

Child Care and Early Education Profile: 2023




15th Congressional District Congresswoman Mary Miller

A Snapshot of Children in Congressional District 15

23,665 children 0 to 2
24,855 children 3 to 5
65,024 children 6 to 12
113,544 Total children under 13

} **75%** of children under 6 live in households where all parents work

What child care options are available to families?

-  **123** Child care centers can serve up to **10,519** children
-  **432** Licensed child care homes can serve up to **4,073** children
-  **393** License-exempt home caregivers can serve around **831** children

How much are families paying for child care?

MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME: **\$90,038**

INFANT: Average annual price of licensed care

 Home-based: **\$8,200**

 Center-based: **\$12,274**

This is **9%-14%** of a family's income.

PRESCHOOLER: Average annual price of licensed care

 Home-based: **\$7,514**

 Center-based: **\$9,521**

This is **8%-11%** of a family's income.

The cost of center care rivals college tuition: **\$15,348**

What programs support children & families in your district?

CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES (IDHS)

2,021 children age 0-2

2,058 children age 3-5

2,085 children age 6-12

6,207 children served

\$25,923,745

in total CCAP payments to providers in the district

The Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP), funded through IDHS, helps families pay for child care while they work or go to school.

EARLY CHILDHOOD BLOCK GRANT

ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION (ISBE)

36 Prevention Initiative programs

1,393 children age 0-2

121 Preschool for All programs

6,951 children age 3-5

8,344 children served

The Early Childhood Block Grant is funded by ISBE to help programs provide high-quality early education opportunities through Preschool for All (PFA) and Prevention Initiative (PI) services for infants, toddlers, and expectant families.

HEAD START & EARLY HEAD START

US DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

17 Early Head Start sites

286 children age 0-2

29 Head Start sites

1,099 children age 3-5

1,385 children served

Head Start programs for 3- and 4-year-olds, along with Early Head Start for infants and toddlers, are federally-funded early education programs for families living below the poverty line and designed to meet the comprehensive needs of families.

For source information on the data cited in this profile, please email:

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