

## 2024

**WELLS County** 

## **Children Potentially Needing Child Care**

	0-2 yrs	3 yrs	4-5 yrs	6-12 yrs	Total	
Children in County by Age <sup>1</sup>	121	41	88	304	513	
% 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 <sup>3</sup> )						
Current Child Care Assistance Program Recipient	<u>s Age 0-13</u>					
Percent to which supply meets potential demand					30%	

## State-Licensed Early Childhood Program Type and Capacity<sup>2</sup> (2024)

	Family	Group in a home	Group in a facility	Center	Total
Number of Programs	0	3	3	1	7
Licensed Capacity	0	52	73	45	170
Reported Vacancies <sup>4</sup>	0	0	1	0	1
Programs open before 7:00 a.m.	0	0	0	1	1
Programs open after 6:00 p.m.	0	0	0	1	1
Programs open on Weekends	0	0	0	0	0
Reported Size of Workforce	0	3	19	12	34
State-licensed school-age programs <sup>3</sup>	0	with a licensed capacity of			0

## Annual Cost of State-Licensed Child Care<sup>2</sup> (Due to the limited number of programs, rates reflect a regional average)

nome-based	d Programs	<b>Centers and Group Facilities</b>		
Average	Highest Rate	Average	Highest Rate	
\$8,176	\$9,100	\$7,973	\$10,400	
\$7,598	\$8,580	\$7,684	\$9,100	
\$7,424	\$8,580	\$7,627	\$9,100	
	\$8,176 \$7,598	\$8,176 \$9,100 \$7,598 \$8,580	Average Highest Rate Average   \$8,176 \$9,100 \$7,973   \$7,598 \$8,580 \$7,684	

Ages b to 12 (Annual costs for school-age children vary greatly based on hours needed.)

1. 2022 ND Kids Count Fact Book

2. ChildCare  $\mathsf{Aware} \circledast$  of North Dakota WorkLife Systems Database

 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.