

# 2017 State Child Care Facts in the State of: North Carolina



## CHILD CARE NEED<sup>1</sup>

POPULATION	NORTH CAROLINA	UNITED STATES
Total residents	9,845,333	316,515,021
Children age birth to 4 years	610,908	19,896,133
Children age birth to 4 years living in poverty	171,294	4,795,039
Children age 5 to 11	902,733	28,728,645
Total families with children	1,074,176	33,732,757
Single parent families	375,564	11,039,498
Families in poverty	319,374	8,761,164

CHILDREN UNDER AGE 6 POTENTIALLY IN NEED OF CHILD CARE	NORTH CAROLINA	UNITED STATES
Children in two-parent families, both parents in labor force	251,666	8,602,634
Children in single-parent families, parent in the labor force	214,346	6,387,787
Total children under age 6 potentially needing child care	466,012	14,990,421

NUMBER OF WORKING MOTHERS	NORTH CAROLINA	UNITED STATES
With infants under one year	78,016	2,500,737
With children under age 6 only	183,605	5,610,490
With children age 6 to 17 only	476,754	14,807,850
With both children under age 6 AND children age 6 to 17	134,903	6,856,516
Married working mothers	489,643	14,328,033
Single working mothers	239,733	6,842,084

## AVAILABILITY OF CHILD CARE<sup>2</sup>

SPACES IN CHILD CARE PROGRAMS	NORTH CAROLINA
Total spaces/slots	447,298
Percent of spaces in child care center programs*	82%
Percent of total spaces in licensed FCC homes	3%
Percent of total spaces in school-age care programs	14%
Percent of total spaces in other programs	NA
Percentage spaces/slots of licensed programs	
Percent of licensed spaces for infants	5%
Percent of licensed spaces for toddlers	19%
Percent of licensed spaces for preschool-aged children	40%
Percent of licensed spaces for school-aged children	22%

\*Does not include school-aged programs

## TYPES OF AVAILABLE CHILD CARE

TYPES OF CHILD CARE	NORTH CAROLINA
Number of center-based child care programs	4,642
Percent of centers nationally accredited	3%
Do faith-based programs need to be regulated?	Yes
Number of regulated faith-based programs	353
Number of family child care (FCC) homes	1,981
Percent of FCC homes nationally accredited	0%
Number of school-aged care programs	5,842
Percent of licensed programs with slots for school-aged children	90%
Percent of licensed programs with slots for ONLY school-aged children	10%
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 <sup>3</sup>	NORTH CAROLINA	UNITED STATES
Child care workers (in centers)	21,610	573,430
Average annual income of child care workers	\$21,480	\$22,310
Total paid early childhood workforce <sup>4</sup>	NA	2.2 million

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

CCR&R CONTACTS	URL
Child Care Resources Inc. (CCRI)	<a href="http://www.childcareresourcesinc.org/">http://www.childcareresourcesinc.org/</a>
NC Child Care Resource & Referral Council	<a href="http://childcarerrnc.org/">http://childcarerrnc.org/</a>
Child Care Aware® of America	<a href="http://usa.childcareaware.org">http://usa.childcareaware.org</a> <a href="http://www.childcareaware.org">www.childcareaware.org</a>

<sup>1</sup> 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>).

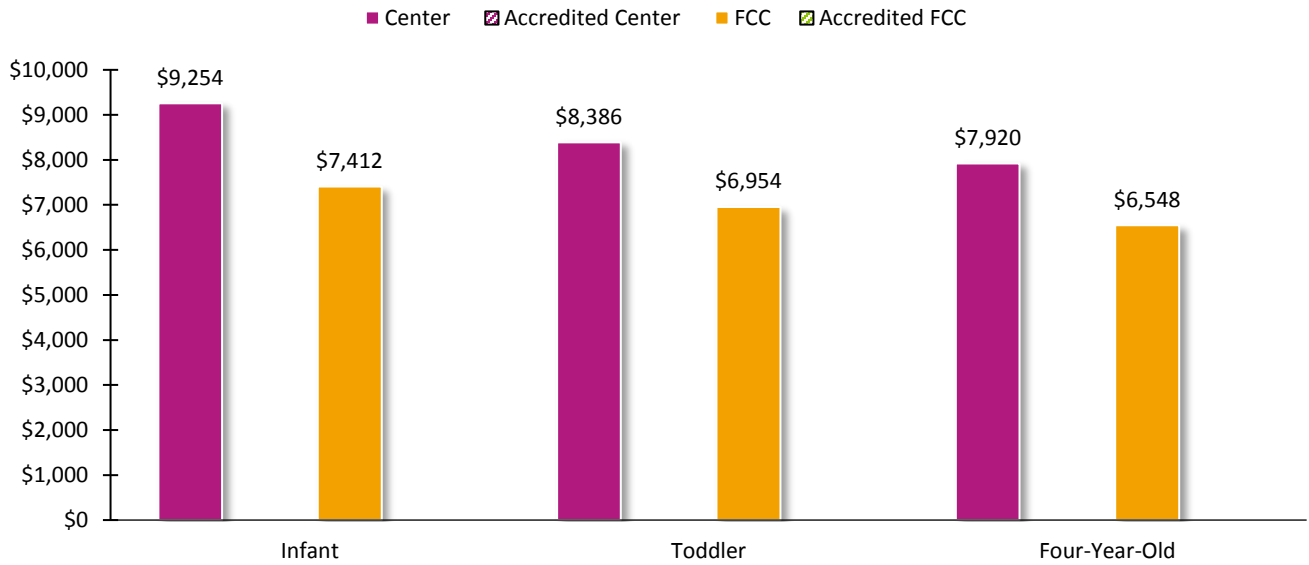
<sup>2</sup> Unless otherwise noted, data for the rest of the Fact Sheet is provided by Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies for Child Care Aware® of America's 2016 State Fact Sheet Survey. Data reflects the 2016 calendar year.

<sup>3</sup> 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/>).

<sup>4</sup>Weiss 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 North Carolina

## Cost of Care for Young Children



## Cost of Care for School-Age Children

