



KEY FACTS ABOUT

Children birth to 3 years, their families, and the child care system that serves them

Delaware

2007 estimated population: 864,764

U.S. Census 2007 Population Estimate

2000 population: 783,600

U.S. Census 2000



An average of 2,417 of children 0–3 are served per month by the Child Care and Development Fund

(FY 2006 ACF-801 data, Child Care Bureau)

In Federal Fiscal Year 2008 the Infant/Toddler Child Care and Development Fund appropriation = \$219,202

(FY 2008 CCDF Allocations Based on Appropriations, U.S. Dept. of HHS, ACF)

CCDF Subsidy Rates for Infants at 11 months of age (Weekly Rates)

Center \$147.50

FCC \$112.50

Exempt \$105.00

(FY 2008 CCDF State Plans, U.S. Dept. of HHS, ACF) (as approved and subject to change) (for illustrative purposes only these rates highlights only the highest urban area rates)



173 children served in Early Head Start are ACF-Funded, 0 Non-ACF-Funded Enrollment (e.g. state or privately funded spaces)

(2007 Early Head Start Funded Enrollment) (EHSNRC Database—October 2007)



908 children under 3 receive early intervention services under IDEA, Part C

(U.S. Dept. of Education, Office of Special Ed. Programs, Data Analysis System (DANS), 2006)

51% of all the requests for child care to the child care resource and referral programs were for infant and toddler care

(Child Care Profile, 2008 State Facts, NACCRRA)

Infant/Toddler Caregiver Credential: No

Quality Rating System: Piloting
Source: NCCIC, 2008

Early Learning Guidelines for 0-3: Delaware Infant and Toddler Early Learning Foundations: A Curriculum Framework

Infant/Toddler Specialist Network: No

In Center-Based Care the staff-to-child ratios are

1:4 for 0 to 12 months; 1:7 for 12 to 24 months; 1:10 for 2 to 3 years; 1:12 for 3 to 4 years
(State Licensing Regulations)

In Family Child Care the staff-to-child ratios* are

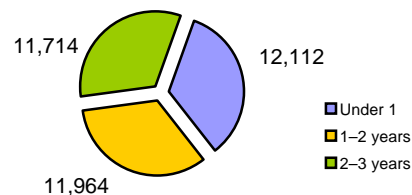
1:5 (with no more than 4 children under 2, and of these, no more than 3 children under 12 months. No school-aged children are allowed) OR 1:4 (with no more than 3 children under 12 months and 2 school-aged children allowed before and after school)
(State Licensing Regulations)

In Group Family Child Care the staff-to-child ratios* are

1:12 (with no more than 5 children under 2. School-age care and overlapping care is not allowed)

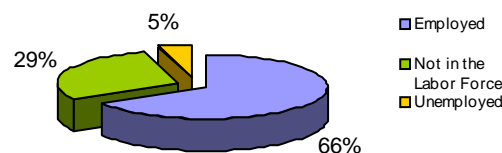
**These ratios apply to Type II Homes, which have the option of being designated as Infant/Toddler Homes. Providers in Type II homes are more qualified based on educational, credential and/or experience requirements set forth in the regulations. (State Licensing Regulations)*

35,790 Children Under the Age of 3 Live in Delaware



U.S. Census 2007 Population Estimate

66% of Delaware Women with Children Under the Age of 3 Are in the Labor Force



Current Population Survey, March 2001

Average annual fee for full-time child care for an infant in:

center based care.....\$8,476
family child care home.....\$6,396

Cost of child care for an infant as percent of median income for two-parent families 10%

Cost of child care for an infant as percent of median income for single parent families..... 35%
Child Care in America: 2008 State Facts, NACCRRA

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