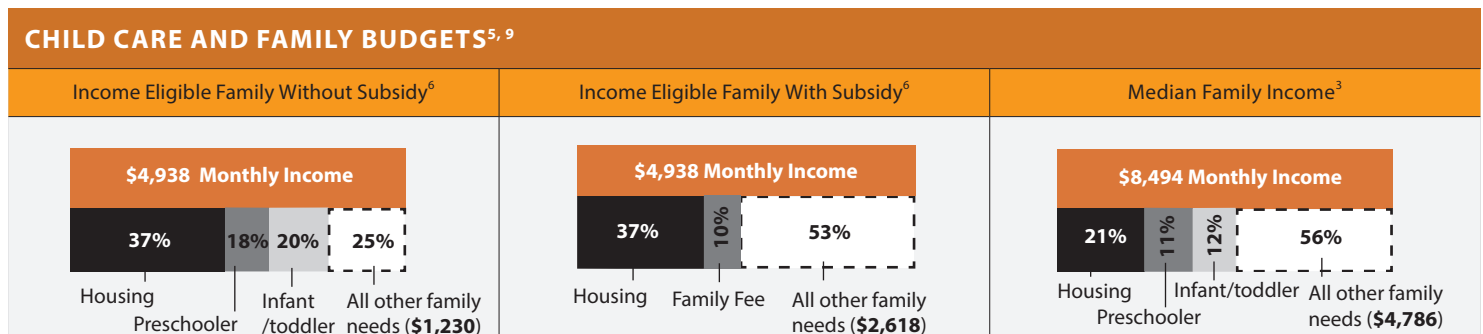


The 2021 California Child Care Portfolio, the 13th edition of a biennial report, presents a unique portrait of child care supply, demand, and cost statewide and county by county, as well as data regarding employment, poverty, and family budgets. The child care data in this report was gathered with the 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	61,260	61,719	1%	39,864,538	39,142,991	-2%
Number of children 0-12	9,969	9,367	-6%	6,578,476	6,288,604	-4%
Under 2 years	1,474	1,430	-3%	941,215	876,608	-7%
2 years	757	686	-9%	489,567	443,635	-9%
3 years	718	690	-4%	503,509	457,604	-9%
4 years	729	746	2%	503,657	481,746	-4%
5 years	736	740	1%	506,494	489,879	-3%
6-10 years	3,830	3,596	-6%	2,576,958	2,525,335	-2%
11-12 years	1,725	1,479	-14%	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	23%	17%	-6%	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	5,670	5,265	-7%	4,969,326	4,733,036	-5%	<b>10%</b>	<b>13%</b>
Children 0-5 living in poverty	808	807	0%	499,726	406,369	-19%		
Children in subsidized care <sup>4</sup>	423	642	52%	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	848	798	-6%	706	698	-1%	Under 2 years	5%
Under 2 years	24	24	0%				2-5 years	37%
2-5 years	704	626	-11%				6 years and older	58%
6 years and older	120	148	23%					
Total number of sites	14	12	-14%	60	62	3%		

**35%**

Child care programs participating in the Child Care Food Program

**10%**

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	37%	60%	AGES	FULL-TIME
Only full-time spaces	24%	340	Under 2 years	100%
Only part-time spaces	39%	0%	2 years	100%
Sites offering evening, weekend or overnight care	0%	35%	3 years	100%
Monthly full-time infant care <sup>9</sup>	\$1,304	\$981	4 years	100%
Monthly full-time preschool care <sup>9</sup>	\$899	\$816	5 years	100%
MAJOR REASONS FAMILIES SEEK CHILD CARE <sup>10</sup>			REQUESTS FOR CARE DURING NONTRADITIONAL HOURS	
<b>83%</b> Employment	<b>17%</b> Parent seeking employment	<b>8%</b> Parent in school or training	Evening / weekend / overnight care	16%

### LANGUAGE

CENTERS WITH AT LEAST ONE STAFF SPEAKING THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGES <sup>10</sup>	LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME	
English 100%, Spanish 67%	English only	59%
FAMILY CHILD CARE PROVIDERS SPEAKING THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGES <sup>10</sup>	Spanish	38%
English 84%, Spanish 66%	Asian/Pacific Island language	2%
	Another language	4%

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 Monterey and San Benito 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

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