



# KEY FACTS ABOUT

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

# South Carolina

2007 estimated population: 4,407,709

*U.S. Census 2007 Population Estimate*

2000 population: 4,012,012

*U.S. Census 2000*



**An average of 4,551 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 = \$1,771,656**

*(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 \$105.00**

**FCC \$ 87.00**

**Exempt \$ 82.00**

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



**638 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)*



**3,381 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)*

**63% of all the requests for child care to the child care resource and referral programs were for infant and toddler care**

*(Child Care in America: 2008 State Facts, NACCRRRA)*

Infant/Toddler Caregiver Credential: Yes, Single-Level Credential

Quality Rating System: Exploring or Designing  
*Source: NCCIC, 2008*

Early Learning Guidelines for 0-3: In Development

Infant/Toddler Specialist Network: Yes

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

1:5 for birth to 1 year; 1:6 1 to 2 years; 1:8 for 2 to 3 years  
*(State Licensing Regulations) – effective June 2008*

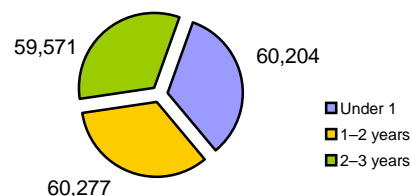
**In Family Child Care the staff-to-child ratios are**

1:6 (the maximum number of infants and toddlers to one provider is not addressed in the regulations)  
*(State Licensing Regulations) – effective June 2007*

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

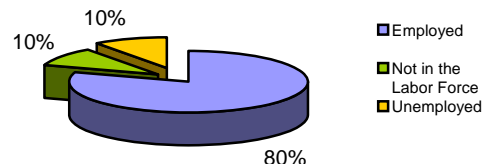
1:8 (with no more than 3 children under the age of 2)  
*(State Licensing Regulations) – effective June 2007*

**180,052 Children Under the Age of 3 Live in South Carolina**



*U.S. Census 2007 Population Estimate*

**80% of South Carolina 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.....\$6,032**  
**family child care home.....\$4,940**

**Cost of child care for an infant as percent of median income for two-parent families .....9%**

**Cost of child care for an infant as percent of median income for single parent families..... 31%**  
*Child Care in America: 2008 State Facts, NACCRRRA*

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