

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	16	4	5	1	2	9	6	35
Anne Arundel	243	153	67	42	16	33	152	4	309
Baltimore City	278	242	129	22	16	10	144	32	384
Baltimore County	373	283	131	60	22	35	225	10	509
Calvert	50	32	14	6	3	8	38	3	67
Caroline	8	5	2	2	0	1	4	2	46
Carroll	87	52	26	11	3	22	61	5	81
Cecil	39	25	12	4	1	5	29	1	51
Charles	75	49	31	9	2	8	57	2	142
Dorchester	13	11	6	0	0	0	7	1	38
Frederick	123	74	41	12	6	25	91	7	255
Garrett	12	11	8	0	0	0	7	3	13
Harford	96	58	28	18	3	17	69	3	183
Howard	183	124	68	30	15	12	112	3	240
Kent	7	5	3	2	2	0	5	1	15
Montgomery	516	362	169	121	51	58	299	28	707
Prince George's	355	223	122	34	11	21	262	16	559
Queen Anne's	17	11	5	3	0	0	10	1	55
St. Mary's	39	25	12	11	3	7	23	4	106
Somerset	7	4	5	0	0	1	4	2	19
Talbot	20	16	6	4	0	1	13	1	29
Washington	55	33	12	8	2	5	39	4	117
Wicomico	34	25	18	4	3	7	27	1	87
Worcester	18	13	7	4	1	2	8	3	21
Totals	2666	1852	926	412	161	280	1695	143	4068

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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	453.25	307.78	240.03	325.89	288.19	250.42
Allegany	N/A	N/A	N/A	206.25	183.13	180.00
Baltimore County	370.17	282.98	237.69	295.75	250.23	222.45
Baltimore City	364.78	298.75	245.00	266.42	217.53	178.95
Carroll	339.00	246.19	300.00	290.00	244.38	217.50
Cecil	N/A	200.19	200.00	238.00	209.58	166.67
Charles	492.00	227.40	132.00	323.67	262.66	229.73
Caroline	200.00	165.00	130.00	140.83	122.50	118.33
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	286.52	256.46	226.87
Garrett	N/A	N/A	N/A	185.00	175.00	115.00
Harford	532.42	357.37	218.75	307.32	266.52	228.13
Howard	481.60	370.08	350.00	342.94	285.89	256.79
Kent	245.00	185.00	205.00	165.00	157.50	155.00
Montgomery	539.00	427.10	359.43	355.07	317.47	271.44
Prince George's	417.18	275.38	197.14	316.66	270.39	222.88
Queen Anne's	N/A	N/A	N/A	246.43	199.26	177.50
Saint Mary's	322.50	210.27	207.50	238.40	187.36	165.00
Somerset	N/A	N/A	N/A	185.00	162.50	162.50
Talbot	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Washington	265.00	190.00	192.50	231.67	193.98	136.43
Wicomico	272.50	228.25	249.67	205.42	179.00	165.83
Worcester	N/A	235.00	N/A	156.67	150.00	149.67
State Average	422.40	311.69	246.01	301.03	258.87	217.43

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

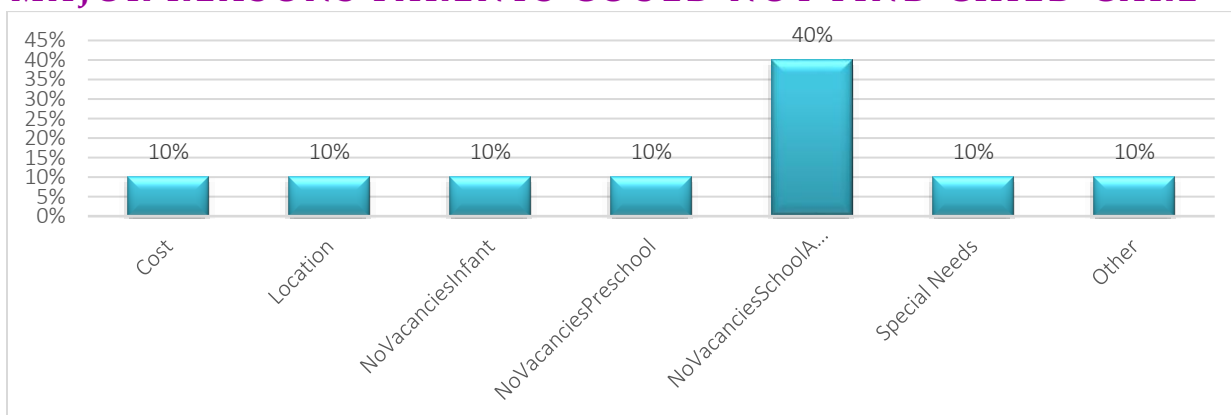
Although regulations permit infants to be cared for in center, most infants in regulated child care are in family child care homes.

JURISDICTION	FAMILY CHILD CARE		CENTER-BASED CARE	
	Licensed to Accept Infants	Willing to Accept Infants	Licensed to Accept Infants	Willing to Accept Infants
Allegany	35	33	18	4
Anne Arundel	309	268	243	66
Baltimore City	382	343	278	119
Baltimore County	509	446	373	133
Calvert	67	62	50	15
Caroline	46	34	8	1
Carroll	81	74	87	29
Cecil	51	47	39	15
Charles	142	123	75	31
Dorchester	38	31	13	6
Frederick	255	237	123	42
Garrett	13	12	12	10
Harford	183	158	96	33
Howard	240	202	183	66
Kent	15	12	7	3
Montgomery	707	652	516	183
Prince George's	559	508	355	116
Queen Anne's	55	49	17	4
St. Mary's	106	99	39	11
Somerset	19	15	7	5
Talbot	29	26	20	7
Washington	117	112	55	16
Wicomico	87	75	35	21
Worcester	21	18	18	6
Total	4066	3636	2667	942

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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



Source: Maryland Child Care Resource Network Community Line Follow-Up Calls of December 2023 through December 2024.

Total Capacity*

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

JURISDICTION	FAMILY CHILD CARE	CENTER-BASED CARE
Anne Arundel	2386	17820
Allegany	302	922
Baltimore City	3003	14208
Baltimore County	4022	25237
Calvert	552	2412
Caroline	362	458
Carroll	623	5726
Cecil	414	2120
Charles	1086	5012
Dorchester	317	534
Frederick	1934	7603
Garrett	112	332
Harford	1450	6923
Howard	1849	13044
Kent	115	268
Montgomery	5627	39842
Prince George's	4468	21785
Queen Anne's	422	980
Saint Mary's	844	2317
Somerset	148	348
Talbot	218	1204
Washington	915	3420
Wicomico	679	2838
Worcester	147	1109
Total	31995	176462

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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