



Decline of Family Child Care

California Child Care Resource & Referral Network

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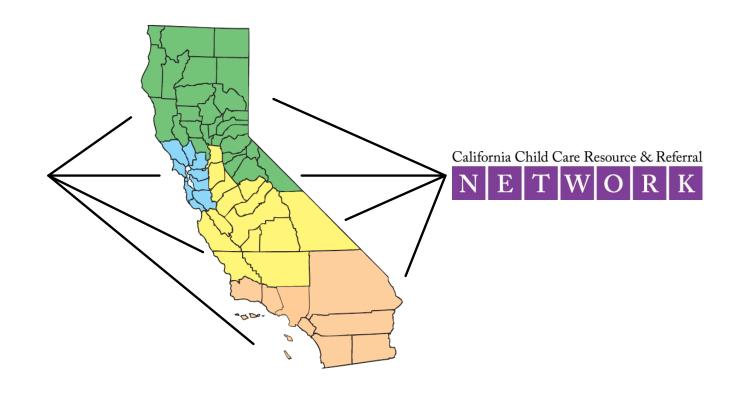
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Agenda

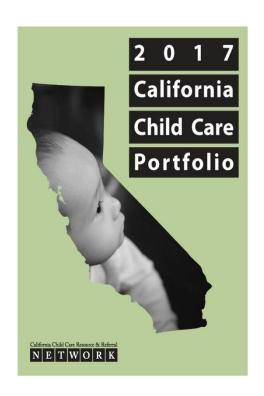
- Overview of R&R, the Network, and our history with family child care
- Presentation of family child care data
- Why is this important?
- Why is it happening?
- Policy recommendations
- Questions

The California Infrastructure of Child Care Resource & Referral Agencies



Data Sources

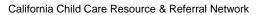
- California Child Care Portfolio (1997-2017)
- Survey of family child care providers (2017)
- Feedback from R&Rs (anecdotal)



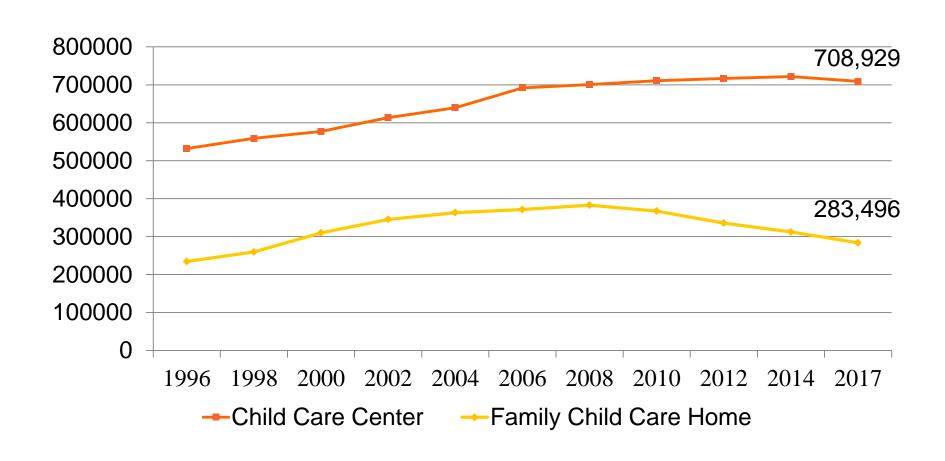
Family Child Care Homes (FCCH)

- Licensed and regulated
- Small businesses
- Small = 8, large = 14
- Licensed for all ages, restricted by age ratios
- Predominantly female, represent the racial/ethic/linguistic

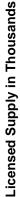
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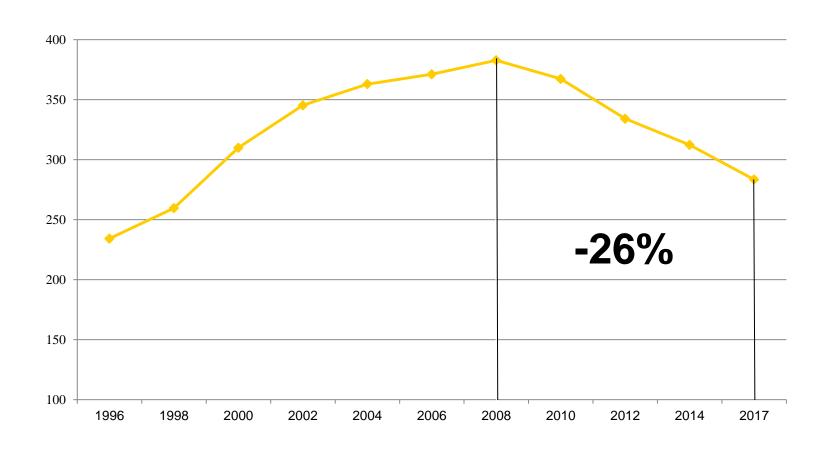


Licensed Child Care Spaces



Licensed Family Child Care Home Spaces

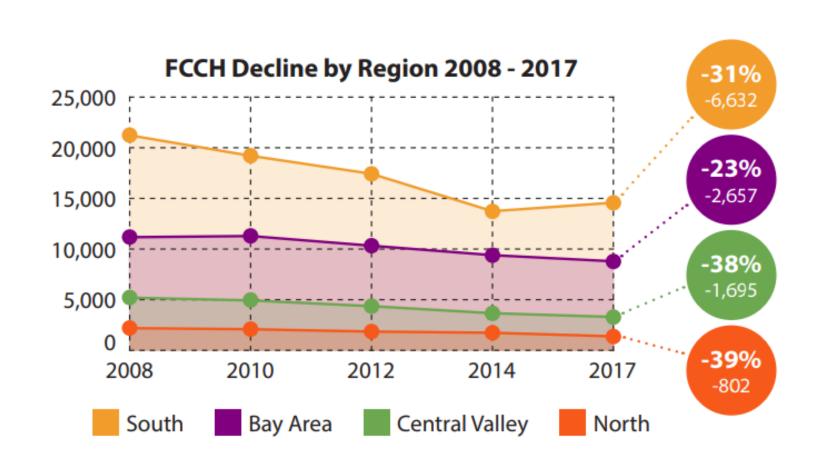




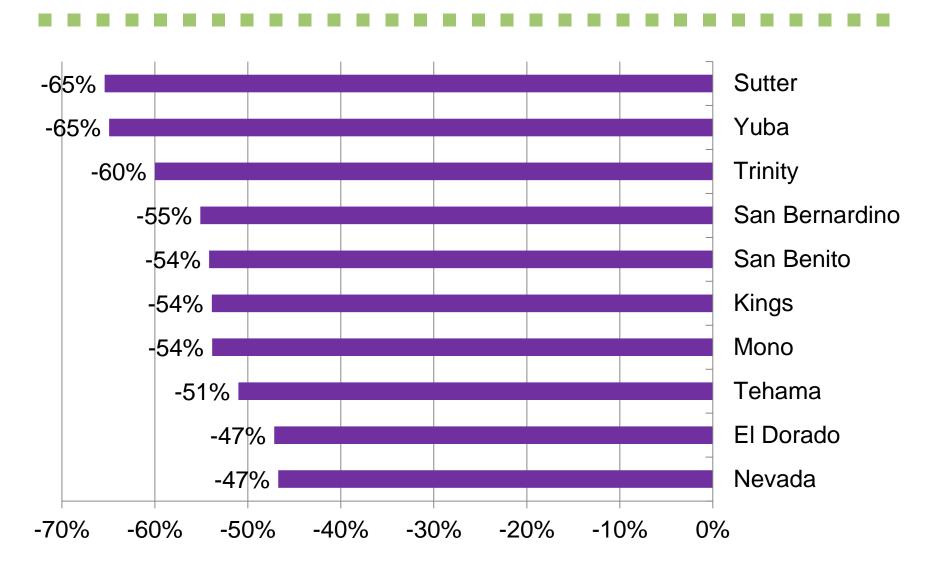
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Decline in homes 2008-2017

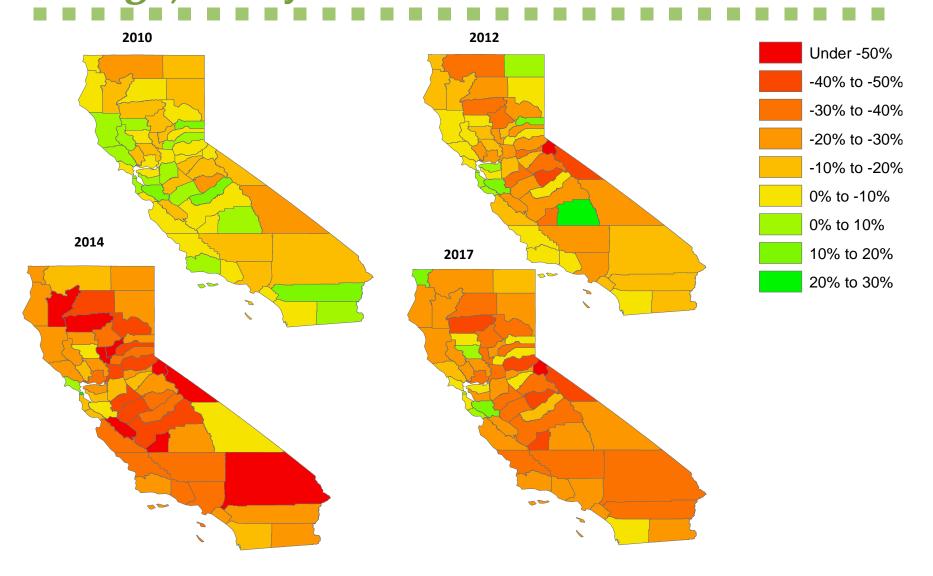
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Counties with Largest FCCH Decrease 2008–2017

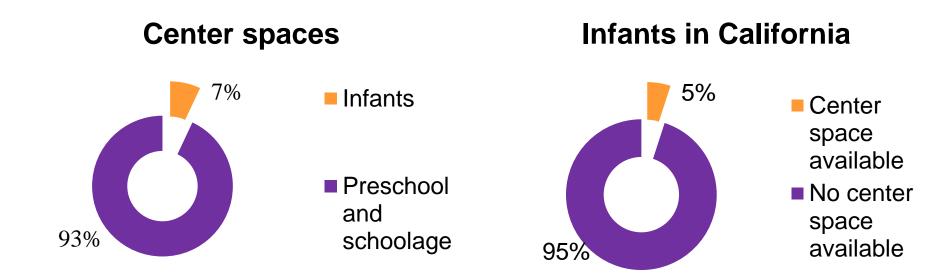


Number of family child care homes. Percent change, base year 2008



Importance of Family Child Care Homes

More likely to care for infants



Importance of Family Child Care (cont.)

- More affordable
- More likely to offer non-traditional hours of care
- Flexibility
- Cultural and linguistic fit

CHILD CARE SUPPLY	LICENSED CHILD CARE CENTERS	LICENSED FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES
Full-time and part-time slots	66%	80%
Only full-time slots	19%	18%
Only part-time slots	15%	1%
Sites offering evening, weekend or overnight care	3%	41%
Full-time infant care ⁸	\$16,452	\$10,609
Full-time preschool care ⁸	\$11,202	\$9,984

Reasons for Decline

Top Challenges in Keeping Business Open*



*Percentage of respondents that ranked each as their top challenge

Provider Insights

- Low pay
- No benefits
- Difficulty filling program
- Regulations and requirements
- Low respect
- Social isolation
- Minimum wage



Provider Insights

When asked what supports would be helpful:

- "A network of substitutes who are background cleared and could work in any facility when someone is ill."
 - "At the minimum paid sick days."
- "More in depth workshops for financial planning, cost of living increases, retirement, health care."
- "Access to Grants and or Fundraising for in home child care rather than having to be licensed differently to be able to access them"
- "For most, in home child care is the owners livelihood, and often the owner has to make personal sacrifices to keep and pay employees."
 - "Tips/help from previous child care providers."

R&R Insights

- Retirement
- Young people aren't interested
- Affordability and housing (shared housing, low quality housing)
- Leaving for a different job (with benefits)
- Increased regulations and requirements
 (health & safety, sleep regulations)



Policy Recommendations

Expand the CCIP infrastructure to provide support to FCCs

Increase I/T Rates

AB 125 (McCarty)/SB 174 (Leyva)

Vouchers based on enrollment

- AB 194 (Reyes)

Shared Services Model



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