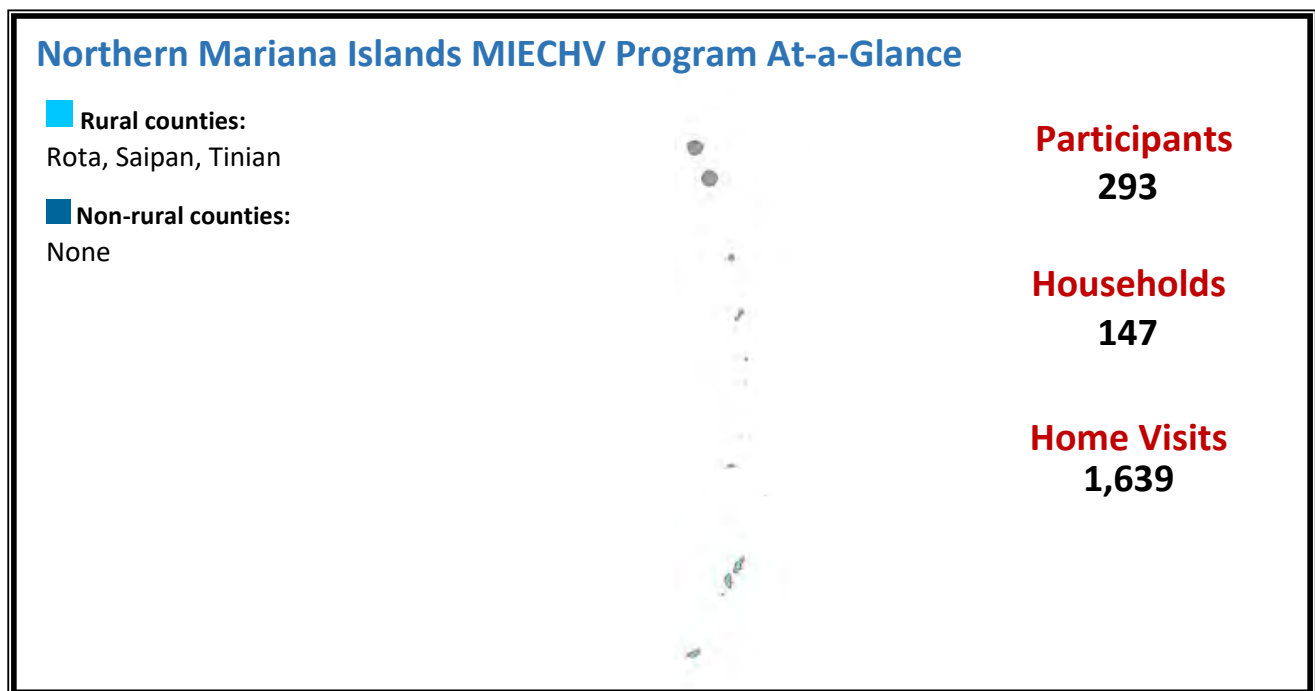


Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands' MIECHV Program FY 2018



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

- Supports the [Northern Mariana Islands 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



Northern Mariana Islands Serves a High-Risk Population

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

- 74.1% of households were low income
- 35.4% of households included someone who used tobacco products in the home
- 23.8% of households reported a history of substance abuse

Evidence-Based Home Visiting Models in Northern Mariana Islands
[Healthy Families America \(HFA\)](#)

Northern Mariana Islands Performance Highlights

- **Early Language and Literacy Activities:** 92.5% of children enrolled in home visiting had a family member who read, told stories, and/or sang with them on a daily basis
- **Depression Screening:** 83.0% of caregivers enrolled in home visiting were screened for depression within 3 months of enrollment or within 3 months of delivery