

Children Potentially Needing Child Care

	0-2 yrs	3 yrs	4-5 yrs	6-12 yrs	Total
Children in County by Age ¹	682	216	423	1649	2754
% of Children Ages 0 to 5 with All Parents in the Labor Force ¹					65.7%
% of Children Ages 6 to 13 with All Parents in the Labor Force ¹					83.0%
Children Ages 0 to 5 potentially needing child care due to parents in workforce					1321
Children Ages 6 to 12 potentially needing child care due to parents in workforce					1310
Capacity of state-licensed child care programs (family, group, center, school-age ³)					944
Current Child Care Assistance Program Recipients Age 0-13					
Percent to which supply meets potential demand					36%

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

	Family	Group in a home	Group in a facility	Center	Total
Number of Programs	6	23	6	7	43
Licensed Capacity	52	315	139	398	944
Reported Vacancies ⁴	4	3	2	10	19
Programs open before 7:00 a.m.	3	5	1	4	13
Programs open after 6:00 p.m.	0	1	1	0	2
Programs open on Weekends	0	1	0	0	1
Reported Size of Workforce	8	40	44	66	158
State-licensed school-age programs ³	1	with a licensed capacity of			40

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	\$8,300	\$10,400	\$9,152	\$11,180
18 to 35 months	\$8,220	\$10,400	\$8,849	\$10,400
Ages 3 to 5	\$8,220	\$10,400	\$8,719	\$10,400
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.