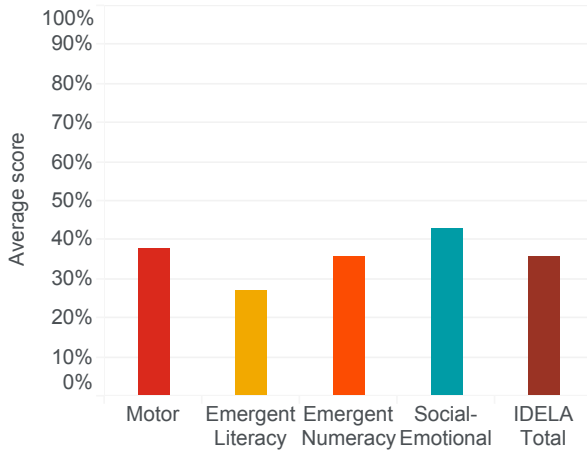


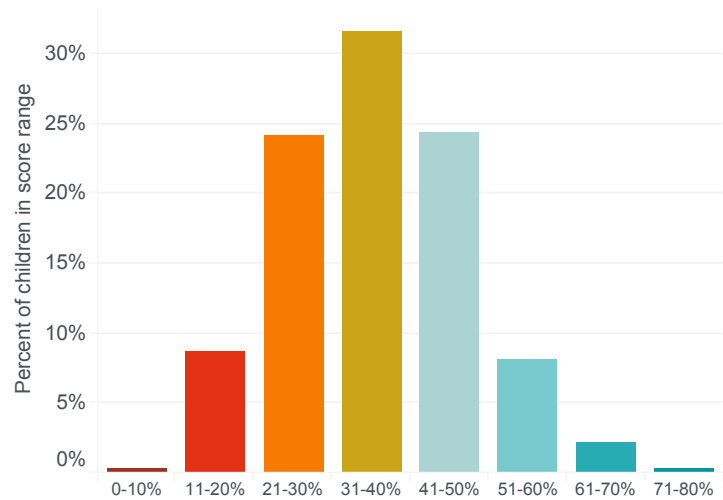
Zomba, Malawi. Save the Children (2015)

This dataset includes data from 553 children in Zomba District of Malawi. The average age of children was 4.8. This data was collected in 2015 as a part of a baseline assessment of an implementation of Save the Children's Healing through the Arts (HEART) program and Early Literacy & Math (ELM) program in 40 Community Based Childcare Centers.

Average learning and development scores in IDELA domains

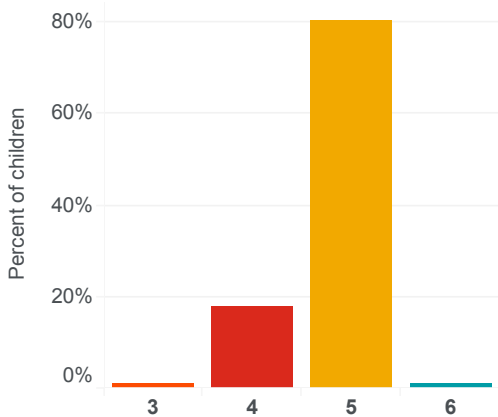


Distribution of Total IDELA scores

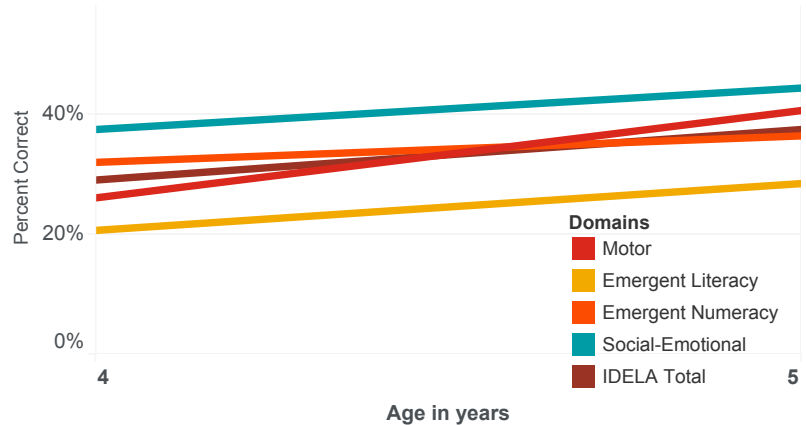


On average, children scored 36% correct on the IDELA assessment. While some children showed mastery of early learning and development skills, half of all children scored between 21-40% correct.

Distribution of children's ages

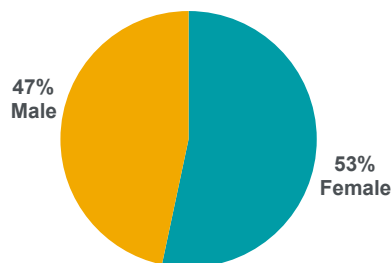


Average IDELA scores by child's age



Most children in the sample were five years old. All IDELA domains were significantly and strongly correlated with age. On average, one additional year was associated with an additional 8 percentage points correct in overall IDELA score.

Distribution of children's gender



53% of children in the sample were female. There were no significant differences in scores by gender.