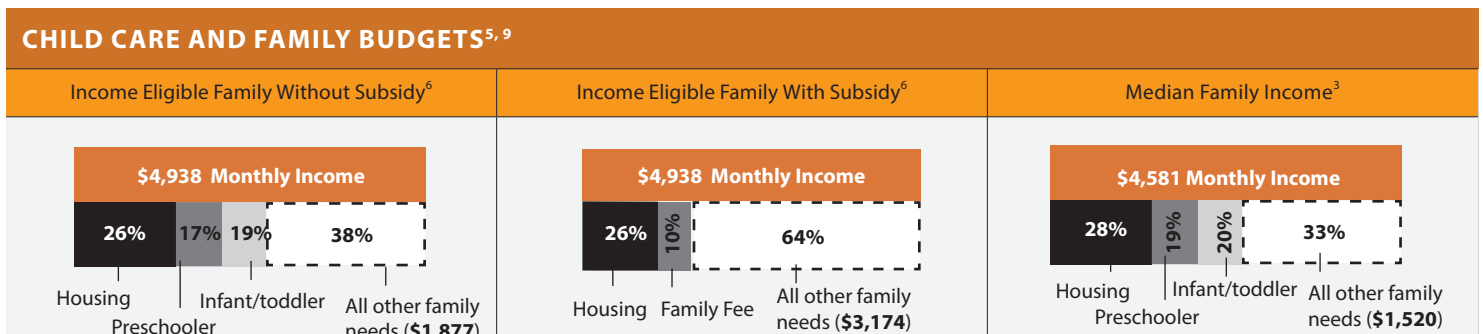


The 2021 California Child Care Portfolio, the 13th edition of a biennial report, presents a unique portrait of child care supply, demand, and cost statewide and county by county, as well as data regarding employment, poverty, and family budgets. The child care data in this report was gathered with the 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.rnetwork.org.

PEOPLE ¹	COUNTY			STATE		
	2018	2021	CHANGE	2018	2021	CHANGE
Total number of residents	227,837	226,910	0.4%	39,864,538	39,142,991	-2%
Number of children 0-12	32,566	31,901	-2%	6,578,476	6,288,604	-4%
Under 2 years	4,952	4,814	-3%	941,215	876,608	-7%
2 years	2,460	2,467	-0.3%	489,567	443,635	-9%
3 years	2,505	2,444	-2%	503,509	457,604	-9%
4 years	2,537	2,463	-3%	503,657	481,746	-4%
5 years	2,381	2,453	3%	506,494	489,879	-3%
6-10 years	12,430	12,241	-2%	2,576,958	2,525,335	-2%
11-12 years	5,301	5,019	-5%	1,057,076	1,013,797	-4%

CHILD CARE AVAILABILITY ²	COUNTY			STATE		
	2019	2021	CHANGE	2019	2021	CHANGE
Children age 0-12 with parents in the labor force for whom a licensed child care space is available	24%	15%	-9%	25%	25%	0%

POVERTY ³	COUNTY			STATE			FAMILIES IN POVERTY IN 2021 ³	
	2018	2021	CHANGE	2018	2021	CHANGE	COUNTY	STATE
Number of people living in poverty	42,430	33,529	-21%	4,969,326	4,733,036	-5%	15%	13%
Children 0-5 living in poverty	4,119	1,985	-52%	499,726	406,369	-19%		
Children in subsidized care ⁴	2,214	2,433	10%	337,264	372,938	11%		



AGE/TYPE

CHILD CARE	LICENSED CHILD CARE CENTERS			LICENSED FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES			CHILD CARE REQUESTS ⁸	
	2019	2021	CHANGE	2019	2021	CHANGE		
Total number of spaces	3,508	1,977	-44%	1,110	970	-13%	Under 2 years	28%
Under 2 years	452	249	-45%				2-5 years	46%
2-5 years	2,671	1,542	-42%				6 years and older	26%
6 years and older	385	186	-52%					
Total number of sites	71	42	-41%	104	89	-14%		

55%

Child care programs participating in the Child Care Food Program

29%

Child care centers with one or more federal/state/local contracts

SCHEDULE AND COST

CHILD CARE SUPPLY	LICENSED CHILD CARE CENTERS	LICENSED FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES	CHILD CARE REQUESTS	
Full-time and part-time spaces	63%	81%	AGES	FULL-TIME
Only full-time spaces	17%	15%	Under 2 years	89%
Only part-time spaces	20%	4%	2 years	94%
Sites offering evening, weekend or overnight care	0%	16%	3 years	92%
Monthly full-time infant care ⁹	\$1,270	\$938	4 years	98%
Monthly full-time preschool care ⁹	\$852	\$798	5 years	98%
MAJOR REASONS FAMILIES SEEK CHILD CARE ¹⁰			REQUESTS FOR CARE DURING NONTRADITIONAL HOURS	
72% Employment	20% Parent in school or training	14% Parent seeking employment	Evening / weekend / overnight care	9%

LANGUAGE

CENTERS WITH AT LEAST ONE STAFF SPEAKING THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGES ¹⁰	LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME	
English 100%, Spanish 25%	English only	83%
FAMILY CHILD CARE PROVIDERS SPEAKING THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGES ¹⁰	Spanish	11%
English 100%, Spanish 15%, Chinese 1%	Asian/Pacific Island language	3%
	Another language	0%

1. CA Department of Finance Population Projections 2021
 2. American Community Survey Microdata and R&R databases 2021, calculated by KidsData
 3. American Community Survey 2021 1-year estimates. Poverty is defined using the federal poverty guidelines.
 4. CA Dept of Social Services CDD 801-A, CW115 July 2021; CA Dept of Education CSPP Enrollment
 5. U.S. Housing and Urban Development rent for 2-bedroom 50th percentile
 6. 85% of 2021 State Median Income for a family of three
 7. Resource and referral (R&R) databases 2021
 8. R&R child care referrals April/May/June 2021
 9. 2021 Regional Market Rate Survey, Network estimate
 10. Percentages may exceed 100% when multiple options are chosen

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