Child Care in Maryland







Maryland Family Network works with parents of young children and with child care providers to ensure that all young children have secure relationships and learning opportunities – so they do acquire the skills and confidence to succeed in school and in life. The Maryland Child Care Resource Network (MCCRN), a project of the Maryland Family Network, is a public/private partnership designed to expand and improve child care delivery across the state. MCCRN works to improve the quality of early educational opportunities, to increase the availability of child care throughout Maryland, to help parents identify child care programs for their families, and to assist employers in developing work/family policies.

Number of Programs by Type

Jurisdiction	Total* Group	8-12 hour Child Care	Infant Child Care	Nursery School	Kindergarten	Part Day Program	School- Age Child Care	Head Start	Family Child Care
Allegany	18	12	4	5	1	2	9	6	37
Anne Arundel	242	149	68	41	16	35	153	4	310
Baltimore City	282	201	130	22	16	10	146	38	386
Baltimore County	375	264	133	61	22	36	231	11	515
Calvert	50	32	14	6	3	8	38	3	70
Caroline	9	5	2	2	N/A	1	4	3	47
Carroll	89	49	26	10	3	22	62	6	86
Cecil	36	23	10	4	1	5	27	1	59
Charles	73	47	31	9	2	8	57	2	146
Dorchester	13	10	6	N/A	N/A	N/A	7	2	41
Frederick	117	72	41	12	6	25	88	6	260
Garrett	11	10	7	N/A	N/A	N/A	6	3	13
Harford	98	59	28	18	4	17	69	3	186
Howard	182	123	67	30	15	14	111	3	246
Kent	7	5	3	2	2	N/A	5	1	14
Montgomery	515	362	170	121	52	59	302	25	704
Prince George's	361	224	121	36	12	22	270	16	568
Queen Anne's	16	11	5	3	N/A	N/A	9	1	56
St. Mary's	36	25	12	11	3	7	23	1	112
Somerset	8	4	5	N/A	N/A	1	4	3	20
Talbot	20	16	6	4	N/A	1	14	1	28
Washington	56	35	13	7	2	5	39	4	120
Wicomico	31	25	17	4	3	7	26	1	85
Worcester	18	13	7	4	1	2	8	3	19
Totals	2663	1776	926	412	164	287	1708	147	4128

© MFN June 2024

*Numbers do not total because facilities may have more than one type of program.

*This is licensed capacity and does not reflect restrictions on group size due to the Coronavirus.

The Maryland Child Care Resource Network is a project of Maryland Family Network located at: 1800 Washington Blvd Ste 445, Baltimore, MD 21230 410-659-7701 www.marylandfamilynetwork.org

This publication was produced as a work for hire for the benefit of, and with funds from, the Maryland State Department of Education.

Average Weekly Cost of Child Care

CENTER BASED CARE				FAMILY CHILD CARE			
Jurisdiction	0-2 years	2 - 5 years	School Age	0-2 years	2 - 5 years	School Age	
Anne Arundel	416.00	288.17	N/A	317.75	279.51	241.00	
Allegany	150.00	150.00	150.00	179.17	163.75	161.67	
Baltimore County	386.13	289.23	255.33	282.54	240.91	212.30	
Baltimore City	393.60	305.64	256.67	275.32	225.83	186.85	
Carroll	336.50	243.46	290.00	253.50	220.00	200.00	
Cecil	N/A	200.19	200.00	250.00	226.00	175.00	
Charles	377.50	233.89	163.33	289.17	247.86	204.38	
Caroline	200.00	165.00	130.00	136.88	131.25	131.25	
Calvert	295.00	206.25	200.00	286.82	213.13	191.67	
Dorchester	221.67	215.00	185.00	198.75	146.92	166.25	
Frederick	425.00	320.00	140.00	287.26	260.68	230.00	
Garrett	N/A	N/A	N/A	185.00	175.00	115.00	
Harford	522.42	340.50	218.75	283.24	248.19	223.50	
Howard	510.83	356.83	295.00	321.38	286.17	250.69	
Kent	245.00	185.00	205.00	165.00	157.50	155.00	
Montgomery	565.60	421.61	339.19	346.53	313.31	265.13	
Prince George's	396.00	259.89	202.86	304.96	260.53	216.80	
Queen Anne's	365.00	272.50	250.00	235.00	199.81	166.67	
Saint Mary's	322.50	210.27	207.50	241.05	180.59	150.00	
Somerset	N/A	N/A	N/A	185.00	167.50	162.50	
Talbot	N/A	N/A	N/A	155.00	137.50	137.50	
Washington	265.00	190.00	192.50	224.75	180.44	171.60	
Wicomico	278.00	224.31	249.67	213.33	178.77	175.00	
Worcester	270.00	197.75	155.00	200.00	149.38	110.00	
State Average	408.43	297.11	234.7	290.08	250.81	210.32	

Salaries for Child Care Workers in Maryland

Job Title	Average Annual Salary
Family Child Care Provider	\$ 41,936*
Child Care Center Director	\$ 41,396
Center Senior Staff/Teacher	\$ 25,568
Center Aide	\$ 17,402

Source: LOCATE: Child Care database information 06/2023, *Gross income based on annual fees

Infant Child Care

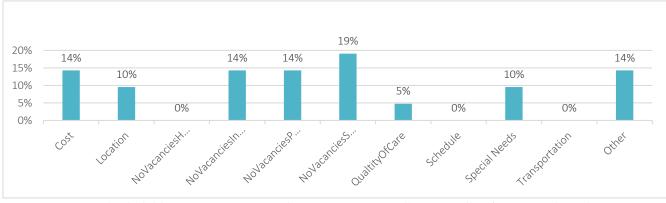
Although regulations permit infants to be cared for in center, most infants in regulated child care are in family child care homes.

WINISDICTION	FAMILY CH	IILD CARE	CENTER-BASED CARE		
JURISDICTION	Licensed to Accept Infants	Willing to Accept Infants	Licensed to Accept Infants	Willing to Accept Infants	
Allegany	37	35	18	4	
Anne Arundel	310	266	242	67	
Baltimore City	386	341	282	121	
Baltimore County	515	445	375	133	
Calvert	70	64	50	15	
Caroline	47	35	9	2	
Carroll	86	80	89	29	
Cecil	59	55	36	13	
Charles	146	124	73	31	
Dorchester	41	33	13	6	
Frederick	260	242	117	41	
Garrett	13	13	11	9	
Harford	186	161	98	33	
Howard	246	207	182	64	
Kent	14	11	7	3	
Montgomery	704	644	515	182	
Prince George's	568	514	361	113	
Queen Anne's	56	51	16	4	
St. Mary's	112	105	36	11	
Somerset	20	15	8	6	
Talbot	28	26	20	7	
Washington	120	113	56	17	
Wicomico	85	72	31	18	
Worcester	19	17	18	6	
Total	4128	3669	2663	935	

MFN June 2024

Maryland State Department of Education's regulations require that a family child care provider have no more than two children under the age of two, including his or her own, who are also under the age of two.

MAJOR REASONS PARENTS COULD NOT FIND CHILD CARE



Source: Maryland Child Care Resource Network Community Line Follow-Up Calls Of June 2023 through June 2024

Total Capacity*

^{*} Providers/programs that were licensed by the Office of Child Care

JURISDICTION	FAMILY CHILD CARE	CENTER-BASED CARE		
Anne Arundel	2388	17638		
Allegany	308	963		
Baltimore City	3014	13877		
Baltimore County	4039	24842		
Calvert	578	2369		
Caroline	369	458		
Carroll	656	5698		
Cecil	458	1944		
Charles	1115	4889		
Dorchester	324	505		
Frederick	1999	7520		
Garrett	108	298		
Harford	1460	7018		
Howard	1898	12708		
Kent	113	272		
Montgomery	5663	39135		
Prince George's	4487	22012		
Queen Anne's	421	950		
Saint Mary's	869	2129		
Somerset	152	384		
Talbot	226	1150		
Washington	926	3361		
Wicomico	654	2705		
Worcester	148	1137		
Total	32373	173962		

© MFN June 2024

There are 210,217 spaces for children in regulated childcare programs in Maryland.

- There are 898,345 children in Maryland under the age of 12
- There are 635,557 Females in the workforce with children under age 18.

SOURCE: LOCATE: Child Care 2023 and American Community Survey 2021