

**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>	7212	2571	4957	16128	28297
% of Children Ages 0 to 5 with All Parents in the Labor Force <sup>1</sup>					81.4%
% of Children Ages 6 to 13 with All Parents in the Labor Force <sup>1</sup>					80.2%
Children Ages 0 to 5 potentially needing child care due to parents in workforce					14740
Children Ages 6 to 12 potentially needing child care due to parents in workforce					13715
Capacity of state-licensed child care programs (family, group, center, school-age <sup>3</sup> )					13887
<a href="#">Current Child Care Assistance Program Recipients Age 0-13</a>					
Percent to which supply meets potential demand					49%

**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	55	127	23	72	307
Licensed Capacity	488	1654	588	7843	13887
Reported Vacancies <sup>4</sup>	32	35	65	200	452
Programs open before 7:00 a.m.	11	28	13	34	115
Programs open after 6:00 p.m.	9	11	7	2	29
Programs open on Weekends	8	10	3	0	21
Reported Size of Workforce	72	216	138	1550	2136
State-licensed school-age programs <sup>3</sup>	30	with a licensed capacity of			3314

**Annual Cost of State-Licensed Child Care<sup>2</sup>**

	Home-based Programs		Centers and Group Facilities	
Age of Child	Average	Highest Rate	Average	Highest Rate
Ages 0 to 17 months	\$9,911	\$16,900	\$12,271	\$15,340
18 to 35 months	\$9,550	\$15,600	\$11,659	\$15,080
Ages 3 to 5	\$9,246	\$15,600	\$10,810	\$14,560
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.