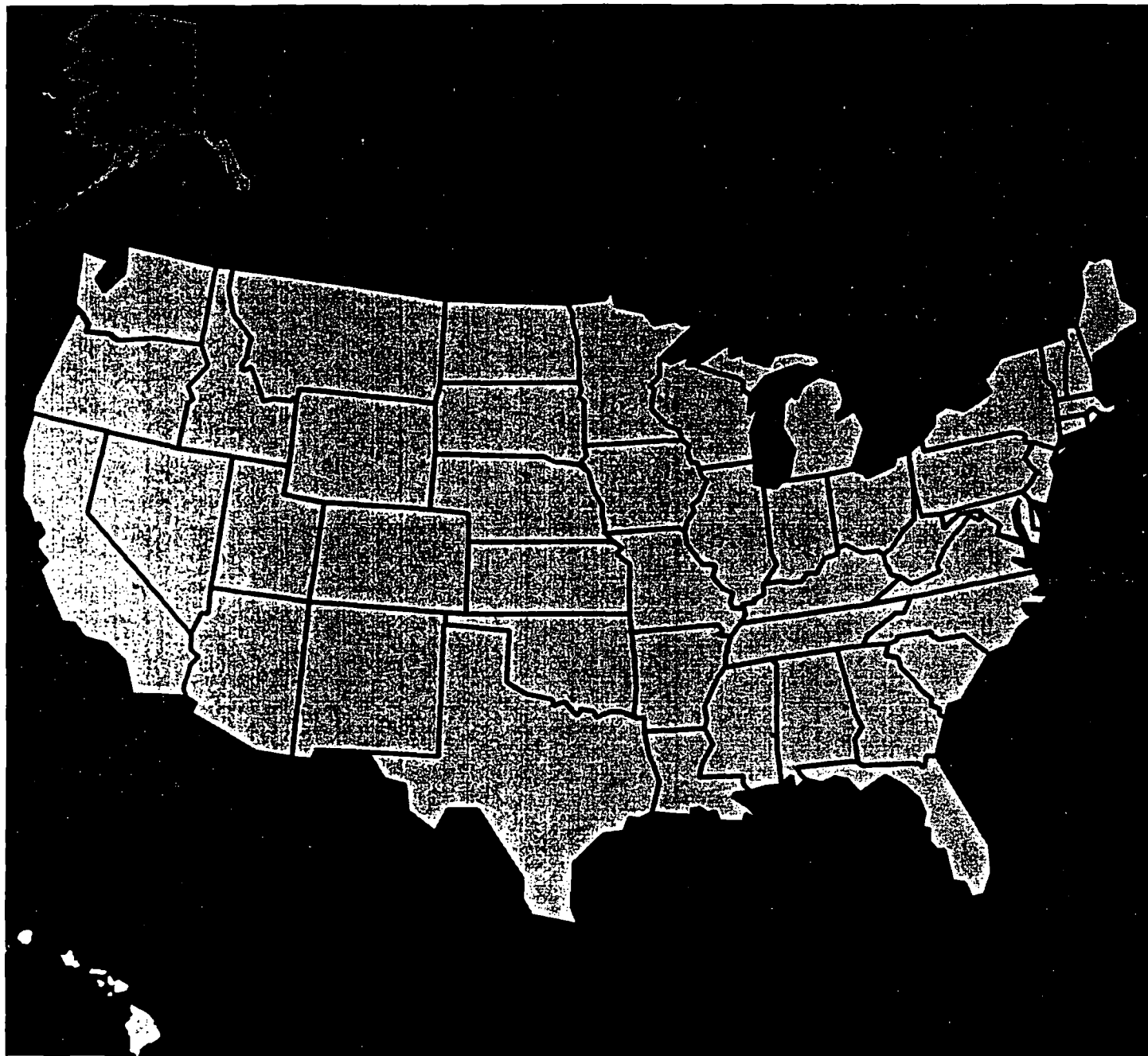


STATE PROFILES



State Profiles

The following State Profiles were developed by the National Child Care Information Center to provide state child care administrators with consistent information about the children and families in each state. Each profile includes demographic information about the children and families in a state, information on the number of licensed child care providers, specific details about the staff/child ratios and staff qualifications in each state, and contact information for a variety of state agencies working in child care and related areas.

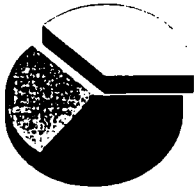
The State Profiles are a compilation of information from a wide variety of resources, including:

- Census Bureau population estimates;
- *Map and Track: State Initiatives for Young Children and Families* from the National Center for Children in Poverty;
- *Federal Register*, Vol. 61, No. 54, pg. 11213;
- *Working Mother* "State of the States," May 1996;
- National Resource Center for Health and Safety in Child Care; and
- *1997 Child Day Care Center Licensing Study*, Children's Foundation and *1996 Family Child Care Licensing Study*, Children's Foundation.

If you would like any additional information about the State Profiles, please contact the National Child Care Information Center at (800) 616-2242.

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ALABAMA



Demographic Information



1995 Population*	4,252,982
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	1,236,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	29.1%
1995 Children under 5*	300,663
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	20.1%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	

State Median Income: **\$41,730**

(4 person family, fiscal year 1997, *Federal Register*, Vol. 61, No. 54, pg. 11213)

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	106,230
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	27.3%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	652,783
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	62%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: **1,335**

(1997 *Child Day Care Center Licensing Study*, Children's Foundation)

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: **3,551**

(1996 *Family Child Care Licensing Study*, Children's Foundation)

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ALABAMA

Staff/Child Ratios

Center-based care

All information provided is for centers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

<i>Age Range</i>	<i>Ratio</i>
3 weeks - 18 months	(1:6)
18 months - 2 ½ years	(1:8)
2 ½ years - 4 years	(1:12)
4 years - 6 years	(1:20)
6 years - 8 years	(1:22)
8 years and older	(1:25)

Family Child Care Providers

All information provided is for providers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

<i>Age Range</i>	<i>Ratio</i>
All ages	(1:6) [family members not included]

Staff Qualifications

Child Care Workers or Teachers	Must be at least 19 and have high school diploma or GED
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For a complete listing of this state's child care licensing regulations, please visit the Web site of the National Resource Center for Health and Safety in Child Care at

*< <http://nrc.uchsc.edu> >
or call: (800) 598-KIDS*

ALABAMA

Contact Information

Licensing Agency

Department of Human Resources
Office of Day Care and Child
Development
Family and Children's Services
50 Ripley Street
Montgomery, AL 36130
Phone: (334) 242-1425
Fax: (334) 242-0939

Child Care Administrator

Frances Arnold
Assistant Director
Adult, Child and Family Services Division
Alabama Department of Human Resources
50 Ripley Street
Montgomery, AL 36130
Phone: (334) 242-1425 Fax: (334) 242-0939

Larry Henson
Manager, Child Care Subsidy Program
Alabama Department of Human Resources
Welfare Reform Division
50 Ripley Street
Montgomery, AL 36130
Phone: (334) 242-1427 Fax: (334) 242-0292

Head Start Collaboration Liaison

Rosemary Mobley
Alabama Department of Education
50 North Ripley Street
Gordon Persons Building, Room 5333
Montgomery, AL 36130
Phone: (334) 242-8167
Fax: (334) 242-0496

Child Care Food Program Administrator

Coordinator, School and Food Distribution Programs
Alabama Department of Education
Street: Gordon Persons Building #5356
50 North Ripley Street
Mail: P.O. Box 302101
Montgomery, AL 36130-2101
Phone: (334) 242-9700

Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

Any Sheriff's Department or any county
Department of Human Resources office

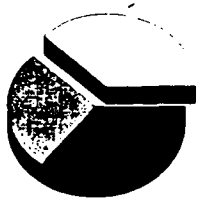
Office of Child Support Enforcement

Department of Human Resources
Division of Child Support
50 Ripley Street
Montgomery, AL 36130-1801
Phone: (334) 242-9300
(800) 284-4347 (in state only)
Fax: (334) 242-0606

State Home Page

<http://alaweb.asc.edu/>

ALASKA



Demographic Information

1995 Population*	603,617
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	215,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	35.6%
1995 Children under 5*	52,882
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	7.1%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	



State Median Income: **\$53,555**

(4 person family, fiscal year 1997. *Federal Register*, Vol. 61, No. 54, pg. 11213)

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	10,659
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	17.1%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	102,998
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	60%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: **227**

(1997 *Child Day Care Center Licensing Study*, Children's Foundation)

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: **520**

(1996 *Family Child Care Licensing Study*, Children's Foundation)

For additional statistical information on indicators of child well-being in the state, visit the Annie E. Casey "Kids Count" Web site at <<http://www.aecf.org/kc1997/kc1997.htm>>

ALASKA

Staff/Child Ratios

Center-based care

All information provided is for centers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

<i>Age Range</i>	<i>Ratio</i>
Infants	(1:5)
Toddlers	(1:6)
Preschool	(1:10)
Kindergarten	(1:15)
Schoolage	(1:20)
Mixed age group	ratio for youngest child in group

Family Child Care Providers

All information provided is for providers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

<i>Age Range</i>	<i>Ratio</i>
All ages	(1:8) [a maximum of 3 children may be under 30 months of age, regardless of the ages of the other children]

Staff Qualifications

Caregivers having regular contact with children	At least 18 years old, although 14 - 17 year-olds may serve as caregivers if they have completed a child care training course or have demonstrated competency to satisfaction of administrator.
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< <http://nrc.uchsc.edu> >

or call: (800) 598-KIDS

ALASKA

Contact Information

Licensing Agency

Department of Health and Social Services
Division of Family and Youth Services
P.O. Box 110630
Juneau, AK 99811-0630
Phone: (907) 465-3207
Fax: (907) 465-3397

Child Care Administrator

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Division of Public Assistance
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Juneau, AK 99811-0640
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Head Start Collaboration Liaison

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Regional Affairs
P.O. Box 112100
Juneau, AK 99811-2100
Phone: (907) 465-4861
Fax: (907) 465-8638

Child Care Food Program Administrator

Director
Alaska Department of Education
801 West 10th Street, #200
Juneau, AK 99801-1894
Phone: (907) 465-8708

Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

800-478-4444 (or nearest AK Division of
Family and Youth Services)

Office of Child Support Enforcement

Child Support Enforcement Division
550 West 7th Avenue, #310
Anchorage, AK 99501-6699
Phone: (907) 269-6900
Fax: (907) 269-6813

State Home Page

<http://www.state.ak.us/>

ARIZONA



Demographic Information



1995 Population*	4,217,940
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	1,213,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	28.8%
1995 Children under 5*	355,808
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	16.1%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	

State Median Income: **\$41,599**

(4 person family, fiscal year 1997, *Federal Register*, Vol. 61, No. 54, pg. 11213)

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	72,528
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	21.5%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	576,205
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	59%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: **1,483**

(1997 *Child Day Care Center Licensing Study*, Children's Foundation)

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: **1,603**
(1,400 family child care homes + 203 group family child care homes)

(1996 *Family Child Care Licensing Study*, Children's Foundation)

For additional statistical information on indicators of child well-being in the state, visit the Annie E. Casey "Kids Count" Web site at <<http://www.aecf.org/kc1997/kc1997.htm>>

ARIZONA

Staff/Child Ratios

Center-based care

All information provided is for centers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

<i>Age Range</i>	<i>Ratio</i>
Infants	(1:5)
1 year	(1:6)
2 years	(1:8)
3 years	(1:13)
4 years	(1:15)
Schoolage	(1:20)
Mixed age group	ratio for youngest child in group

Family Child Care Providers

All information provided is for providers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

<i>Age Range</i>	<i>Ratio</i>
All ages	(1:5) [for providers serving 5 - 10 children]
All ages	(1:4) [for providers serving 1 - 4 children]

Staff Qualifications

Teacher-caregivers	Must be at least 18 and have HS diploma and 6 mos. experience or CDA or equivalent or AA or BA in Early Childhood Education, Child Development, or a closely-related field.
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For a complete listing of this state's child care licensing regulations, please visit the Web site of the National Resource Center for Health and Safety in Child Care at

< <http://nrc.uchsc.edu> >
or call: (800) 598-KIDS

ARIZONA

Contact Information

Licensing Agency

(For centers and family child care homes serving more than 5 children):

Department of Health Services
Office of Child Care Licensure
1647 East Morten, Suite 230
Phoenix, AZ 85020
Phone: (602) 255-1272
Fax: (602) 255-1126

(For family child care homes serving 1 - 4 children):

Department of Economic Security
Child Care Administration
Site Code 801A
P.O. Box 6213
Phoenix, AZ 85005
Phone: (602) 542-4259
Fax: (602) 542-4197

Head Start Collaboration Liaison

Carol Crockett
Governor's Division for Children
1700 West Washington, Suite 101-B
Phoenix, AZ 85007
Phone: (602) 542-3461
Fax: (602) 542-4644

Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

(800) 330-1822

Child Care Administrator

Bruce Liggett
Program Manager
Arizona Dept. of Economic Security
Child Care Administration
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Phoenix, AZ 85005-6123
Phone: (602) 542-4248
Fax: (602) 542-4197

Child Care Food Program Administrator

Director
Child Nutrition Programs
State Department of Education
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Office of Child Support Enforcement

Division of Child Support Enforcement
3443 North Central Avenue
Phoenix, AZ 85012
Phone: (602) 252-4045
(800) 882-4151 (in state only)

State Home Page

<http://www.state.az.us/>

ARKANSAS



Demographic Information



1995 Population*	2,483,769
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	694,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	27.9%
1995 Children under 5*	172,617
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	14.9%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	

State Median Income: **\$36,510**

(4 person family, fiscal year 1997, *Federal Register*, Vol. 61, No. 54, pg. 11213)

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	64,338
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	29.9%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	389,165
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	63%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: **1,855**
(including 637 licensed infant/toddler programs)

(1997 *Child Day Care Center Licensing Study*, Children's Foundation)

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: **232**

(1996 *Family Child Care Licensing Study*, Children's Foundation)

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ARKANSAS

Staff/Child Ratios

Center-based care

All information provided is for centers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

Age Range	Ratio
Infants	(1:6)
Toddlers	(1:9)
3 years	(1:12)
4 years	(1:15)
5 years	(1:18)
Schoolage	(1:20)
Mixed age group	ratio for youngest child in group

Family Child Care Providers

All information provided is for providers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

Age Range	Ratio
All children are over age 3	(1:10) [preschool family members included in ratio number]
Two children in group are under age 2	(1:7) [preschool family members included in ratio number]

Staff Qualifications

Teacher/Caregivers	18 with HS diploma or GED
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< <http://nrc.uchsc.edu> >
or call: (800) 598-KIDS

ARKANSAS

Contact Information

Licensing Agency

Division of Children and Family Services
Child Care Licensing
P.O. Box 1437, Slot 720
Little Rock, AR 72203-1437
Phone: (501) 682-8590
Fax: (501) 682-2317

Child Care Administrator

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Director, Division of Child Care and Early
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Arkansas Department of Human Services
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Little Rock, AR 72201
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Fax: (501) 682-4897

Head Start Collaboration Liaison

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Arkansas Head Start Association
State Collaboration Project
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Little Rock, AR 72201
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Fax: (501) 370-9109

Child Care Food Program Administrator

Manager
Special Nutrition Programs, Slot 705
Division of Children and Family Services
Department of Human Services
P.O. Box 1437
Little Rock, AR 72203-1437
Phone: (501) 682-8869

Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

(800) 482-5964

Office of Child Support Enforcement

Office of Child Support Enforcement
Street: 712 West Third
Little Rock, AR 72201
Mail: P.O. Box 8133
Little Rock, AR 72203
Phone: (501) 682-8398
(800) 264-2445
(800) 247-4549
Fax: (501) 682-8398

State Home Page

<http://www.state.ar.us/>

CALIFORNIA



Demographic Information



1995 Population*	31,589,153
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	9,176,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	29.0%
1995 Children under 5*	2,809,826
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	16.7%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	

State Median Income: **\$48,755**

(4 person family, fiscal year 1997, *Federal Register*, Vol. 61, No. 54, pg. 11213)

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	815,687
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	25.6%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	4,349,699
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	56%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: **12,773**

(1997 *Child Day Care Center Licensing Study*, Children's Foundation)

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: **52,199**
(approximation)

(1996 *Family Child Care Licensing Study*, Children's Foundation)

For additional statistical information on indicators of child well-being in the state, visit the Annie E. Casey "Kids Count" Web site at <<http://www.aecf.org/kc1997/kc1997.htm>>

CALIFORNIA

Staff/Child Ratios

Center-based care

All information provided is for centers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

<i>Age Range</i>	<i>Ratio</i>
Infants	(1:4)
Preschool	(1:12)
Schoolage	(1:14)
Mixed age group	(1:12)

Family Child Care Providers

All information provided is for providers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

<i>Age Range</i>	<i>Ratio</i>
All ages	(1:6) [no more than 3 infants, including the licensee's own children under the age of 10 years, or no more than 4 infants]

Staff Qualifications

Teacher	Must be at least 18 with 12 postsecondary units in early childhood education or child development and have 6 months experience; or hold a current and valid CDA and have 6 months on-the-job training and/or work experience; or hold a Children's Center Permit issued by the CA Commission for Teacher Preparation and Licensing. (A Teacher may be hired provisionally with at least 6 semester units in early childhood education or child development completed prior to hiring, and completing 2 units each semester after hire until the full requirement is met.)
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< <http://nrc.uchsc.edu> >

or call: (800) 598-KIDS

CALIFORNIA

Contact Information

Licensing Agency

Central Operations Branch
Department of Social Services
Community Care Licensing Division
744 P Street, Mail Stop 19-50
Sacramento, CA 95814
Phone: (916) 324-4031
Fax: (916) 323-8352

Child Care Administrator

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California State Dept. of Education
Child Development Division
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Sacramento, CA 95814-4785
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Fax: (916) 323-6853
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Head Start Collaboration Liaison

Mary Smithberger
California Head Start State Collaboration
Project
California Department of Education
Child Development Division
560 J Street
Sacramento, CA 95814
Phone: (916) 323-1342
Fax: (916) 323-6853

Child Care Food Program Administrator

Director
Child Nutrition and Food Distribution Divisions
State Department of Education
P.O Box 944272
Sacramento, CA 94244-2720
Phone: (916) 322-2187
(800) 952-5609

Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

Any state licensing office, any law
enforcement office or any child protective
office in any of the county
social/health/welfare offices.

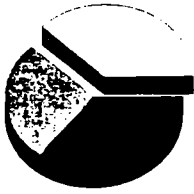
Office of Child Support Enforcement

Office of Child Support
Department of Social Services
744 P Street, Mail Stop 17-29
Sacramento, CA 95814
Phone: (916) 654-1532

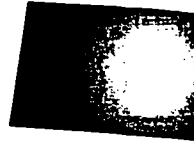
State Home Page

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COLORADO



Demographic Information



1995 Population*	3,746,585
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	1,015,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	27.1%
1995 Children under 5*	268,950
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	8.8%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	

State Median Income: **\$48,801**

(4 person family, fiscal year 1997, *Federal Register*, Vol. 61, No. 54, pg. 11213)

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	79,718
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	24.0%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	562,852
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	65%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: **2,291**

(1997 *Child Day Care Center Licensing Study*, Children's Foundation)

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: **6,886**

(1996 *Family Child Care Licensing Study*, Children's Foundation)

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COLORADO

Staff/Child Ratios

Center-based care

All information provided is for centers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

Age Range	Ratio
Infants	(1:5)
Toddlers	(1:5)
2 Years	(1:7)
2 ½ - 3 years	(1:8)
3 years	(1:10)
4 years	(1:12)
5 years and up	(1:15)

Family Child Care Providers

All information provided is for providers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

Age Range	Ratio
All ages	(1:6) [includes family members plus an additional two before and after school children] No more than two children under 2 years of age or if provider has been licensed for at least 2 years with no substantiated complaints, provider may be approved for three children under 2 years of age with no additional school-aged children.
Infant/Toddler	(1:4) or (2:6)
Large Family Care Home	(2:12) [includes two children under 2 years of age who are siblings of older children]

Staff Qualifications

Group Leader	Must be at least 18 and have 36 mos. (5,460 hours) experience or completed a vocational/occupational education sequence in child growth and development with 12 mos. experience or completed course of training by the Department of Human Services or have 12 semester hrs. of college-level courses in child growth and development and/or early childhood education and 9 mos. experience or 2 years college with at least one college course in child development and 6 mos. experience or CDA, CCP, or other Department-approved credential or 2 year degree in child development or early childhood education or a Bachelor's degree.
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COLORADO

Contact Information

Licensing Agency

Department of Human Services
Division of Child Care Services
1575 Sherman Street
Denver, CO 80203-1714
Phone: (303) 866-5958
Fax: (303) 866-4453

Child Care Administrator

Grace Hardy
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Colorado Department of Social Services
Division of Child Care
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Head Start Collaboration Liaison

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Child Care Food Program Administrator

Administrator
CACFP
Colorado Department of
Public Health and Environment
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Denver, CO 80222-1530
Phone: (303) 692-2330

Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

Each county Department of Social Services

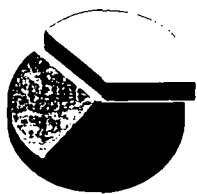
Office of Child Support Enforcement

Colorado Department of Human Services
Division of Child Support Enforcement
1575 Sherman Street, 2nd Floor
Denver, CO 80203
Phone: (303) 866-5994
Fax: (303) 866-2214

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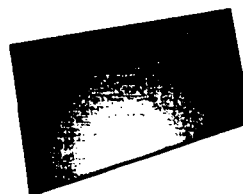
<http://www.state.co.us/>

CONNECTICUT



Demographic Information

1995 Population*	3,274,662
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	869,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	26.5%
1995 Children under 5*	227,592
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	9.7%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	



State Median Income: \$62,107

(4 person family, fiscal year 1997. *Federal Register*, Vol. 61, No. 54, pg. 11213)

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	65,064
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	20.1%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	475,869
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	64%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: 1,640

(1997 *Child Day Care Center Licensing Study*, Children's Foundation)

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: 4,927

(Information provided by State, 8/96)

For additional statistical information on indicators of child well-being in the state, visit the Annie E. Casey "Kids Count" Web site at <<http://www.aecf.org/kc1997/kc1997.htm>>

CONNECTICUT

Staff/Child Ratios

Center-based care

All information provided is for centers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

<i>Age Range</i>	<i>Ratio</i>
Infants	(1:4)
Toddlers	(1:4)
Preschool (over age 3)	(1:10)
Schoolage	(1:10)
Mixed age group	(1:4)

Family Child Care Providers

All information provided is for providers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

<i>Age Range</i>	<i>Ratio</i>
All ages	(1:6) [includes provider's children not in school full-time] [maximum of 2 infants per provider] [in addition to 6 full-time children, may have up to 3 school age children for up to 3 hours before and after school, during the school year only]

Staff Qualifications

Teachers (in charge of a group)	Must be at least 18 and have HS diploma, or equivalency certificate, or 540 hours documented experience with age group.
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< <http://nrc.uchsc.edu> >
or call: (800) 598-KIDS

CONNECTICUT

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Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

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Child Care Administrator

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Child Care Food Program Administrator

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Department of Education
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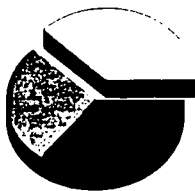
Office of Child Support Enforcement

Department of Social Services
Bureau of Child Support Enforcement
25 Sigourney Street
Hartford, CT 06105-5033
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Fax: (860) 951-2996

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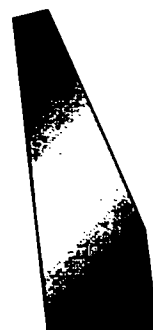
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DELAWARE



Demographic Information

1995 Population*	717,197
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	179,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	25.0%
1995 Children under 5*	51,616
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	10.3%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	



State Median Income: **\$55,049**

(4 person family, fiscal year 1997, *Federal Register*, Vol. 61, No. 54, pg. 11213)

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	6,023
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	10.1%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	109,498
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	65%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: **246**

(1997 *Child Day Care Center Licensing Study*, Children's Foundation)

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: **1,867**

(1996 *Family Child Care Licensing Study*, Children's Foundation)

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DELAWARE

Staff/Child Ratios

Center-based care

All information provided is for centers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

Age Range	Ratio
Infants	(1:4)
12 - 24 months	(1:7)
2 - 3 years	(1:10)
3 - 4 years	(1:12)
4 - 5 years	(1:15)
5 years and up	(1:25)
Mixed age group	for children under 24 months of age, the ratio shall be that for the age of the youngest child in the group; for mixed age groups with children over 24 months of age, the ratio shall be that required for the age group with the largest number of children present in the group

Family Child Care Providers

All information provided is for providers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

Age Range	Ratio
0 - preschool with maximum of 3 children under 2 years of age and maximum of 2 children under 12 months	(1:4) [with 2 additional school age children for a Level I provider and includes family members under school age]
0 - preschool with maximum of 3 children under 2 years of age and maximum of 2 children under 12 months	(1:6) [with 3 additional school age children for a Level II provider and includes family members under school age]

Staff Qualifications

Caregivers	Must be at least 18 and have a 4-year degree with at least 3 credit hours in child development or early childhood education and 3 mos. supervised student teaching or 6 mos. experience working with children in group setting; or an associate degree with 3 credit hours in child development or early childhood education and 6 mos. experience; or a CDA with 6 mos. experience; or HS degree with successful completion of vocational child care program or a 1 year certificate program in child development or early childhood education and 1 year experience; or HS degree or equivalent and 60 clock hours of training in child development or early childhood education and 1 year experience.
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DELAWARE

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Improvement and Assistance Branch
Townsend Building
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Dover, DE 19903

Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

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Child Care Administrator

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Child Care Food Program Administrator

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Phone: (302) 739-4718

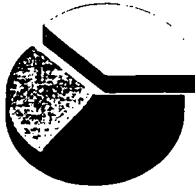
Office of Child Support Enforcement

Division of Child Support Enforcement
P.O. Box 904
New Castle, DE 19720
Phone: (302) 577-4863
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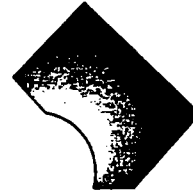
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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA



Demographic Information



1995 Population*	554,256
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	130,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	23.5%
1995 Children under 5*	39,909
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	22.2%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	

State Median Income: **\$52,015**

(4 person family, fiscal year 1997, *Federal Register*, Vol. 61, No. 54, pg. 11213)

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	18,437
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	35.8%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	71,796
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	62%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: **356**

(1997 *Child Day Care Center Licensing Study*, Children's Foundation)

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: **259**

(1996 *Family Child Care Licensing Study*, Children's Foundation)

For additional statistical information on indicators of child well-being in the state, visit the Annie E. Casey "Kids Count" Web site at <http://www.aecf.org/kc1997/kc1997.htm>

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Staff/Child Ratios

Center-based care

All information provided is for centers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

<i>Age Range</i>	<i>Ratio</i>
2 years - 2 ½ years	(1:4)
2 ½ - 3 years	(1:8)
4 years	(1:10)
5 years	(1:15)
6 - 14 years	(1:15)
Mixed age group	ratio shall be adjusted to protect the welfare of the younger children

Family Child Care Providers

All information provided is for providers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

<i>Age Range</i>	<i>Ratio</i>
All ages	(1:5) [ratio includes family members under age 6]
Infants	(1:2)

Staff Qualifications

Teachers	Must be at least 18 and have a Bachelor's degree in early childhood education or a related field including a minimum of 15 hrs. in early childhood education courses; or 2 or more years of college including a minimum of 15 hrs. in early childhood education courses and 1 year experience in a child development facility; or a HS diploma or equivalent and 3 yrs. experience as teacher or assistant teacher in child development center; or experience as a teacher or assistant teacher in licensed child development center with a CDA
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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

Abuse: Metropolitan Police Department --
(202) 576-6762
Neglect: Department of Human Services --
(202) 727-0995

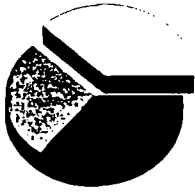
Office of Child Support Enforcement

Office of Paternity and Child Support
Enforcement
Department of Human Services
800 9th Street SW, 2nd Floor
Washington, DC 20024-2485
Phone: (202) 645-5301
Fax: (202) 645-4102

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FLORIDA



Demographic Information



1995 Population*	14,165,570
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	3,512,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	24.8%
1995 Children under 5*	967,861
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	16.2%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	

State Median Income: **\$43,374**

(4 person family, fiscal year 1997, *Federal Register*, Vol. 61, No. 54, pg. 11213)

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	311,160
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	27.4
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	1,813,633
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	63%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: **5,686**

(based on state reports, July 6, 1996)

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: **4,002**

(based on state reports, July 6, 1996)

For additional statistical information on indicators of child well-being in the state, visit the Annie E. Casey "Kids Count" Web site at <http://www.aecf.org/kc1997/kc1997.htm>

FLORIDA

Staff/Child Ratios

Center-based care

All information provided is for centers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

Age Range	Ratio
Infants - 1 year	(1:4)
1 - 2 years	(1:6)
2 - 3 years	(1:11)
3 - 4 years	(1:15)
4 - 5 years	(1:20)
School-age	(1:25)
Mixed age group	when infants under 1 year are included, 1 staff member for not more than 4 children of any age group; when infants over 1 year are included, 1 staff member for not more than 6 children; when infants not included, staff ratio is based on age of majority of children in group

Family Child Care Providers

All information provided is for providers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

Age Range	Ratio
All ages	(Effective January 1, 1997) A family child care home is allowed to provide care for one of the following groups of children, which includes those children under 13 years of age who are related to the caregiver: - A maximum of four children birth to 12 months of age; - A maximum of three children from birth to 12 months of age, and other children, for a maximum total of six children; - A maximum of six preschool children if all are older than 12 months of age; or - A maximum of 10 children if no more than five are preschool age and of those five, no more than two are under 12 months of age.

Staff Qualifications

Caregivers in charge of a group	Must be at least 18 and must complete the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services approved introductory training course.
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FLORIDA

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Administrator
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Child Nutrition Programs
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Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400
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Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

(800) 962-2873 OR (904) 487-4332

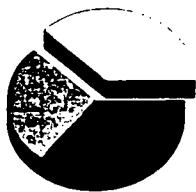
Office of Child Support Enforcement

Child Support Enforcement Program
Department of Revenue
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Tallahassee, FL 32314-8030
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GEORGIA



Demographic Information



1995 Population*	7,200,882
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	1,941,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	27.0%
1995 Children under 5*	551,180
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	12.1%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	

State Median Income: **\$45,093**

(4 person family, fiscal year 1997, *Federal Register*, Vol. 61, No. 54, pg. 11213)

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	147,078
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	25.2%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	1,105,151
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	64%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: **1,366**

(based on state reports, December 1, 1996)

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: **5,464**

(based on state reports, December 1, 1996)

For additional statistical information on indicators of child well-being in the state, visit the Annie E. Casey "Kids Count" Web site at <<http://www.aecf.org/kc1997/kc1997.htm>>

GEORGIA

Staff/Child Ratios

Center-based care

All information provided is for centers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

<i>Age Range</i>	<i>Ratio</i>
Infants (not walking)	(1:6)
1 year (if walking)	(1:8)
2 years	(1:10)
3 years	(1:15)
4 years	(1:18)
5 years	(1:20)
Schoolage	(1:25)
Mixed age group	ratio for youngest child in group if 20% or more in group

Family Child Care Providers

All information provided is for providers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

<i>Age Range</i>	<i>Ratio</i>
Infants	(1:3) [if more than 3 children are under 12 months]
All ages	(1:6) [maximum of 6 unrelated children plus 2 additional children ages 3 and up for 2 hours per day] (2:6) [if more than 6 children are under the age of 3 years] (2:8) [if more than 8 children are under the age of 5 years]

Staff Qualifications

Teachers/Lead Caregivers	Must be at least 18 and have HS diploma or GED or 1 year experience.
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GEORGIA

Contact Information

Licensing Agency

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Director
Office of School Readiness
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Atlanta, GA 30303-0771
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Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

Division of Family and Children's Services

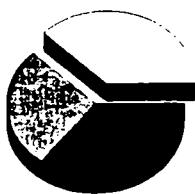
Office of Child Support Enforcement

Child Support Enforcement
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Atlanta, GA 30334-0450
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(800) 227-7993 (in state only)
Fax: (404) 657-3326

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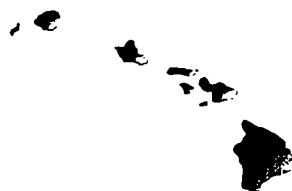
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HAWAII



Demographic Information

1995 Population*	1,186,815
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	318,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	26.8%
1995 Children under 5*	95,809
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	10.3%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	



State Median Income: **\$56,992**

(4 person family, fiscal year 1997, *Federal Register*, Vol. 61, No. 54, pg. 11213)

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	21,180
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	19.0%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	183,981
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	66%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: **519**

(1997 *Child Day Care Center Licensing Study*, Children's Foundation)

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: **433**

(1996 *Family Child Care Licensing Study*, Children's Foundation)

For additional statistical information on indicators of child well-being in the state, visit the Annie E. Casey "Kids Count" Web site at <<http://www.aecf.org/kc1997/kc1997.htm>>

HAWAII

Staff/Child Ratios

Center-based care

All information provided is for centers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

Age Range	Ratio
Infants	(1:3)
Toddlers	(1:4)
2 years	(1:8)
3 years	(1:12)
4 years	(1:16)
Schoolage	(1:20)
Mixed age group	ratio for age of youngest child

Family Child Care Providers

All information provided is for providers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

Age Range	Ratio
All ages	(1:6) [no more than 2 children under 18 months] [includes provider's children who are under 6 years old unless they are in school or enrolled in a child care facility for more than 6 hours/day]

Staff Qualifications

Teacher	Must be at least 18 and have a degree in child development or early childhood education and 6 mos. working experience or a postsecondary credential in a child development associate program or a 2-year (60 credit) college program with a certificate in early childhood education plus one year experience or a baccalaureate in elementary education plus 6 mos. work experience in an early childhood program plus 6 credits of approved child development or early childhood education training courses or a baccalaureate in any field plus 6 mos. work in early childhood program plus 12 credits of approved child development or early childhood courses
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HAWAII

Contact Information

Licensing Agency

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Child Care Food Program Administrator

Director
School Food Services
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Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

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Honolulu: (808) 622-7111
Wahiawa: (808) 959-0669
Maui: (808) 242-8418
Kauai: (808) 245-3461

Office of Child Support Enforcement

Child Support Enforcement Agency
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680 Iwilei Street, #490
Honolulu, HI 96817
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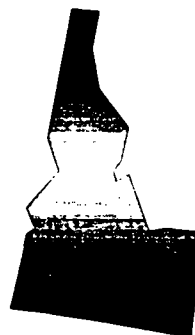
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IDAHO



Demographic Information



1995 Population*	1,163,261
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	320,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	27.5%
1995 Children under 5*	89,426
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	14.5%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	

State Median Income: \$41,208

(4 person family, fiscal year 1997, *Federal Register*, Vol. 61, No. 54, pg. 11213)

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	20,693
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	20.6
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	191,473
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	62%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: 472

(based on state reports, 1997)

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: 1,304

(based on state reports, 1997)

For additional statistical information on indicators of child well-being in the state, visit the Annie E. Casey "Kids Count" Web site at <http://www.aecf.org/kc1997/kc1997.htm>

IDAHO

Staff/Child Ratios

Center-based care

All information provided is for centers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

<i>Age Range</i>	<i>Ratio</i>
All ages	1:12

Family Child Care Providers

All information provided is for providers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

<i>Age Range</i>	<i>Ratio</i>
All ages	(1:6)

Staff Qualifications

Center staff	Four hours annual training.
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< <http://nrc.uchsc.edu> >

or call: (800) 598-KIDS

IDAHO

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Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

Local Health and Welfare Office

Office of Child Support Enforcement

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(800) 356-9868
Fax: (208) 334-0666

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ILLINOIS



Demographic Information

1995 Population*	11,829,940
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	3,128,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	26.4%
1995 Children under 5*	920,982
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	12.4%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	



State Median Income: **\$51,951**

(4 person family, fiscal year 1997, *Federal Register*, Vol. 61, No. 54, pg. 11213)

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	302,032
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	26.7
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	1,812,670
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	62%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: **2,725**

(1997 *Child Day Care Center Licensing Study*, Children's Foundation)

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: **9,185**

(1996 *Family Child Care Licensing Study*, Children's Foundation)

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ILLINOIS

Staff/Child Ratios

Center-based care

All information provided is for centers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

Age Range	Ratio
Infants	(1:4)
Toddlers	(1:5)
2 years	(1:8)
Preschool	(1:10)
Schoolage	(1:20)
Mixed age group	ratio for youngest child in group

Family Child Care Providers

All information provided is for providers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

Age Range	Ratio
	Maximum provider/child ratio is (1:12), which includes providers own children under age 12, and with no more than 5 children under age 5 and no more than 3 under age 2; OR with 6 children under age 5 of which no child may be under age 3; OR a school age group consisting of 8 school age children.

Staff Qualifications

Child Care Workers	Must be at least 19 and have a high school diploma or equivalent and 2 years full time experience in a field related to programing for young children or 2 years college credit, including 6 semester hours in courses directly related to child care and/or child development (birth to 6 years) or 1 year (1560 clock hours) child development experience in a nursery school, kindergarten or licensed day care center and 1 year of college credits including 6 semester hours in courses directly related to child care and/or child development or a Child Development Associate credential.
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or call: (800) 598-KIDS

ILLINOIS

Contact Information

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Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

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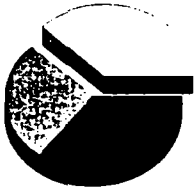
Office of Child Support Enforcement

Child Support Enforcement Division
Illinois Department of Public Aid
509 South 6th Street, 6th Floor
Springfield, IL 62701
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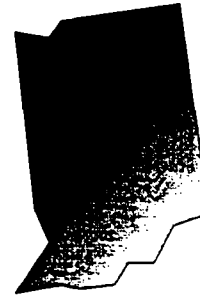
State Home Page

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INDIANA



Demographic Information



1995 Population*	5,803,471
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	1,403,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	24.2%
1995 Children under 5*	407,943
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	9.6%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	

State Median Income: **\$47,212**

(4 person family, fiscal year 1997, *Federal Register*, Vol. 61, No. 54, pg. 11213)

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	137,305
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	27.2%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	953,125
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	65%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: **654**

(based on state reports, 1997)

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: **2,678**

(1996 *Family Child Care Licensing Study*, Children's Foundation)

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INDIANA

Staff/Child Ratios

Center-based care

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Age Range	Ratio
Infants	(1:4)
Toddlers	(1:5)
2 years	(1:5)
3 years	(1:10)
4 years	(1:12)
5 years	(1:15)
6 years and up	(1:20)

Family Child Care Providers

All information provided is for providers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

Age Range	Ratio
Birth to 24 months	(1:6) [two of the 6 children must be at least 16 months and walking. Otherwise the ratio is 1:4]
Birth to 6 years	(1:10) [No more than 3 of the 10 children may be under sixteen months of age and must be walking]
3-10 years	(1:12)
All ages	(1:12) [the maximum capacity is a child care home is 1:12 plus 3 children during the school year who are enrolled at least in Grade 1]

Staff Qualifications

Teaching Staff	Must be at least 18 (21 if working with infants) and have a high school education or equivalent.
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INDIANA

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Child Care Food Program Administrator

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Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

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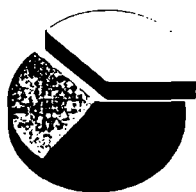
Office of Child Support Enforcement

Child Support Bureau
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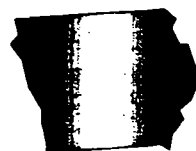
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IOWA



Demographic Information

1995 Population*	2,841,764
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	844,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	29.7%
1995 Children under 5*	183,794
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	12.2%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	



State Median Income: \$45,062

(4 person family, fiscal year 1997, *Federal Register*, Vol. 61, No. 54, pg. 11213)

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	43,039
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	16.4%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	512,561
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	71%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: 1,559

(1997 *Child Day Care Center Licensing Study*, Children's Foundation)

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: 5,253

(1996 *Family Child Care Licensing Study*, Children's Foundation)

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IOWA

Staff/Child Ratios

Center-based care

All information provided is for centers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

<i>Age Range</i>	<i>Ratio</i>
Infants	(1:4)
2 years	(1:6)
3 years	(1:8)
4 years	(1:12)
5 - 10 years	(1:15)
Mixed age group	ratio for youngest child in group

Family Child Care Providers

All information provided is for providers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

<i>Age Range</i>	<i>Ratio</i>
All ages	(1:6) [includes provider's preschool children and providing there are no more than 4 children under 2 years of age at any time]

Staff Qualifications

Staff	Must be at least 16 years of age.
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IOWA

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Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

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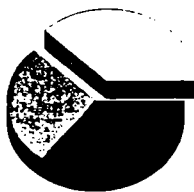
Office of Child Support Enforcement

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Fax: (515) 281-8854

State Home Page

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KANSAS



Demographic Information

1995 Population*	2,565,328
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	698,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	27.2%
1995 Children under 5*	182,579
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	10.8%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	



State Median Income: **\$44,409**

(4 person family, fiscal year 1997, *Federal Register*, Vol. 61, No. 54, pg. 11213)

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	48,619
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	19.2%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	441,752
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	67%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: **1,362**

(1997 *Child Day Care Center Licensing Study*, Children's Foundation)

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: **9,512**

(1996 *Family Child Care Licensing Study*, Children's Foundation)

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KANSAS

Staff/Child Ratios

Center-based care

All information provided is for centers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

Age Range	Ratio
Infants	(1:3)
Toddlers	(1:5)
2 ½ - 6 years	(1:10)
3 - 6 years	(1:12)
Schoolage (K-12th)	(1:14)
Schoolage (6th-12th)	(1:16)
Mixed age group (0-6 years)	(1:4) [maximum of 8 children in one group]

Family Child Care Providers

All information provided is for providers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

Age Range	Ratio
0 - 18 months	(1:3)

Staff Qualifications

Group leader -- fewer than 13 children	Must be at least 18 with a high school diploma or equivalent plus 6 mos. teaching experience or 5 sessions of 2 ½ hours of observation in a child care facility with children of same age plus 10 hours of approved workshops or 3 semester hours academic credit or equivalent training in child development, early childhood education, curriculum resources plus supervised observation in high school or college or 3 mos. work experience or CDA.
Group leader -- 13 - 24 children	Must be at least 18 with a high school diploma or equivalent plus 5 sessions of observation and 1 year teaching experience or 1 year supervised practicum or 7 - 9 semester hours academic credit or equivalent training in child development or early childhood education plus 3 mos. teaching experience or 1 year supervised practicum or CDA.

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KANSAS

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Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

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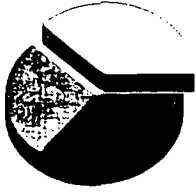
Office of Child Support Enforcement

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KENTUCKY



Demographic Information



1995 Population*	3,860,219
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	1,016,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	26.3%
1995 Children under 5*	261,108
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	14.7%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	

State Median Income: **\$37,984**

(4 person family, fiscal year 1997, *Federal Register*, Vol. 61, No. 54, pg. 11213)

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	112,150
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	39.5%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	541,254
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	57%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: **1,888**

(1997 *Child Day Care Center Licensing Study*, Children's Foundation)

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: **762**

(1996 *Family Child Care Licensing Study*, Children's Foundation)

For additional statistical information on indicators of child well-being in the state, visit the Annie E. Casey "Kids Count" Web site at <http://www.aecf.org/kc1997/kc1997.htm>

KENTUCKY

Staff/Child Ratios

Center-based care

All information provided is for centers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

<i>Age Range</i>	<i>Ratio</i>
Infants	(1:5)
Toddlers	(1:6)
2 - 3 years	(1:10)
3 - 4 years	(1:12)
4 - 5 years	(1:14)
Schoolage	(1:15)
7 years and older	(1:25) [before/after school]
7 years and older	(1:20) [full day care]

Family Child Care Providers

All information provided is for providers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

<i>Age Range</i>	<i>Ratio</i>
	There shall never be more than 6 children under the age of 6 years including the provider's own or related children; maximum number of children in care shall never exceed 10. If more than 4 infants are in care, provider shall employ an assistant who must be 16 years of age or older.

Staff Qualifications

Staff	Must be at least 18.
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KENTUCKY

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Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

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Child Care Food Program Administrator

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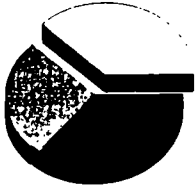
Office of Child Support Enforcement

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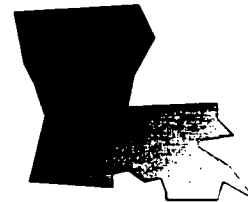
State Home Page

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LOUISIANA



Demographic Information



1995 Population*	4,342,334
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	1,178,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	27.1%
1995 Children under 5*	336,295
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	19.7%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	

State Median Income: **\$39,734**

(4 person family, fiscal year 1997, *Federal Register*, Vol. 61, No. 54, pg. 11213)

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	156,891
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	39.3%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	672,351
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	55%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: **1,826**

(1997 *Child Day Care Center Licensing Study*, Children's Foundation)

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: **10,000**

(1996 *Family Child Care Licensing Study*, Children's Foundation)

For additional statistical information on indicators of child well-being in the state, visit the Annie E. Casey "Kids Count" Web site at <<http://www.aecf.org/kc1997/kc1997.htm>>

LOUISIANA

Staff/Child Ratios

Center-based care

All information provided is for centers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

<i>Age Range</i>	<i>Ratio</i>
0 - 1 years	(1:6)
1 - 2 years	(1:8)
2 - 3 years	(1:12)
3 - 4 years	(1:14)
4 - 5 years	(1:16)
5 - 6 years	(1:20)
Schoolage	(1:25)
Mixed age group	average ratio observed as long as no children under 2 years old are present

Family Child Care Providers

All information provided is for providers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

<i>Age Range</i>	<i>Ratio</i>
All ages	(1:6)

Staff Qualifications

Staff	Must be at least 18.
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LOUISIANA

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Child Care Food Program Administrator

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Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

Child Protective Agency in each jurisdiction.

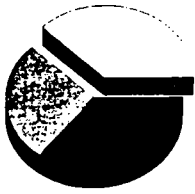
Office of Child Support Enforcement

Support Enforcement Services
Office of Family Support
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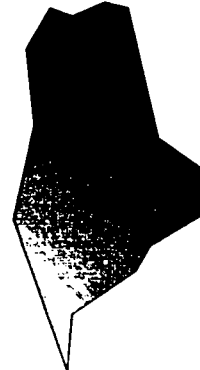
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MAINE



Demographic Information

1995 Population*	1,241,382
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	293,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	23.6%
1995 Children under 5*	74,513
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	11.2%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	



State Median Income: **\$42,647**

(4 person family, fiscal year 1997, *Federal Register*, Vol. 61, No. 54, pg. 11213)

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	28,248
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	28.3%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	201,057
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	65%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: **606**

(1997 *Child Day Care Center Licensing Study*, Children's Foundation)

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: **2,445**

(1996 *Family Child Care Licensing Study*, Children's Foundation)

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MAINE

Staff/Child Ratios

Center-based care

All information provided is for centers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

Age Range	Ratio
Infants	(1:4)
Toddlers	(1:5)
2 ½ - 3 years	(1:8)
3 - 6 years	(1:10)
Schoolage	(1:10)
Mixed age group	ratio for youngest child in group

Family Child Care Providers

All information provided is for providers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

Age Range	Ratio
	A licensed provider may care for: a) 4 children under 2, OR b) 8 children over 2, plus 2 school age children, OR c) 12 all school age children, OR d) mixed ages - no more than 3 under age 2 with maximum of 6 plus 2 school age children [all ratios must include those children related to the caregiver]

Staff Qualifications

Head Teacher or Family Day Care Provider -- fewer than 13 children	Must be at least 18 and have 6 hours training in child care or early childhood education.
Head Teacher -- 13 - 24 children	Must be at least 21 with a high school diploma or equivalent and have 12 mos. employment in licensed child day care facility for 13 or more children; or 12 mos. experience as an operator of a program for 3 - 12 children (including as a family day care provider) and have 6 hours training in child care or early childhood education topics; or have 1 year (30 credit hours) college courses including 6 hours in field closely related to caring for children and 6 mos. experience or CDA.
Group Leader	Must be at least 18 and have a CDA; or 6 mos. working experience with a group of 13 or more children; or have 1 year (30 credits) college work in a child related field

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MAINE

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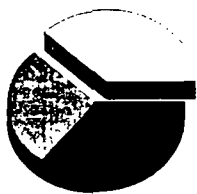
Office of Child Support Enforcement

Division of Support Enforcement and Recovery
Bureau of Income Maintenance
Department of Human Services
State House Station
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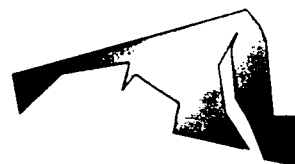
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MARYLAND



Demographic Information

1995 Population*	5,042,438
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	1,349,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	26.8%
1995 Children under 5*	368,055
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	10.1%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	



State Median Income: **\$57,951**

(4 person family, fiscal year 1997, *Federal Register*, Vol. 61, No. 54, pg. 11213)

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	77,660
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	15.9%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	777,014
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	67%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: **2,077**

(1997 *Child Day Care Center Licensing Study*, Children's Foundation)

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: **12,292**

(1996 *Family Child Care Licensing Study*, Children's Foundation)

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MARYLAND

Staff/Child Ratios

Center-based care

All information provided is for centers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

Age Range	Ratio
Infants	(1:3)
Young toddlers	(1:3)
2 years	(1:6)
Preschool	(1:10)
Schoolage	(1:15)
Mixed age group	varies by ages

Family Child Care Providers

All information provided is for providers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

Age Range	Ratio
All ages	(1:8) [no more than 2 children under age 2]

Staff Qualifications

Senior Staff	At least 20 years old with a high school diploma or equivalent or successful completion of courses for credit from accredited college or university; and 6 semester hours or 90 clock hours of approved training or CDA and either 1 year supervised work experience in group program for preschoolers or as a registered family child care provider, or 1 year of college or equivalent combination of college and experience; or at least 19 years old and hold AA degree in early childhood education or recreation. Persons approved or certified by State Department of Education as teacher for grades nursery through third grade are also considered qualified as senior staff.
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< <http://nrc.uchsc.edu> >

or call: (800) 598-KIDS

MARYLAND

Contact Information

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Child Care Food Program Administrator

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Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

Department of Human Resources --
(410) 767-7558 or
Child Protective Services --
(410) 767-6519

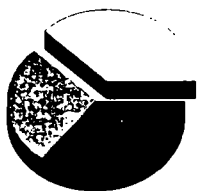
Office of Child Support Enforcement

Child Support Enforcement Administration
Maryland Department of Human Resources
311 West Saratoga Street
Baltimore, MD 21201
Phone: (410) 767-7619
(800) 332-3647 (in state only)
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MASSACHUSETTS



Demographic Information

1995 Population*	6,073,550
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	1,455,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	24.0%
1995 Children under 5*	412,862
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	11.0%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	



State Median Income: **\$58,695**

(4 person family, fiscal year 1997, *Federal Register*, Vol. 61, No. 54, pg. 11213)

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	96,534
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	20.4%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	848,561
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	63%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: **2,169**

(1997 *Child Day Care Center Licensing Study*, Children's Foundation)

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: **10,868**

(1996 *Family Child Care Licensing Study*, Children's Foundation)

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MASSACHUSETTS

Staff/Child Ratios

Center-based care

All information provided is for centers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

Age Range	Ratio
Infants	(1:3) and (2:4-7)
Toddlers	(1:4) and (2:5-9)
Preschool	(1:10) [full day center] (1:12) [half day center]
Schoolage	(1:13)
Mixed age group	(1:5) [infants up to 2 yrs. 9 mos.] (1:7) [2 yrs. 9 mos. to 7 years]

Family Child Care Providers

All information provided is for providers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

Age Range	Ratio
Infants	(1:3) [1 of the 3 infants must be at least 15 mos. and walking]
Under age of 7 years	(1:6) [includes children living in the home]

Staff Qualifications

Teacher	Must be at least 21 years old or have a high school diploma or equivalent and have at least 9 months of supervised work experience with children under 7 years old and have a three credit course in Child Growth and Development; or hold an associate or advanced degree in early childhood education or related field and 3 months required work experience; or hold a bachelor's degree in an unrelated field, and have 6 months required work experience, and have a three credit course in Child Growth and Development. To be considered an infant/toddler teacher, the required work experience includes time working with that age group.
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MASSACHUSETTS

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Child Care Food Program Administrator

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Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

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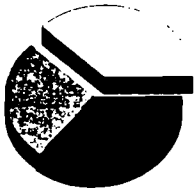
Office of Child Support Enforcement

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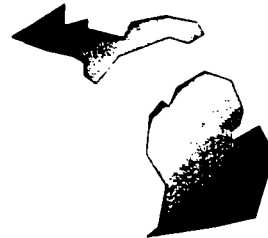
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MICHIGAN



Demographic Information

1995 Population*	9,549,353
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	2,700,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	28.3%
1995 Children under 5*	682,697
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	12.2%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	



State Median Income: **\$51,342**

(4 person family, fiscal year 1997, *Federal Register*, Vol. 61, No. 54, pg. 11213)

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	229,515
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	27.1%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	1,468,862
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	60%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: **4,598**

(based on state reports, January 1997)

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: **16,740**

(based on state reports, January 1997)

For additional statistical information on indicators of child well-being in the state, visit the Annie E. Casey "Kids Count" Web site at <<http://www.aecf.org/kc1997/kc1997.htm>>

MICHIGAN

Staff/Child Ratios

Center-based care

All information provided is for centers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

Age Range	Ratio
Infants (up to 30 months)	(1:4)
2 ½ to 3 years	(1:10)
4 to 5 years	(1:12)
6 to 12 years	(1:20)
13 to 17 years	(1:30)
Mixed age group	ratio for youngest child in group

Family Child Care Providers

All information provided is for providers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

Age Range	Ratio
All ages	(1:6) [includes family members under 7 years old; no more than 4 children under 30 months and no more than 2 of those children can be under 18 months]

Staff Qualifications

Staff	(None specified except for program director.)
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MICHIGAN

Contact Information

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Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

(517) 373-8300

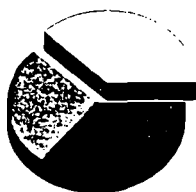
Office of Child Support Enforcement

Office of Child Support
Family Independence Agency
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MINNESOTA



Demographic Information

1995 Population*	4,609,548
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	1,319,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	28.6%
1995 Children under 5*	320,664
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	9.2%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	



State Median Income: **\$51,996**

(4 person family, fiscal year 1997, *Federal Register*, Vol. 61, No. 54, pg. 11213)

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	99,428
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	26.3%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	819,253
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	70%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: **1,519**

(based on state reports, 1997)

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: **15,556**

(based on state reports, February 1997)

For additional statistical information on indicators of child well-being in the state, visit the Annie E. Casey "Kids Count" Web site at <<http://www.aecf.org/kc1997/kc1997.htm>>

MINNESOTA

Staff/Child Ratios

Center-based care

All information provided is for centers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

Age Range	Ratio
Infants	(1:4)
Toddlers	(1:7)
Preschool	(1:10)
School-age	(1:15)
Mixed age group	ratio for youngest child in group

Family Child Care Providers

All information provided is for providers that are licensed or regulated by the State.

Age Range	Ratio
Minnesota has seven classes of Family Child Care, each with different ratios and requirements. The two categories shown here are for reference only. For more detailed information, contact the state licensing agency listed below.	
Family Child Care (All ages)	(1:10) [with 3 infants and toddlers and no more than a maximum of 6 preschool age children and 4 school age children] [infants defined as 12 months and under; toddlers defined as 12 - 30 months] [ratio includes provider's own children 11 years of age and younger]
Group Family Child Care (All ages)	(1:10) [with 3 infants and toddlers and no more than 6 preschool age children and 2 school-age children] [infants defined as 12 months and under; toddlers defined as 12 - 30 months] [ratio includes provider's own children 11 years of age and younger]

MINNESOTA

Staff Qualifications

Teacher	Must be at least 18 and have a high school diploma or GED plus 24 post-secondary quarter credits and 4,160 hrs. experience as assistant teacher ; or a diploma from the Association of Montessori Schools International with a Preprimary Credential or a primary diploma or provisional certificate from the American Montessori Society without a baccalaureate and 12 post-secondary quarter credits and 2080 hours as assistant teacher, aide, or student intern; or a preprimary credential, primary diploma, or provisional certificate from the Association of Montessori Schools International with a baccalaureate degree and 1040 hours as assistant teacher, aide, or student intern; or a Minnesota technical institute certificate as a CDA with 6 quarter credits and 2080 hrs. as an assistant teacher; or a CDA (center or family day care) for preschool or infants and toddlers from the Council on Early Childhood Professional Recognition and 1560 hours as assistant teacher, aide, or student intern; or license from MN Department of Education as a Prekindergarten Associate or a certificate or credential from a 2-year program from an accredited community college or technical college in child development or early childhood education with 6 quarter credits and 1040 hours as assistant teacher, aide, or student intern; or a baccalaureate from accredited college or university in any field with 18 quarter credits and 1040 hours as assistant teacher, aide, or intern; or a license from the MN Department of Education for elementary education without a kindergarten endorsement and 6 quarter credits within 1 year of employment and 520 hours as an assistant or aide teaching children under school age; or a license from the MN Dept. of Ed. for prekindergarten/nursery or license for elementary education with a kindergarten endorsement.
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MINNESOTA

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