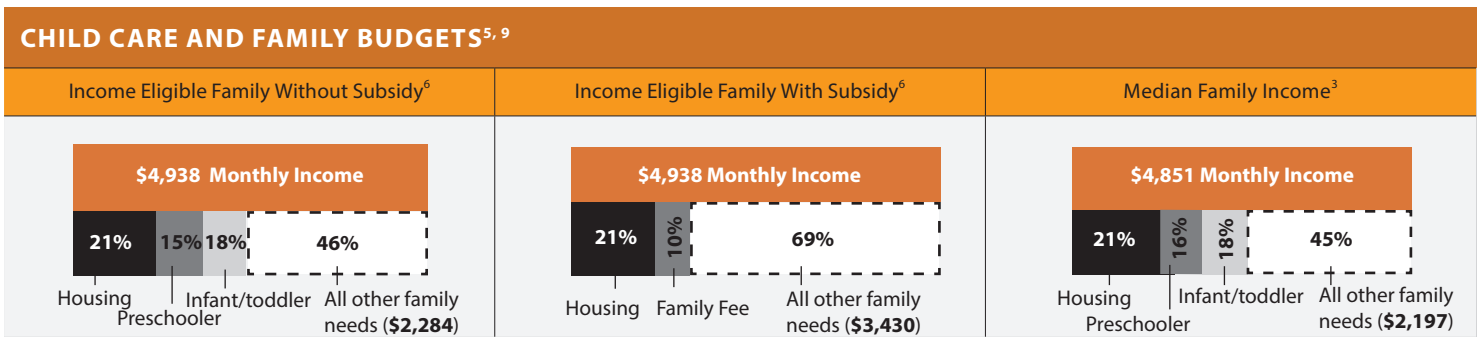


The 2021 California Child Care Portfolio, the 13th edition of a biennial report, presents a unique portrait of child care supply, demand, and cost statewide and county by county, as well as data regarding employment, poverty, and family budgets. The child care data in this report was gathered with the 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	476,909	481,649	1%	39,864,538	39,142,991	-2%
Number of children 0-12	103,506	99,008	-4%	6,578,476	6,288,604	-4%
Under 2 years	14,139	14,089	0.4%	941,215	876,608	-7%
2 years	7,364	7,063	-4%	489,567	443,635	-9%
3 years	7,589	6,969	-8%	503,509	457,604	-9%
4 years	7,694	7,179	-7%	503,657	481,746	-4%
5 years	7,949	7,446	-6%	506,494	489,879	-3%
6-10 years	41,739	39,826	-5%	2,576,958	2,525,335	-2%
11-12 years	17,032	16,436	-3%	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	16%	17%	1%	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	103,711	87,587	-16%	4,969,326	4,733,036	-5%	20%	13%
Children 0-5 living in poverty	12,832	11,523	-10%	499,726	406,369	-19%		
Children in subsidized care ⁴	8,732	9,136	5%	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	4,804	5,621	17%	4,564	4,746	4%	Under 2 years	26%
Under 2 years	124	200	61%				2-5 years	40%
2-5 years	4,446	5,094	15%				6 years and older	35%
6 years and older	234	327	40%					
Total number of sites	92	104	13%	404	423	5%		

60%

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	60%	68%	AGES	FULL-TIME
Only full-time spaces	30%	32%	Under 2 years	74%
Only part-time spaces	10%	0%	2 years	80%
Sites offering evening, weekend or overnight care	0%	41%	3 years	81%
Monthly full-time infant care ⁹	\$1,188	\$886	4 years	45%
Monthly full-time preschool care ⁹	\$752	\$756	5 years	82%
MAJOR REASONS FAMILIES SEEK CHILD CARE¹⁰			REQUESTS FOR CARE DURING NONTRADITIONAL HOURS	
94% Employment	4% Parent in school or training	3% Parent seeking employment	Evening / weekend / overnight care	0%

LANGUAGE

CENTERS WITH AT LEAST ONE STAFF SPEAKING THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGES ¹⁰	LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME
English 99%, Spanish 29%, Arabic 1%, Portuguese 1%	English only
FAMILY CHILD CARE PROVIDERS SPEAKING THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGES¹⁰	Spanish
English 83%, Spanish 76%, Sign Language 1%, Hindi <1%, Chinese <1%	Asian/Pacific Island language
	Another language

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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