

2017 State Child Care Facts in the State of: Alaska



CHILD CARE NEED¹

POPULATION	ALASKA	UNITED STATES
Total residents	733,375	316,515,021
Children age birth to 4 years	54,882	19,896,133
Children age birth to 4 years living in poverty	8,179	4,795,039
Children age 5 to 11	71,124	28,728,645
Total families with children	81,482	33,732,757
Single parent families	26,522	11,039,498
Families in poverty	11,688	8,761,164

CHILDREN UNDER AGE 6 POTENTIALLY IN NEED OF CHILD CARE	ALASKA	UNITED STATES
Children in two-parent families, both parents in labor force	22,395	8,602,634
Children in single-parent families, parent in the labor force	16,953	6,387,787
Total children under age 6 potentially needing child care	39,348	14,990,421

NUMBER OF WORKING MOTHERS	ALASKA	UNITED STATES
With infants under one year	6,606	2,500,737
With children under age 6 only	14,074	5,610,490
With children age 6 to 17 only	32,091	14,807,850
With both children under age 6 AND children age 6 to 17	11,126	6,856,516
Married working mothers	37,338	14,328,033
Single working mothers	14,935	6,842,084

AVAILABILITY OF CHILD CARE²

SPACES IN CHILD CARE PROGRAMS	ALASKA
Total spaces/slots	29,513
Percent of spaces in child care center programs*	63%
Percent of total spaces in licensed FCC homes	13%
Percent of total spaces in school-age care programs	17%
Percent of total spaces in other programs	7%
Percentage spaces/slots of licensed programs	
Percent of licensed spaces for infants	0%
Percent of licensed spaces for toddlers	0%
Percent of licensed spaces for preschool-aged children	0
Percent of licensed spaces for school-aged children	0%

*Does not include school-aged programs

TYPES OF AVAILABLE CHILD CARE

TYPES OF CHILD CARE	ALASKA
Number of center-based child care programs	253
Percent of centers nationally accredited	8%
Do faith-based programs need to be regulated?	Yes
Number of regulated faith-based programs	23
Number of family child care (FCC) homes	554
Percent of FCC homes nationally accredited	0%
Number of school-aged care programs	68
Percent of licensed programs with slots for school-aged children	0%
Percent of licensed programs with slots for ONLY school-aged children	NA
Number of other regulated child care centers	0
Number of other regulated FCC homes	0

CHILD CARE WORKFORCE

NUMBERS, INCOME, AND SUPPORT OF THE CHILD CARE WORKFORCE ³	ALASKA	UNITED STATES
Child care workers (in centers)	2,500	573,430
Average annual income of child care workers	\$26,720	\$22,310
Total paid early childhood workforce ⁴	NA	2.2 million

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

CCR&R CONTACTS	URL
thread	www.threadalaska.org
Child Care Aware® of America	http://usa.childcareaware.org www.childcareaware.org

¹ Unless otherwise noted, statistics in the Child Care Need sections are from the American Community Survey, U.S. Census Bureau, 2011-2015 five-year estimates (<http://factfinder2.census.gov/faces/nav/jsf/pages/index.xhtml>).

² Unless otherwise noted, data for the rest of the Fact Sheet is provided by Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies for Child Care Aware® of America's 2016 State Fact Sheet Survey. Data reflects the 2016 calendar year.

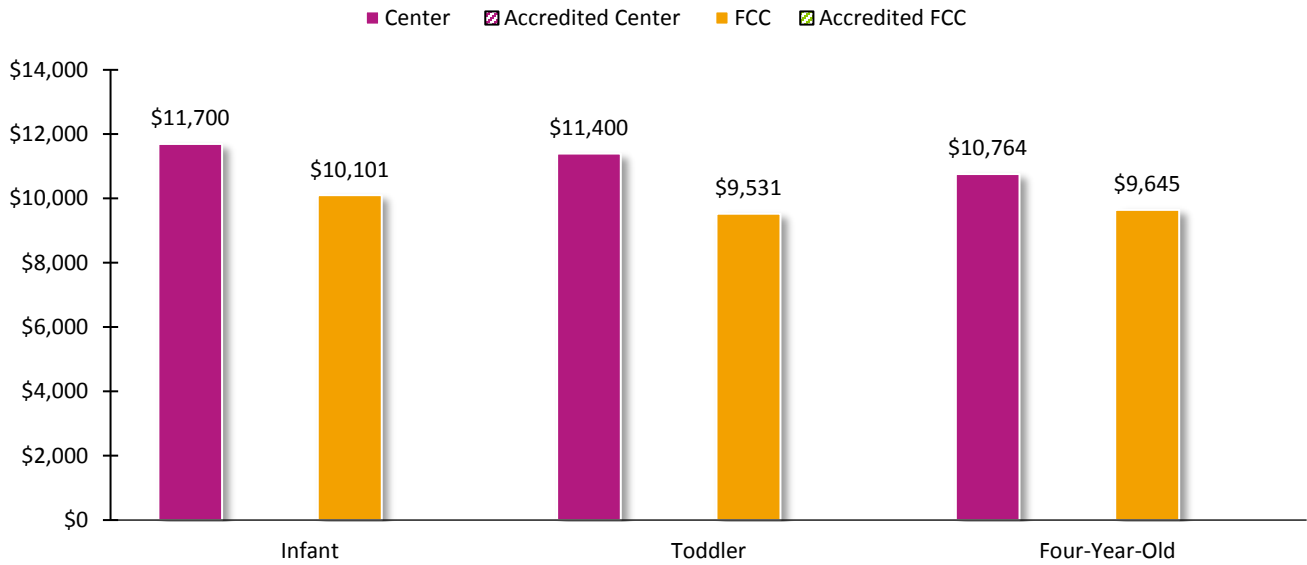
³ Unless otherwise noted, statistics in the Child Care Workforce sections are from the Occupational Employment Statistics, Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2017 data (<https://www.bls.gov/oes/>).

⁴Weiss E. & Brandon, R. N. (2010). *The Economic Value of the U.S. Early Childhood Sector*. Partnership for America's Economic Success.

2017 Cost of Child Care in the State of:

Alaska

Cost of Care for Young Children



Cost of Care for School-Age Children

