

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.

*All of the data in this report are based on programs that were open as of December 31, 2021. They do not include programs that were temporarily closed due to COVID-19.

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	19	14	5	5	1	3	13	5	41
Anne Arundel	204	133	62	42	16	35	125	4	341
Baltimore City	252	182	123	22	14	12	124	36	395
Baltimore County	349	241	130	61	22	31	230	10	565
Calvert	49	36	17	8	3	10	41	0	81
Caroline	11	6	2	3	0	2	4	3	53
Carroll	81	46	25	10	3	21	56	4	97
Cecil	37	24	10	4	1	6	27	1	63
Charles	67	42	27	9	2	8	52	2	165
Dorchester	10	8	3	1	0	0	6	2	40
Frederick	117	70	37	17	8	24	91	5	266
Garrett	12	9	6	0	0	0	8	2	10
Harford	92	54	27	18	3	17	68	2	204
Howard	172	113	59	37	18	14	107	3	250
Kent	6	5	3	2	2	0	3	1	18
Montgomery	446	329	146	114	49	56	273	0	749
Prince George's	296	231	124	35	13	21	229	1	610
Queen Anne's	19	12	4	4	0	0	11	1	62
St. Mary's	33	23	11	11	3	7	21	0	131
Somerset	7	5	5	0	0	1	4	2	17
Talbot	19	15	5	4	0	1	13	1	39
Washington	59	34	11	7	2	6	42	4	133
Wicomico	36	29	20	6	4	6	30	1	82
Worcester	16	11	6	4	1	2	7	3	19
Totals	2409	1672	868	424	165	283	1585	93	4431

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*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.

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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	\$ 382.08	\$ 244.11	\$ 230.26	\$ 254.62	\$ 208.22	\$ 174.49
Allegany	\$ 195.00	\$ 151.93	\$ 147.81	\$ 141.72	\$ 126.30	\$ 122.89
Baltimore County	\$ 320.56	\$ 226.83	\$ 205.96	\$ 226.40	\$ 188.54	\$ 164.42
Baltimore City	\$ 292.43	\$ 219.90	\$ 191.75	\$ 198.14	\$ 162.26	\$ 142.28
Carroll	\$ 321.00	\$ 221.33	\$ 232.62	\$ 209.55	\$ 184.98	\$ 158.86
Cecil	\$ 277.50	\$ 212.91	\$ 191.53	\$ 179.44	\$ 157.70	\$ 140.81
Charles	\$ 310.48	\$ 223.45	\$ 210.89	\$ 232.60	\$ 187.87	\$ 157.50
Caroline	\$ 180.00	\$ 141.25	\$ 135.83	\$ 157.39	\$ 129.67	\$ 118.48
Calvert	\$ 272.33	\$ 191.52	\$ 184.74	\$ 220.12	\$ 174.98	\$ 159.22
Dorchester	\$ 167.00	\$ 153.37	\$ 150.83	\$ 149.67	\$ 127.58	\$ 124.58
Frederick	\$ 363.85	\$ 237.66	\$ 228.05	\$ 229.44	\$ 197.92	\$ 177.83
Garrett	\$ 161.00	\$ 145.67	\$ 143.33	\$ 129.38	\$ 115.15	\$ 113.33
Harford	\$ 356.55	\$ 254.24	\$ 231.99	\$ 220.20	\$ 192.39	\$ 172.25
Howard	\$ 416.83	\$ 299.57	\$ 273.62	\$ 279.08	\$ 242.84	\$ 212.46
Kent	\$ 246.17	\$ 198.57	\$ 125.00	\$ 168.93	\$ 144.58	\$ 128.89
Montgomery	\$ 448.01	\$ 370.23	\$ 298.80	\$ 304.56	\$ 274.33	\$ 241.99
Prince George's	\$ 314.76	\$ 228.22	\$ 196.60	\$ 243.47	\$ 204.05	\$ 168.52
Queen Anne's	\$ 295.13	\$ 165.43	\$ 190.25	\$ 197.30	\$ 166.65	\$ 147.71
Saint Mary's	\$ 285.50	\$ 201.60	\$ 169.94	\$ 204.11	\$ 170.77	\$ 146.83
Somerset	\$ 197.67	\$ 155.83	\$ 144.17	\$ 133.13	\$ 119.68	\$ 110.00
Talbot	\$ 246.53	\$ 151.51	\$ 148.89	\$ 175.39	\$ 138.37	\$ 129.47
Washington	\$ 247.33	\$ 153.57	\$ 149.24	\$ 162.81	\$ 143.30	\$ 127.71
Wicomico	\$ 232.45	\$ 165.88	\$ 145.77	\$ 165.60	\$131.64	\$ 119.57
Worcester	\$ 299.50	\$ 174.48	\$ 166.88	\$ 166.82	\$ 142.56	\$ 133.50
State Average	\$ 342.28	\$ 253.63	\$ 224.18	\$ 283.07	\$ 203.16	\$ 172.06

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Salaries for Child Care Workers in Maryland

Job Title	Average Annual Salary
Family Child Care Provider	\$41,177
Child Care Center Director	\$ 40,539
Center Senior Staff/Teacher	\$ 25,537
Center Aide	\$ 17,889

Source: LOCATE: Child Care database information 12/21

Infant Child Care

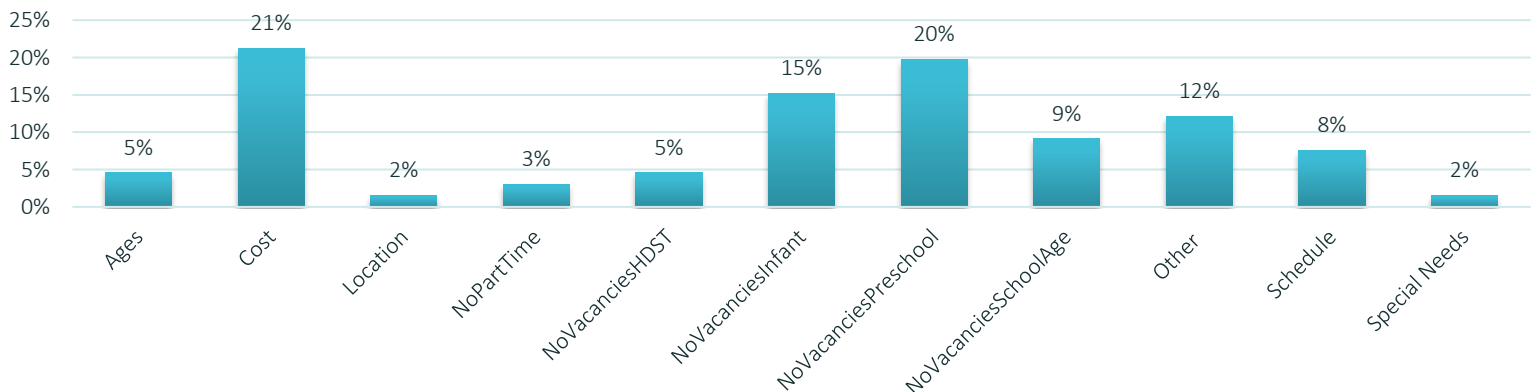
Although regulations permit infants to be cared for in center, most infants in regulated child care are in family child care homes.

JURISDICTION	FAMILY CHILD CARE		CENTER-BASED CARE	
	Licensed to Accept Infants	Willing to Accept Infants	Licensed to Accept Infants	Willing to Accept Infants
Allegany	40	38	6	5
Anne Arundel	333	311	61	61
Baltimore City	379	365	119	114
Baltimore County	547	515	134	125
Calvert	75	72	19	19
Caroline	51	48	4	4
Carroll	95	84	28	26
Cecil	60	57	15	13
Charles	152	147	28	28
Dorchester	38	35	3	2
Frederick	256	249	38	36
Garrett	10	10	7	7
Harford	199	184	32	31
Howard	238	228	60	55
Kent	15	12	3	3
Montgomery	714	685	158	156
Prince George's	589	568	131	120
Queen Anne's	58	54	5	5
St. Mary's	126	120	10	10
Somerset	17	16	5	5
Talbot	38	37	6	6
Washington	131	125	14	13
Wicomico	81	77	21	21
Worcester	18	17	6	5
Total	4260	4054	913	870

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Maryland State Department of Education's regulation 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
Allegany	317	1142
Anne Arundel	2715	15132
Baltimore City	3043	12573
Baltimore County	4452	23319
Calvert	630	2480
Caroline	429	495
Carroll	771	5545
Cecil	508	1961
Charles	1261	4484
Dorchester	318	417
Frederick	2061	7892
Garrett	95	336
Harford	1588	6324
Howard	1922	13479
Kent	140	246
Montgomery	5880	35802
Prince George's	4832	19477
Queen Anne's	445	1105
Saint Mary's	1021	1954
Somerset	125	488
Talbot	305	1067
Washington	1042	3110
Wicomico	635	3175
Worcester	144	1195
Total	34679	163198

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There are 197,877 spaces for children in regulated childcare programs in Maryland.

In 2021, 78.9% of Maryland Children under the age of 12 had mothers in the workforce.

- There are 1,136,770 children in Maryland under the age of 12
- 896,912 have mothers who work outside the home
- 239,858 have mothers who do not work outside the home

Note: Based on Geolytics, Inc. report for 2021. Percent based on 2010 Census data.

SOURCE: Maryland Department of State Planning and LOCATE: Child Care