

San Francisco 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.rrnetwork.org.

PEOPLE ¹	COUNTY			STATE		
	2018	2021	CHANGE	2018	2021	CHANGE
Total number of residents	887,540	892,429	1%	39,864,538	39,142,991	-2%
Number of children 0-12	101,952	103,490	2%	6,578,476	6,288,604	-4%
Under 2 years	17,311	16,143	-7%	941,215	876,608	-7%
2 years	8,759	7,853	-10%	489,567	443,635	-9%
3 years	8,725	8,042	-8%	503,509	457,604	-9%
4 years	8,501	8,385	-1%	503,657	481,746	-4%
5 years	8,588	8,290	-3%	506,494	489,879	-3%
6-10 years	37,845	40,866	8%	2,576,958	2,525,335	-2%
11-12 years	12,223	13,911	14%	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	42%	48%	6%	25%	25%	0%

POVERTY ³	COUNTY			STATE		
	2018	2021	CHANGE	2018	2021	CHANGE
Number of people living in poverty	87,087	90,833	4%	4,969,326	4,733,036	-5%
Children 0-5 living in poverty	3,011	3,291	9%	499,726	406,369	-19%
Children in subsidized care ⁴	8,100	8,392	4%	337,264	372,938	11%

FAMILIES IN POVERTY IN 2021³

COUNTY	STATE
9%	13%

CHILD CARE AND FAMILY BUDGETS^{5, 9}

Income Eligible Family Without Subsidy ⁶	Income Eligible Family With Subsidy ⁵	Median Family Income ³
<p>\$4,938 Monthly Income</p> <p>75% Housing 33% Preschooler 33% Infant/toddler</p>	<p>\$4,938 Monthly Income</p> <p>75% Housing 10% Family Fee 15% All other family needs (\$744)</p>	<p>\$10,152 Monthly Income</p> <p>36% Housing 16% Preschooler 16% Infant/toddler 31% All other family needs (\$3,190)</p>

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	21,111	21,989	4%	6,970	6,818	-2%	Under 2 years	46%
Under 2 years	1,325	1,747	32%				2-5 years	50%
2-5 years	14,954	15,728	5%				6 years and older	4%
6 years and older	4,832	4,514	-6%					
Total number of sites	317	335	6%	726	710	-2%		

3%

Child care programs participating in the Child Care Food Program

48%

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	38%	63%	AGES	FULL-TIME
Only full-time spaces	48%	35%	Under 2 years	91%
Only part-time spaces	15%	1%	2 years	97%
Sites offering evening, weekend or overnight care	1%	20%	3 years	97%
Monthly full-time infant care ⁹	\$1,909	\$1,628	4 years	95%
Monthly full-time preschool care ⁹	\$1,632	\$1,492	5 years	97%

*Data from 1 of 2 R&Rs in San Francisco

MAJOR REASONS FAMILIES SEEK CHILD CARE⁹

58% Employment **17%** Parent seeking employment **0%** Enrichment and/or development

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REQUESTS FOR CARE DURING NONTRADITIONAL HOURS

Evening / weekend / overnight care 3%

LANGUAGE

CENTERS WITH AT LEAST ONE STAFF SPEAKING THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGES ¹⁰	LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME	
English 100%, Spanish 60%, Tagalog 5%, Sign Language 3%, Chinese 2%, Arabic 2%	English only	56%
FAMILY CHILD CARE PROVIDERS SPEAKING THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGES ¹⁰	Spanish	11%
English 91%, Spanish 30%, Russian 7%, Chinese 5%, French 3%, Tagalog 1%	Asian/Pacific Island language	25%
	Another language	1%

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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