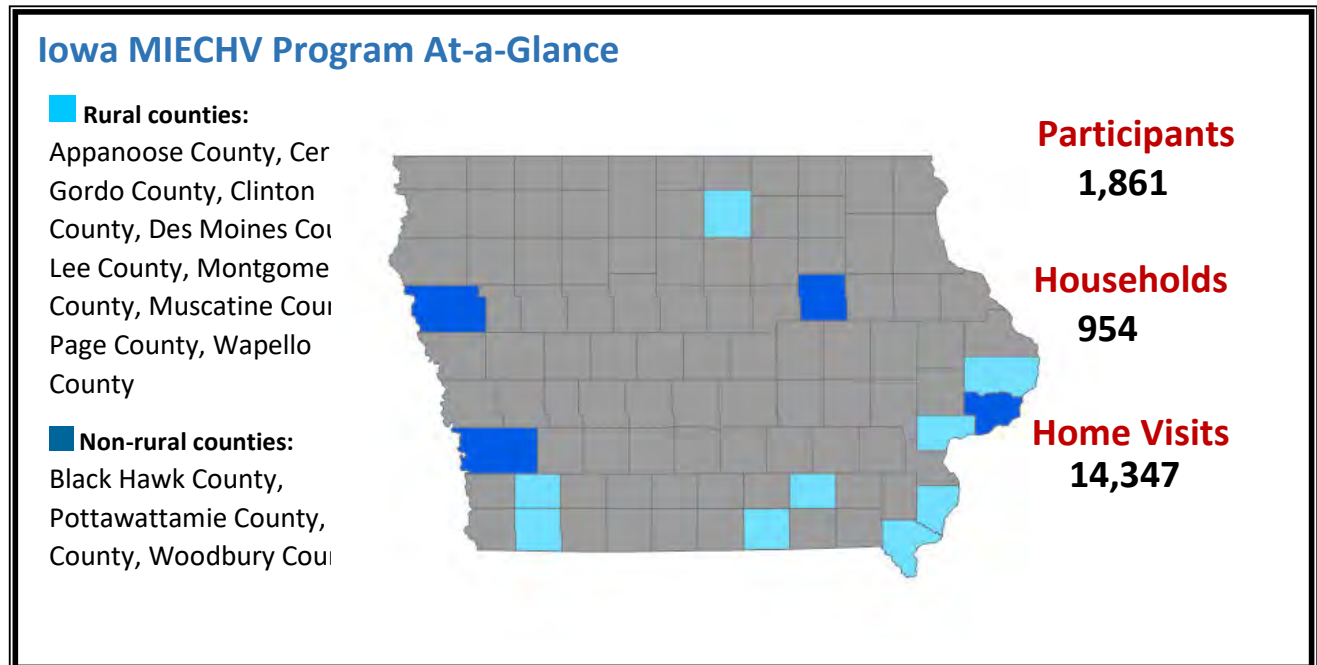


HRSA's Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) Program

- Supports the [Iowa Home Visiting Program](#) and provides voluntary, evidence-based home visiting programs for at-risk pregnant women and families with children through kindergarten entry
- Builds upon decades of scientific research showing that home visits by a nurse, social worker, early childhood educator, or other trained professional during pregnancy and in the first years of a child's life helps prevent child abuse and neglect, supports positive parenting, improves maternal and child health, and promotes child development and school readiness



Iowa Serves a High-Risk Population

MIECHV Program awardees serve high-risk populations. Awardees tailor their programs to serve populations of need within their state.

- 64.3% of households were low income
- 28.4% of households included someone who used tobacco products in the home
- 25.4% of households reported a history of substance abuse

Iowa Performance Highlights

- **Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) Screening:** 94.6% of caregivers enrolled in home visiting were screened for IPV within 6 months of enrollment
- **Well Child Visits:** 89.1% of children enrolled in home visiting received their last recommended well child visit based on the American Academy of Pediatrics schedule
- **Performance Incentive Program:** Implemented a financial incentive program for home visitors who meet performance targets. Approximately \$45,000 was paid in incentives, and home visitor attrition has decreased to 5% statewide. Reducing attrition makes this a very cost-effective program

Evidence-Based Home Visiting Models in Iowa

[Early Head Start-Home-Based Options](#)

[Healthy Families America \(HFA\)](#)

[Nurse-Family Partnership \(NFP\)](#)

[Parents as Teachers \(PAT\)](#)