

Children Potentially Needing Child Care

	0-2 yrs	3 yrs	4-5 yrs	6-12 yrs	Total
Children in County by Age ¹	581	208	395	1387	2363
% of Children Ages 0 to 5 with All Parents in the Labor Force ¹					74.8%
% of Children Ages 6 to 13 with All Parents in the Labor Force ¹					77.2%
Children Ages 0 to 5 potentially needing child care due to parents in workforce					1184
Children Ages 6 to 12 potentially needing child care due to parents in workforce					1225
Capacity of state-licensed child care programs (family, group, center, school-age ³)					989
Current Child Care Assistance Program Recipients Age 0-13					
Percent to which supply meets potential demand					41%

State-Licensed Early Childhood Program Type and Capacity² (2024)

	Family	Group in a home	Group in a facility	Center	Total
Number of Programs	2	22	10	4	39
Licensed Capacity	18	329	269	328	989
Reported Vacancies ⁴	0	6	6	7	19
Programs open before 7:00 a.m.	1	9	4	2	16
Programs open after 6:00 p.m.	1	1	0	0	2
Programs open on Weekends	0	1	0	0	1
Reported Size of Workforce	3	37	48	69	162
State-licensed school-age programs ³	1	with a licensed capacity of			45

Annual Cost of State-Licensed Child Care²

	Home-based Programs		Centers and Group Facilities	
Age of Child	Average	Highest Rate	Average	Highest Rate
Ages 0 to 17 months	\$8,407	\$10,920	\$9,872	\$13,000
18 to 35 months	\$8,089	\$9,360	\$9,519	\$12,870
Ages 3 to 5	\$8,089	\$9,360	\$8,992	\$12,090
Ages 6 to 12 (Annual costs for school-age children vary greatly based on hours needed.)				

1. 2022 ND Kids Count Fact Book
2. ChildCare Aware® of North Dakota WorkLife Systems Database
3. School-age care numbers reflect programs licensed exclusively as before and after school programs under Early Childhood Services rules. Not all school-age programs are required to be licensed. In addition, many school-age children are enrolled in family/group programs and child carecenters.
4. Vacancies change daily and may not match the location or program characteristics desired by families needing care. A 10% vacancy rate allows families some choice among programs.