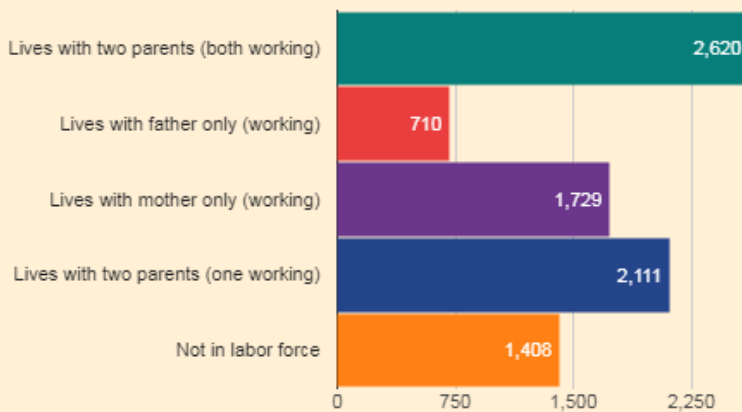


Rowan County Profile

Households with Own Children Under Age 6

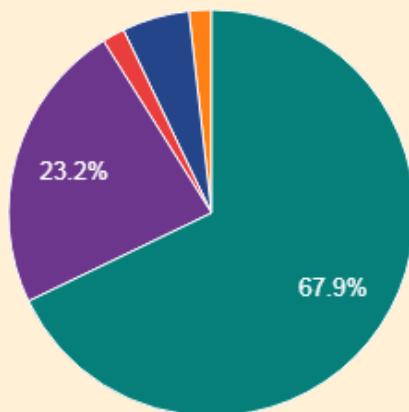


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Children under age 6 live in households in which all parents present work.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2015 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates, Table B23008.

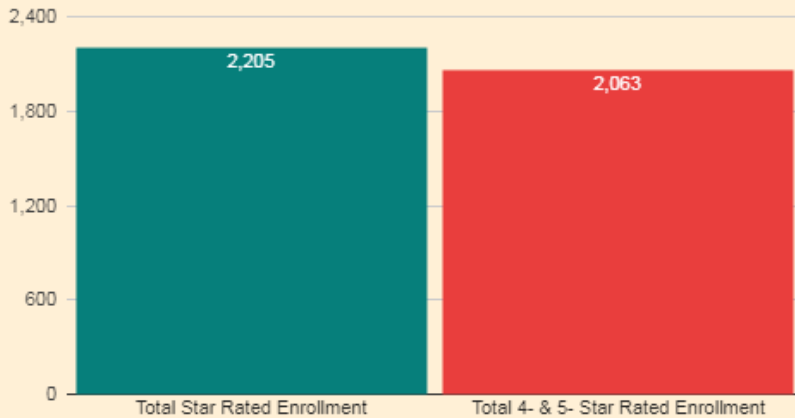
Licensed Early Childhood Programs



- Star Rated Child Care Centers
- Star Rated Family Child Care Homes
- Star Rated Part-Day Preschools
- GS110-106
- Temporary License

Source: Child Care Resources Inc.; June 30, 2017.

Children Enrolled in 4- and 5- Star Programs

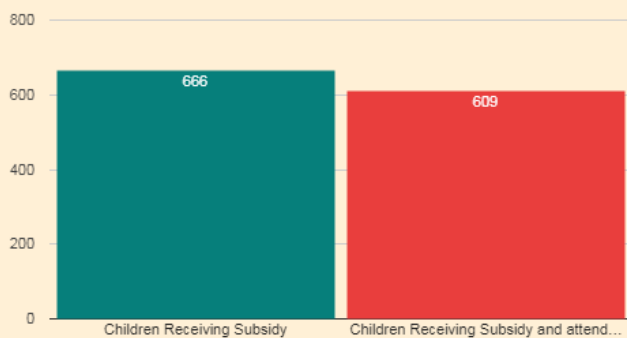


94%

Enrollment in 4- & 5- Star Programs as a % of All Star Rated Enrollment

Source: North Carolina Division of Child Development and Early Education; June 30, 2017.

Children Receiving Subsidy Enrolled in 4- and 5- Star Programs



91%

Children Receiving Subsidy and attending 4- or 5- Star Programs

Source: North Carolina Division of Child Development and Early Education; June 30, 2017.
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Note: Based on annual income of \$43,451.

Rowan County Need

Total Population

	2017
Rowan County	140,122

Source: NC Office of State Budget and Management, July 1, 2015 County Total Age Groups, updated September 2016.

Child Population

	2017
0 - 2 years	4,657
3 - 4 years	3,119
5 years	1,677
6 - 13 years	14,924
Total:	24,377

Source: NC Office of State Budget and Management, July 1, 2015 County Total Age Groups, updated September 2016.

All Women with Related Children Under 18 Years

	2017
Number of women	13,926

Source: U.S. Census Bureau; 2015 American Community Survey 1 Year Estimates; Table B11004.

Women Ages 20-64 in the Labor Force

	2017
With own children under age 6	2,353
With own children under age 6 and 6-18	708
With own children ages 6-18	5,701
Single living in poverty with children <5	844

Source: U.S. Census Bureau; 2015 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates; Table B23003 and B17010.

Households with Own Children Under Age 6

	2017
Lives with two parents (both working)	2,620
Lives with father only (working)	710
Lives with mother only (working)	1,729
Lives with two parents (one working)	2,111
Not in labor force	1,408
Total:	8,578

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2015 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates, Table B23008.

Income Ranges for Households

	2017
< \$10,000	4,420
\$10,000 - \$14,999	2,529
\$15,000 - \$24,999	6,339
\$25,000 - \$34,999	6,121
\$35,000 - \$49,999	8,359
\$50,000 - \$74,999	10,965
\$75,000+	12,492
Total:	51,225

Source: U.S. Census Bureau; 2015 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates; Table B19001.

Pregnancies and Births - Ages 15 - 19

	2017
Live Births	114
Birth Rate	26
Pregnancies	141
Pregnancy Rate	33

Rates: Per 1,000
Source: NC State Center For Health Statistics; 2016.

Pregnancies and Births - Ages 15 - 44

	2017
Live Births	1,650
Birth Rate	65
Pregnancies	1,910
Pregnancy Rate	75

Rates: Per 1,000
Source: NC State Center For Health Statistics; 2016.

Families (with related children) and Poverty

	2017
All families	34,397
Families living below poverty level	4,292
All families with children <5	6,053
All with children <5 below poverty level	1,351
All with children <18	15,378
All with children <18 below poverty level	2,792

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2015 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates, Table 17010.

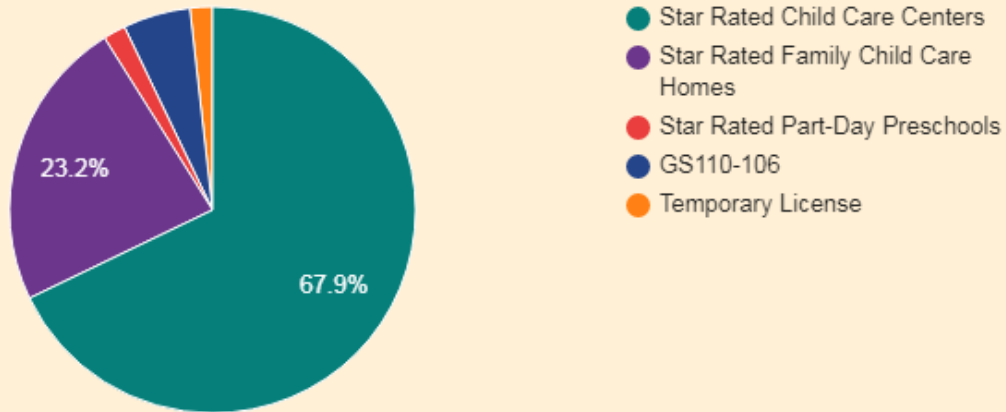
Children and Poverty

	2017
All children < 18	30,757
All <18 below poverty level	8,345
All children < 5	7,434
All <5 below poverty level	1,723
All children 5 to 18	23,323
All 5 to 18 below poverty level	6,622

Source: U.S. Census Bureau; 2015 American Community Survey, Table B17001.

Rowan County Availability

Licensed Early Childhood Programs



Source: Child Care Resources Inc.; June 30, 2017.

Licensed Child Care Centers

Ages Served	# of Programs Serving
Infant (0-12 months)	22
Toddler (12 - 24 months)	22
Twos	23
Threes/Fours	41
Fives	39
School-Age	31
Before and After School	17

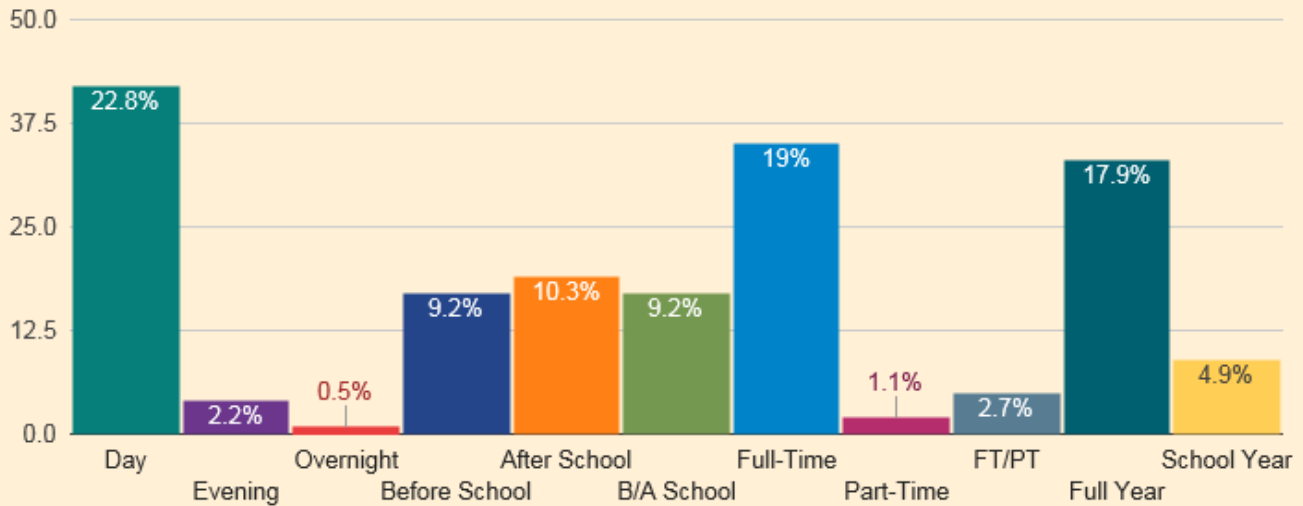
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Licensed Family Child Care Homes

Ages Served	# of Programs Serving
Infant (0-12 months)	13
Toddler (12 - 24 months)	13
Twos	13
Threes/Fours	13
Fives	13
School-Age	24
Before and After School	10

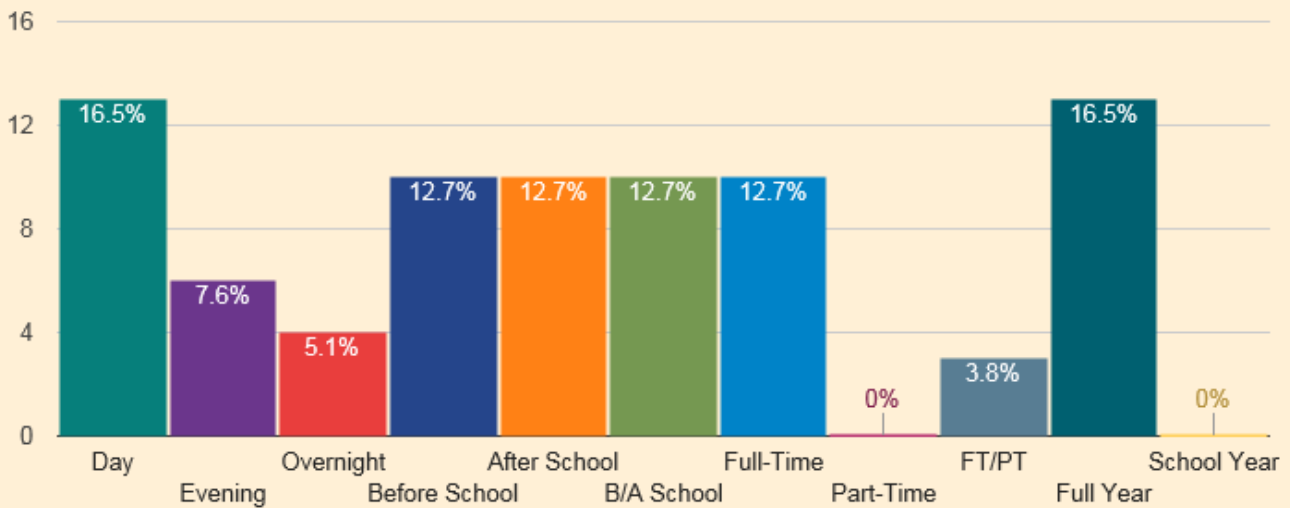
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Child Care Center Schedule Options



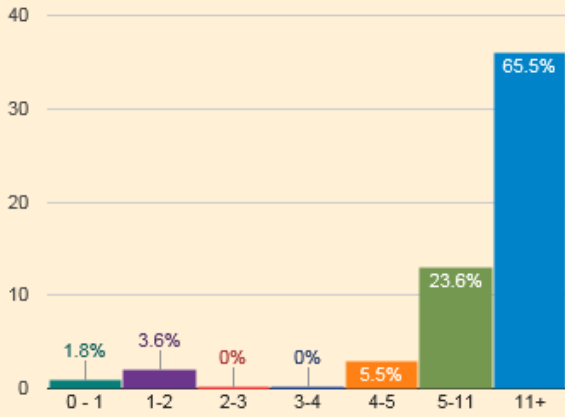
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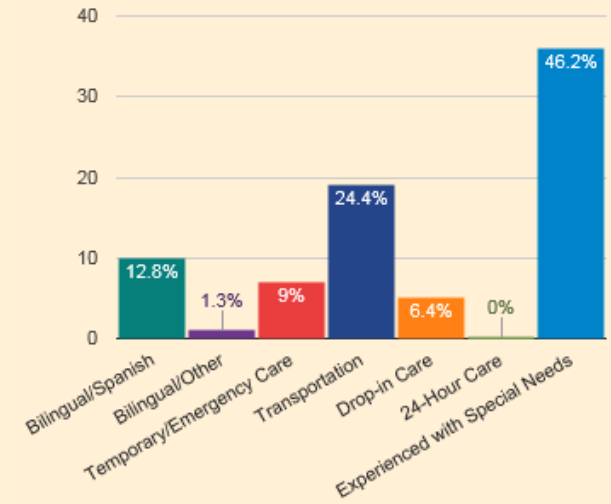
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Years in Operation - Licensed Facilities



Source: Child Care Resources Inc.; June 30, 2017.

Special Services Offered by Licensed Facilities



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Rowan County Quality

Licensed Child Care Centers

License Type	Number of Programs	Percent of Programs	Number of Slots	Percent of Slots
1 Star	1	2.4%	58	1.9%
2 Stars	0	0%	0	0%
3 Stars	2	4.8%	131	4.3%
4 Stars	8	19%	547	17.8%
5 Stars	27	64.3%	2,142	69.9%
Sub Total	38	90.5%	2,878	93.9%
GS110-106	3	7.1%	176	5.7%
Temporary	1	2.4%	12	0.4%
Provisional	0	0%	0	0%
Probationary	0	0%	0	0%
Total	42	100%	3,066	100%

Source: Child Care Resources Inc.; June 30, 2017.

Licensed Family Child Care Homes

License Type	Number of Programs	Percent of Programs	Number of Slots	Percent of Slots
1 Star	1	7.7%	8	7.9%
2 Stars	1	7.7%	8	7.9%
3 Stars	4	30.8%	32	31.7%
4 Stars	4	30.8%	32	31.7%
5 Stars	3	23.1%	21	20.8%
Sub Total	13	100%	101	100%
GS110-106	0	0%	0	0%
Temporary	0	0%	0	0%
Provisional	0	0%	0	0%
Probationary	0	0%	0	0%
Total	13	100%	101	100%

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Rowan County Affordability

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Average Annual Fee

	Amount
Child Care Center care for a 0-5 year old child	\$7,478
Family Child Care Home care for a 0-5 year old child	\$6,198
Child Care Center care for a school-age child	\$4,148
Family Child Care Home care for a school-age child	\$3,660

Source: Child Care Resources Inc.; June 30, 2017.

Number of Children Receiving Subsidized Care

	Number
Number of children	666
Monthly average of children	841
Waiting list for subsidized care	1,123
Average monthly waiting list	450

Source: North Carolina Division of Child Development and Early Education; June 30, 2017.

Notes: Number of children & waiting list; as of June 30, 2017.

Monthly averages: for July 1, 2016-June 30, 2017.



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Maximum Income Eligibility for Child Care Subsidies

for Children 0-5 Years and Children with Special Needs (All Ages)

Family Size	1	2	3	4	5	6
Max Gross Monthly/Annual	\$2,010/ \$24,120	\$2,707/ \$32,484	\$3,403/ \$40,836	\$4,100/ \$49,200	\$4,797/ \$57,564	\$5,493/ \$65,916
Family Size	7	8	9	10	11	12
Max Gross Monthly/Annual	\$6,190/ \$74,280	\$6,887/ \$82,644	\$7,583/ \$90,996	\$8,280/ \$99,360	\$8,977/ \$107,724	\$9,673/ \$116,076

Source: North Carolina Division of Child Development and Early education; April 1, 2017.

Maximum Income Eligibility for Child Care Subsidies

for Children 6-12 (Without Special Needs)

Family Size	1	2	3	4	5	6
Max Gross Monthly/Annual	\$1,337/ \$16,044	\$1,800/ \$21,600	\$2,263/ \$27,156	\$2,727/ \$32,724	\$3,190/ \$38,280	\$3,653/ \$43,836
Family Size	7	8	9	10	11	12
Max Gross Monthly/Annual	\$4,116/ \$49,392	\$4,580/ \$54,960	\$5,043/ \$60,516	\$5,506/ \$66,072	\$5,969/ \$71,628	\$6,433/ \$77,196

Source: North Carolina Division of Child Development and Early education; April 1, 2017.

Average Annual Fee for Star Rated Licensed Child Care Centers

	Infant	Toddler	2 Year Old	3 Year Old	4 Year Old	School-age (Full)	School-age (Part)
1 Star	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2 Star	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
3 Star	\$7,020	\$7,020	\$6,240	\$6,240	\$6,240	\$1,200	\$0
4 Star	\$8,164	\$7,852	\$7,540	\$6,812	\$6,760	\$1,428	\$3,560
5 Star	\$8,580	\$8,528	\$7,852	\$6,552	\$6,552	\$1,428	\$3,520
Average	\$8,320	\$8,164	\$7,644	\$6,656	\$6,604	\$1,416	\$3,520

Source: Child Care Resources Inc.; June 30, 2017.

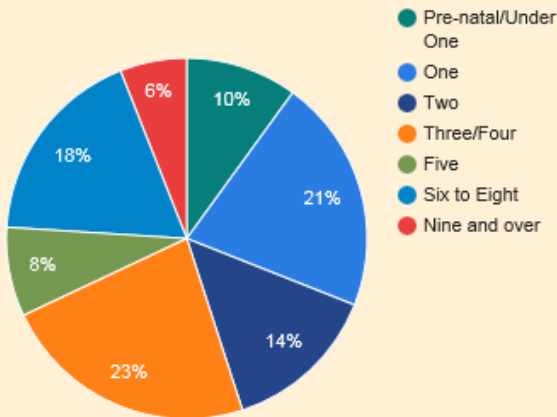
Average Annual Fee for Star Rated Licensed Family Child Care Home

	Infant	Toddler	2 Year Old	3 Year Old	4 Year Old	School-age (Full)	School-age (Part)
1 Star	\$5,200	\$5,200	\$5,200	\$5,200	\$5,200	\$1,200	\$0
2 Star	\$5,460	\$5,460	\$5,460	\$5,460	\$5,460	\$1,260	\$2,600
3 Star	\$6,656	\$6,552	\$6,396	\$6,396	\$6,292	\$1,260	\$2,160
4 Star	\$6,864	\$6,448	\$6,032	\$5,928	\$5,720	\$1,200	\$2,400
5 Star	\$6,864	\$6,760	\$6,136	\$5,824	\$5,824	\$1,320	\$2,600
Average	\$6,500	\$6,396	\$6,084	\$5,928	\$5,876	\$1,248	\$2,400

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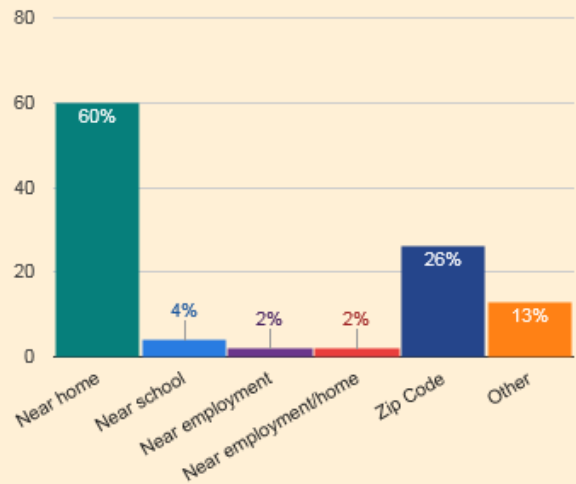
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Ages of Children Served



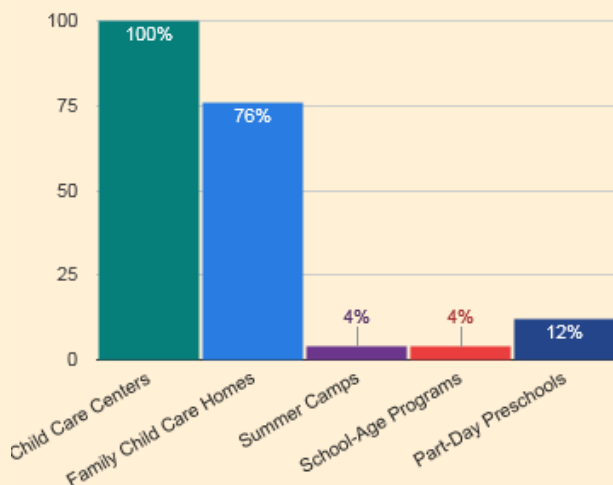
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Location Preference



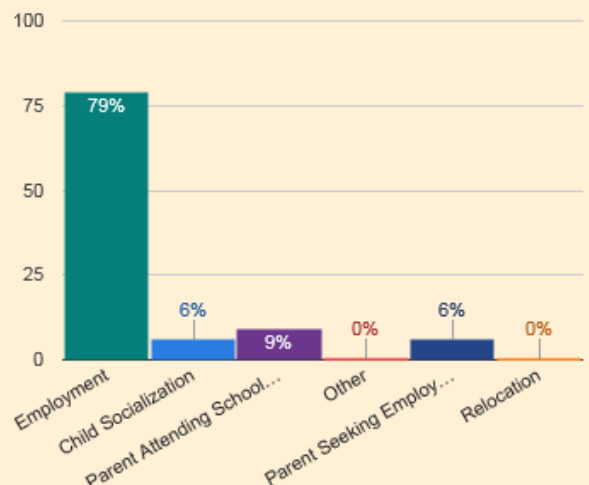
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Type of Care Preferred



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Reasons Children Needed Care



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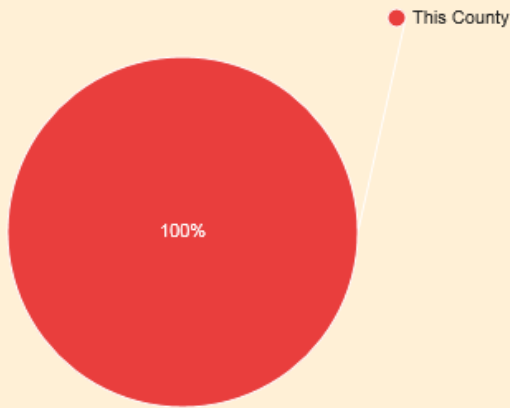


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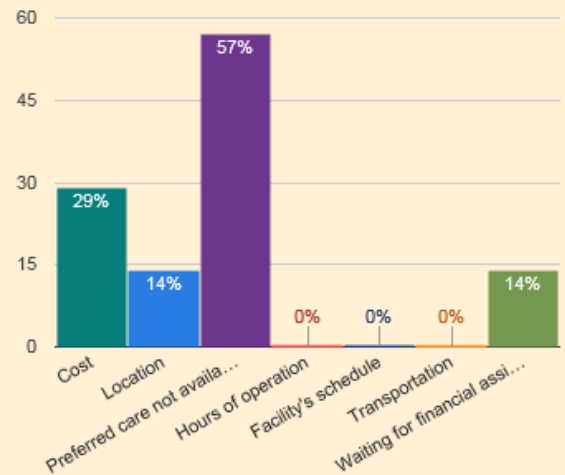
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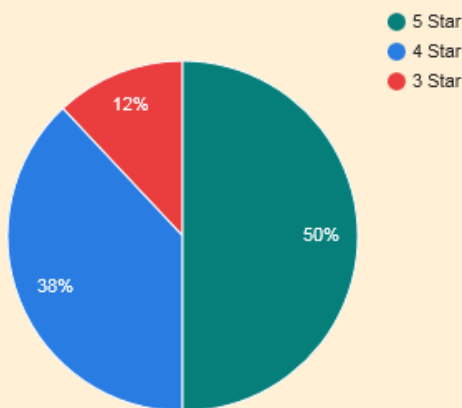
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Reasons Parents Did Not Find Child Care



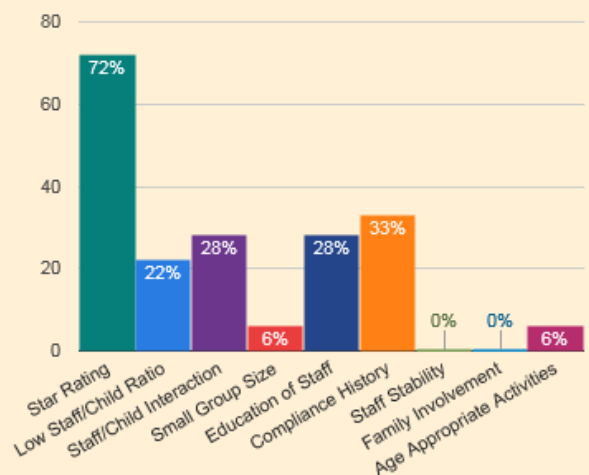
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License Status of Programs Where Families Found Child Care



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Quality Indicators Parents Used When Searching for Child Care



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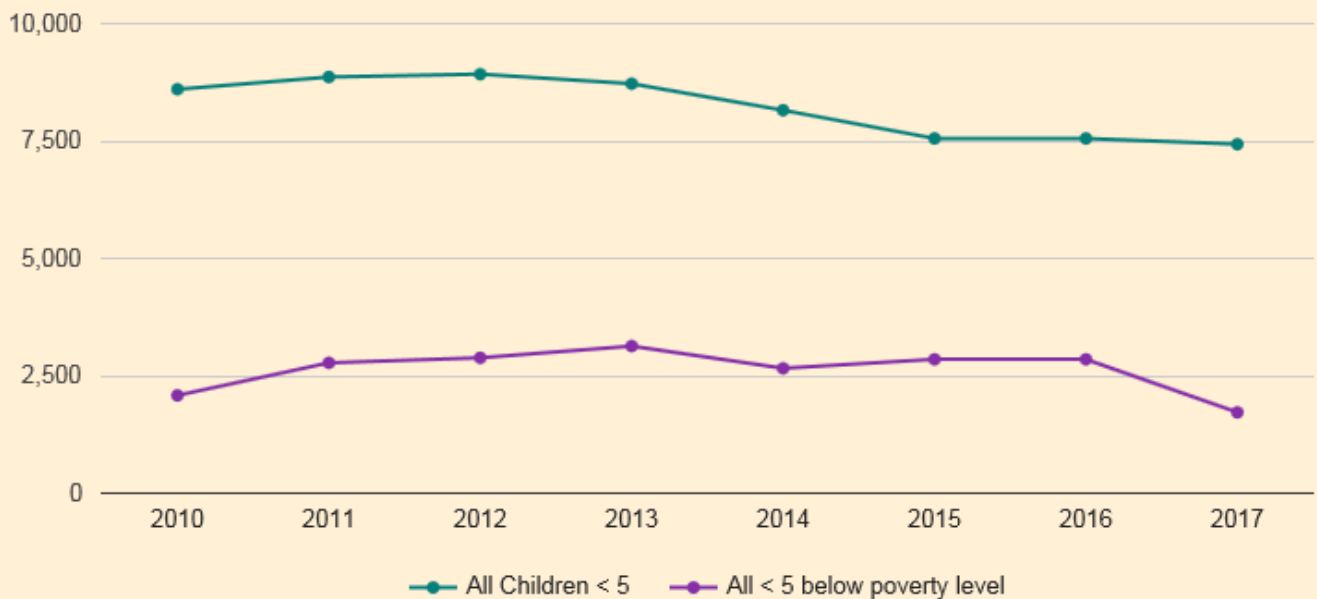


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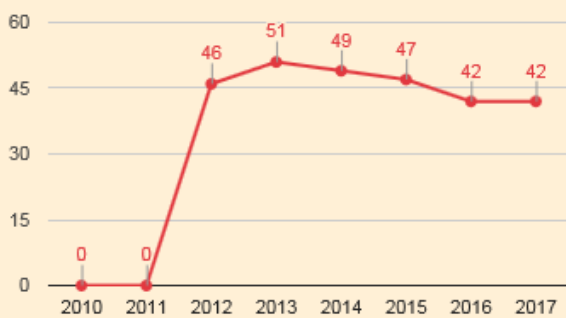
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Children and Poverty



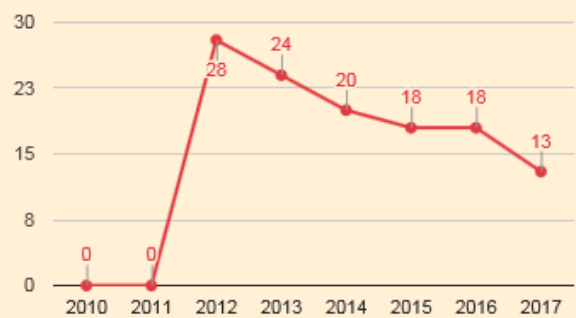
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Licensed Child Care Centers



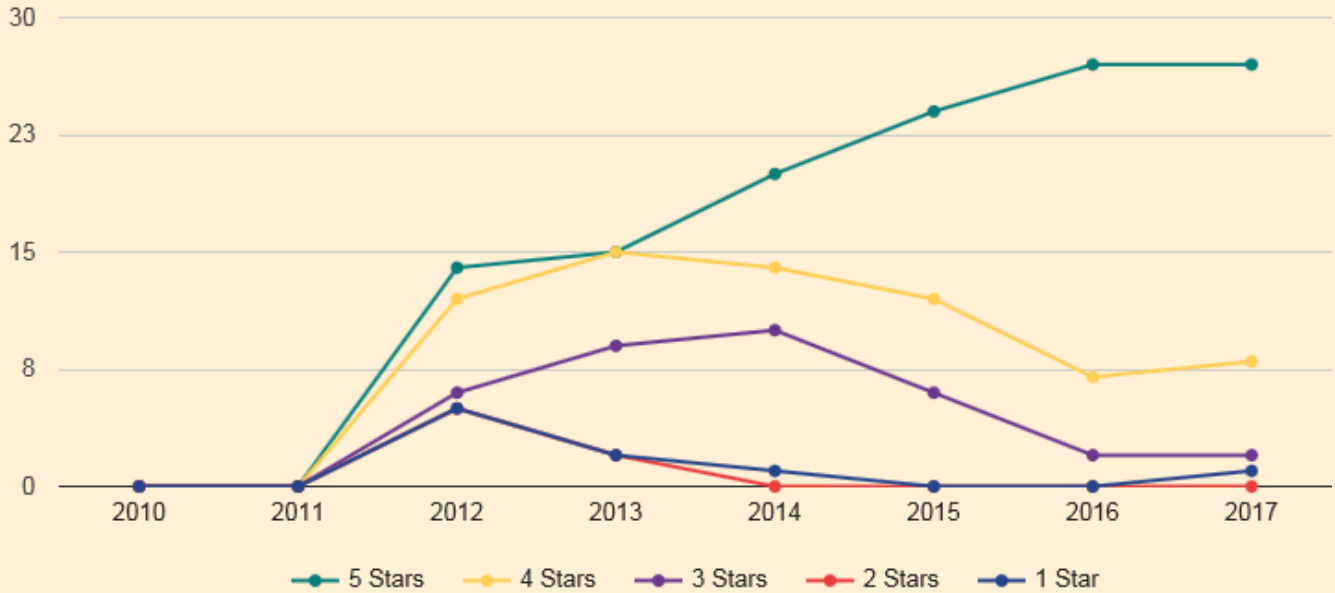
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Licensed Family Child Care Homes



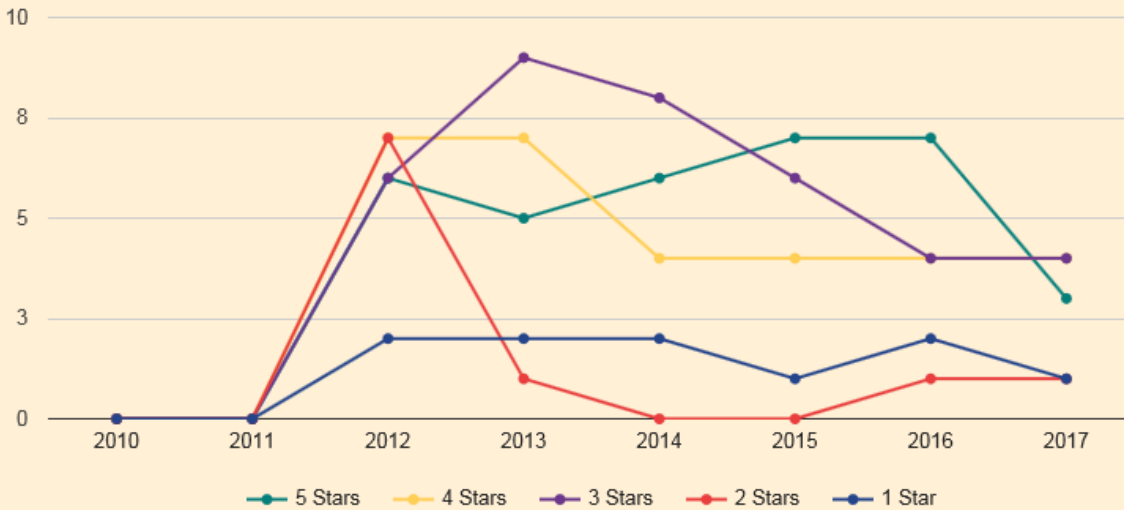
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Star Rated License Trends for Child Care Centers



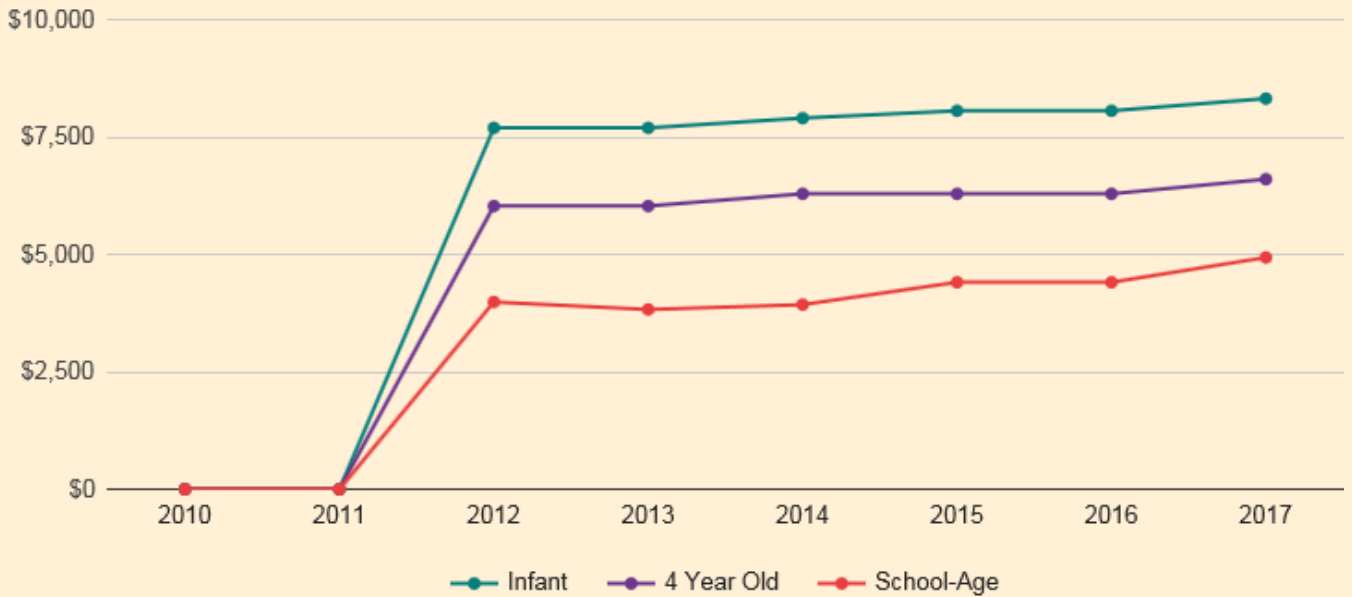
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Average Annual Fee for Star Rated Licensed Child Care Centers



Source: Child Care Resources Inc.; June 30, 2010-2017.

Understanding the Data

Center-Based Programs are independently operated or operate in schools, workplaces, individual homes (considered centers in a residence), churches or synagogues. Most are open on a fixed schedule, eight or more hours per day, Monday through Friday. Children in centers are usually grouped by age. As they grow, children often move into the next age group with a different caregiver. All centers must meet state regulations for the legal operation of a child care facility.

Child Care Subsidy — Financial assistance for income eligible families to secure NCDCDEE licensed child care while parents/guardians are working, attending school or job training activities.

GS 110-106 (Religious-sponsored child care facilities) are child care facilities or summer day camps operated by a church, synagogue or school of religious charter. While exempt from licensure, they must file a notice of intent to operate as a child care facility with the state. A religious-sponsored child care facility may choose to seek licensure, but if it does not, it must still meet state licensing requirements with the following exceptions: staff qualifications, staff training, written activity plans and developmentally appropriate activity centers.

Head Start and **Early Head Start** are federally-funded programs that provide free, comprehensive developmental services for children ages birth to five from low-income eligible families. These programs are child-focused and family-centered.

Licensure — Legal permission, granted by NCDCDEE, to operate a child care facility for more than two children for more than four hours a day. A license is issued according to the rules and regulations set forth by federal and state laws or local ordinances pertaining to a child's health, safety and welfare.

Licensed Family Child Care Homes (FCCH) are operated by individuals who provide care in their homes for more than two children who are not related to them. These programs offer a home-like setting that provide the opportunity for siblings to stay together. A licensed FCCH may care for up to eight children, with no more than five preschool children in care at any given time. The caregiver's own preschool-age children must be included in the number of preschoolers. However, their school-age children are not counted for licensing purposes. FCCH's must provide age- appropriate toys and activities, nutritious meals and snacks and meet basic health and safety standards. All FCCH's must meet licensing regulations for the legal operation of a child care facility.

NC Pre-K is a statewide, voluntary program that prepares eligible four-year-old children for school success by providing them with high quality pre-kindergarten experiences. The curricula used are child-centered, have a literacy and language focus and include parent participation. NC Pre-K classrooms operate in centers and school settings for 6.5 hours per day, follow the public school calendar and have no more than a one-to-nine staff-to-child ratio.

Part-Day Preschools operate for four hours or less per day serving children between the ages of birth-five years. License-exempt part-day preschools may voluntarily seek licensure and may pursue national accreditation. Typically, part-day programs operate on the same calendar year as the public school system, serving families where one parent is not employed full-time. Faith organizations and community-based not-for-profit organizations are the primary sponsors of part-day programs.

Public Pre-Kindergarten Programs include center-based classrooms for four-year-olds that are fully or partially publicly funded and operate under the direction of state, local and federal education and human service agencies.

Probationary License — A facility may be placed on probationary status when NCDCDEE determines that violations of child care requirements have been willful, continual or hazardous to the health or safety of children. This status shall not exceed one year.

Provisional License may be issued for up to 12 months when NCDCEE determines that an operator is making a reasonable effort to comply fully and maintain compliance with all licensing requirements, to give the operator an opportunity to correct violations regarding building, fire and sanitation requirements and/or when child abuse or neglect occurred in a child care facility.

School-Age Child Care refers to programs for children before and/or after school hours and during school holidays and vacations. Family child care homes, child care centers and schools typically offer this type of care. Programs that operate for four hours or less per day are license-exempt, but may voluntarily seek state licensure or pursue national accreditation.

Star Rated License — Programs that apply for a 2- to 5-star license will be assessed under a two-component system that uses 1) Program Standards and 2) Staff Education to determine the license points for the star rating. In addition, all child care programs, regardless of the type of license they have, will also be required to maintain a 75% Compliance History. An additional “quality point” may be earned by child care programs to meet additional education or programmatic criteria not addressed under the Program Standards or Staff Education components.

Temporary License is given by NCDCEE for a period of six months to a new program or to a previously licensed program (when a change in ownership or location occurs) after which it may apply for a higher than one star rating.