

# Mendocino County

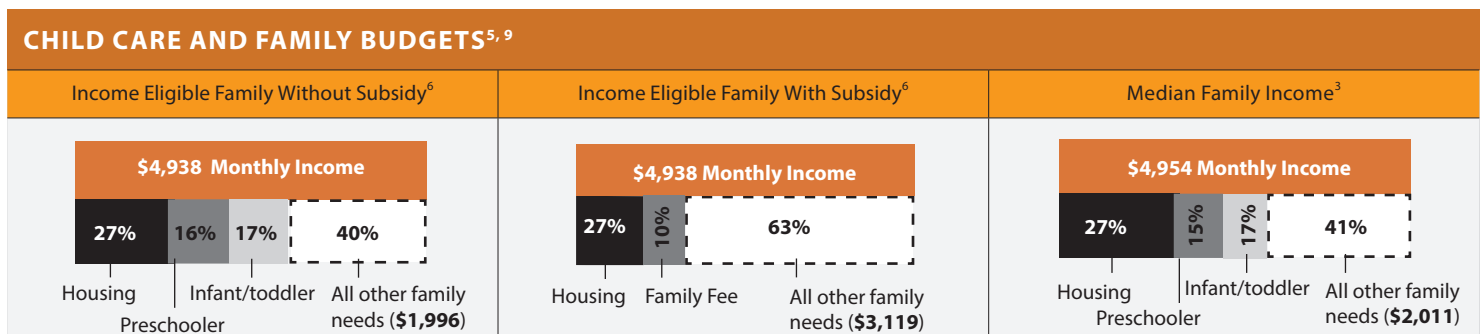
## Family & Child Data

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](http://www.rnetwork.org).

| PEOPLE <sup>1</sup>       | COUNTY |        |        | STATE      |            |        |
|---------------------------|--------|--------|--------|------------|------------|--------|
|                           | 2018   | 2021   | CHANGE | 2018       | 2021       | CHANGE |
| Total number of residents | 89,027 | 88,297 | -1%    | 39,864,538 | 39,142,991 | -2%    |
| Number of children 0-12   | 13,796 | 13,137 | -5%    | 6,578,476  | 6,288,604  | -4%    |
| Under 2 years             | 2,013  | 1,829  | -9%    | 941,215    | 876,608    | -7%    |
| 2 years                   | 1,003  | 903    | -10%   | 489,567    | 443,635    | -9%    |
| 3 years                   | 1,038  | 950    | -8%    | 503,509    | 457,604    | -9%    |
| 4 years                   | 1,066  | 1,023  | -4%    | 503,657    | 481,746    | -4%    |
| 5 years                   | 1,061  | 1,001  | -6%    | 506,494    | 489,879    | -3%    |
| 6-10 years                | 5,430  | 5,286  | -3%    | 2,576,958  | 2,525,335  | -2%    |
| 11-12 years               | 2,185  | 2,145  | -2%    | 1,057,076  | 1,013,797  | -4%    |

| CHILD CARE AVAILABILITY <sup>2</sup>  | 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 | 25%    | 22%  | -3%    | 25%   | 25%  | 0%     |

| POVERTY <sup>3</sup>                     | COUNTY |        |        | STATE     |           |        | FAMILIES IN POVERTY IN 2021 <sup>3</sup> |            |
|--|--------|--------|--------|-----------|-----------|--------|--|------------|
|  | 2018   | 2021   | CHANGE | 2018      | 2021      | CHANGE | COUNTY                                   | STATE      |
| Number of people living in poverty       | 16,317 | 14,295 | -12%   | 4,969,326 | 4,733,036 | -5%    | <b>20%</b>                               | <b>13%</b> |
| Children 0-5 living in poverty           | 3,010  | 571    | -81%   | 499,726   | 406,369   | -19%   |  |            |
| Children in subsidized care <sup>4</sup> | 887    | 1,105  | 25%    | 337,264   | 372,938   | 11%    |  |            |



### AGE/TYPE

| CHILD CARE             | LICENSED CHILD CARE CENTERS |       |        | LICENSED FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES |      |        | CHILD CARE REQUESTS <sup>8</sup> |     |
|------------------------|-----------------------------|-------|--------|----------------------------------|------|--------|----------------------------------|-----|
|                        | 2019                        | 2021  | CHANGE | 2019                             | 2021 | CHANGE |                                  |     |
| Total number of spaces | 1,400                       | 1,377 | -2%    | 742                              | 652  | -12%   | Under 2 years                    | 21% |
| Under 2 years          | 98                          | 98    | 0%     |                                  |      |        | 2-5 years                        | 54% |
| 2-5 years              | 1,125                       | 1,082 | -4%    |                                  |      |        | 6 years and older                | 26% |
| 6 years and older      | 177                         | 197   | 11%    |                                  |      |        |                                  |     |
| Total number of sites  | 38                          | 37    | -3%    | 71                               | 62   | -13%   |                                  |     |

**36%**

Child care programs participating in the Child Care Food Program

**64%**

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                       | 52%                                 | 93%                                    | AGES  | FULL-TIME |
| Only full-time spaces                                | 1%                                  | 5%                                     | Under 2 years                                 | 97%       |
| Only part-time spaces                                | 47%                                 | 2%                                     | 2 years                                       | 98%       |
| Sites offering evening, weekend or overnight care    | 0%                                  | 25%                                    | 3 years                                       | 96%       |
| Monthly full-time infant care <sup>9</sup>           | \$1,195                             | \$849                                  | 4 years                                       | 92%       |
| Monthly full-time preschool care <sup>9</sup>        | \$767                               | \$756                                  | 5 years                                       | 98%       |
| MAJOR REASONS FAMILIES SEEK CHILD CARE <sup>10</sup> |                                     |  | REQUESTS FOR CARE DURING NONTRADITIONAL HOURS |           |
| <b>98%</b> Employment                                | <b>5%</b> Parent seeking employment | <b>2%</b> Parent in school or training | Evening / weekend / overnight care            | 4%        |

### LANGUAGE

| CENTERS WITH AT LEAST ONE STAFF SPEAKING THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGES <sup>10</sup> | LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME          |
|--|----------------------------------|
| English 100%, Spanish 62%, Sign Language 8%                                    | English only 78%                 |
| FAMILY CHILD CARE PROVIDERS SPEAKING THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGES <sup>10</sup>     | Spanish 19%                      |
| English 92%, Spanish 38%, Sign Language 2%                                     | Asian/Pacific Island language 2% |
|  | Another language <1%             |

1. CA Department of Finance Population Projections 2021  
 2. American Community Survey Microdata and R&R databases 2021, calculated by KidsData; Percentage found in regional group including (Lake and Mendocino counties)  
 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

**For more information about child care in MENDOCINO COUNTY:**

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