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**Autism Spectrum Disorder Services**

This report contains services provided by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene's Bureau of Developmental Disabilities, within the Division of Mental Hygiene, and the Bureau of Early Intervention, within the Division of Family and Child Health. This report contains the number of individuals receiving services for autism spectrum disorders for each relevant program, disaggregated by geographic boundary. For each category reported below that contains between 1 and 9 individuals, has been reported with a symbol (\*), to maintain privacy of the individual.

**Bureau of Developmental Disabilities**

The Bureau of Developmental Disabilities holds 40 NYC Health Department funded contractors who provided services through a total of 83 programs for individuals with ASD who are either ineligible or are waiting to be deemed eligible to receive services under the auspices of the state Office for People with Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD) or other publicly funded programs. In addition to components that support the needs of families and caregivers, ASD programs serve children, youth, and/or young adults (age 3 to 25) with direct wraparound services that complement school programming for children such as after-school and/or weekend/holiday recreational programs; recreational and socialization opportunities for adults or children designed to increase their repertoire of social experiences, foster community integration and enhance interpersonal communication; and/or vocational readiness training for individuals with autism spectrum disorder.

The tables to follow reflect data gathered from 82 programs for services delivered during the 2020 calendar year. One program located in the Bronx did not respond to survey after multiple outreach attempts. On a yearly average, the missing program serves 64 individuals. Table 1 denotes that a total of **7,302** individuals received services for ASD from NYC Health Department funded contractors throughout NYC; of these, 65 individuals lived in a zip code outside of NYC and 842 had an undisclosed NYC zip code. It is important to note that while contractors reported the number of individuals on their rosters, these data do not account for the possibility of duplication within NYC Health Department funded programs, nor across OPWDD-sponsored services, as service enrollment is not mutually exclusive.



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Table 1

<b>Geography</b>	<b>Persons Served</b>
<b>Bronx</b>	<b>1,084</b>
<b>Brooklyn</b>	<b>2,126</b>
<b>Manhattan</b>	<b>1,347</b>
<b>Queens</b>	<b>1,458</b>
<b>Staten Island</b>	<b>380</b>
<b>Undisclosed^</b>	<b>842</b>
<b>Outside NYC</b>	<b>65</b>
<b>Grand Total**</b>	<b>7,302</b>

^Undisclosed refers to individuals who did not provide proper addresses.

\*\*Denotes total number of individuals who received Autism Spectrum Disorder recreational and socialization services from DOHMH-funded contractors in CY2020, disaggregated by zip code. The data reflects activity for 82 of the 83 programs. One program did not respond to multiple attempts.



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**Bronx**

Total Persons Served: 1,084

*Table 2*

<b>Zip Code</b>	<b>Person Served</b>		<b>Zip Code</b>	<b>Person Served</b>
10451	63		10471	16
10452	47		10472	40
10453	42		10473	38
10454	26		10474	*
10455	40		10475	53
10456	60			
10457	37			
10458	78			
10459	36			
10460	73			
10461	37			
10462	47			
10463	37			
10464	31			
10465	15			
10466	31			
10467	89			
10468	38			
10469	95			
10470	*			

\*Denotes the number of individuals served in these zip codes was between 1-9 and are not reported fully to maintain confidentiality



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**Brooklyn**

Total Persons Served: 2,126

Table 3

Zip Code	Person Served		Zip Code	Person Served
11201	83		11222	20
11203	49		11223	88
11204	88		11224	18
11205	48		11225	48
11206	34		11226	43
11207	45		11228	17
11208	44		11229	71
11209	103		11230	106
11210	53		11231	26
11211	22		11232	16
11212	35		11233	33
11213	27		11234	55
11214	55		11235	44
11215	47		11236	484
11216	28		11237	*
11217	25		11238	21
11218	42		11239	24
11219	77		11240	*
11220	53		11251	*
11221	42		11252	*

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**Manhattan**

Total Persons Served: 1,347

Table 4

Zip Code	Person Served		Zip Code	Person Served		Zip Code	Person Served
10001	12		10023	31		10045	*
10002	58		10024	37		10047	*
10003	27		10025	82		10048	*
10004	*		10026	31		10065	10
10005	*		10027	38		10069	*
10007	*		10028	22		10075	*
10008	*		10029	51		10095	*
10009	26		10030	22		10108	*
10010	58		10031	23		10116	*
10011	16		10032	33		10128	21
10012	*		10033	32		10138	*
10013	12		10034	28		10160	*
10014	11		10035	320		10166	*
10016	46		10036	15		10280	*
10017	*		10037	39		10282	*
10018	*		10038	69			
10019	17		10039	19			
10020	*		10040	37			
10021	18		10043	*			
10022	20		10044	*			

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**Queens**

Total Persons Served: 1,458

Table 5

Zip Code	Person Served		Zip Code	Person Served		Zip Code	Person Served		Zip Code	Person Served
11001	16		11362	34		11414	13		11499	*
11002	*		11363	17		11415	16		11690	*
11003	*		11364	31		11416	*		11691	26
11004	26		11365	42		11417	*		11692	*
11040	*		11366	29		11418	17		11693	*
11101	45		11367	34		11419	*		11694	12
11102	11		11368	45		11420	17		11697	*
11103	30		11369	21		11421	14			
11104	15		11370	11		11422	13			
11105	12		11372	34		11423	22			
11106	11		11373	36		11426	25			
11109	*		11374	36		11427	17			
11354	27		11375	48		11428	16			
11355	42		11377	50		11429	18			
11356	18		11378	25		11431	*			
11357	50		11379	19		11432	24			
11358	39		11385	77		11433	16			
11359	*		11411	25		11434	30			
11360	27		11412	31		11435	29			
11361	33		11413	22		11436	12			

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**Staten Island**

Total Persons Served: 380

*Table 6*

<b>Zip Code</b>	<b>Person Served</b>
<b>10301</b>	<b>42</b>
<b>10302</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>10303</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>10304</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>10305</b>	<b>38</b>
<b>10306</b>	<b>44</b>
<b>10307</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>10308</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>10309</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>10310</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>10311</b>	<b>*</b>
<b>10312</b>	<b>51</b>
<b>10313</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>10314</b>	<b>55</b>

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**Early Intervention Services**

The Bureau of Early Intervention provides early intervention services for infants and toddlers from birth to age 3 who have been diagnosed with a physical or mental condition that puts them at risk of a developmental delay. Children may also be eligible if their families suspect they have a developmental delay or disability but have not yet received a diagnosis. The Early Intervention Program is free and available to all eligible New York families, regardless of race, ethnicity, income, or immigration status.

As shown in the table below, in calendar year 2020, a total of 7,007 infants and toddlers with an ASD diagnosis received Early Intervention services in New York City. This number represents a 3% decrease from the number in 2019. This change is associated with the decline in referrals, which occurred because of the COVID-19 pandemic. Prior to 2020, there had been a steady annual increase in ASD diagnoses.

For the Early Intervention Program, data is reported by United Hospital Fund (UHF) neighborhood. Representative Zip Codes for each UHF neighborhood are included in the table (Because UHFs represent small populations and even smaller 0-3 populations, large percentage changes may reflect a small number of children).

The NYC Health Department does not have NYC or New York State-specific data on ASD prevalence, as ASD is not a reportable condition; and there is no national data specific to prevalence among children 0-3. Therefore, it cannot be certain whether these data indicate that there have been similar changes in prevalence in NYC, or only changes in identification and service use. Research in this field indicates that there is an increased awareness of autism in the community as well as among healthcare professionals, thereby increasing the identification of a condition that was always present.

<b>UHF Name</b>	<b>UHF Zip Codes</b>	<b># of Children with ASD Served CY 2020</b>
<b><i>Bronx</i></b>		<b><i>1,917</i></b>
<b>Kingsbridge - Riverdale</b>	10463, 10471	76
<b>Northeast Bronx</b>	10464, 10466, 10469, 10470, 10475	188
<b>Fordham - Bronx Park</b>	10458, 10467, 10468	384
<b>Pelham - Throgs Neck</b>	10461, 10462, 10465, 10472, 10473	407
<b>Crotona - Tremont</b>	10453, 10457, 10460	357
<b>High Bridge - Morrisania</b>	10451, 10452, 10456	299
<b>Hunts Point - Mott Haven</b>	10454, 10455, 10459, 10474	206





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<b>UHF Name</b>	<b>UHF Zip Codes</b>	<b># of Children with ASD Served CY 2020</b>
<b><i>Brooklyn</i></b>		<b><i>2,095</i></b>
<b>Greenpoint</b>	11211, 11222	27
<b>Downtown - Heights - Slope</b>	11201, 11205, 11215, 11217, 11231	83
<b>Bedford Stuyvesant - Crown Heights</b>	11212, 11213, 11216, 11233, 11238	218
<b>East New York</b>	11207, 11208	175
<b>Sunset Park</b>	11220, 11232	136
<b>Borough Park</b>	11204, 11218, 11219, 11230	277
<b>East Flatbush - Flatbush</b>	11203, 11210, 11225, 11226	181
<b>Canarsie - Flatlands</b>	11234, 11236, 11239	169
<b>Bensonhurst - Bay Ridge</b>	11209, 11214, 11228	206
<b>Coney Island - Sheepshead Bay</b>	11223, 11224, 11229, 11235	483
<b>Williamsburg - Bushwick</b>	11206, 11221, 11237	140
<b><i>Manhattan</i></b>		<b><i>684</i></b>
<b>Washington Heights - Inwood</b>	10031, 10032, 10033, 10034, 10040	195
<b>Central Harlem - Morningside Heights</b>	10026, 10027, 10030, 10037, 10039	108
<b>East Harlem</b>	10029, 10035	92
<b>Upper West Side</b>	10023, 10024, 10025	55
<b>Upper East Side</b>	10021, 10028, 10044, 10128	44
<b>Chelsea - Clinton</b>	10001, 10011, 10018, 10019, 10020, 10036	53
<b>Gramercy Park - Murray Hill</b>	10010, 10016, 10017, 10022	26
<b>Greenwich Village - Soho</b>	10012, 10013, 10014	5
<b>Union Square - Lower East Side</b>	10002, 10003, 10009	76



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UHF Name	UHF Zip Codes	# of Children with ASD Served CY 2020
Lower Manhattan	10004, 10005, 10006, 10007, 10038, 10280	30
<i>Queens</i>		<b><i>1,847</i></b>
Long Island City - Astoria	11101, 11102, 11103, 11104, 11105, 11106	97
West Queens	11368, 11369, 11370, 11372, 11373, 11377, 11378	438
Flushing - Clearview	11354, 11355, 11356, 11357, 11358, 11359, 11360	160
Bayside - Little Neck	11361, 11362, 11363, 11364	57
Ridgewood - Forest Hills	11374, 11375, 11379, 11385	218
Fresh Meadows	11365, 11366, 11367	106
Southwest Queens	11414, 11415, 11416, 11417, 11418, 11419, 11420, 11421	235
Jamaica	11412, 11423, 11430, 11432, 11433, 11434, 11435, 11436, 11001	291
Southeast Queens	11004, 11005, 11411, 11413, 11422, 11426, 11427, 11428, 11429	141
Rockaway	11691, 11692, 11693, 11694, 11695, 11697	104
<i>Staten Island</i>		<b><i>464</i></b>
Port Richmond	10302, 10303, 10310	86
Stapleton - St. George	10301, 10304, 10305	127
Willow brook	10314	73
South Beach - Tottenville	10306, 10307, 10308, 10309, 10312	178
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF CHILDREN with ASD SERVED</b>		<b>7,007</b>