

MISSISSIPPI



Demographic Information



1995 Population*	2,697,243
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	770,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	28.5%
1995 Children under 5*	208,557
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	23.5%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	

State Median Income: \$37,003

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

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	105,217
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	39.0%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	461,509
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	62%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: 1,546

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

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: 1,865

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

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MISSISSIPPI

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 - 11 months	(1:3-5)
1 year olds	(1:7-9)
2 years	(1:10-12)
3 years	(1:12-14)
4 years	(1:14-16)
5 years and up	(1:14-20)
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)

Staff Qualifications

Caregiver	Must be at least 18 years old and hold a high school diploma or GED or have a CDA credential or have 3 years prior experience as a caregiver or caregiver's assistant.
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< <http://nrc.uchsc.edu> >
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MISSISSIPPI

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Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

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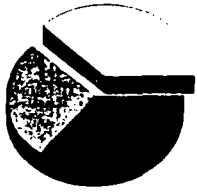
Office of Child Support Enforcement

Division of Child Support Enforcement
Department of Human Services
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Jackson, MS 39202
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State Home Page

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

MISSOURI



Demographic Information



1995 Population*	5,323,523
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	1,226,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	23.0%
1995 Children under 5*	369,321
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	9.4%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	

State Median Income: **\$44,266**

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

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	123,099
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	26.8%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	853,173
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	65%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: **1,688**

(based on state reports, February 1997)

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

(based on state reports, February 1997)

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MISSOURI

Staff/Child Ratios

Center-based care

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<i>Age Range</i>	<i>Ratio</i>
Infants	(1:4)
Toddlers	(1:8)
Preschool	(1:10)
Schoolage	(1:16)

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	(1:4)
All ages	(1:10) [ages of children determine necessity of assistant]

Staff Qualifications

Staff	Must be at least 18 years old and meet general health requirements.
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MISSOURI

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Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

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Child Care Administrator

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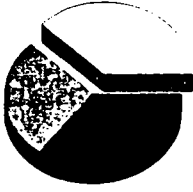
Office of Child Support Enforcement

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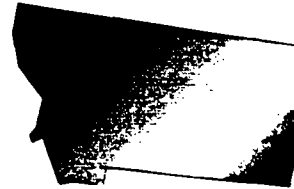
State Home Page

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

MONTANA



Demographic Information



1995 Population*	870,281
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	222,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	25.5%
1995 Children under 5*	56,982
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	15.3%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	

State Median Income: \$39,219

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

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	22,123
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	28.7%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	141,759
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	64%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: 251

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

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: 1,726

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

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MONTANA

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	(1:8)
Preschool	(1:10)
Schoolage	(1:14)

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 who are under 6 years old]

Staff Qualifications

Primary Caregiver	Must be at least 18 years old and have 2 years experience as a licensed/registered family day care home provider or day care center staff or a BA in education or a related field. Must also have sufficient language skills and complete a minimum of 8 hours of specified training in the first year of employment.
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MONTANA

Contact Information

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Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

800-332-6100

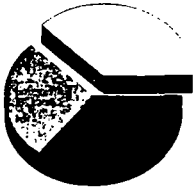
Office of Child Support Enforcement

Child Support Enforcement Division
Montana Department of Public Health and
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Helena, MT 59620
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(800) 346-5437 (in state only)
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State Home Page

<http://www.mt.gov/>

NEBRASKA



Demographic Information

1995 Population*	1,637,112
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	474,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	29.0%
1995 Children under 5*	114,141
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	9.6%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	



State Median Income: **\$45,497**

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

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	25,961
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	17.0%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	307,357
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	72%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: **707**

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

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: **4,075**

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

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NEBRASKA

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	(1:6)
Preschool (3 years)	(1:10)
Preschool (4 - 5 years)	(1:12)
Schoolage	(1:15)
Mixed age group	center wide ratio count

Family Child Care Providers

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

Age Range	Ratio
Infants	(1:4)
All ages	(1:8) [includes provider's own children under 8 years old; no more than 2 children may be under 18 months old; additionally, there may be 2 school age children during non-school hours]
Mixed age group	(1:8) [no more than 2 infants at one time]
Schoolage	(1:10)

Staff Qualifications

Staff	Must be "legal age of majority" and have a written, department-approved plan to acquire at least 3 credit hours or 15 clock hours of Department-approved in-service training in child development/early childhood education or child care administration within 12 months of hiring; or a CDA; or a bachelor's or associate's degree in a field related to care and education of children ages 0 - 12 years (e.g., early childhood education, child development, elementary education, or special education); or one year verified group experience with a positive reference from a supervisor.
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NEBRASKA

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Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

(800) 652-1999

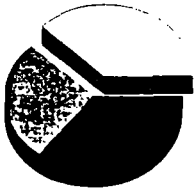
Office of Child Support Enforcement

Child Support Enforcement Office
Department of Social Services
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Lincoln, NE 68509-5044
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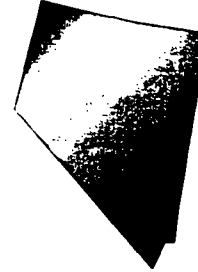
State Home Page

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

NEVADA



Demographic Information



1995 Population*	1,530,108
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	399,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	26.1 %
1995 Children under 5*	119,218
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	11.1 %
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	

State Median Income: **\$47,929**

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

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	21,115
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	17.7
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	189,752
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	64 %
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: **405**

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

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: **595**

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

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NEVADA

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>
	Varies depending on age of children; whenever one or more infants or toddlers are being cared for in a child care center, the licensee must have at least one caretaker on duty who is designated to provide that 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>
All ages	(1:6) [not including family members; maximum of 4 children under 2 years, with no more than 2 children under 1 year]

Staff Qualifications

Caretaker	Must be at least 16 years old and have completed, or be currently enrolled in, an approved course in the development of children. Must complete a course of training in child care within 6 months of employment unless such a course was completed within the previous 12 months.
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NEVADA

Contact Information

Licensing Agency

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Child Care Food Program Administrator

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Health and Safety Team
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Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

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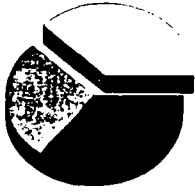
Office of Child Support Enforcement

Child Support Enforcement Program
Nevada State Welfare Division
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Carson City, NV 89710
Phone: (702) 687-4744
(800) 922-0900 (in state only)

State Home Page

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

NEW HAMPSHIRE



Demographic Information



1995 Population*	1,148,253
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	289,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	25.2%
1995 Children under 5*	76,269
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	5.3%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	

State Median Income: **\$51,491**

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

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	10,389
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	11.2
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	194,497
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	70%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: **790**

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

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: **453**

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

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NEW HAMPSHIRE

Staff/Child Ratios

Center-based care

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

Age Range	Ratio
6 wks. - 12 mos.	(1:4)
13 mos. - 24 mos.	(1:5)
25 mos. - 35 mos.	(1:6)
36 mos. - 47 mos.	(1:8)
48 mos. - 59 mos.	(1:12)
60 mos. and older	(1:15)
Mixed age group	ratio based on average age of group

Family Child Care Providers

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

Age Range	Ratio
	One provider may care for any one of the following groups of children (includes the provider's own biological or adopted children, foster and resident children up to 10 years of age: 1) 6 preschool children and 3 school age children provided that no more than 3 children shall be under 36 months of age of which no more than 2 shall be under 19 months of age. 2) 5 preschool children and 3 school age children provided that no more than 4 children shall be under 36 months of age of which no more than 2 children shall be under 24 months of age. 3) 4 children under 36 months of age. 4) 6 preschool children and 3 school age children provided that no more than 4 children shall be under 36 months of age (requires an assistant/aide).

Staff Qualifications

Teacher	Must have a high school diploma and 12 college credits in early childhood education including 3 credits in human growth and development; or minimum of 3 calendar years of at least 20 hours/week supervised child care experience with a written recommendation from supervisor and 6 college credits in early childhood education or human growth and development; or 144 hours of workshops, courses or in-service training with at least 36 hours in growth and development and the remainder in early childhood education; or employment on 7/24/90 as a teacher in a NH licensed facility and 5 years experience as a teacher.
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NEW HAMPSHIRE

Contact Information

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Child Care Food Program Administrator

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Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

Licensing Office: (603) 271-4624

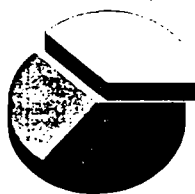
Office of Child Support Enforcement

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State Home Page

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NEW JERSEY



Demographic Information

1995 Population*	7,945,298
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	1,947,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	24.5%
1995 Children under 5*	577,194
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	7.8%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	



State Median Income: **\$60,697**

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

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	120,420
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	17.3%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	1,086,560
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	60%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: **3,000**

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

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: **4,400**

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

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NEW JERSEY

Staff/Child Ratios

Center-based care

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Age Range	Ratio
0 - 18 months	(1:4)
18 months - 2 ½ years	(1:7)
2 ½ - 4 years	(1:10)
4 - 5 years	(1:15)
6 years and schoolage	(1:18)

Family Child Care Providers

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

Age Range	Ratio
Infants	(1:3)
Preschool and older	(1:5) [3 additional children are allowed if they reside in the home or are the assistant's or substitute's children]

Staff Qualifications

Group Teacher	Associate degree in early childhood education or child development; or 15 college credits including at least 6 in early childhood education or child development with the remainder from education, psychology, health care, nursing or other fields related to child growth and development; or credential as a CDA or as a Recreation Technician from National Recreation Professionals Association (NRPA).
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NEW JERSEY

Contact Information

Licensing Agency

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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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NEW MEXICO



Demographic Information

1995 Population*	1,685,401
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	605,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	35.9%
1995 Children under 5*	138,303
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	25.3%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	



State Median Income: \$37,170

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

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	47,655
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	33.1%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	254,001
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	57%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: 600

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

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: 299

(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>>

NEW MEXICO

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	(1:6)
Toddlers	(1:6)
Preschool	(1:12)
Schoolage	(1:15)
Mixed age group	same as above

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) and (2:7-12) [with no more than 2 children under the age of 2 years; includes provider's children under the age of 6 years]

Staff Qualifications

Staff	Must be at least 18 years old.
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or call: (800) 598-KIDS

NEW MEXICO

Contact Information

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Chief
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Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

(505) 827-8400

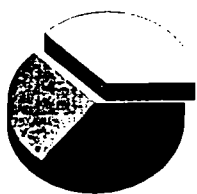
Office of Child Support Enforcement

Child Support Enforcement Bureau
Department of Human Services
P.O. Box 25109
Santa Fe, NM 87504
Phone: (505) 827-7200
(800) 432-6217 (in state only)
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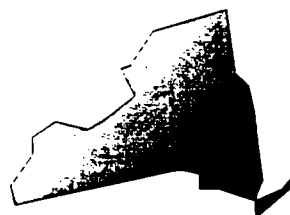
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NEW YORK



Demographic Information

1995 Population*	18,136,081
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	4,768,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	26.3%
1995 Children under 5*	1,359,704
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	16.5%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	



State Median Income: **\$50,964**

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

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	447,658
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)†	2,367,594
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	56%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: **2,689**

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

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: **16,424**

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

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NEW YORK

Staff/Child Ratios

Center-based care

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Age Range	Ratio
6 wks. - 1½ year	(1:4)
1½ year - 3 years	(1:4) or (1:5)
3 years	(1:6) or (1:7)
4 years	(1:7) or (1:8)
5 years	(1:8) or (1:9)
6 - 10 years	(1:10)
10 - 12 years	(1:15)

Family Child Care Providers

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

Age Range	Ratio
6 wks. - 12 years	(1:6) For Family Child Care: [no more than 2 children under the age of 2 years; no more than 5 children if any child present is under age 2; up to two additional school age children may be cared for with Department approval following an on-site visit] For Group Family Child Care: [no more than 4 children under the age of 2 years; no more than 6 children under the age of 3 years; no more than 10 children if any child present is under age 2; up to two additional school-age children may be cared for with Department approval following an on-site visit]

Staff Qualifications

Heads of Groups	Must have an AA in early childhood education, child development, or another child-related area; or CDA credential and 2 years experience related to caring for children; or high school diploma or equivalent and 3 years experience. Additionally, if caring for a group of children under the age of 3 years, must have 1 year experience and/or training specifically in Infant and Toddler care.
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NEW YORK

Contact Information

Licensing Agency

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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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Albany, NY 12260
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(800) 343-8859 (in state only)
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NORTH CAROLINA



Demographic Information

1995 Population*	7,195,138
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	1,542,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	21.4%
1995 Children under 5*	513,888
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	12.6%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	



State Median Income: **\$44,582**

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

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	138,154
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	23.9%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	1,086,801
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	68%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: **3,546**

(based on state reports, January 1997)

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: **4,466**

(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>

NORTH CAROLINA

Staff/Child Ratios

Center-based care

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

Age Range	Ratio
Up to 1 year old	(1:5)
1 - 2 years	(1:6)
2 - 3 years	(1:10)
3 - 4 years	(1:15)
4 - 5 years	(1:20)
5 years	(1:25)

Family Child Care Providers

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

Age Range	Ratio
Infants and Preschool	(1:5) [may also care for 3 additional school age children; maximum of 8 children at any one time including provider's own preschool children]

Staff Qualifications

Staff	Must be at least 18 years old and meet general health requirements.
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NORTH CAROLINA

Contact Information

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Child Care Resource Center Hotline
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Head Start Collaboration Liaison

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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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Special Nutrition Programs
Division of Maternal and Child Health
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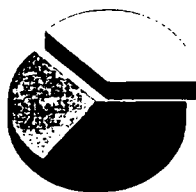
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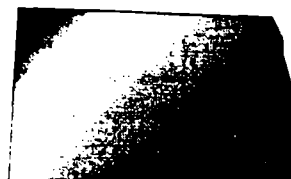
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NORTH DAKOTA



Demographic Information

1995 Population*	641,367
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	176,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	27.4%
1995 Children under 5*	41,830
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	12.0%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	



State Median Income: **\$42,222**

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

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	9,084
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)†	121,643
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	69%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: **89**

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

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: **1,704**
(+ 1,229 voluntary "self-certified/standard compliance" 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>>

NORTH DAKOTA

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 - 24 months	(1:4)
2 years	(1:5)
3 years	(1:7)
4 years	(1:10)
5 years	(1:12)
6 - 12 years	(1:18)

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	(1:7) [plus 2 additional school age children before and after school]

Staff Qualifications

Child Care Supervisor	Must have training and demonstrated ability to work with young children and have at least one of the following: AA in early childhood development; or CDA or similar local, state, or federal certification; or Montessori teacher certification; or HS diploma and one year experience in child care or a similar setting; or HS equivalency and one year experience in child care or a similar setting.
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NORTH DAKOTA

Contact Information

Licensing Agency

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Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

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Child Care Administrator

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Child Care Food Program Administrator

Director
Child Nutrition and
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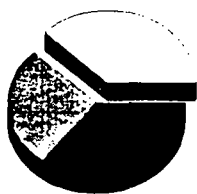
Office of Child Support Enforcement

Department of Human Services
Child Support Enforcement Agency
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Bismarck, ND 58507
Phone: (701) 328-3582
(800) 755-8530 (in state only)
Fax: (701) 328-5497

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OHIO



Demographic Information

1995 Population*	11,150,506
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	3,004,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	26.9%
1995 Children under 5*	772,833
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	11.5%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	



State Median Income: **\$46,848**

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

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	195,108
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	19.8%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	1,677,613
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	60%
† <i>Working Mother "State of the States,"</i> May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: **3,717**

(based on state reports)

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: **7,285**
(including 6,998 certified [licensed] family child care providers and 1,287 certified relative family child care providers)

(based on state reports)

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>>

OHIO

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) and (1:6)
Toddlers	(1:7) and (1:8)
Preschool	(1:12) and (1:14)
Schoolage	(1:18) and (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	(1:6) [includes provider's children under 6 years of age; and no more than 3 may be under 2 years of age]

Staff Qualifications

Child Care Staff Member	Must be at least 18 years old and have a high school education and complete a training program approved by the Department of Human Services. Such approved programs include a vocational education home economics course or a Child Care Job Training Program for Adults which must include completing 5 required and 3 elective courses for a total of 160 contact hours.
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OHIO

Contact Information

Licensing Agency

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Columbus, OH 43215

Jane Wiechel
Ohio Department of Education
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Columbus, OH 43215-4183
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Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

County Children's Services Board or County Human Services Department. Contact district offices of Human Services Department in Columbus, Cleveland, Cincinnati, Canton, or Toledo for appropriate referral for particular county.

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Child Care Food Program Administrator

Director
School Food Services Division
State Department of Education
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Columbus, OH 43215
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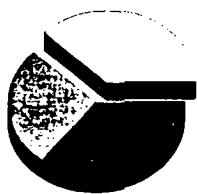
Office of Child Support Enforcement

Office of Family Assistance and Child Support
Ohio Department of Human Services
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OKLAHOMA



Demographic Information



1995 Population*	3,277,687
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	840,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	25.6%
1995 Children under 5*	230,362
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	17.1%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	

State Median Income: \$38,787

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

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	84,181
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	28.0%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	508,983
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	61%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: 1,768

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

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: 3,783

(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>>

OKLAHOMA

Staff/Child Ratios

Center-based care

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

Age Range	Ratio
0 - 9 months	(1:4) [maximum group size - 8]
10 - 23 months	(1:6) [maximum group size - 12]
2 years	(1:8) [maximum group size - 16]
3 years	(1:12) [maximum group size - 24]
4 and 5 years	(1:15) [maximum group size - 30]
6 years and over	(1:20) [maximum group size - 40]

Family Child Care Providers

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

Age Range	Ratio
	Provider may care for: 1) maximum of 7 children (the number includes the provider's own children under 5 years of age) and not more than 2 children under age 2 years. 2) maximum number of 6 children with 3 under age 2. 3) maximum number of 5 children with 4 or 5 under the age of 2 years.

Staff Qualifications

Teachers	Must be at least 18 years old and have a HS diploma or GED or be in the process of receiving a GED.
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OKLAHOMA

Contact Information

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Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

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Office of Child Support Enforcement

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Oklahoma City, OK 73152
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(800) 522-2922 (in state only)
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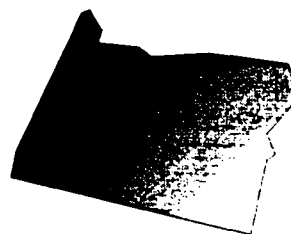
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OREGON



Demographic Information

1995 Population*	3,140,585
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	839,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	26.7%
1995 Children under 5*	209,591
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	11.2%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	



State Median Income: **\$44,432**

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

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	56,697
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	22.8%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	449,247
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	62%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: **933**

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

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: **12,509**

(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>

OREGON

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	(1:10)
Schoolage	(1:15)
Mixed age group	ratio of 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	(1:10) [6 preschool children and 4 school age children, including provider's own children; restrictions also apply to ages of preschool children]

Staff Qualifications

Teachers	Must be at least 18 years old and have either 20 semester hours of training in a college or university in early childhood education, child development, or special education; or a Child Development Associate credential; or at least one year successful, full-time work in a group program for children.
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OREGON

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Fax: (503) 373-7968

Child Care Food Program Administrator

Program Manager
Child Nutrition and Food Distribution Programs
Oregon Department of Education
255 Capitol Street, NE
Salem, OR 97310-0203
Phone: (503) 378-3579 ext. 469

Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

(503) 378-4722

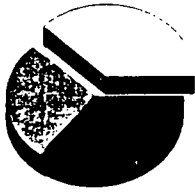
Office of Child Support Enforcement

Recovery Services Section
Adult and Family Services Division
Department of Human Resources
260 Liberty Street, NE
Salem, OR 97310
Phone: (503) 378-4489

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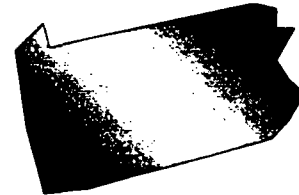
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PENNSYLVANIA



Demographic Information

1995 Population*	12,071,842
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	3,042,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	25.2%
1995 Children under 5*	784,339
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	12.2%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	



State Median Income: **\$49,120**

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

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	197,331
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	19.6%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	1,654,671
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	59%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States." May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: **3,281**

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

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: **4,346**

(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>>

PENNSYLVANIA

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)
Young toddlers	(1:5)
Older toddlers	(1:6)
Preschool	(1:10)
Young schoolage	(1:12)
Older schoolage	(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
All ages	(1:6) [no more than 2 of whom may be infants and no more than 5 may be a combination of infants and toddlers]

Staff Qualifications

Staff	Must be at least 18 years old and have a Child Development Associate credential or equivalent ; such as 15 credits from an accredited college or university in early childhood education or child development and one year of experience; or 30 credits from an accredited college or university in early childhood education or child development.
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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

PENNSYLVANIA

Contact Information

Licensing Agency

Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare
Bureau of Child Day Care Services
Office of Children, Youth and Families
Complex 3, 4th Floor
P.O. Box 2675
Harrisburg, PA 17105
Phone: (717) 787-8691
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Child Care Administrator

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Director
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Bureau of Child Day Care Services
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Head Start Collaboration Liaison

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Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare
Health and Welfare Building, Room 330-B
P.O. Box 2675
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Phone: (717) 787-2600
Fax: (717) 772-2062

Child Care Food Program Administrator

Susan Still, Administrator
Pennsylvania CACFP
Department of Education
333 Market Street, 4th Floor
Harrisburg, PA 17126-0333
Phone: (717) 787-7698

Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

(800) 932-0313

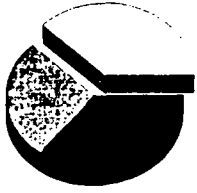
Office of Child Support Enforcement

Bureau of Child Support Enforcement
Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare
P.O. Box 8018
Harrisburg, PA 17105
Phone: (717) 787-3672
(800) 932-0211 (in state only)
Fax: (717) 787-9706

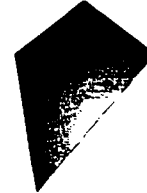
State Home Page

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RHODE ISLAND



Demographic Information



1995 Population*	989,794
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	234,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	23.6%
1995 Children under 5*	67,570
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	10.6%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	

State Median Income: \$51,709

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

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	17,657
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	21.6%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	143,436
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	64%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: 320

(based on state reports, January 1, 1997)

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: 714

(based on state reports, January 1, 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>>

RHODE ISLAND

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	(1:6)
3 years	(1:9)
4 years	(1:10)
5 years	(1:12)
Schoolage	(1:13)
Mixed age group	depends on number/age of 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
	If care is provided to child under 18 months of age, care for no more than 4 children under 6 years, no more than 2 of which can be under the age of 18 months; providers may have up to 8 children if there is an approved assistant; no more than 4 may be under 18 months old.

Staff Qualifications

Teacher	Must have a current Rhode Island certificate in early childhood education or a bachelor's or master's degree in early childhood education from an accredited or approved school and a minimum of three months supervised teaching experience in a licensed or approved early childhood program (which may be a student teaching experience) or a bachelor's degree from an accredited or approved school and required course work and experience defined in Rhode Island Early Childhood Certification standards.
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<<http://nrc.uchsc.edu>>
or call: (800) 598-KIDS

RHODE ISLAND

Contact Information

Licensing Agency

Department of Children, Youth and Families
Day Care Licensing, Bldg. 3
610 Mount Pleasant Avenue
Providence, RI 02908
Phone: (401) 277-4741
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Child Care Administrator

Barbara Gianola
Administrator
Rhode Island Department of Human Services
Community Services - Individual Family Support
Services
Louis Pasteur Bldg. #57
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Phone: (401) 464-3415
Fax: (401) 464-1881

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Child Care Food Program Administrator

Financial and Administrative Manager
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Rhode Island Department of Education
Shepard Building
255 Westminster Street
Providence, RI 02903-3400
Phone: (401) 277-4600

Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

(800) RICHILD -- (800) 742 - 4453

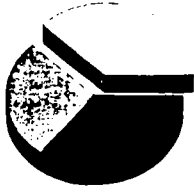
Office of Child Support Enforcement

Rhode Island Child Support Services
Department of Administration/Division of
Taxation
77 Dorrance Street
Providence, RI 02903
Phone: (401) 277-2847
(800) 922-0536 (in state only)
Fax: (401) 277-6674

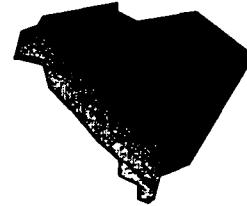
State Home Page

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SOUTH CAROLINA



Demographic Information



1995 Population*	3,673,287
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	1,050,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	25.6%
1995 Children under 5*	262,833
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	19.9%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	

State Median Income: **\$43,556**

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

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	92,971
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	29.8%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	609,134
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	66%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: **1,342**

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

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: **404**
(+ 2,130 "registered" family day 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>

SOUTH CAROLINA

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	(1:6)
1 - 2 years	(1:6)
2 - 3 years	(1:10)
3 - 4 years	(1:14)
4 - 5 years	(1:19)
5 - 6 years	(1:22)
6 - 12 years	(1:24)
Mixed age groups	as indicated

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 family members under age 12]

Staff Qualifications

Staff	Must be at least 18 years old and able to read and write. Must have a high school diploma or GED and at least 6 months experience as a caregiver in a licensed/approved facility and complete 6 hours of training in child growth and development/early childhood education within 6 months of hiring.
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< <http://nrc.uchsc.edu> >
or call: (800) 598-KIDS

SOUTH CAROLINA

Contact Information

Licensing Agency

Department of Social Services
Division of Child Day Care Licensing and
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Columbia, SC 29202
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Child Care Administrator

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Columbia, SC 29202-8206
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Head Start Collaboration Liaison

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Child Care Food Program Administrator

Director
Food Service Operations
State Department of Social Services
P.O. Box 1520
Columbia, SC 29202-1520
Phone: (803) 734-2800

Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

Regional Offices of the Department of Social
Services

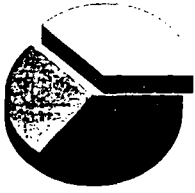
Office of Child Support Enforcement

Department of Social Services
Child Support Enforcement Division
P.O. Box 1469
Columbia, SC 29202-1469
Phone: (803) 737-5870
(800) 768-5858
(800) 768-6779 (in state only)
Fax: (803) 737-6032

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

SOUTH DAKOTA



Demographic Information



1995 Population*	729,034
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	201,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	27.6%
1995 Children under 5*	52,310
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	14.5%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	

State Median Income: **\$42,964**

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

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	12,747
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	20.2%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	139,724
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	70%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: **143**

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

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: **1,251**

(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>>

SOUTH DAKOTA

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 (up to 3 years)	(1:5)
Preschool (3 - 6 years)	(1:10)
Schoolage	(1:15)
Mixed age group	according to number in each group

Family Child Care Providers

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

Age Range	Ratio
All ages	(1:12) [with no more than 4 children under the age of 2 years and no more than 2 of those 4 can be under the age of 1; provider's children under the age of 6 must be counted]

Staff Qualifications

Teacher	Must be at least 18 years old and have a bachelor's in fields of education or human development and at least 2 years experience in child care; or a bachelor's in elementary education and at least 2 years experience in child care; or a bachelor's in elementary education if working only with school-age children; or a bachelor's in early childhood education; or and associate's in early childhood development; or certification as a Child Development Associate; or certification in Montessori teacher training program and at least 1 year experience in a Montessori school or child care setting; or a child development technician diploma; or at least 5 years supervised experience in a child care center; or a prekindergarten teacher endorsement.
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< <http://nrc.uchsc.edu> >
or call: (800) 598-KIDS

SOUTH DAKOTA

Contact Information

Licensing Agency

South Dakota Department of Social Services
Child Care Services
Kneip Building
700 Governors Drive
Pierre, SD 57501-2291
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Child Care Administrator

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Program Administrator
South Dakota Department of Social Services
Child Care Services
700 Governors Drive
Pierre, SD 57501-2291
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Head Start Collaboration Liaison

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700 Governors Drive
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Child Care Food Program Administrator

Director
Child and Adult Nutrition Services
Department of Education and
Cultural Affairs
700 Governors Drive
Pierre, SD 57501-2291
Phone: (605) 773-3413

Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

Local Department of Social Services Office or
local law enforcement agency

Office of Child Support Enforcement

Office of Child Support Enforcement
Department of Social Services
700 Governor's Drive
Pierre, SD 57501-2291
Phone: (605) 773-3641
Fax: (605) 773-6834

State Home Page

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

TENNESSEE



Demographic Information

1995 Population*	5,256,051
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	1,474,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	28.0%
1995 Children under 5*	365,477
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	15.5%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	



State Median Income: **\$42,132**

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

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	135,799
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	35.5%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	762,490
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	63%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: **2,740**

(based on state reports, 1997)

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: **1,759**
(+800 "registered" family child care homes)

(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>>

TENNESSEE

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	(1:7)
2 years	(1:8)
3 years	(1:10)
4 years	(1:15)
5 years	(1:20)
Schoolage	(1:25)
Mixed age group	ranges from 1:6 for infants/toddlers to 1:20 for 4 and 5 years old

Family Child Care Providers

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

Age Range	Ratio
All ages	(1:7) [includes related children under 9 years old and the number of children under 2 years old shall not exceed 4]

Staff Qualifications

Caregivers	Must be at least 18 years old and able to read and write, have a high school diploma or equivalent.
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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

TENNESSEE

Contact Information

Licensing Agency

Tennessee Department of Human Services
Day Care Licensing Unit
Citizens Plaza
400 Deaderick Street
Nashville, TN 37248-9800
Phone: (615) 313-4778
Fax: (615) 532-9956

Child Care Administrator

Tennessee Department of Human Services
Day Care Services
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Fax: (615) 532-9956

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Jan Bushing
Phone: (615) 741-0345 Fax: (615) 741-6236

Tennessee Department of Education
Office of School-Based Support Services
710 James Robertson Parkway
Nashville, TN 37243-0375

Child Care Food Program Administrator

Director
Adult and Community Programs
Tennessee Department of Human Services
Citizens Plaza State Office Bldg., 15th Floor
400 Deadrick Street
Nashville, TN 37248-9500
Phone: (615) 313-4769

Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

24-hour "hotline" in every county

Office of Child Support Enforcement

Child Support Services
Tennessee Department of Human Services
Citizens Plaza Building, 12th Floor
400 Deadrick Street
Nashville, TN 37248-7400
Phone: (615) 726-0530
(800) 874-0530
Fax: (615) 532-2791

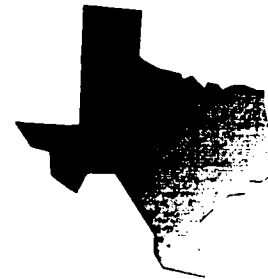
State Home Page

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TEXAS



Demographic Information



1995 Population*	18,723,991
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	5,455,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	29.1%
1995 Children under 5*	1,581,624
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	17.4%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	

State Median Income: \$42,570

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

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	457,332
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	27.6%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	2,819,313
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	58%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: 7,445

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

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: 13,936

(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>>

TEXAS

Staff/Child Ratios

Center-based care

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

Age Range	Ratio
Current Staff/Child Ratios	
0 - 11 months	(1:5)
12 - 17 months	(1:6)
Toddlers and older	depends on the age of the youngest child in group and number of children of youngest age
Effective September 1, 1997	
0 - 12 months	(1:4) and (2:10)
13 - 17 months	(1:5) and (2:12)
18 - 23 months	(1:7) and (2:15)
2 years	(1:9) and (2:18)
3 years	(1:13) and (2:26)
4 years	(1:16) and (2:28)
5 years	(1:20) and (2:30)
6 - 8 years	(1:22) and (2:35)
9 - 13 years	(1:25) and (2:35)

Family Child Care Providers

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

Age Range	Ratio
Preschool	(1:6) [plus 6 school age children under 14 years of age; includes the caregiver's own children]

Staff Qualifications

Staff	Must be at least 18 years old and have a high school diploma or equivalent.
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<<http://nrc.uchsc.edu>> or call: (800) 598-KIDS

TEXAS

Contact Information

Licensing Agency

Department of Protective and Regulatory
Services
Child Care Licensing
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Austin, TX 78714-9030
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Fax: (512) 438-3848

Child Care Administrator

Charlotte Brantley
Director of Child Care and Development
Texas Workforce Commission
Child Care Services/Work and Family
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Fax: (512) 232-1853

Child Care Food Program Administrator

Director
Special Nutrition Programs Y-904
Client Self-Support Services
Texas Department of Human Services
P.O. Box 149030
Austin, TX 78714-9030
Phone: (512) 483-3941

Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

(800) 252-5400

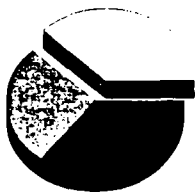
Office of Child Support Enforcement

Office of the Attorney General
Child Support Division
P.O. Box 12017
Austin, TX 78711-2017
Phone: (512) 463-2181
(800) 252-8014
Fax: (512) 476-1017

State Home Page

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

UTAH



Demographic Information

1995 Population*	1,951,408
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	712,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	36.5%
1995 Children under 5*	183,818
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	8.4%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	



State Median Income: **\$44,871**

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

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	29,124
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	13.6%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	372,838
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	59%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: **320**

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

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: **2,690**

(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>

UTAH

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 (under 2 years old)	(1:4)
2 years	(1:7)
3 years	(1:12)
4 years	(1:15)
5 years	(1:20)

Family Child Care Providers

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

Age Range	Ratio
Infants	(1:3)
All ages	(1:6) [of which no more than 2 children may be less than 2 years old; if all children are 2 years old, then 6 children plus 2 school age children may be cared for, but if one child is under age 2, then 6 children plus 1 school age child may be cared for] [all ratios include the caregiver's own children under age 6 and those who have not completed kindergarten]

Staff Qualifications

Caregivers and group leaders	Must be at least 18 years old with a HS diploma or GED.
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or call: (800) 598-KIDS

UTAH

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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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Utah State Office of Education
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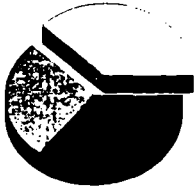
Office of Child Support Enforcement

Bureau of Child Support Services
Department of Human Services
Street: 515 East 100 South
Salt Lake City, UT 84102
Mail: P.O. Box 45011
Salt Lake City, UT 84145
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VERMONT



Demographic Information



1995 Population*	584,771
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	162,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	27.7%
1995 Children under 5*	37,092
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	10.3%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	

State Median Income: \$46,320

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

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	9,654
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	18.0%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	99,399
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	69%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: 500

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

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: 1,770

(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>>

VERMONT

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)
Preschool	(1:10)
Schoolage	(1:13)
Mixed age group	lowest ratio

Family Child Care Providers

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

Age Range	Ratio
Infants	(1:2) [includes provider's children under 2 years of age]
All ages	(1:6) [plus additional 4 school age children for not more than 4 hours per day on a before and/or after school basis, not including provider's children over 2 years of age]

Staff Qualifications

Staff	Must be at least 18 years old (17 years old if a vo-tech child care student or graduate) and have a CDA or CCP (Child Care Professional) credential; or an associate degree in early childhood or human/child development; or one year successful experience working with young children and one higher ed. course in early childhood education or human/child development.
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VERMONT

Contact Information

Licensing Agency

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Child Care Food Program Administrator

Child Care Coordinator
State Department of Education
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Phone: (802) 828-2447

Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

(802) 241-2131

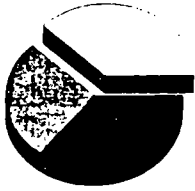
Office of Child Support Enforcement

Office of Child Support
103 South Main Street
Waterbury, VT 05671-1901
Phone: (802) 241-2319
(800) 786-3214
Fax: (802) 244-1483

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

VIRGINIA



Demographic Information



1995 Population*	6,618,358
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	1,478,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	22.3%
1995 Children under 5*	463,688
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	10.2%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	

State Median Income: \$49,453

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

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	87,960
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	15.8%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	977,264
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	65%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: 2,278

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

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: 2,122

(+ 1,413 "voluntarily registered" family child care homes and 1,300 city/county regulated providers participating in federal assistance programs)

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

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VIRGINIA

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)
Young toddlers	(1:5)
2 and 3 years	(1:10)
4 years	(1:12)
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
0 - 15 months	(1:4)
16 - 23 months	(1:5)
2 - 4 years	(1:8)
5 - 9 years	(1:16)
10 years and older	these children shall not count in determining any ratio
Mixed age group	a point system shall be applied to determine the need for an assistant

Staff Qualifications

Program leaders	Must be at least 18 years old and have a high school diploma or GED. If hired or promoted after 11/1/93, must also have an endorsement or BA in a child-related field; or 48 semester hours from accredited college or university, at least 12 of which are in a subject relating to group care of children and 6 months of age-appropriate experience; or a 1 year early childhood certificate from an accredited college or university of at least 30 semester hours and 6 months of age-appropriate experience; or a CDA credential or equivalent; or one year age appropriate program experience in group care and participation in a staff training plan of at least 10 hours in first year of employment.
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VIRGINIA

Contact Information

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Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

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Office of Child Support Enforcement

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

WASHINGTON



Demographic Information



1995 Population*	5,430,940
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	1,405,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	25.8%
1995 Children under 5*	385,897
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	12.5%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	

State Median Income: **\$48,932**

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

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	74,255
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	16.5%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	758,004
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	60%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: **1,833**

(based on state reports, 1997)

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: **8,270**

(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>>

WASHINGTON

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)
Schoolage	(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
	Providers may care for up to 12 children with a qualified assistant; provider with 1 year of experience may care for 10 children alone if none are under 5 years of age; provider with 2 years of experience, an ECE course and an assistant may care for a maximum of 4 children under 2 years of age. May have up to 12 children including provider's own children. Must be 2 providers when there are more than 2 children under age of 2; 7 or more children are in care and any child is under age 2; or, more than 10 children of any age.

Staff Qualifications

Child care staff	Must be 18 years old or older and have a high school education or equivalent or child development knowledge and experience.
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WASHINGTON

Contact Information

Licensing Agency

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Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

(360) 753-0613

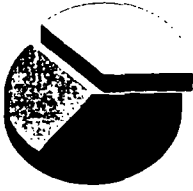
Office of Child Support Enforcement

Child Support Enforcement Division/DSHS
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Olympia, WA 98507-9162
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(800) 457-6202
Fax: (360) 586-3274

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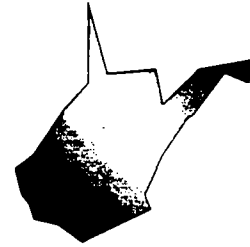
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WEST VIRGINIA



Demographic Information

1995 Population*	1,828,140
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	380,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	20.8%
1995 Children under 5*	106,460
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	16.7%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	



State Median Income: \$38,357

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

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	52,861
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	36.3%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	220,146
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	50%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: 300

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

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: 4,450

(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>>

WEST VIRGINIA

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 - 2 years	(1:4)
2 - 3 years	(1:8)
3 - 4 years	(1:10)
4 - 5 years	(1:12)
5 - 6 years	(1:15)
Schoolage	(1:16)

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) [including provider's own children whether related by blood, marriage or adoption, who live in the home and are under the age of 6; no more than 2 under the age of 24 months allowed at any time]

Staff Qualifications

Staff	Must be at least 18 years old and have a high school education or certified equivalent. Must be able to read and write.
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WEST VIRGINIA

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Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

Local Departments of Human Services

Office of Child Support Enforcement

Child Support Enforcement Division
West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources
Capitol Complex, Bldg. 6, #817
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Charleston, WV 25305
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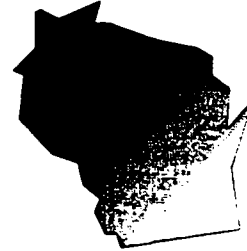
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WISCONSIN



Demographic Information



1995 Population*	5,122,871
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	1,537,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	30.0%
1995 Children under 5*	343,959
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	8.5%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	

State Median Income: **\$48,982**

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

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	67,698
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	15.8%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	885,552
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	69%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: **2,229**

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

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: **2,577**
(+ 4,000 "certified" 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>](http://www.aecf.org/kc1997/kc1997.htm)

WISCONSIN

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	(1:4)
2 - 2 ½ years	(1:6)
2 ½ - 3 years	(1:8)
3 - 4 years	(1:10)
4 - 5 years	(1:17)
6 years and older	(1:18)

Family Child Care Providers

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

Age Range	Ratio
0 - 7 years	(1:8) [if 3 or 4 children under the age of 2 are in care, the number of other children in care is reduced]

Staff Qualifications

Child Care Teacher	Must be at least 18 years old and have high school education or equivalent or certificate, credentials, or diploma from a post-secondary early childhood training program approved by the department. Must have 120 days half-time or 80 days full-time experience in direct care; or certification by the Wisconsin department of public instruction as a nursery school teacher or as an exceptional education needs teacher (or be able to show evidence of meeting the qualifications for certification); and 2 years documented credit in an institution of higher education with at least 3 credits equivalent to early childhood education or satisfactory completion of 80 hours of department-approved training in early childhood education, CDA credentials, or satisfactory completion of another department-approved competency program.
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WISCONSIN

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Child Care Food Program Administrator

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Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

County Departments of Social or Human Services or local sheriff or police department

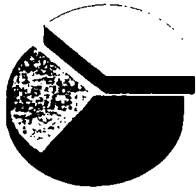
Office of Child Support Enforcement

Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development
Division of Economic Support
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Madison, WI 53707
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Fax: (608) 267-2824

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WYOMING



Demographic Information



1995 Population*	480,184
1995 Child Population (under 18)*	134,000
Children under 18 as percent of population*	27.9%
1995 Children under 5*	32,257
1995 Poverty Rate (all persons)*	12.2%
* 1995 Census Bureau tables	

State Median Income: **\$47,961**

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

Poor Children Under 6, 1990-1992**	7,584
Children Under 6 Poverty Rate, 1990-1992**	19.8%
** <i>Map and Track</i> , National Center for Children in Poverty, Appendix C	

Number of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	87,171
Percent of Children under 18 with Working Parent(s)†	65%
† <i>Working Mother</i> "State of the States," May 1996	

Licensed Child Care Centers: **223**

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

Licensed Family Child Care Providers: **817**

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

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WYOMING

Staff/Child Ratios

Center-based care

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Age Range	Ratio
0 - 2 years	(1:5)
2 - 3 years	(1:8)
3 - 4 years	(1:10)
4 - 5 years	(1:15)
5 - 6 years	(1:20)
6 years and older	(1:25)
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 provider's own preschool age children; infant care limited to 2 unless another adult is present, then infant capacity can be increased to 5]

Staff Qualifications

Group day care providers	Must be at least 19 years old and have a high school diploma or GED certificate or 6 months documented prior work experience in day care or 5 clock hours of day care training or a professional credential from a nationally-recognized organization.
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WYOMING

Contact Information

Licensing Agency

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Child Abuse Reporting Hotline

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