

2024

WALSH County

Children Potentially Needing Child Care

	0-2 yrs	3 yrs	4-5 yrs	6-12 yrs	Total	
Children in County by Age ¹	379	142	302	937	1618	
% of Children Ages 0 to 5 with All Parents in the Labor Force 1						
% of Children Ages 6 to 13 with All Parents in the Labor Force 1						
Children Ages 0 to 5 potentially needing child care due to parents in workforce						
Children Ages 6 to 12 potentially needing child care due to parents in workforce						
Capacity of state-licensed child care programs (family, group, center, school-age ³)						
Current Child Care Assistance Program Recipients Age 0-13						
Percent to which supply meets potential demand					23%	

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

	Family	Group in a home	Group in a facility	Center	Total
Number of Programs	1	10	5	1	17
Licensed Capacity	9	167	150	41	367
Reported Vacancies ⁴	0	1	0	0	1
Programs open before 7:00 a.m.	0	4	1	0	5
Programs open after 6:00 p.m.	0	0	0	0	0
Programs open on Weekends	0	0	0	0	0
Reported Size of Workforce	1	18	32	6	57
State-licensed school-age programs ³	0	with a licensed capacity of			0

Annual Cost of State-Licensed Child Care²

	Home-base	Home-based Programs		Centers and Group Facilities		
Age of Child	Average	Highest Rate	Average	Highest Rate		
Ages 0 to 17 months	\$8,028	\$9,100	\$9,035	\$10,400		
18 to 35 months	\$7,670	\$9,100	\$8,580	\$9,620		
Ages 3 to 5	\$7,572	\$9,100	\$8,060	\$8,580		
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.