

Children Potentially Needing Child Care

	0-2 yrs	3 yrs	4-5 yrs	6-12 yrs	Total
Children in County by Age ¹	2754	968	1836	5664	10254
% of Children Ages 0 to 5 with All Parents in the Labor Force ¹					82.2%
% of Children Ages 6 to 13 with All Parents in the Labor Force ¹					86.2%
Children Ages 0 to 5 potentially needing child care due to parents in workforce					5558
Children Ages 6 to 12 potentially needing child care due to parents in workforce					5246
Capacity of state-licensed child care programs (family, group, center, school-age ³)					3464
Current Child Care Assistance Program Recipients Age 0-13					
Percent to which supply meets potential demand					32%

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

	Family	Group in a home	Group in a facility	Center	Total
Number of Programs	9	64	4	20	97
Licensed Capacity	78	879	120	2387	3464
Reported Vacancies ⁴	2	29	8	31	70
Programs open before 7:00 a.m.	1	11	1	10	23
Programs open after 6:00 p.m.	0	2	1	2	5
Programs open on Weekends	0	1	1	0	2
Reported Size of Workforce	9	87	25	498	619
State-licensed school-age programs ³	0	with a licensed capacity of			0

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	\$9,371	\$15,600	\$13,656	\$17,940
18 to 35 months	\$9,035	\$15,600	\$12,362	\$17,420
Ages 3 to 5	\$8,881	\$15,600	\$11,218	\$14,300
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.