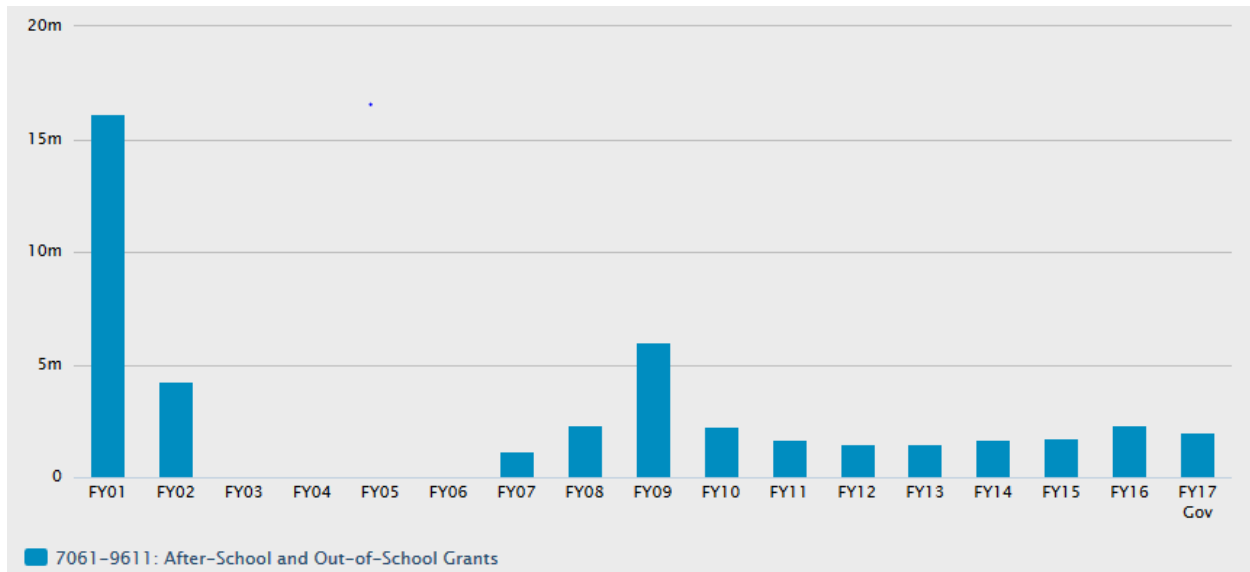


Afterschool and Out-of-School Time Quality Grant Budget History 7061-9611



Since 2012, the ASOST-Q grant has provided funds to ensure children and youth receive quality afterschool and summer programming. When first created in 2001, the funding allowed for new programs in the Commonwealth. In 2009, the line item was funded at \$5.5 million. The State’s investment of \$5.5 million continued to provide funding for new programs as well as opportunity to provide quality enhancement grants to existing programs. Increasing the funds to \$5.5 million in FY2017 and earmarking those funds specifically for new programs will give access to afterschool and summer programs for thousands more children and youth.

Fy2017

- Increase ASOST-Q Grant (7061-9611) to \$5.5 million.
- Write new language into the budget line item for new programs.

19% of Massachusetts children participate in an afterschool program.	44% of Massachusetts children would participate in an afterschool program if one were available.
21% of children are unsupervised after school for an average time of 8 hours .	Afterschool programs get kids interested in STEM, music, art, and reading and writing .
89% of Massachusetts parents support public funding for afterschool programs.	81% of Massachusetts parents agree that afterschool programs help them keep their jobs.