

Child Care in Maryland

LOCATE: Child Care Database Information
Maryland Child Care Resource Network



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	36
Anne Arundel	246	150	68	42	16	34	154	4	313
Baltimore City	285	205	131	22	17	10	146	36	386
Baltimore County	376	264	133	60	22	36	230	11	514
Calvert	50	32	14	6	3	8	38	3	67
Caroline	9	5	2	2	0	1	4	3	46
Carroll	90	49	26	10	3	22	63	6	82
Cecil	38	24	11	4	1	5	29	1	53
Charles	74	48	31	9	2	8	57	2	143
Dorchester	14	11	6	0	0	0	7	2	40
Frederick	121	72	41	12	6	25	91	7	253
Garrett	12	11	8	0	0	0	7	3	13
Harford	97	58	28	17	4	17	69	3	185
Howard	184	126	68	30	15	13	111	3	243
Kent	7	5	3	2	2	0	5	1	14
Montgomery	519	363	169	122	53	59	305	27	704
Prince George's	361	222	121	34	11	21	268	16	565
Queen Anne's	17	11	5	3	0	0	10	1	56
St. Mary's	39	25	12	11	3	7	23	4	108
Somerset	8	4	5	0	0	1	4	3	19
Talbot	21	17	6	4	0	1	14	1	27
Washington	55	33	12	7	2	5	39	4	118
Wicomico	36	27	20	4	3	7	28	1	88
Worcester	18	13	7	4	1	2	8	3	19
Totals	2695	1787	931	410	165	284	1719	151	4092

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

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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	456.00	305.35	200.70	321.30	282.85	246.82
Allegany	N/A	N/A	N/A	179.17	163.75	161.67
Baltimore County	387.94	290.80	256.00	290.98	247.21	217.12
Baltimore City	352.00	282.67	236.25	266.96	219.47	174.95
Carroll	336.50	243.46	290.00	285.83	241.67	211.67
Cecil	N/A	200.19	200.00	238.33	211.52	166.67
Charles	415.67	242.46	166.00	297.81	249.68	220.63
Caroline	200.00	165.00	130.00	140.83	129.17	125.00
Calvert	295.00	206.25	200.00	278.33	214.50	195.00
Dorchester	221.67	215.00	185.00	185.00	147.50	147.50
Frederick	425.00	320.00	140.00	285.24	255.45	226.87
Garrett	N/A	N/A	N/A	185.00	175.00	115.00
Harford	522.42	340.50	218.75	293.57	255.37	212.31
Howard	491.50	364.95	315.00	334.38	287.34	257.18
Kent	245.00	185.00	205.00	165.00	157.50	155.00
Montgomery	542.56	425.27	359.43	349.78	318.48	271.93
Prince George's	424.31	271.81	185.00	312.06	267.27	216.88
Queen Anne's	N/A	N/A	N/A	233.75	198.39	170.00
Saint Mary's	322.50	210.27	207.50	236.84	182.84	160.83
Somerset	N/A	N/A	N/A	200.00	176.88	162.50
Talbot	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Washington	265.00	190.00	192.50	222.88	180.34	144.50
Wicomico	272.50	228.25	249.67	205.42	177.00	162.50
Worcester	270.00	216.38	155.00	160.00	150.00	145.00
State Average	417.40	302.80	241.10	295.10	255.28	211.87

Salaries for Child Care Workers in Maryland

Job Title	Average Annual Salary
Family Child Care Provider	\$ 43,465*
Child Care Center Director	\$ 41,656
Center Senior Staff/Teacher	\$ 25,772
Center Aide	\$ 17,715

Source: LOCATE: Child Care database information 06/2024,

**Gross income based on annual fees*

Infant Child Care

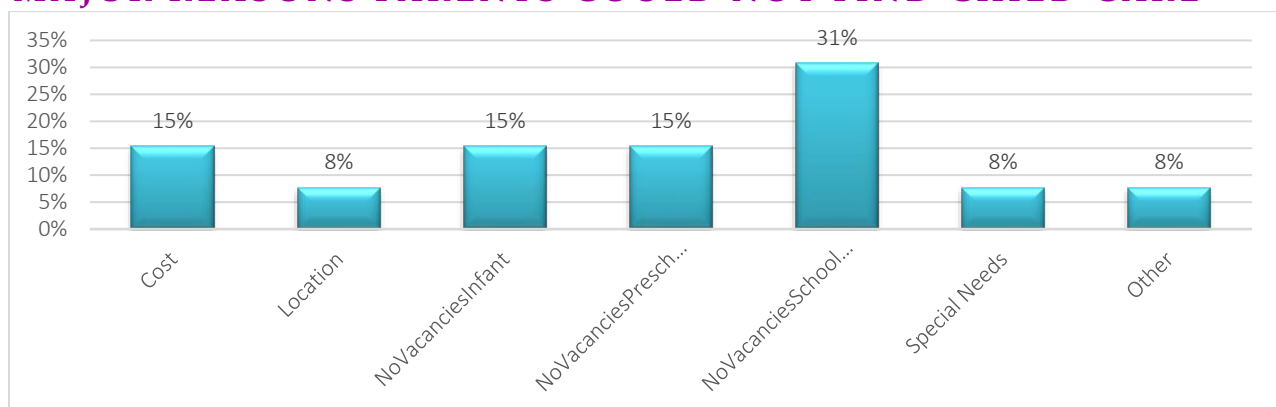
Although regulations permit infants to be cared for in center, most infants in regulated child care are in family child care homes.

JURISDICTION	FAMILY CHILD CARE		CENTER-BASED CARE	
	Licensed to Accept Infants	Willing to Accept Infants	Licensed to Accept Infants	Willing to Accept Infants
Allegany	36	34	18	5
Anne Arundel	313	272	246	68
Baltimore City	386	343	285	122
Baltimore County	514	449	376	134
Calvert	67	61	50	15
Caroline	46	34	9	2
Carroll	82	75	90	29
Cecil	53	49	38	14
Charles	143	122	74	31
Dorchester	40	32	14	6
Frederick	253	238	121	41
Garrett	13	13	12	10
Harford	185	160	97	33
Howard	243	202	184	66
Kent	14	11	7	3
Montgomery	704	648	519	184
Prince George's	565	511	361	112
Queen Anne's	56	50	17	4
St. Mary's	108	101	39	11
Somerset	19	15	8	6
Talbot	27	25	21	7
Washington	118	111	55	16
Wicomico	88	75	36	21
Worcester	19	17	18	6
Total	4092	3648	2695	946

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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



Total Capacity*

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

JURISDICTION	FAMILY CHILD CARE	CENTER-BASED CARE
Anne Arundel	2409	17498
Allegany	300	988
Baltimore City	2956	13680
Baltimore County	4021	24321
Calvert	583	2377
Caroline	367	458
Carroll	672	5608
Cecil	459	1921
Charles	1121	4758
Dorchester	333	502
Frederick	1990	7447
Garrett	109	301
Harford	1463	6937
Howard	1876	13167
Kent	113	259
Montgomery	5690	38518
Prince George's	4479	22070
Queen Anne's	412	933
Saint Mary's	874	2093
Somerset	152	327
Talbot	237	1108
Washington	905	3349
Wicomico	632	2638
Worcester	148	1104
Total	32301	172362

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*The number of spaces are licensed capacity from Maryland State Department of Education. This does not reflect providers who operate at a lower capacity than for which they are licensed.

There are 204,663 regulated spaces for children in regulated childcare programs in Maryland.

- There are 1,170,267 children in Maryland under the age of 12.
- There are 635,557 Females in the workforce with children under age 18.

SOURCE: Geolytics Report, the US Census American Community Survey 2023