

Child Care Profile

2024

MORTON County

Children Potentially Needing Child Care

	0-2 yrs	3 yrs	4-5 yrs	6-12 yrs	Total	
Children in County by Age ¹	1283	459	900	2820	5003	
% 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					18%	

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

	Family	Group in a home	Group in a facility	Center	Total
Number of Programs	10	23	5	6	44
Licensed Capacity	90	276	107	510	983
Reported Vacancies ⁴	1	4	22	9	36
Programs open before 7:00 a.m.	0	4	1	3	8
Programs open after 6:00 p.m.	0	1	0	0	1
Programs open on Weekends	0	1	0	0	1
Reported Size of Workforce	12	37	25	90	164
State-licensed school-age programs ³	0	with a licensed capacity of			0

Annual Cost of State-Licensed Child Care²

	Home-base	d Programs	Centers and Group Facilities		
Age of Child	Average	Highest Rate	Average	Highest Rate	
Ages 0 to 17 months	\$9,016	\$11,700	\$10,859	\$12,168	
18 to 35 months	\$8,496	\$10,608	\$10,573	\$11,830	
Ages 3 to 5	\$8,416	\$10,400	\$10,443	\$11,440	
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.