California

Family & Child Data

The 2015 California Child Care Portfolio, the 10th edition of a biennial report, presents a unique portrait of child care supply, demand, and cost statewide and county by county, as well as data regarding employment, poverty, and family budgets. The child care data in this report was gathered with the assistance of local child care resource and referral programs (R&Rs). R&Rs work daily to help parents find child care that best suits their family and economic needs. They also work to build and support the delivery of high quality child care services in diverse settings throughout the state. To access the full report summary and county pages, go to our website at www.rrnetwork.org.

		STATE		UNITED STATES			RESIDENTS AGES 0-5	
PEOPLE	2012	2014	CHANGE	2012	2014	CHANGE	RESIDENTS	AGES 0-5
Total number of residents ¹	37,901,778	38,548,204	2%	313,914,040	318,857,056	2%	STATE	U.S.
Number of children 0-12 ¹	6,532,111	6,533,125	< 1%	52,872,572	52,666,129	-0.4%	8%	7%
Number of children 0-5 ¹	3,027,523	2,997,333	-1%	24,132,091	23,881,741	-1%		
Under 2	1,023,386	1,002,081	-2%	7,924,600	7,910,473	-0.2%		
2 years	488,728	498,124	2%	3,979,957	3,957,772	-1%	CHILDREN	
3 years	493,800	503,950	2%	3,982,440	4,005,190	1%	PARENTS LABOR F	
4 years	508,357	497,010	-2%	4,112,347	4,003,448	-3%	STATE	U.S.
5 years	513,252	496,168	-3%	4,132,747	4,004,858	-3%	63%	68%
6-10 years	2,492,024	2,541,962	2%	20,388,508	20,629,962	1%	03%	0870
11-12 years	1,012,564	993,178	-2%	8,351,973	8,154,426	-2%		

LABOR FORCE		STATE		UN	ITED STATES	ED STATES	
LABOR FORCE	2012	2014	CHANGE	2012	2014	CHANGE	
Families with all parents in the labor force ²	2,738,563	2,658,803	-3%	24,196,187	23,670,918	-2%	
Single mothers in the labor force ²	725,339	695,253	-4%	6,942,259	6,749,078	-3%	
Children 0-12 with parents in the labor force ³	4,164,276	4,129,330	-1%	35,952,507	35,663,029	-1%	

POVERTY		STATE		UN	NITED STATES	
POVERTY	2012	2014	CHANGE	2012	2014	CHANGE
Number of people living in poverty ⁴	6,325,319	6,259,098	-1%	48,760,123	48,208,387	-1%
Children 0-5 living in poverty ⁴	760,003	690,825	-10%	6,052,083	5,593,119	-8%
Children in subsidized care⁵	298,810	301,973	1%	-	-	-

CHILD CARE AND FAMILY BUDGETS⁶



SINGLE MOTHERS IN THE LABOR FORCE		
STATE	U.S.	
26%	29 %	

CHILDREN 0-5 IN POVERTY IN 2014 ⁴			
STATE	U.S.		
23%	23%		

PEOPLE IN IN 20	
STATE	U.S.
16%	15%

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AGE & TYPE ¹⁰	LICENSED	CHILD CARE	CENTERS	5 LICENSED FAMILY CHILD CARE H		
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Total number of slots	716,610	721,868	1%	335,719	312,277	-7%
Under 2	44,375	44,404	<1%			
2-5 years	530,233	533,878	1%			
6 years and older	142,002	143,586	1%			
Total number of sites	11,111	11,230	1%	33,365	30,701	-8%

Child Care Supply Data



Children 0-12 with parents in the labor force for whom a licensed child care slot is available¹⁶

* This estimate is based on the 1,034,137 licensed slots in California and does not include license-exempt programs.

35%	Child care centers with one or more federal/state/local contracts ¹⁷
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MAJOR REASONS FAMILIES SEEK CHILD CARE⁷

61%	Employment			
10%	Parent in school or training			
9%	Parent seeking employment			

SCHEDULE & COST ¹⁰	LICENSED CHILD CARE CENTERS	LICENSED FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES
Full-time and part-time slots 11	67%	83%
Only full-time slots	15%	15%
Only part-time slots	17%	2%
Sites offering evening, weekend or overnight care	2%	39%
Full-time infant care ¹²	\$13,327	\$8,462
Full-time preschool care ¹²	\$9,106	\$7,850

CHILD CARE REQUESTS ¹³					
AGE	REQUESTS	SCHEDULE	REQUESTS		
Under 2	34%	Full-time	82%		
2-5 years	44%	Part-time	18%		
6 years and older	22%	Other schedules	27%		

LANGUAGES SPOKEN BY PROVIDER ¹⁵
CENTERS WITH AT LEAST ONE STAFF SPEAKING THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGES ⁷
English 99%, Spanish 56%, Chinese 7%, Tagalog 4%, Vietnamese 3%, Other 13%
FAMILY CHILD CARE PROVIDERS SPEAKING THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGES ⁷
English 91%, Spanish 39%, Chinese 3%, Tagalog 2%, Russian 2%, Other 10%

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1. U.S Census and CA DOF population projections 2012 and 2014.

LANGUAGES SPOKEN AT HOME¹⁴

2. ACS 2012 and 2014 1-year estimates.

3. Network calculation based on ACS 2014 1-year estimate.

4. ACS 2012 and 2014 1-year estimates.

Asian/Pacific Island Languages

- 5. CA Dept. of Education (EESD) and CA Dept. of Social Services, October 2014.
- 6. Median cost of a 2-bedroom (HUD 2014) and mean child care rates (RMR 2012).
- 7. CA Depart. of Industrial Relations (Statewide minimum wage. Regional minimum wage may vary.).

56%

35%

6%

4%

8. Based on 70% of state median income for a family of 3.

9. ACS 2014 1-year estimate.

Another Language

English

Spanish

10. Child Care R&R Databases January 2012 and 2014

11. Full-time is defined as 30 or more hours per week; part-time is less than 30 hours per week.

12. Mean child care cost. Child Care Regional Market Rate Survey 2014.

13. Child Care Referral Requests April/May/June 2014.

14. ACS 2014 1-year estimate.

15. Percentages may exceed 100% when multiple options are chosen.

16. Total licensed slots divided by number of children with parents in the labor force

17. Does not include providers accepting vouchers or FCCH.

* For smaller counties, ACS 5-year estimates for 2011 and 2013 were used.