

Price of Care: 2023



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TABLE I

2023 Average Annual Price of Full-Time Center-Based Child Care by State

State	Infant	Toddler	4-Year-Old	Before/After School	Full-Time Summer
Alabama*	\$8,771	\$8,771	\$8,186	\$5,101	\$1,842
Alaska	\$11,760	\$10,980	\$9,600	\$6,143	\$2,175
Arizona*	\$14,040	\$12,662	\$10,920	\$4,500	\$2,100
Arkansas	\$8,869	\$8,099	\$8,219	\$3,034	\$1,639
California*	\$19,547	NR	\$14,396	\$9,180	NR
Colorado	\$19,573	\$16,307	\$13,809	\$7,736	NR
Connecticut	\$17,888	\$16,432	\$14,716	\$7,748	NR
Delaware	\$14,995	\$13,365	\$12,084	\$5,034	\$2,491
District of Columbia	\$25,480	\$23,431	\$20,410	NR	NR
Florida*	\$12,639	\$11,133	\$9,139	\$5,088	\$2,544
Georgia	\$11,066	\$10,534	\$9,666	NR	\$2,022
Hawaii	\$22,585	\$17,925	\$13,156	\$3,603	\$2,592
Idaho*	\$10,108	\$9,246	\$8,496	\$7,946	NR
Illinois*	\$16,373	\$16,373	\$11,987	\$3,641	\$2,766
Indiana	\$13,736	\$11,965	\$9,421	\$4,278	\$2,274
Iowa	\$12,168	\$11,143	\$9,745	\$3,545	\$2,051
Kansas	\$15,071	\$12,851	\$9,724	\$2,842	\$2,389
Kentucky	\$9,685	\$9,243	\$8,525	\$5,460	\$1,820
Louisiana*	\$10,101	\$9,504	\$9,183	\$5,934	\$1,978
Maine	\$11,960	\$11,284	\$8,580	\$5,460	\$1,680
Maryland	\$19,906	\$15,253	\$12,771	\$5,503	NR
Massachusetts	\$24,005	\$22,463	\$18,760	\$7,762	\$3,801
Michigan	\$12,667	\$12,089	\$10,414	\$5,660	\$1,698
Minnesota	\$20,129	\$17,784	\$15,544	NR	NR
Mississippi*	\$8,186	\$7,894	\$7,309	\$5,482	\$1,827
Missouri	\$12,907	\$10,640	\$9,681	\$3,437	\$1,146
Montana	\$11,700	\$11,700	\$10,400	\$4,446	\$2,600
Nebraska	\$13,000	\$11,960	\$10,920	\$2,268	\$1,850
Nevada	\$13,024	\$12,563	\$10,928	\$6,493	\$2,164
New Hampshire*	\$17,250	\$16,007	\$14,618	NR	\$2,864
New Jersey*	\$19,634	\$18,891	\$17,002	\$5,819	\$1,940

State	Infant	Toddler	4-Year-Old	Before/After School	Full-Time Summer
New Mexico*	\$13,521	\$10,296	\$9,486	\$5,843	NR
New York	\$19,584	\$18,081	\$16,415	\$15,067	NR
North Carolina	\$12,251	\$11,363	\$10,206	\$5,011	\$1,974
North Dakota	\$10,758	\$10,236	\$9,685	NR	NR
Ohio	\$12,351	\$11,125	\$9,580	\$5,643	\$1,881
Oklahoma	\$10,065	\$9,432	\$8,436	\$4,618	\$1,539
Oregon	\$17,680	\$16,796	\$13,832	NR	NR
Pennsylvania*	\$14,483	\$13,774	\$12,097	\$7,710	\$2,570
Rhode Island*	\$16,899	\$15,967	\$14,618	\$7,324	\$3,567
South Carolina	\$9,048	\$8,727	\$8,216	\$5,363	NR
South Dakota	\$7,862	\$7,862	\$7,218	\$4,898	NR
Tennessee*	\$11,985	\$11,027	\$10,389	\$4,356	\$5,082
Texas*	\$11,024	\$10,608	\$9,932	\$6,588	\$2,196
Utah	\$11,232	\$9,180	\$8,268	\$5,220	\$1,740
Vermont*	\$17,973	\$17,353	\$17,043	\$6,374	\$3,486
Virginia	\$16,397	\$15,583	\$13,560	\$5,409	\$3,199
Washington	\$20,370	\$17,976	\$15,720	\$8,385	\$2,795
West Virginia	\$10,140	\$9,620	\$9,100	NR	NR
Wisconsin*	\$13,572	\$12,272	\$11,128	NR	NR
Wyoming*	\$11,075	\$10,300	\$9,745	\$4,003	\$2,153

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TABLE II

2023 Average Annual Price of Full-Time Family Child Care by State

State	Infant	Toddler	4-Year-Old	Before/After School	Full-Time Summer
Alabama*	\$8,186	\$8,186	\$7,894	\$5,482	\$1,827
Alaska	\$9,624	\$9,000	\$8,364	\$5,400	\$2,025
Arizona*	\$8,840	\$7,800	\$7,800	\$3,600	\$1,500
Arkansas	\$7,691	\$7,371	\$7,038	\$3,124	\$1,421
California*	\$16,432	NR	\$14,480	\$8,898	NR
Colorado	\$12,750	\$12,750	\$11,970	\$7,527	NR
Connecticut	\$14,040	NR	\$12,896	\$7,540	NR
Delaware	\$10,146	\$9,558	\$9,128	\$3,750	\$1,250
District of Columbia	\$20,800	\$20,449	\$19,149	NR	NR
Florida*	\$10,881	\$9,797	\$8,346	\$4,948	\$2,474
Georgia	\$8,407	\$8,042	\$7,802	NR	NR
Hawaii	\$11,162	\$10,737	\$10,597	\$5,693	\$2,576
Idaho*	\$7,609	\$7,384	\$7,022	\$6,922	NR
Illinois*	\$11,691	\$11,691	\$10,233	\$2,601	\$2,210
Indiana	\$8,845	\$8,313	\$7,776	\$4,632	\$1,832
Iowa	\$8,176	\$8,015	\$7,871	\$3,101	\$1,814
Kansas	\$8,630	\$8,241	\$7,391	\$2,632	\$1,736
Kentucky	\$7,345	\$7,020	\$6,500	\$4,875	\$1,625
Louisiana*	\$8,035	\$7,653	\$7,653	\$5,298	\$1,766
Maine	\$8,580	\$7,800	\$7,800	\$4,875	\$1,500
Maryland	\$14,320	\$10,824	\$10,136	\$4,389	NR
Massachusetts	\$15,129	\$14,074	\$14,074	\$9,847	\$3,519
Michigan	\$9,044	\$8,862	\$8,641	\$6,042	\$1,813
Minnesota	\$9,765	\$9,403	\$8,981	NR	NR
Mississippi*	\$6,724	\$5,847	\$7,017	\$4,166	\$1,389
Missouri	\$8,498	\$7,555	\$7,361	\$3,057	\$1,019
Montana	\$9,100	\$9,100	\$9,100	\$3,861	\$1,950
Nebraska	\$8,320	\$8,060	\$8,060	\$4,500	\$1,500
Nevada	\$10,407	\$10,074	\$9,603	\$7,258	\$1,998
New Hampshire*	\$11,402	\$11,695	\$10,964	NR	\$2,361
New Jersey*	\$12,144	\$10,795	\$10,795	\$7,732	\$2,182

State	Infant	Toddler	4-Year-Old	Before/After School	Full-Time Summer
New Mexico*	\$11,564	\$11,564	\$11,564	\$6,423	NR
New York	\$16,383	\$15,535	\$14,552	\$13,317	NR
North Carolina	\$9,617	\$9,160	\$8,783	\$4,864	\$1,856
North Dakota	\$9,203	\$8,891	\$8,713	NR	NR
Ohio	\$9,278	\$8,862	\$7,852	\$5,205	\$1,735
Oklahoma	\$8,704	\$8,439	\$7,919	\$5,015	\$1,672
Oregon	\$13,000	\$11,700	\$11,440	NR	NR
Pennsylvania*	\$10,679	\$10,129	\$9,408	\$6,117	\$2,039
Rhode Island*	\$14,618	\$14,618	\$13,960	\$8,771	\$3,289
South Carolina	\$7,150	\$5,937	\$5,850	\$4,388	NR
South Dakota	\$5,824	\$5,824	\$5,658	\$4,758	NR
Tennessee*	\$8,024	\$8,604	\$7,992	\$4,947	\$5,541
Texas*	\$9,724	\$9,672	\$9,308	\$6,120	\$2,040
Utah	\$8,400	\$7,800	\$7,200	\$5,175	\$1,725
Vermont*	\$12,395	\$12,318	\$11,775	\$5,810	\$2,866
Virginia	\$12,158	\$11,659	\$11,195	\$4,064	\$2,405
Washington	\$15,600	\$14,300	\$13,000	\$8,190	\$2,730
West Virginia	\$8,320	\$7,540	\$7,540	NR	NR
Wisconsin*	\$10,400	\$9,360	\$9,360	NR	NR
Wyoming*	\$9,475	\$8,614	\$8,121	\$4,100	\$2,030

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TABLE III

2023 Ranking of Least Affordable Center-Based Infant Care

Rank	State	Annual Price- Infant, Center [^]	Single-Parent Family		Married-Couple Family	
			Median Income ^{^^}	% of Median Income	Median Income ^{^^}	% of Median Income
1	Hawaii	\$22,585	\$43,050	52.5%	\$125,643	18.0%
2	Washington	\$20,370	\$41,994	48.5%	\$134,049	15.2%
3	California*	\$19,547	\$41,887	46.7%	\$130,474	15.0%
4	Colorado	\$19,573	\$43,197	45.3%	\$131,443	14.9%
5	Oregon	\$17,680	\$38,137	46.4%	\$118,947	14.9%
6	New York	\$19,584	\$37,898	51.7%	\$133,182	14.7%
7	Minnesota	\$20,129	\$41,867	48.1%	\$138,780	14.5%
8	Vermont*	\$17,973	\$38,048	47.2%	\$124,576	14.4%
9	Massachusetts	\$24,005	\$42,752	56.1%	\$167,023	14.4%
10	New Mexico*	\$13,521	\$30,815	43.9%	\$94,671	14.3%
11	Kansas	\$15,071	\$34,512	43.7%	\$110,521	13.6%
12	Rhode Island*	\$16,899	\$39,573	42.7%	\$128,469	13.2%
13	Arizona*	\$14,040	\$38,757	36.2%	\$109,352	12.8%
14	Maryland	\$19,906	\$48,241	41.3%	\$156,064	12.8%
15	Indiana	\$13,736	\$33,501	41.0%	\$108,402	12.7%
16	Illinois*	\$16,373	\$36,091	45.4%	\$129,240	12.7%
17	Nevada	\$13,024	\$40,212	32.4%	\$103,565	12.6%
18	New Jersey*	\$19,634	\$40,812	48.1%	\$157,202	12.5%
19	Florida*	\$12,639	\$36,278	34.8%	\$104,126	12.1%
20	Delaware	\$14,995	\$39,351	38.1%	\$125,065	12.0%
21	New Hampshire*	\$17,250	\$46,283	37.3%	\$145,289	11.9%
22	Virginia	\$16,397	\$40,021	41.0%	\$138,758	11.8%
23	Connecticut	\$17,888	\$40,781	43.9%	\$153,249	11.7%
24	Missouri	\$12,907	\$34,252	37.7%	\$111,019	11.6%
25	Pennsylvania*	\$14,483	\$34,949	41.4%	\$126,182	11.5%
26	Tennessee*	\$11,985	\$32,580	36.8%	\$104,477	11.5%
27	Wisconsin*	\$13,572	\$37,580	36.1%	\$121,406	11.2%
28	Nebraska	\$13,000	\$36,959	35.2%	\$116,402	11.2%
29	North Carolina	\$12,251	\$32,626	37.5%	\$111,537	11.0%

Rank	State	Annual Price- Infant, Center [^]	Single-Parent Family		Married-Couple Family	
			Median Income ^{^^}	% of Median Income	Median Income ^{^^}	% of Median Income
30	Michigan	\$12,667	\$33,493	37.8%	\$115,437	11.0%
31	Montana	\$11,700	\$33,721	34.7%	\$106,633	11.0%
32	West Virginia	\$10,140	\$26,022	39.0%	\$95,317	10.6%
33	Iowa	\$12,168	\$35,471	34.3%	\$116,019	10.5%
34	Maine	\$11,960	\$37,981	31.5%	\$114,154	10.5%
35	Ohio	\$12,351	\$31,271	39.5%	\$117,901	10.5%
36	Oklahoma	\$10,065	\$30,663	32.8%	\$96,489	10.4%
37	District of Columbia	\$25,480	\$40,328	63.2%	\$244,272	10.4%
38	Idaho*	\$10,108	\$35,214	28.7%	\$99,411	10.2%
39	Utah	\$11,232	\$42,496	26.4%	\$113,502	9.9%
40	Texas*	\$11,024	\$34,187	32.2%	\$111,495	9.9%
41	Wyoming*	\$11,075	\$34,582	32.0%	\$112,564	9.8%
42	Georgia	\$11,066	\$34,904	31.7%	\$114,214	9.7%
43	Alaska	\$11,760	\$43,253	27.2%	\$124,129	9.5%
44	Kentucky	\$9,685	\$29,363	33.0%	\$102,798	9.4%
45	Arkansas	\$8,869	\$29,541	30.0%	\$94,334	9.4%
46	Louisiana*	\$10,101	\$26,664	37.9%	\$111,155	9.1%
47	North Dakota	\$10,758	\$39,507	27.2%	\$124,217	8.7%
48	South Carolina	\$9,048	\$31,575	28.7%	\$106,258	8.5%
49	Mississippi*	\$8,186	\$25,786	31.7%	\$96,728	8.5%
50	Alabama*	\$8,771	\$27,632	31.7%	\$104,991	8.4%
51	South Dakota	\$7,862	\$34,417	22.8%	\$109,987	7.1%

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Note: 1 = least affordable and 51 = most affordable. Rank is based on price of child care as percentage of state median income for married-couple families. Income is based on single-parent and married-couple families with own children under the age of 18.

TABLE IV

2023 Ranking of Least Affordable Family Child Care (FCC) for Infants

Rank	State	Annual Price- Infant, FCC [^]	Single-Parent Family		Married-Couple Family	
			Median Income ^{^^}	% of Median Income	Median Income ^{^^}	% of Median Income
1	California*	\$16,432	\$41,887	39.2%	\$130,474	12.6%
2	New York	\$16,383	\$37,898	43.2%	\$133,182	12.3%
3	New Mexico*	\$11,564	\$30,815	37.5%	\$94,671	12.2%
4	Washington	\$15,600	\$41,994	37.1%	\$134,049	11.6%
5	Rhode Island*	\$14,618	\$39,573	36.9%	\$128,469	11.4%
6	Oregon	\$13,000	\$38,137	34.1%	\$118,947	10.9%
7	Florida*	\$10,881	\$36,278	30.0%	\$104,126	10.4%
8	Nevada	\$10,407	\$40,212	25.9%	\$103,565	10.0%
9	Vermont*	\$12,395	\$38,048	32.6%	\$124,576	9.9%
10	Colorado	\$12,750	\$43,197	29.5%	\$131,443	9.7%
11	Maryland	\$14,320	\$48,241	29.7%	\$156,064	9.2%
12	Connecticut	\$14,040	\$40,781	34.4%	\$153,249	9.2%
13	Massachusetts	\$15,129	\$42,752	35.4%	\$167,023	9.1%
14	Illinois*	\$11,691	\$36,091	32.4%	\$129,240	9.0%
15	Oklahoma	\$8,704	\$30,663	28.4%	\$96,489	9.0%
16	Hawaii	\$11,162	\$43,050	25.9%	\$125,643	8.9%
17	Virginia	\$12,158	\$40,021	30.4%	\$138,758	8.8%
18	West Virginia	\$8,320	\$26,022	32.0%	\$95,317	8.7%
19	Texas*	\$9,724	\$34,187	28.4%	\$111,495	8.7%
20	North Carolina	\$9,617	\$32,626	29.5%	\$111,537	8.6%
21	Wisconsin*	\$10,400	\$37,580	27.7%	\$121,406	8.6%
22	Montana	\$9,100	\$33,721	27.0%	\$106,633	8.5%
23	District of Columbia	\$20,800	\$40,328	51.6%	\$244,272	8.5%
24	Pennsylvania*	\$10,679	\$34,949	30.6%	\$126,182	8.5%
25	Wyoming*	\$9,475	\$34,582	27.4%	\$112,564	8.4%
26	Indiana	\$8,845	\$33,501	26.4%	\$108,402	8.2%
27	Arkansas	\$7,691	\$29,541	26.0%	\$94,334	8.2%
28	Delaware	\$10,146	\$39,351	25.8%	\$125,065	8.1%
29	Arizona*	\$8,840	\$38,757	22.8%	\$109,352	8.1%

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30	Ohio	\$9,278	\$31,271	29.7%	\$117,901	7.9%
31	New Hampshire*	\$11,402	\$46,283	24.6%	\$145,289	7.8%
32	Michigan	\$9,044	\$33,493	27.0%	\$115,437	7.8%
33	Kansas	\$8,630	\$34,512	25.0%	\$110,521	7.8%
34	Alabama*	\$8,186	\$27,632	29.6%	\$104,991	7.8%
35	Alaska	\$9,624	\$43,253	22.3%	\$124,129	7.8%
36	New Jersey*	\$12,144	\$40,812	29.8%	\$157,202	7.7%
37	Tennessee*	\$8,024	\$32,580	24.6%	\$104,477	7.7%
38	Missouri	\$8,498	\$34,252	24.8%	\$111,019	7.7%
39	Idaho*	\$7,609	\$35,214	21.6%	\$99,411	7.7%
40	Maine	\$8,580	\$37,981	22.6%	\$114,154	7.5%
41	North Dakota	\$9,203	\$39,507	23.3%	\$124,217	7.4%
42	Utah	\$8,400	\$42,496	19.8%	\$113,502	7.4%
43	Georgia	\$8,407	\$34,904	24.1%	\$114,214	7.4%
44	Louisiana*	\$8,035	\$26,664	30.1%	\$111,155	7.2%
45	Nebraska	\$8,320	\$36,959	22.5%	\$116,402	7.1%
46	Kentucky	\$7,345	\$29,363	25.0%	\$102,798	7.1%
47	Iowa	\$8,176	\$35,471	23.0%	\$116,019	7.0%
48	Minnesota	\$9,765	\$41,867	23.3%	\$138,780	7.0%
49	Mississippi*	\$6,724	\$25,786	26.1%	\$96,728	7.0%
50	South Carolina	\$7,150	\$31,575	22.6%	\$106,258	6.7%
51	South Dakota	\$5,824	\$34,417	16.9%	\$109,987	5.3%

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TABLE V

2023 Ranking of Least Affordable Center-Based Toddler Care

Rank	State	Annual Price-Toddler, Center [^]	Single-Parent Family		Married-Couple Family	
			Median Income ^{^^}	% of Median Income	Median Income ^{^^}	% of Median Income
1	Hawaii	\$17,925	\$43,050	41.6%	\$125,643	14.3%
2	Oregon	\$16,796	\$38,137	44.0%	\$118,947	14.1%
3	Vermont*	\$17,353	\$38,048	45.6%	\$124,576	13.9%
4	New York	\$18,081	\$37,898	47.7%	\$133,182	13.6%
5	Massachusetts	\$22,463	\$42,752	52.5%	\$167,023	13.4%
6	Washington	\$17,976	\$41,994	42.8%	\$134,049	13.4%
7	Minnesota	\$17,784	\$41,867	42.5%	\$138,780	12.8%
8	Illinois*	\$16,373	\$36,091	45.4%	\$129,240	12.7%
9	Rhode Island*	\$15,967	\$39,573	40.3%	\$128,469	12.4%
10	Colorado	\$16,307	\$43,197	37.8%	\$131,443	12.4%
11	Nevada	\$12,563	\$40,212	31.2%	\$103,565	12.1%
12	New Jersey*	\$18,891	\$40,812	46.3%	\$157,202	12.0%
13	Kansas	\$12,851	\$34,512	37.2%	\$110,521	11.6%
14	Arizona*	\$12,662	\$38,757	32.7%	\$109,352	11.6%
15	Virginia	\$15,583	\$40,021	38.9%	\$138,758	11.2%
16	Indiana	\$11,965	\$33,501	35.7%	\$108,402	11.0%
17	New Hampshire*	\$16,007	\$46,283	34.6%	\$145,289	11.0%
18	Montana	\$11,700	\$33,721	34.7%	\$106,633	11.0%
19	Pennsylvania*	\$13,774	\$34,949	39.4%	\$126,182	10.9%
20	New Mexico*	\$10,296	\$30,815	33.4%	\$94,671	10.9%
21	Connecticut	\$16,432	\$40,781	40.3%	\$153,249	10.7%
22	Florida*	\$11,133	\$36,278	30.7%	\$104,126	10.7%
23	Delaware	\$13,365	\$39,351	34.0%	\$125,065	10.7%
24	Tennessee*	\$11,027	\$32,580	33.8%	\$104,477	10.6%
25	Michigan	\$12,089	\$33,493	36.1%	\$115,437	10.5%
26	Nebraska	\$11,960	\$36,959	32.4%	\$116,402	10.3%
27	North Carolina	\$11,363	\$32,626	34.8%	\$111,537	10.2%
28	Wisconsin*	\$12,272	\$37,580	32.7%	\$121,406	10.1%
29	West Virginia	\$9,620	\$26,022	37.0%	\$95,317	10.1%
30	Maine	\$11,284	\$37,981	29.7%	\$114,154	9.9%

Rank	State	Annual Price-Toddler, Center [^]	Single-Parent Family		Married-Couple Family	
			Median Income ^{^^}	% of Median Income	Median Income ^{^^}	% of Median Income
31	Oklahoma	\$9,432	\$30,663	30.8%	\$96,489	9.8%
32	Maryland	\$15,253	\$48,241	31.6%	\$156,064	9.8%
33	Iowa	\$11,143	\$35,471	31.4%	\$116,019	9.6%
34	District of Columbia	\$23,431	\$40,328	58.1%	\$244,272	9.6%
35	Missouri	\$10,640	\$34,252	31.1%	\$111,019	9.6%
36	Texas*	\$10,608	\$34,187	31.0%	\$111,495	9.5%
37	Ohio	\$11,125	\$31,271	35.6%	\$117,901	9.4%
38	Idaho*	\$9,246	\$35,214	26.3%	\$99,411	9.3%
39	Georgia	\$10,534	\$34,904	30.2%	\$114,214	9.2%
40	Wyoming*	\$10,300	\$34,582	29.8%	\$112,564	9.2%
41	Kentucky	\$9,243	\$29,363	31.5%	\$102,798	9.0%
42	Alaska	\$10,980	\$43,253	25.4%	\$124,129	8.8%
43	Arkansas	\$8,099	\$29,541	27.4%	\$94,334	8.6%
44	Louisiana*	\$9,504	\$26,664	35.6%	\$111,155	8.6%
45	Alabama*	\$8,771	\$27,632	31.7%	\$104,991	8.4%
46	North Dakota	\$10,236	\$39,507	25.9%	\$124,217	8.2%
47	South Carolina	\$8,727	\$31,575	27.6%	\$106,258	8.2%
48	Mississippi*	\$7,894	\$25,786	30.6%	\$96,728	8.2%
49	Utah	\$9,180	\$42,496	21.6%	\$113,502	8.1%
50	South Dakota	\$7,862	\$34,417	22.8%	\$109,987	7.1%
--	California*	NR	\$41,887	NR	\$130,474	NR

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* State did not report prices on the 2024 survey; data reported from state's most recent Market Rate Survey.

NR: Data not reported or not available for some categories of care.

Note: 1 = least affordable and 50 = most affordable. Rank is based on price of child care as percentage of state median income for married-couple families. Income is based on single-parent and married-couple families with own children under the age of 18.

TABLE VI

2023 Ranking of Least Affordable Family Child Care (FCC) for Toddlers

Rank	State	Annual Price-Toddler, FCC [^]	Single-Parent Family		Married-Couple Family	
			Median Income ^{^^}	% of Median Income	Median Income ^{^^}	% of Median Income
1	New Mexico*	\$11,564	\$30,815	37.5%	\$94,671	12.2%
2	New York	\$15,535	\$37,898	41.0%	\$133,182	11.7%
3	Rhode Island*	\$14,618	\$39,573	36.9%	\$128,469	11.4%
4	Washington	\$14,300	\$41,994	34.1%	\$134,049	10.7%
5	Vermont*	\$12,318	\$38,048	32.4%	\$124,576	9.9%
6	Oregon	\$11,700	\$38,137	30.7%	\$118,947	9.8%
7	Nevada	\$10,074	\$40,212	25.1%	\$103,565	9.7%
8	Colorado	\$12,750	\$43,197	29.5%	\$131,443	9.7%
9	Florida*	\$9,797	\$36,278	27.0%	\$104,126	9.4%
10	Illinois*	\$11,691	\$36,091	32.4%	\$129,240	9.0%
11	Oklahoma	\$8,439	\$30,663	27.5%	\$96,489	8.7%
12	Texas*	\$9,672	\$34,187	28.3%	\$111,495	8.7%
13	Hawaii	\$10,737	\$43,050	24.9%	\$125,643	8.5%
14	Montana	\$9,100	\$33,721	27.0%	\$106,633	8.5%
15	Massachusetts	\$14,074	\$42,752	32.9%	\$167,023	8.4%
16	Virginia	\$11,659	\$40,021	29.1%	\$138,758	8.4%
17	District of Columbia	\$20,449	\$40,328	50.7%	\$244,272	8.4%
18	Tennessee*	\$8,604	\$32,580	26.4%	\$104,477	8.2%
19	North Carolina	\$9,160	\$32,626	28.1%	\$111,537	8.2%
20	New Hampshire*	\$11,695	\$46,283	25.3%	\$145,289	8.0%
21	Pennsylvania*	\$10,129	\$34,949	29.0%	\$126,182	8.0%
22	West Virginia	\$7,540	\$26,022	29.0%	\$95,317	7.9%
23	Arkansas	\$7,371	\$29,541	25.0%	\$94,334	7.8%
24	Alabama*	\$8,186	\$27,632	29.6%	\$104,991	7.8%
25	Wisconsin*	\$9,360	\$37,580	24.9%	\$121,406	7.7%
26	Michigan	\$8,862	\$33,493	26.5%	\$115,437	7.7%
27	Indiana	\$8,313	\$33,501	24.8%	\$108,402	7.7%
28	Wyoming*	\$8,614	\$34,582	24.9%	\$112,564	7.7%
29	Delaware	\$9,558	\$39,351	24.3%	\$125,065	7.6%

Rank	State	Annual Price-Toddler, FCC [^]	Single-Parent Family		Married-Couple Family	
			Median Income ^{^^}	% of Median Income	Median Income ^{^^}	% of Median Income
30	Ohio	\$8,862	\$31,271	28.3%	\$117,901	7.5%
31	Kansas	\$8,241	\$34,512	23.9%	\$110,521	7.5%
32	Idaho*	\$7,384	\$35,214	21.0%	\$99,411	7.4%
33	Alaska	\$9,000	\$43,253	20.8%	\$124,129	7.3%
34	North Dakota	\$8,891	\$39,507	22.5%	\$124,217	7.2%
35	Arizona*	\$7,800	\$38,757	20.1%	\$109,352	7.1%
36	Georgia	\$8,042	\$34,904	23.0%	\$114,214	7.0%
37	Maryland	\$10,824	\$48,241	22.4%	\$156,064	6.9%
38	Nebraska	\$8,060	\$36,959	21.8%	\$116,402	6.9%
39	Iowa	\$8,015	\$35,471	22.6%	\$116,019	6.9%
40	Louisiana*	\$7,653	\$26,664	28.7%	\$111,155	6.9%
41	Utah	\$7,800	\$42,496	18.4%	\$113,502	6.9%
42	New Jersey*	\$10,795	\$40,812	26.5%	\$157,202	6.9%
43	Maine	\$7,800	\$37,981	20.5%	\$114,154	6.8%
44	Kentucky	\$7,020	\$29,363	23.9%	\$102,798	6.8%
45	Missouri	\$7,555	\$34,252	22.1%	\$111,019	6.8%
46	Minnesota	\$9,403	\$41,867	22.5%	\$138,780	6.8%
47	Mississippi*	\$5,847	\$25,786	22.7%	\$96,728	6.0%
48	South Carolina	\$5,937	\$31,575	18.8%	\$106,258	5.6%
49	South Dakota	\$5,824	\$34,417	16.9%	\$109,987	5.3%
--	California*	NR	\$41,887	NR	\$130,474	NR
--	Connecticut	NR	\$40,781	NR	\$153,249	NR

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* State did not report prices on the 2024 survey; data reported from state's most recent Market Rate Survey.

NR: Data not reported or not available for some categories of care.

Note: 1 = least affordable and 49 = most affordable. Rank is based on price of child care as percentage of state median income for married-couple families. Income is based on single-parent and married-couple families with own children under the age of 18.

TABLE VII

2023 Ranking of Least-Affordable Center-Based Care for a 4-Year-Old

Rank	State	Annual Price- 4-Year-Old, Center^	Single-Parent Family		Married-Couple Family	
			Median Income^^	% of Median Income	Median Income^^	% of Median Income
1	Vermont*	\$17,043	\$38,048	44.8%	\$124,576	13.7%
2	New York	\$16,415	\$37,898	43.3%	\$133,182	12.3%
3	Washington	\$15,720	\$41,994	37.4%	\$134,049	11.7%
4	Oregon	\$13,832	\$38,137	36.3%	\$118,947	11.6%
5	Rhode Island*	\$14,618	\$39,573	36.9%	\$128,469	11.4%
6	Massachusetts	\$18,760	\$42,752	43.9%	\$167,023	11.2%
7	Minnesota	\$15,544	\$41,867	37.1%	\$138,780	11.2%
8	California*	\$14,396	\$41,887	34.4%	\$130,474	11.0%
9	New Jersey*	\$17,002	\$40,812	41.7%	\$157,202	10.8%
10	Nevada	\$10,928	\$40,212	27.2%	\$103,565	10.6%
11	Colorado	\$13,809	\$43,197	32.0%	\$131,443	10.5%
12	Hawaii	\$13,156	\$43,050	30.6%	\$125,643	10.5%
13	New Hampshire*	\$14,618	\$46,283	31.6%	\$145,289	10.1%
14	New Mexico*	\$9,486	\$30,815	30.8%	\$94,671	10.0%
15	Arizona*	\$10,920	\$38,757	28.2%	\$109,352	10.0%
16	Tennessee*	\$10,389	\$32,580	31.9%	\$104,477	9.9%
17	Virginia	\$13,560	\$40,021	33.9%	\$138,758	9.8%
18	Montana	\$10,400	\$33,721	30.8%	\$106,633	9.8%
19	Delaware	\$12,084	\$39,351	30.7%	\$125,065	9.7%
20	Connecticut	\$14,716	\$40,781	36.1%	\$153,249	9.6%
21	Pennsylvania*	\$12,097	\$34,949	34.6%	\$126,182	9.6%
22	West Virginia	\$9,100	\$26,022	35.0%	\$95,317	9.5%
23	Nebraska	\$10,920	\$36,959	29.5%	\$116,402	9.4%
24	Illinois*	\$11,987	\$36,091	33.2%	\$129,240	9.3%
25	Wisconsin*	\$11,128	\$37,580	29.6%	\$121,406	9.2%
26	North Carolina	\$10,206	\$32,626	31.3%	\$111,537	9.2%
27	Michigan	\$10,414	\$33,493	31.1%	\$115,437	9.0%
28	Texas*	\$9,932	\$34,187	29.1%	\$111,495	8.9%
29	Kansas	\$9,724	\$34,512	28.2%	\$110,521	8.8%

Rank	State	Annual Price- 4-Year-Old, Center^	Single-Parent Family		Married-Couple Family	
			Median Income^^	% of Median Income	Median Income^^	% of Median Income
30	Florida*	\$9,139	\$36,278	25.2%	\$104,126	8.8%
31	Oklahoma	\$8,436	\$30,663	27.5%	\$96,489	8.7%
32	Missouri	\$9,681	\$34,252	28.3%	\$111,019	8.7%
33	Arkansas	\$8,219	\$29,541	27.8%	\$94,334	8.7%
34	Indiana	\$9,421	\$33,501	28.1%	\$108,402	8.7%
35	Wyoming*	\$9,745	\$34,582	28.2%	\$112,564	8.7%
36	Idaho*	\$8,496	\$35,214	24.1%	\$99,411	8.5%
37	Georgia	\$9,666	\$34,904	27.7%	\$114,214	8.5%
38	Iowa	\$9,745	\$35,471	27.5%	\$116,019	8.4%
39	District of Columbia	\$20,410	\$40,328	50.6%	\$244,272	8.4%
40	Kentucky	\$8,525	\$29,363	29.0%	\$102,798	8.3%
41	Louisiana*	\$9,183	\$26,664	34.4%	\$111,155	8.3%
42	Maryland	\$12,771	\$48,241	26.5%	\$156,064	8.2%
43	Ohio	\$9,580	\$31,271	30.6%	\$117,901	8.1%
44	Alabama*	\$8,186	\$27,632	29.6%	\$104,991	7.8%
45	North Dakota	\$9,685	\$39,507	24.5%	\$124,217	7.8%
46	Alaska	\$9,600	\$43,253	22.2%	\$124,129	7.7%
47	South Carolina	\$8,216	\$31,575	26.0%	\$106,258	7.7%
48	Mississippi*	\$7,309	\$25,786	28.3%	\$96,728	7.6%
49	Maine	\$8,580	\$37,981	22.6%	\$114,154	7.5%
50	Utah	\$8,268	\$42,496	19.5%	\$113,502	7.3%
51	South Dakota	\$7,218	\$34,417	21.0%	\$109,987	6.6%

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NR: Data not reported or not available for some categories of care.

Note: 1 = least affordable and 51 = most affordable. Rank is based on price of child care as percentage of state median income for married-couple families. Income is based on single-parent and married-couple families with own children under the age of 18.

TABLE VIII

2023 Ranking of Least-Affordable Family Child Care (FCC) for a 4-Year-Old

Rank	State	Annual Price- 4-Year-Old, FCC^	Single-Parent Family		Married-Couple Family	
			Median Income^^	% of Median Income	Median Income^^	% of Median Income
1	New Mexico*	\$11,564	\$30,815	37.5%	\$94,671	12.2%
2	California*	\$14,480	\$41,887	34.6%	\$130,474	11.1%
3	New York	\$14,552	\$37,898	38.4%	\$133,182	10.9%
4	Rhode Island*	\$13,960	\$39,573	35.3%	\$128,469	10.9%
5	Washington	\$13,000	\$41,994	31.0%	\$134,049	9.7%
6	Oregon	\$11,440	\$38,137	30.0%	\$118,947	9.6%
7	Vermont*	\$11,775	\$38,048	30.9%	\$124,576	9.5%
8	Nevada	\$9,603	\$40,212	23.9%	\$103,565	9.3%
9	Colorado	\$11,970	\$43,197	27.7%	\$131,443	9.1%
10	Montana	\$9,100	\$33,721	27.0%	\$106,633	8.5%
11	Hawaii	\$10,597	\$43,050	24.6%	\$125,643	8.4%
12	Massachusetts	\$14,074	\$42,752	32.9%	\$167,023	8.4%
13	Connecticut	\$12,896	\$40,781	31.6%	\$153,249	8.4%
14	Texas*	\$9,308	\$34,187	27.2%	\$111,495	8.3%
15	Oklahoma	\$7,919	\$30,663	25.8%	\$96,489	8.2%
16	Virginia	\$11,195	\$40,021	28.0%	\$138,758	8.1%
17	Florida*	\$8,346	\$36,278	23.0%	\$104,126	8.0%
18	Illinois*	\$10,233	\$36,091	28.4%	\$129,240	7.9%
19	West Virginia	\$7,540	\$26,022	29.0%	\$95,317	7.9%
20	North Carolina	\$8,783	\$32,626	26.9%	\$111,537	7.9%
21	District of Columbia	\$19,149	\$40,328	47.5%	\$244,272	7.8%
22	Wisconsin*	\$9,360	\$37,580	24.9%	\$121,406	7.7%
23	Tennessee*	\$7,992	\$32,580	24.5%	\$104,477	7.6%
24	New Hampshire*	\$10,964	\$46,283	23.7%	\$145,289	7.5%
25	Alabama*	\$7,894	\$27,632	28.6%	\$104,991	7.5%
26	Michigan	\$8,641	\$33,493	25.8%	\$115,437	7.5%
27	Arkansas	\$7,038	\$29,541	23.8%	\$94,334	7.5%
28	Pennsylvania**	\$9,408	\$34,949	26.9%	\$126,182	7.5%
29	Delaware	\$9,128	\$39,351	23.2%	\$125,065	7.3%

Rank	State	Annual Price- 4-Year-Old, FCC [^]	Single-Parent Family		Married-Couple Family	
			Median Income ^{^^}	% of Median Income	Median Income ^{^^}	% of Median Income
30	Mississippi*	\$7,017	\$25,786	27.2%	\$96,728	7.3%
31	Wyoming*	\$8,121	\$34,582	23.5%	\$112,564	7.2%
32	Indiana	\$7,776	\$33,501	23.2%	\$108,402	7.2%
33	Arizona*	\$7,800	\$38,757	20.1%	\$109,352	7.1%
34	Idaho*	\$7,022	\$35,214	19.9%	\$99,411	7.1%
35	North Dakota	\$8,713	\$39,507	22.1%	\$124,217	7.0%
36	Nebraska	\$8,060	\$36,959	21.8%	\$116,402	6.9%
37	Louisiana*	\$7,653	\$26,664	28.7%	\$111,155	6.9%
38	New Jersey*	\$10,795	\$40,812	26.5%	\$157,202	6.9%
39	Maine	\$7,800	\$37,981	20.5%	\$114,154	6.8%
40	Georgia	\$7,802	\$34,904	22.4%	\$114,214	6.8%
41	Iowa	\$7,871	\$35,471	22.2%	\$116,019	6.8%
42	Alaska	\$8,364	\$43,253	19.3%	\$124,129	6.7%
43	Kansas	\$7,391	\$34,512	21.4%	\$110,521	6.7%
44	Ohio	\$7,852	\$31,271	25.1%	\$117,901	6.7%
45	Missouri	\$7,361	\$34,252	21.5%	\$111,019	6.6%
46	Maryland	\$10,136	\$48,241	21.0%	\$156,064	6.5%
47	Minnesota	\$8,981	\$41,867	21.5%	\$138,780	6.5%
48	Utah	\$7,200	\$42,496	16.9%	\$113,502	6.3%
49	Kentucky	\$6,500	\$29,363	22.1%	\$102,798	6.3%
50	South Carolina	\$5,850	\$31,575	18.5%	\$106,258	5.5%
51	South Dakota	\$5,658	\$34,417	16.4%	\$109,987	5.1%

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* State did not report prices on the 2024 survey; data reported from state's most recent Market Rate Survey.

NR: Data not reported or not available for some categories of care.

Note: 1 = least affordable and 51 = most affordable. Rank is based on price of child care as percentage of state median income for married-couple families. Income is based on single-parent and married-couple families with own children under the age of 18.

TABLE IX

2023 Ranking of Least-Affordable Center-Based Care for School-Age Children

Rank	State	Annual Price, Center-Based Program [^]		Single-Parent Family		Married-Couple Family	
		Before/After School Care	Full-Time Summer Care	Median Income ^{^^}	% of Median Income	Median Income ^{^^}	% of Median Income
1	New York	\$15,067	NR	\$37,898	53.0%	\$133,182	15.1%
2	Idaho*	\$7,946	NR	\$35,214	30.1%	\$99,411	10.7%
3	California*	\$9,180	NR	\$41,887	29.2%	\$130,474	9.4%
4	Nevada	\$6,493	\$2,164	\$40,212	21.5%	\$103,565	8.4%
5	Washington	\$8,385	\$2,795	\$41,994	26.6%	\$134,049	8.3%
6	New Mexico*	\$5,843	NR	\$30,815	25.3%	\$94,671	8.2%
7	Pennsylvania*	\$7,710	\$2,570	\$34,949	29.4%	\$126,182	8.1%
8	Texas*	\$6,588	\$2,196	\$34,187	25.7%	\$111,495	7.9%
9	Colorado	\$7,736	NR	\$43,197	23.9%	\$131,443	7.8%
10	Rhode Island*	\$7,324	\$3,567	\$39,573	24.7%	\$128,469	7.6%
11	Mississippi*	\$5,482	\$1,827	\$25,786	28.3%	\$96,728	7.6%
12	Louisiana*	\$5,934	\$1,978	\$26,664	29.7%	\$111,155	7.1%
13	Kentucky	\$5,460	\$1,820	\$29,363	24.8%	\$102,798	7.1%
14	Vermont*	\$6,374	\$3,486	\$38,048	22.3%	\$124,576	6.8%
15	Connecticut	\$7,748	NR	\$40,781	25.3%	\$153,249	6.7%
16	South Carolina	\$5,363	NR	\$31,575	22.6%	\$106,258	6.7%
17	Alaska	\$6,143	\$2,175	\$43,253	18.9%	\$124,129	6.6%
18	Michigan	\$5,660	\$1,698	\$33,493	22.5%	\$115,437	6.5%
19	Florida*	\$5,088	\$2,544	\$36,278	18.7%	\$104,126	6.5%
20	Alabama*	\$5,101	\$1,842	\$27,632	24.6%	\$104,991	6.5%
21	Ohio	\$5,643	\$1,881	\$31,271	24.1%	\$117,901	6.4%
22	Oklahoma	\$4,618	\$1,539	\$30,663	20.1%	\$96,489	6.4%
23	Maine	\$5,460	\$1,680	\$37,981	19.2%	\$114,154	6.4%
24	Massachusetts	\$7,762	\$3,801	\$42,752	24.2%	\$167,023	6.2%
25	Utah	\$5,220	\$1,740	\$42,496	16.4%	\$113,502	6.1%
26	North Carolina	\$5,011	\$1,974	\$32,626	20.5%	\$111,537	6.0%
27	South Dakota	\$4,898	NR	\$34,417	19.0%	\$109,987	5.9%
28	Montana	\$4,446	\$2,600	\$33,721	17.6%	\$106,633	5.6%
29	Tennessee*	\$4,356	\$5,082	\$32,580	17.8%	\$104,477	5.6%

Rank	State	Annual Price, Center-Based Program [^]		Single-Parent Family		Married-Couple Family	
		Before/After School Care	Full-Time Summer Care	Median Income ^{^^}	% of Median Income	Median Income ^{^^}	% of Median Income
30	Arizona*	\$4,500	\$2,100	\$38,757	15.5%	\$109,352	5.5%
31	Delaware	\$5,034	\$2,491	\$39,351	17.1%	\$125,065	5.4%
32	Indiana	\$4,278	\$2,274	\$33,501	17.0%	\$108,402	5.3%
33	Virginia	\$5,409	\$3,199	\$40,021	18.0%	\$138,758	5.2%
34	New Jersey*	\$5,819	\$1,940	\$40,812	19.0%	\$157,202	4.9%
35	Wyoming*	\$4,003	\$2,153	\$34,582	15.4%	\$112,564	4.7%
36	Maryland	\$5,503	NR	\$48,241	15.2%	\$156,064	4.7%
37	Arkansas	\$3,034	\$1,639	\$29,541	13.7%	\$94,334	4.3%
38	Missouri	\$3,437	\$1,146	\$34,252	13.4%	\$111,019	4.1%
39	Iowa	\$3,545	\$2,051	\$35,471	13.3%	\$116,019	4.1%
40	Hawaii	\$3,603	\$2,592	\$43,050	11.2%	\$125,643	3.8%
41	Illinois*	\$3,641	\$2,766	\$36,091	13.5%	\$129,240	3.8%
42	Kansas	\$2,842	\$2,389	\$34,512	11.0%	\$110,521	3.4%
43	Nebraska	\$2,268	\$1,850	\$36,959	8.2%	\$116,402	2.6%
--	District of Columbia	NR	NR	\$40,328	NR	\$244,272	NR
--	Georgia	NR	\$2,022	\$34,904	NR	\$114,214	NR
--	Minnesota	NR	NR	\$41,867	NR	\$138,780	NR
--	New Hampshire*	NR	\$2,864	\$46,283	NR	\$145,289	NR
--	North Dakota	NR	NR	\$39,507	NR	\$124,217	NR
--	Oregon	NR	NR	\$38,137	NR	\$118,947	NR
--	West Virginia	NR	NR	\$26,022	NR	\$95,317	NR
--	Wisconsin*	NR	NR	\$37,580	NR	\$121,406	NR

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^{^^} Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2022 5-Year Estimates, Table B19126, <https://data.census.gov/>

Percentage of median income for before/after school programs calculated by dividing cost of before/after school care with 75% of median income.

* State did not report prices on the 2024 survey; data reported from state's most recent Market Rate Survey.

NR: Data not reported or not available for some categories of care.

Note: 1 = least affordable and 43 = most affordable. Rank is based on price of child care as percentage of state median income for married-couple families. Income is based on single-parent and married-couple families with own children under the age of 18.

TABLE X

2023 Ranking of Least-Affordable Family Child Care (FCC) for School-Age Children

Rank	State	Annual Price, FCC Program [^]		Single-Parent Family		Married-Couple Family	
		Before/After School Care	Full-Time Summer Care	Median Income ^{^^}	% of Median Income	Median Income ^{^^}	% of Median Income
1	New York	\$13,317	NR	\$37,898	46.9%	\$133,182	13.3%
2	Nevada	\$7,258	\$1,998	\$40,212	24.1%	\$103,565	9.3%
3	Idaho*	\$6,922	NR	\$35,214	26.2%	\$99,411	9.3%
4	Rhode Island*	\$8,771	\$3,289	\$39,573	29.6%	\$128,469	9.1%
5	California*	\$8,898	NR	\$41,887	28.3%	\$130,474	9.1%
6	New Mexico*	\$6,423	NR	\$30,815	27.8%	\$94,671	9.0%
7	Washington	\$8,190	\$2,730	\$41,994	26.0%	\$134,049	8.1%
8	Massachusetts	\$9,847	\$3,519	\$42,752	30.7%	\$167,023	7.9%
9	Colorado	\$7,527	NR	\$43,197	23.2%	\$131,443	7.6%
10	Texas*	\$6,120	\$2,040	\$34,187	23.9%	\$111,495	7.3%
11	Michigan	\$6,042	\$1,813	\$33,493	24.1%	\$115,437	7.0%
12	Alabama*	\$5,482	\$1,827	\$27,632	26.5%	\$104,991	7.0%
13	Oklahoma	\$5,015	\$1,672	\$30,663	21.8%	\$96,489	6.9%
14	Connecticut	\$7,540	NR	\$40,781	24.7%	\$153,249	6.6%
15	New Jersey*	\$7,732	\$2,182	\$40,812	25.3%	\$157,202	6.6%
16	Pennsylvania*	\$6,117	\$2,039	\$34,949	23.3%	\$126,182	6.5%
17	Louisiana*	\$5,298	\$1,766	\$26,664	26.5%	\$111,155	6.4%
18	Florida*	\$4,948	\$2,474	\$36,278	18.2%	\$104,126	6.3%
19	Kentucky	\$4,875	\$1,625	\$29,363	22.1%	\$102,798	6.3%
20	Tennessee*	\$4,947	\$5,541	\$32,580	20.2%	\$104,477	6.3%
21	Vermont*	\$5,810	\$2,866	\$38,048	20.4%	\$124,576	6.2%
22	Utah	\$5,175	\$1,725	\$42,496	16.2%	\$113,502	6.1%
23	Hawaii	\$5,693	\$2,576	\$43,050	17.6%	\$125,643	6.0%
24	Ohio	\$5,205	\$1,735	\$31,271	22.2%	\$117,901	5.9%
25	North Carolina	\$4,864	\$1,856	\$32,626	19.9%	\$111,537	5.8%
26	Alaska	\$5,400	\$2,025	\$43,253	16.6%	\$124,129	5.8%
27	South Dakota	\$4,758	NR	\$34,417	18.4%	\$109,987	5.8%
28	Mississippi*	\$4,166	\$1,389	\$25,786	21.5%	\$96,728	5.7%
29	Indiana	\$4,632	\$1,832	\$33,501	18.4%	\$108,402	5.7%

Rank	State	Annual Price, FCC Program [^]		Single-Parent Family		Married-Couple Family	
		Before/After School Care	Full-Time Summer Care	Median Income ^{^^}	% of Median Income	Median Income ^{^^}	% of Median Income
30	Maine	\$4,875	\$1,500	\$37,981	17.1%	\$114,154	5.7%
31	South Carolina	\$4,388	NR	\$31,575	18.5%	\$106,258	5.5%
32	Nebraska	\$4,500	\$1,500	\$36,959	16.2%	\$116,402	5.2%
33	Wyoming*	\$4,100	\$2,030	\$34,582	15.8%	\$112,564	4.9%
34	Montana	\$3,861	\$1,950	\$33,721	15.3%	\$106,633	4.8%
35	Arkansas	\$3,124	\$1,421	\$29,541	14.1%	\$94,334	4.4%
36	Arizona*	\$3,600	\$1,500	\$38,757	12.4%	\$109,352	4.4%
37	Delaware	\$3,750	\$1,250	\$39,351	12.7%	\$125,065	4.0%
38	Virginia	\$4,064	\$2,405	\$40,021	13.5%	\$138,758	3.9%
39	Maryland	\$4,389	NR	\$48,241	12.1%	\$156,064	3.7%
40	Missouri	\$3,057	\$1,019	\$34,252	11.9%	\$111,019	3.7%
41	Iowa	\$3,101	\$1,814	\$35,471	11.7%	\$116,019	3.6%
42	Kansas	\$2,632	\$1,736	\$34,512	10.2%	\$110,521	3.2%
43	Illinois*	\$2,601	\$2,210	\$36,091	9.6%	\$129,240	2.7%
--	District of Columbia	NR	NR	\$40,328	NR	\$244,272	NR
--	Georgia	NR	NR	\$34,904	NR	\$114,214	NR
--	Minnesota	NR	NR	\$41,867	NR	\$138,780	NR
--	New Hampshire*	NR	\$2,361	\$46,283	NR	\$145,289	NR
--	North Dakota	NR	NR	\$39,507	NR	\$124,217	NR
--	Oregon	NR	NR	\$38,137	NR	\$118,947	NR
--	West Virginia	NR	NR	\$26,022	NR	\$95,317	NR
--	Wisconsin*	NR	NR	\$37,580	NR	\$121,406	NR

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NR: Data not reported or not available for some categories of care.

Note: 1 = least affordable and 43 = most affordable. Rank is based on price of child care as percentage of state median income for married-couple families. Income is based on single-parent and married-couple families with own children under the age of 18.

TABLE XI

2023 Average Prices for Two Children in Center-Based Child Versus Median Housing Costs by State

State	Infant [^]	Toddler [^]	4-Year-Old [^]	Two Children ^{^^}	Annualized Rent ^{**}	% Difference ^{***}	Annualized Mortgage ^{**}	% Difference ^{***}
Alabama*	\$8,771	\$8,771	\$8,186	\$16,957	\$11,100	52.8%	\$16,116	5.2%
Alaska	\$11,760	\$10,980	\$9,600	\$21,360	\$16,140	32.3%	\$25,560	-16.4%
Arizona*	\$14,040	\$12,662	\$10,920	\$24,960	\$15,696	59.0%	\$19,980	24.9%
Arkansas	\$8,869	\$8,099	\$8,219	\$17,088	\$10,416	64.1%	\$14,880	14.8%
California*	\$19,547	NR	\$14,396	\$33,943	\$22,272	52.4%	\$33,108	2.5%
Colorado	\$19,573	\$16,307	\$13,809	\$33,382	\$19,128	74.5%	\$25,308	31.9%
Connecticut	\$17,888	\$16,432	\$14,716	\$32,604	\$16,488	97.7%	\$27,912	16.8%
Delaware	\$14,995	\$13,365	\$12,084	\$27,079	\$15,432	75.5%	\$20,748	30.5%
District of Columbia	\$25,480	\$23,431	\$20,410	\$45,890	\$21,804	110.5%	\$35,496	29.3%
Florida*	\$12,639	\$11,133	\$9,139	\$21,778	\$17,328	25.7%	\$21,024	3.6%
Georgia	\$11,066	\$10,534	\$9,666	\$20,732	\$14,652	41.5%	\$19,680	5.3%
Hawaii	\$22,585	\$17,925	\$13,156	\$35,741	\$22,416	59.4%	\$33,336	7.2%
Idaho*	\$10,108	\$9,246	\$8,496	\$18,604	\$12,732	46.1%	\$18,240	2.0%
Illinois*	\$16,373	\$16,373	\$11,987	\$28,360	\$14,148	100.5%	\$22,836	24.2%
Indiana	\$13,736	\$11,965	\$9,421	\$23,157	\$11,604	99.6%	\$15,612	48.3%
Iowa	\$12,168	\$11,143	\$9,745	\$21,913	\$10,968	99.8%	\$17,328	26.5%
Kansas	\$15,071	\$12,851	\$9,724	\$24,795	\$11,832	109.6%	\$18,960	30.8%
Kentucky	\$9,685	\$9,243	\$8,525	\$18,210	\$10,824	68.2%	\$16,128	12.9%
Louisiana*	\$10,101	\$9,504	\$9,183	\$19,284	\$11,952	61.3%	\$17,772	8.5%
Maine	\$11,960	\$11,284	\$8,580	\$20,540	\$12,108	69.6%	\$19,068	7.7%
Maryland	\$19,906	\$15,253	\$12,771	\$32,677	\$19,176	70.4%	\$26,940	21.3%
Massachusetts	\$24,005	\$22,463	\$18,760	\$42,766	\$19,056	124.4%	\$30,636	39.6%
Michigan	\$12,667	\$12,089	\$10,414	\$23,081	\$12,444	85.5%	\$17,664	30.7%
Minnesota	\$20,129	\$17,784	\$15,544	\$35,673	\$14,136	152.4%	\$21,816	63.5%
Mississippi*	\$8,186	\$7,894	\$7,309	\$15,495	\$10,752	44.1%	\$15,732	-1.5%
Missouri	\$12,907	\$10,640	\$9,681	\$22,588	\$11,484	96.7%	\$17,232	31.1%
Montana	\$11,700	\$11,700	\$10,400	\$22,100	\$11,688	89.1%	\$19,920	10.9%
Nebraska	\$13,000	\$11,960	\$10,920	\$23,920	\$11,844	102.0%	\$19,344	23.7%
Nevada	\$13,024	\$12,563	\$10,928	\$23,952	\$16,584	44.4%	\$21,492	11.4%
New Hampshire*	\$17,250	\$16,007	\$14,618	\$31,868	\$16,032	98.8%	\$26,712	19.3%

State	Infant [^]	Toddler [^]	4-Year-Old [^]	Two Children ^{^^}	Annualized Rent ^{**}	% Difference ^{***}	Annualized Mortgage ^{**}	% Difference ^{***}
New Jersey*	\$19,634	\$18,891	\$17,002	\$36,636	\$18,924	93.6%	\$32,736	11.9%
New Mexico*	\$13,521	\$10,296	\$9,486	\$23,007	\$11,592	98.5%	\$17,484	31.6%
New York	\$19,584	\$18,081	\$16,415	\$35,999	\$18,084	99.1%	\$29,292	22.9%
North Carolina	\$12,251	\$11,363	\$10,206	\$22,457	\$13,116	71.2%	\$17,952	25.1%
North Dakota	\$10,758	\$10,236	\$9,685	\$20,443	\$10,944	86.8%	\$19,836	3.1%
Ohio	\$12,351	\$11,125	\$9,580	\$21,931	\$11,340	93.4%	\$17,148	27.9%
Oklahoma	\$10,065	\$9,432	\$8,436	\$18,501	\$11,208	65.1%	\$16,992	8.9%
Oregon	\$17,680	\$16,796	\$13,832	\$31,512	\$16,476	91.3%	\$23,808	32.4%
Pennsylvania*	\$14,483	\$13,774	\$12,097	\$26,580	\$13,320	99.5%	\$20,052	32.6%
Rhode Island*	\$16,899	\$15,967	\$14,618	\$31,517	\$14,340	119.8%	\$25,320	24.5%
South Carolina	\$9,048	\$8,727	\$8,216	\$17,264	\$12,780	35.1%	\$17,076	1.1%
South Dakota	\$7,862	\$7,862	\$7,218	\$15,080	\$10,536	43.1%	\$18,684	-19.3%
Tennessee*	\$11,985	\$11,027	\$10,389	\$22,374	\$12,564	78.1%	\$17,388	28.7%
Texas*	\$11,024	\$10,608	\$9,932	\$20,956	\$15,012	39.6%	\$22,956	-8.7%
Utah	\$11,232	\$9,180	\$8,268	\$19,500	\$15,624	24.8%	\$21,960	-11.2%
Vermont*	\$17,973	\$17,353	\$17,043	\$35,016	\$13,788	154.0%	\$21,864	60.2%
Virginia	\$16,397	\$15,583	\$13,560	\$29,957	\$17,280	73.4%	\$24,168	24.0%
Washington	\$20,370	\$17,976	\$15,720	\$36,090	\$19,104	88.9%	\$26,988	33.7%
West Virginia	\$10,140	\$9,620	\$9,100	\$19,240	\$9,972	92.9%	\$14,160	35.9%
Wisconsin*	\$13,572	\$12,272	\$11,128	\$24,700	\$11,904	107.5%	\$19,224	28.5%
Wyoming*	\$11,075	\$10,300	\$9,745	\$20,820	\$11,196	86.0%	\$19,704	5.7%

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^{*} State did not report prices on the 2024 survey; data reported from state's most recent Market Rate Survey.

^{^^} Child care prices for two children calculated by adding the annual price of infant care to the annual price of care for a 4-Year-Old.

^{**} Sources: Rent- U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2022 5-Year Estimates, Table B25064, <https://data.census.gov/>.

Mortgage- U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2022 5-Year Estimates, Table 25088, <https://data.census.gov/>.

^{***} Percent difference is calculated by subtracting the average price of two children in child care from the annualized housing cost and dividing this figure by the annualized housing cost.

NR: Data not reported or not available for some categories of care.

TABLE XII

2023 Average Annual Price of Full-Time Child Care in a Center and Public College Tuition and Fees by State

State	Average Annual Child Care Prices, Center [^]					In-State Tuition, 4 Year Public University	
	Infant	Toddler	4-Year-Old	Before/After School	Full-Time Summer	Avg Tuition and Fees ^{^^}	% Difference ^{^^^}
Alabama*	\$8,771	\$8,771	\$8,186	\$5,101	\$1,842	\$11,890	-26.2%
Alaska	\$11,760	\$10,980	\$9,600	\$6,143	\$2,175	\$9,163	28.3%
Arizona*	\$14,040	\$12,662	\$10,920	\$4,500	\$2,100	\$12,583	11.6%
Arkansas	\$8,869	\$8,099	\$8,219	\$3,034	\$1,639	\$9,734	-8.9%
California*	\$19,547	NR	\$14,396	\$9,180	NR	\$10,641	83.7%
Colorado	\$19,573	\$16,307	\$13,809	\$7,736	NR	\$12,703	54.1%
Connecticut	\$17,888	\$16,432	\$14,716	\$7,748	NR	\$16,403	9.1%
Delaware	\$14,995	\$13,365	\$12,084	\$5,034	\$2,491	\$14,775	1.5%
District of Columbia	\$25,480	\$23,431	\$20,410	NR	NR	\$8,636	195.0%
Florida*	\$12,639	\$11,133	\$9,139	\$5,088	\$2,544	\$6,364	98.6%
Georgia	\$11,066	\$10,534	\$9,666	NR	\$2,022	\$8,306	33.2%
Hawaii	\$22,585	\$17,925	\$13,156	\$3,603	\$2,592	\$11,102	103.4%
Idaho*	\$10,108	\$9,246	\$8,496	\$7,946	NR	\$8,598	17.6%
Illinois*	\$16,373	\$16,373	\$11,987	\$3,641	\$2,766	\$15,362	6.6%
Indiana	\$13,736	\$11,965	\$9,421	\$4,278	\$2,274	\$10,371	32.4%
Iowa	\$12,168	\$11,143	\$9,745	\$3,545	\$2,051	\$10,567	15.1%
Kansas	\$15,071	\$12,851	\$9,724	\$2,842	\$2,389	\$9,915	52.0%
Kentucky	\$9,685	\$9,243	\$8,525	\$5,460	\$1,820	\$11,819	-18.1%
Louisiana*	\$10,101	\$9,504	\$9,183	\$5,934	\$1,978	\$10,238	-1.3%
Maine	\$11,960	\$11,284	\$8,580	\$5,460	\$1,680	\$11,754	1.8%
Maryland	\$19,906	\$15,253	\$12,771	\$5,503	NR	\$10,852	83.4%
Massachusetts	\$24,005	\$22,463	\$18,760	\$7,762	\$3,801	\$14,839	61.8%
Michigan	\$12,667	\$12,089	\$10,414	\$5,660	\$1,698	\$15,425	-17.9%
Minnesota	\$20,129	\$17,784	\$15,544	NR	NR	\$13,377	50.5%
Mississippi*	\$8,186	\$7,894	\$7,309	\$5,482	\$1,827	\$9,389	-12.8%
Missouri	\$12,907	\$10,640	\$9,681	\$3,437	\$1,146	\$11,547	11.8%
Montana	\$11,700	\$11,700	\$10,400	\$4,446	\$2,600	\$7,863	48.8%
Nebraska	\$13,000	\$11,960	\$10,920	\$2,268	\$1,850	\$9,352	39.0%
Nevada	\$13,024	\$12,563	\$10,928	\$6,493	\$2,164	\$8,800	48.0%

State	Average Annual Child Care Prices, Center [^]					In-State Tuition, 4 Year Public University	
	Infant	Toddler	4-Year-Old	Before/After School	Full-Time Summer	Avg Tuition and Fees ^{^^}	% Difference ^{^^^}
New Hampshire*	\$17,250	\$16,007	\$14,618	NR	\$2,864	\$17,171	0.5%
New Jersey*	\$19,634	\$18,891	\$17,002	\$5,819	\$1,940	\$16,261	20.7%
New Mexico*	\$13,521	\$10,296	\$9,486	\$5,843	NR	\$9,088	48.8%
New York	\$19,584	\$18,081	\$16,415	\$15,067	NR	\$8,579	128.3%
North Carolina	\$12,251	\$11,363	\$10,206	\$5,011	\$1,974	\$7,437	64.7%
North Dakota	\$10,758	\$10,236	\$9,685	NR	NR	\$10,419	3.3%
Ohio	\$12,351	\$11,125	\$9,580	\$5,643	\$1,881	\$13,016	-5.1%
Oklahoma	\$10,065	\$9,432	\$8,436	\$4,618	\$1,539	\$9,649	4.3%
Oregon	\$17,680	\$16,796	\$13,832	NR	NR	\$13,490	31.1%
Pennsylvania*	\$14,483	\$13,774	\$12,097	\$7,710	\$2,570	\$16,150	-10.3%
Rhode Island*	\$16,899	\$15,967	\$14,618	\$7,324	\$3,567	\$15,102	11.9%
South Carolina	\$9,048	\$8,727	\$8,216	\$5,363	NR	\$13,132	-31.1%
South Dakota	\$7,862	\$7,862	\$7,218	\$4,898	NR	\$9,121	-13.8%
Tennessee*	\$11,985	\$11,027	\$10,389	\$4,356	\$5,082	\$10,889	10.1%
Texas*	\$11,024	\$10,608	\$9,932	\$6,588	\$2,196	\$11,187	-1.5%
Utah	\$11,232	\$9,180	\$8,268	\$5,220	\$1,740	\$7,720	45.5%
Vermont*	\$17,973	\$17,353	\$17,043	\$6,374	\$3,486	\$17,183	4.6%
Virginia	\$16,397	\$15,583	\$13,560	\$5,409	\$3,199	\$15,162	8.1%
Washington	\$20,370	\$17,976	\$15,720	\$8,385	\$2,795	\$11,506	77.0%
West Virginia	\$10,140	\$9,620	\$9,100	NR	NR	\$9,223	9.9%
Wisconsin*	\$13,572	\$12,272	\$11,128	NR	NR	\$9,619	41.1%
Wyoming*	\$11,075	\$10,300	\$9,745	\$4,003	\$2,153	\$6,698	65.3%

[^]Source: Child Care Aware® of America's January 2024 survey of Child Care Resource and Referral State Networks. Some states used the latest state market rate survey.

^{^^}Source: College Board. (2023). Trends in College Pricing and Student Aid: 2023. Table CP-5: *Public Four-Year In-State Tuition and Fees, 2023-24*. Retrieved from: <https://research.collegeboard.org/trends/college-pricing>.

^{^^^}Percent difference is calculated by subtracting the average price of an infant in center-based child care from the average tuition and fees and dividing this figure by the average tuition and fees.

* State did not report prices on the 2024 survey; data reported from state's most recent Market Rate Survey.

NR: Data not reported or not available for some categories of care.

TABLE XIII

2023 Ranking of Affordability of Center-Based Care for Single-Parent Households

Rank	State	Median Income, Single Parent^	Infant Care		Toddler Care		4 -Year-Old Care	
			Price^^	% of Income	Price^^	% of Income	Price^^	% of Income
1	District of Columbia	\$40,328	\$25,480	63.2%	\$23,431	58.1%	\$20,410	50.6%
2	Massachusetts	\$42,752	\$24,005	56.1%	\$22,463	52.5%	\$18,760	43.9%
3	Hawaii	\$43,050	\$22,585	52.5%	\$17,925	41.6%	\$13,156	30.6%
4	New York	\$37,898	\$19,584	51.7%	\$18,081	47.7%	\$16,415	43.3%
5	Washington	\$41,994	\$20,370	48.5%	\$17,976	42.8%	\$15,720	37.4%
6	New Jersey*	\$40,812	\$19,634	48.1%	\$18,891	46.3%	\$17,002	41.7%
7	Minnesota	\$41,867	\$20,129	48.1%	\$17,784	42.5%	\$15,544	37.1%
8	Vermont*	\$38,048	\$17,973	47.2%	\$17,353	45.6%	\$17,043	44.8%
9	California*	\$41,887	\$19,547	46.7%	NR	NR	\$14,396	34.4%
10	Oregon	\$38,137	\$17,680	46.4%	\$16,796	44.0%	\$13,832	36.3%
11	Illinois*	\$36,091	\$16,373	45.4%	\$16,373	45.4%	\$11,987	33.2%
12	Colorado	\$43,197	\$19,573	45.3%	\$16,307	37.8%	\$13,809	32.0%
13	New Mexico*	\$30,815	\$13,521	43.9%	\$10,296	33.4%	\$9,486	30.8%
14	Connecticut	\$40,781	\$17,888	43.9%	\$16,432	40.3%	\$14,716	36.1%
15	Kansas	\$34,512	\$15,071	43.7%	\$12,851	37.2%	\$9,724	28.2%
16	Rhode Island*	\$39,573	\$16,899	42.7%	\$15,967	40.3%	\$14,618	36.9%
17	Pennsylvania*	\$34,949	\$14,483	41.4%	\$13,774	39.4%	\$12,097	34.6%
18	Maryland	\$48,241	\$19,906	41.3%	\$15,253	31.6%	\$12,771	26.5%
19	Indiana	\$33,501	\$13,736	41.0%	\$11,965	35.7%	\$9,421	28.1%
20	Virginia	\$40,021	\$16,397	41.0%	\$15,583	38.9%	\$13,560	33.9%
21	Ohio	\$31,271	\$12,351	39.5%	\$11,125	35.6%	\$9,580	30.6%
22	West Virginia	\$26,022	\$10,140	39.0%	\$9,620	37.0%	\$9,100	35.0%
23	Delaware	\$39,351	\$14,995	38.1%	\$13,365	34.0%	\$12,084	30.7%
24	Louisiana*	\$26,664	\$10,101	37.9%	\$9,504	35.6%	\$9,183	34.4%
25	Michigan	\$33,493	\$12,667	37.8%	\$12,089	36.1%	\$10,414	31.1%
26	Missouri	\$34,252	\$12,907	37.7%	\$10,640	31.1%	\$9,681	28.3%
27	North Carolina	\$32,626	\$12,251	37.5%	\$11,363	34.8%	\$10,206	31.3%
28	New Hampshire*	\$46,283	\$17,250	37.3%	\$16,007	34.6%	\$14,618	31.6%
29	Tennessee*	\$32,580	\$11,985	36.8%	\$11,027	33.8%	\$10,389	31.9%

Rank	State	Median Income, Single Parent [^]	Infant Care		Toddler Care		4 -Year-Old Care	
			Price ^{^^}	% of Income	Price ^{^^}	% of Income	Price ^{^^}	% of Income
30	Arizona*	\$38,757	\$14,040	36.2%	\$12,662	32.7%	\$10,920	28.2%
31	Wisconsin*	\$37,580	\$13,572	36.1%	\$12,272	32.7%	\$11,128	29.6%
32	Nebraska	\$36,959	\$13,000	35.2%	\$11,960	32.4%	\$10,920	29.5%
33	Florida*	\$36,278	\$12,639	34.8%	\$11,133	30.7%	\$9,139	25.2%
34	Montana	\$33,721	\$11,700	34.7%	\$11,700	34.7%	\$10,400	30.8%
35	Iowa	\$35,471	\$12,168	34.3%	\$11,143	31.4%	\$9,745	27.5%
36	Kentucky	\$29,363	\$9,685	33.0%	\$9,243	31.5%	\$8,525	29.0%
37	Oklahoma	\$30,663	\$10,065	32.8%	\$9,432	30.8%	\$8,436	27.5%
38	Nevada	\$40,212	\$13,024	32.4%	\$12,563	31.2%	\$10,928	27.2%
39	Texas*	\$34,187	\$11,024	32.2%	\$10,608	31.0%	\$9,932	29.1%
40	Wyoming*	\$34,582	\$11,075	32.0%	\$10,300	29.8%	\$9,745	28.2%
41	Mississippi*	\$25,786	\$8,186	31.7%	\$7,894	30.6%	\$7,309	28.3%
42	Alabama*	\$27,632	\$8,771	31.7%	\$8,771	31.7%	\$8,186	29.6%
43	Georgia	\$34,904	\$11,066	31.7%	\$10,534	30.2%	\$9,666	27.7%
44	Maine	\$37,981	\$11,960	31.5%	\$11,284	29.7%	\$8,580	22.6%
45	Arkansas	\$29,541	\$8,869	30.0%	\$8,099	27.4%	\$8,219	27.8%
46	Idaho*	\$35,214	\$10,108	28.7%	\$9,246	26.3%	\$8,496	24.1%
47	South Carolina	\$31,575	\$9,048	28.7%	\$8,727	27.6%	\$8,216	26.0%
48	North Dakota	\$39,507	\$10,758	27.2%	\$10,236	25.9%	\$9,685	24.5%
49	Alaska	\$43,253	\$11,760	27.2%	\$10,980	25.4%	\$9,600	22.2%
50	Utah	\$42,496	\$11,232	26.4%	\$9,180	21.6%	\$8,268	19.5%
51	South Dakota	\$34,417	\$7,862	22.8%	\$7,862	22.8%	\$7,218	21.0%

[^] Source of Child Care Prices: Child Care Aware[®] of America's January 2024 survey of Child Care Resource and Referral State Networks. Some states used the latest state market rate survey.

^{^^} Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2022 5-Year Estimates, Table B19126, <https://data.census.gov/>

* State did not report prices on the 2024 survey; data reported from state's most recent Market Rate Survey.

NR: Data not reported or not available for some categories of care.

Note: 1 = least affordable and 51 = most affordable. Rank is based on price of center-based child care for an infant as percentage of state median income for single-parent households with children under 18.

TABLE XIV

2023 Ranking of Affordability of Center-Based Care for Single-Parent Households, School-Age and Two Children

Rank	State	Median Income, Single Parent [^]	School-Age Care		Care for Two Children ^{^^}	
			Price ^{^^}	% of Income	Price ^{^^}	% of Income
1	District of Columbia	\$40,328	NR	NR	\$45,890	113.8%
2	Massachusetts	\$42,752	\$7,762	24.2%	\$42,766	100.0%
3	New York	\$37,898	\$15,067	53.0%	\$35,999	95.0%
4	Vermont*	\$38,048	\$6,374	22.3%	\$35,016	92.0%
5	New Jersey*	\$40,812	\$5,819	19.0%	\$36,636	89.8%
6	Washington	\$41,994	\$8,385	26.6%	\$36,090	85.9%
7	Minnesota	\$41,867	NR	NR	\$35,673	85.2%
8	Hawaii	\$43,050	\$3,603	11.2%	\$35,741	83.0%
9	Oregon	\$38,137	NR	NR	\$31,512	82.6%
10	California*	\$41,887	\$9,180	29.2%	\$33,943	81.0%
11	Connecticut	\$40,781	\$7,748	25.3%	\$32,604	79.9%
12	Rhode Island*	\$39,573	\$7,324	24.7%	\$31,517	79.6%
13	Illinois*	\$36,091	\$3,641	13.5%	\$28,360	78.6%
14	Colorado	\$43,197	\$7,736	23.9%	\$33,382	77.3%
15	Pennsylvania*	\$34,949	\$7,710	29.4%	\$26,580	76.1%
16	Virginia	\$40,021	\$5,409	18.0%	\$29,957	74.9%
17	New Mexico*	\$30,815	\$5,843	25.3%	\$23,007	74.7%
18	West Virginia	\$26,022	NR	NR	\$19,240	73.9%
19	Louisiana*	\$26,664	\$5,934	29.7%	\$19,284	72.3%
20	Kansas	\$34,512	\$2,842	11.0%	\$24,795	71.8%
21	Ohio	\$31,271	\$5,643	24.1%	\$21,931	70.1%
22	Indiana	\$33,501	\$4,278	17.0%	\$23,157	69.1%
23	Michigan	\$33,493	\$5,660	22.5%	\$23,081	68.9%
24	New Hampshire*	\$46,283	NR	NR	\$31,868	68.9%
25	North Carolina	\$32,626	\$5,011	20.5%	\$22,457	68.8%
26	Delaware	\$39,351	\$5,034	17.1%	\$27,079	68.8%
27	Tennessee*	\$32,580	\$4,356	17.8%	\$22,374	68.7%
28	Maryland	\$48,241	\$5,503	15.2%	\$32,677	67.7%
29	Missouri	\$34,252	\$3,437	13.4%	\$22,588	65.9%

Rank	State	Median Income, Single Parent [^]	School-Age Care		Care for Two Children ^{^^}	
			Price ^{^^}	% of Income	Price ^{^^}	% of Income
30	Wisconsin*	\$37,580	NR	NR	\$24,700	65.7%
31	Montana	\$33,721	\$4,446	17.6%	\$22,100	65.5%
32	Nebraska	\$36,959	\$2,268	8.2%	\$23,920	64.7%
33	Arizona*	\$38,757	\$4,500	15.5%	\$24,960	64.4%
34	Kentucky	\$29,363	\$5,460	24.8%	\$18,210	62.0%
35	Iowa	\$35,471	\$3,545	13.3%	\$21,913	61.8%
36	Alabama*	\$27,632	\$5,101	24.6%	\$16,957	61.4%
37	Texas*	\$34,187	\$6,588	25.7%	\$20,956	61.3%
38	Oklahoma	\$30,663	\$4,618	20.1%	\$18,501	60.3%
39	Wyoming*	\$34,582	\$4,003	15.4%	\$20,820	60.2%
40	Mississippi*	\$25,786	\$5,482	28.3%	\$15,495	60.1%
41	Florida*	\$36,278	\$5,088	18.7%	\$21,778	60.0%
42	Nevada	\$40,212	\$6,493	21.5%	\$23,952	59.6%
43	Georgia	\$34,904	NR	NR	\$20,732	59.4%
44	Arkansas	\$29,541	\$3,034	13.7%	\$17,088	57.8%
45	South Carolina	\$31,575	\$5,363	22.6%	\$17,264	54.7%
46	Maine	\$37,981	\$5,460	19.2%	\$20,540	54.1%
47	Idaho*	\$35,214	\$7,946	30.1%	\$18,604	52.8%
48	North Dakota	\$39,507	NR	NR	\$20,443	51.7%
49	Alaska	\$43,253	\$6,143	18.9%	\$21,360	49.4%
50	Utah	\$42,496	\$5,220	16.4%	\$19,500	45.9%
51	South Dakota	\$34,417	\$4,898	19.0%	\$15,080	43.8%

[^] Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2022 5-Year Estimates, Table B19126, <https://data.census.gov/>

Percentage of median income for before/after school programs calculated by dividing cost of before/after school care with 75% of median income.

^{^^} Source of Child Care Prices: Child Care Aware[®] of America's January 2024 survey of Child Care Resource and Referral State Networks. Some states used the latest state market rate survey.

^{^^^} Child care prices for two children calculated by adding the annual price of infant care to the annual price of care for a 4-Year-Old.

* State did not report prices on the 2024 survey; data reported from state's most recent Market Rate Survey.

NR: Data not reported or not available for some categories of care.

Note: 1 = least affordable and 51 = most affordable. Rank is based on price of center-based child care for 2 children (an infant and a 4-year old) as percentage of state median income for single-parent households with children under 18.

TABLE XV

2023 Average Prices for Center-Based Care for an Infant and Two Children Compared to Varying Poverty Levels

State	Price of Care as a Percentage of Income				Price of Care as a Percentage of Income			
	Avg. Annual Price, Infant [^]	Poverty Level ^{^^}	150% of Poverty Level	200% of Poverty Level	Avg. Annual Price, 2 Children ^{^^^}	Poverty Level ^{^^}	150% of Poverty Level	200% of Poverty Level
Alabama*	\$8,771	35.3%	23.5%	17.6%	\$16,957	56.5%	37.7%	28.3%
Alaska	\$11,760	37.9%	25.2%	18.9%	\$21,360	57.0%	38.0%	28.5%
Arizona*	\$14,040	56.5%	37.7%	28.2%	\$24,960	83.2%	55.5%	41.6%
Arkansas	\$8,869	35.7%	23.8%	17.8%	\$17,088	57.0%	38.0%	28.5%
California*	\$19,547	78.6%	52.4%	39.3%	\$33,943	113.1%	75.4%	56.6%
Colorado	\$19,573	78.7%	52.5%	39.4%	\$33,382	111.3%	74.2%	55.6%
Connecticut	\$17,888	72.0%	48.0%	36.0%	\$32,604	108.7%	72.5%	54.3%
Delaware	\$14,995	60.3%	40.2%	30.2%	\$27,079	90.3%	60.2%	45.1%
District of Columbia	\$25,480	102.5%	68.3%	51.2%	\$45,890	153.0%	102.0%	76.5%
Florida*	\$12,639	50.8%	33.9%	25.4%	\$21,778	72.6%	48.4%	36.3%
Georgia	\$11,066	44.5%	29.7%	22.3%	\$20,732	69.1%	46.1%	34.6%
Hawaii	\$22,585	79.0%	52.7%	39.5%	\$35,741	103.6%	69.1%	51.8%
Idaho*	\$10,108	40.7%	27.1%	20.3%	\$18,604	62.0%	41.3%	31.0%
Illinois*	\$16,373	65.9%	43.9%	32.9%	\$28,360	94.5%	63.0%	47.3%
Indiana	\$13,736	55.3%	36.8%	27.6%	\$23,157	77.2%	51.5%	38.6%
Iowa	\$12,168	48.9%	32.6%	24.5%	\$21,913	73.0%	48.7%	36.5%
Kansas	\$15,071	60.6%	40.4%	30.3%	\$24,795	82.7%	55.1%	41.3%
Kentucky	\$9,685	39.0%	26.0%	19.5%	\$18,210	60.7%	40.5%	30.4%
Louisiana*	\$10,101	40.6%	27.1%	20.3%	\$19,284	64.3%	42.9%	32.1%
Maine	\$11,960	48.1%	32.1%	24.1%	\$20,540	68.5%	45.6%	34.2%
Maryland	\$19,906	80.1%	53.4%	40.0%	\$32,677	108.9%	72.6%	54.5%
Massachusetts	\$24,005	96.6%	64.4%	48.3%	\$42,766	142.6%	95.0%	71.3%
Michigan	\$12,667	51.0%	34.0%	25.5%	\$23,081	76.9%	51.3%	38.5%
Minnesota	\$20,129	81.0%	54.0%	40.5%	\$35,673	118.9%	79.3%	59.5%
Mississippi*	\$8,186	32.9%	22.0%	16.5%	\$15,495	51.7%	34.4%	25.8%
Missouri	\$12,907	51.9%	34.6%	26.0%	\$22,588	75.3%	50.2%	37.6%
Montana	\$11,700	47.1%	31.4%	23.5%	\$22,100	73.7%	49.1%	36.8%
Nebraska	\$13,000	52.3%	34.9%	26.1%	\$23,920	79.7%	53.2%	39.9%

State	Price of Care as a Percentage of Income				Price of Care as a Percentage of Income			
	Avg. Annual Price, Infant [^]	Poverty Level ^{^^}	150% of Poverty Level	200% of Poverty Level	Avg. Annual Price, 2 Children ^{^^^}	Poverty Level ^{^^}	150% of Poverty Level	200% of Poverty Level
Nevada	\$13,024	52.4%	34.9%	26.2%	\$23,952	79.8%	53.2%	39.9%
New Hampshire*	\$17,250	69.4%	46.3%	34.7%	\$31,868	106.2%	70.8%	53.1%
New Jersey*	\$19,634	79.0%	52.7%	39.5%	\$36,636	122.1%	81.4%	61.1%
New Mexico*	\$13,521	54.4%	36.3%	27.2%	\$23,007	76.7%	51.1%	38.3%
New York	\$19,584	78.8%	52.5%	39.4%	\$35,999	120.0%	80.0%	60.0%
North Carolina	\$12,251	49.3%	32.9%	24.6%	\$22,457	74.9%	49.9%	37.4%
North Dakota	\$10,758	43.3%	28.8%	21.6%	\$20,443	68.1%	45.4%	34.1%
Ohio	\$12,351	49.7%	33.1%	24.8%	\$21,931	73.1%	48.7%	36.6%
Oklahoma	\$10,065	40.5%	27.0%	20.2%	\$18,501	61.7%	41.1%	30.8%
Oregon	\$17,680	71.1%	47.4%	35.6%	\$31,512	105.0%	70.0%	52.5%
Pennsylvania*	\$14,483	58.3%	38.8%	29.1%	\$26,580	88.6%	59.1%	44.3%
Rhode Island*	\$16,899	68.0%	45.3%	34.0%	\$31,517	105.1%	70.0%	52.5%
South Carolina	\$9,048	36.4%	24.3%	18.2%	\$17,264	57.5%	38.4%	28.8%
South Dakota	\$7,862	31.6%	21.1%	15.8%	\$15,080	50.3%	33.5%	25.1%
Tennessee*	\$11,985	48.2%	32.1%	24.1%	\$22,374	74.6%	49.7%	37.3%
Texas*	\$11,024	44.3%	29.6%	22.2%	\$20,956	69.9%	46.6%	34.9%
Utah	\$11,232	45.2%	30.1%	22.6%	\$19,500	65.0%	43.3%	32.5%
Vermont*	\$17,973	72.3%	48.2%	36.1%	\$35,016	116.7%	77.8%	58.4%
Virginia	\$16,397	66.0%	44.0%	33.0%	\$29,957	99.9%	66.6%	49.9%
Washington	\$20,370	81.9%	54.6%	41.0%	\$36,090	120.3%	80.2%	60.2%
West Virginia	\$10,140	40.8%	27.2%	20.4%	\$19,240	64.1%	42.8%	32.1%
Wisconsin*	\$13,572	54.6%	36.4%	27.3%	\$24,700	82.3%	54.9%	41.2%
Wyoming*	\$11,075	44.5%	29.7%	22.3%	\$20,820	69.4%	46.3%	34.7%

[^]Source: Child Care Aware® of America's January 2024 survey of Child Care Resource and Referral State Networks. Some states used the latest state market rate survey.

^{^^}Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. [2023 Federal Poverty Guidelines](#). 150% poverty calculated by multiplying the poverty level by 1.5. 200% poverty calculated by multiplying the poverty level by 2.

Infant price comparison based on a family of three. Two children price comparison based on a family of four.

^{^^^}Child care prices for two children calculated by adding the annual price of infant care to the annual price of care for a 4-Year-Old.

* State did not report prices on the 2024 survey; data reported from state's most recent Market Rate Survey.

NR: Data not reported or not available for some categories of care.

TABLE XVI

2023 Average Prices for Center-Based Care for a Toddler and a 4-Year-Old Compared to Varying Poverty Levels

State	Price of Care as a Percentage of Income				Price of Care as a Percentage of Income			
	Avg. Annual Price, Toddler [^]	Poverty Level ^{^^}	150% of Poverty Level	200% of Poverty Level	Avg. Annual Price, 4-Year-Old [^]	Poverty Level ^{^^}	150% of Poverty Level	200% of Poverty Level
Alabama*	\$8,771	35.3%	23.5%	17.6%	\$8,186	32.9%	22.0%	16.5%
Alaska	\$10,980	35.3%	23.6%	17.7%	\$9,600	30.9%	20.6%	15.4%
Arizona*	\$12,662	50.9%	34.0%	25.5%	\$10,920	43.9%	29.3%	22.0%
Arkansas	\$8,099	32.6%	21.7%	16.3%	\$8,219	33.1%	22.0%	16.5%
California*	NR	NR	NR	NR	\$14,396	57.9%	38.6%	29.0%
Colorado	\$16,307	65.6%	43.7%	32.8%	\$13,809	55.5%	37.0%	27.8%
Connecticut	\$16,432	66.1%	44.1%	33.0%	\$14,716	59.2%	39.5%	29.6%
Delaware	\$13,365	53.8%	35.8%	26.9%	\$12,084	48.6%	32.4%	24.3%
District of Columbia	\$23,431	94.3%	62.8%	47.1%	\$20,410	82.1%	54.7%	41.0%
Florida*	\$11,133	44.8%	29.9%	22.4%	\$9,139	36.8%	24.5%	18.4%
Georgia	\$10,534	42.4%	28.2%	21.2%	\$9,666	38.9%	25.9%	19.4%
Hawaii	\$17,925	62.7%	41.8%	31.3%	\$13,156	46.0%	30.7%	23.0%
Idaho*	\$9,246	37.2%	24.8%	18.6%	\$8,496	34.2%	22.8%	17.1%
Illinois*	\$16,373	65.9%	43.9%	32.9%	\$11,987	48.2%	32.1%	24.1%
Indiana	\$11,965	48.1%	32.1%	24.1%	\$9,421	37.9%	25.3%	18.9%
Iowa	\$11,143	44.8%	29.9%	22.4%	\$9,745	39.2%	26.1%	19.6%
Kansas	\$12,851	51.7%	34.5%	25.8%	\$9,724	39.1%	26.1%	19.6%
Kentucky	\$9,243	37.2%	24.8%	18.6%	\$8,525	34.3%	22.9%	17.1%
Louisiana*	\$9,504	38.2%	25.5%	19.1%	\$9,183	36.9%	24.6%	18.5%
Maine	\$11,284	45.4%	30.3%	22.7%	\$8,580	34.5%	23.0%	17.3%
Maryland	\$15,253	61.4%	40.9%	30.7%	\$12,771	51.4%	34.2%	25.7%
Massachusetts	\$22,463	90.4%	60.2%	45.2%	\$18,760	75.5%	50.3%	37.7%
Michigan	\$12,089	48.6%	32.4%	24.3%	\$10,414	41.9%	27.9%	20.9%
Minnesota	\$17,784	71.5%	47.7%	35.8%	\$15,544	62.5%	41.7%	31.3%
Mississippi*	\$7,894	31.8%	21.2%	15.9%	\$7,309	29.4%	19.6%	14.7%
Missouri	\$10,640	42.8%	28.5%	21.4%	\$9,681	38.9%	26.0%	19.5%
Montana	\$11,700	47.1%	31.4%	23.5%	\$10,400	41.8%	27.9%	20.9%
Nebraska	\$11,960	48.1%	32.1%	24.1%	\$10,920	43.9%	29.3%	22.0%

State	Price of Care as a Percentage of Income				Price of Care as a Percentage of Income			
	Avg. Annual Price, Toddler [^]	Poverty Level ^{^^}	150% of Poverty Level	200% of Poverty Level	Avg. Annual Price, 4-Year-Old [^]	Poverty Level ^{^^}	150% of Poverty Level	200% of Poverty Level
Nevada	\$12,563	50.5%	33.7%	25.3%	\$10,928	44.0%	29.3%	22.0%
New Hampshire*	\$16,007	64.4%	42.9%	32.2%	\$14,618	58.8%	39.2%	29.4%
New Jersey*	\$18,891	76.0%	50.7%	38.0%	\$17,002	68.4%	45.6%	34.2%
New Mexico*	\$10,296	41.4%	27.6%	20.7%	\$9,486	38.2%	25.4%	19.1%
New York	\$18,081	72.7%	48.5%	36.4%	\$16,415	66.0%	44.0%	33.0%
North Carolina	\$11,363	45.7%	30.5%	22.9%	\$10,206	41.1%	27.4%	20.5%
North Dakota	\$10,236	41.2%	27.4%	20.6%	\$9,685	39.0%	26.0%	19.5%
Ohio	\$11,125	44.8%	29.8%	22.4%	\$9,580	38.5%	25.7%	19.3%
Oklahoma	\$9,432	37.9%	25.3%	19.0%	\$8,436	33.9%	22.6%	17.0%
Oregon	\$16,796	67.6%	45.0%	33.8%	\$13,832	55.6%	37.1%	27.8%
Pennsylvania*	\$13,774	55.4%	36.9%	27.7%	\$12,097	48.7%	32.4%	24.3%
Rhode Island*	\$15,967	64.2%	42.8%	32.1%	\$14,618	58.8%	39.2%	29.4%
South Carolina	\$8,727	35.1%	23.4%	17.6%	\$8,216	33.0%	22.0%	16.5%
South Dakota	\$7,862	31.6%	21.1%	15.8%	\$7,218	29.0%	19.4%	14.5%
Tennessee*	\$11,027	44.4%	29.6%	22.2%	\$10,389	41.8%	27.9%	20.9%
Texas*	\$10,608	42.7%	28.4%	21.3%	\$9,932	40.0%	26.6%	20.0%
Utah	\$9,180	36.9%	24.6%	18.5%	\$8,268	33.3%	22.2%	16.6%
Vermont*	\$17,353	69.8%	46.5%	34.9%	\$17,043	68.6%	45.7%	34.3%
Virginia	\$15,583	62.7%	41.8%	31.3%	\$13,560	54.5%	36.4%	27.3%
Washington	\$17,976	72.3%	48.2%	36.2%	\$15,720	63.2%	42.2%	31.6%
West Virginia	\$9,620	38.7%	25.8%	19.3%	\$9,100	36.6%	24.4%	18.3%
Wisconsin*	\$12,272	49.4%	32.9%	24.7%	\$11,128	44.8%	29.8%	22.4%
Wyoming*	\$10,300	41.4%	27.6%	20.7%	\$9,745	39.2%	26.1%	19.6%

[^] Source: Child Care Aware® of America's January 2024 survey of Child Care Resource and Referral State Networks. Some states used the latest state market rate survey.

^{^^}Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. [2023 Federal Poverty Guidelines](#). 150% poverty calculated by multiplying the poverty level by 1.5. 200% poverty calculated by multiplying the poverty level by 2.

Both price comparisons based on a family of three.

* State did not report prices on the 2024 survey; data reported from state's most recent Market Rate Survey.

NR: Data not reported or not available for some categories of care.

TABLE XVII

2023 Average Prices for Family Child Care (FCC) for an Infant and Two Children Compared to Varying Poverty Levels

State	Price of Care as a Percentage of Income				Price of Care as a Percentage of Income			
	Avg. Annual Price, Infant [^]	Poverty Level ^{^^}	150% of Poverty Level	200% of Poverty Level	Avg. Annual Price, 2 Children ^{^^^}	Poverty Level ^{^^}	150% of Poverty Level	200% of Poverty Level
Alabama*	\$8,186	32.9%	22.0%	16.5%	\$16,080	53.6%	43.1%	26.8%
Alaska	\$9,624	31.0%	20.7%	15.5%	\$17,988	48.0%	38.6%	24.0%
Arizona*	\$8,840	35.6%	23.7%	17.8%	\$16,640	55.5%	44.6%	27.7%
Arkansas	\$7,691	30.9%	20.6%	15.5%	\$14,729	49.1%	39.5%	24.5%
California*	\$16,432	66.1%	44.1%	33.0%	\$30,912	103.0%	82.9%	51.5%
Colorado	\$12,750	51.3%	34.2%	25.6%	\$24,720	82.4%	66.3%	41.2%
Connecticut	\$14,040	56.5%	37.7%	28.2%	\$26,936	89.8%	72.2%	44.9%
Delaware	\$10,146	40.8%	27.2%	20.4%	\$19,274	64.2%	51.7%	32.1%
District of Columbia	\$20,800	83.7%	55.8%	41.8%	\$39,949	133.2%	107.1%	66.6%
Florida*	\$10,881	43.8%	29.2%	21.9%	\$19,227	64.1%	51.6%	32.0%
Georgia	\$8,407	33.8%	22.5%	16.9%	\$16,209	54.0%	43.5%	27.0%
Hawaii	\$11,162	39.0%	26.0%	19.5%	\$21,759	63.1%	50.7%	31.5%
Idaho*	\$7,609	30.6%	20.4%	15.3%	\$14,631	48.8%	39.2%	24.4%
Illinois*	\$11,691	47.0%	31.4%	23.5%	\$21,924	73.1%	58.8%	36.5%
Indiana	\$8,845	35.6%	23.7%	17.8%	\$16,621	55.4%	44.6%	27.7%
Iowa	\$8,176	32.9%	21.9%	16.4%	\$16,047	53.5%	43.0%	26.7%
Kansas	\$8,630	34.7%	23.1%	17.4%	\$16,021	53.4%	43.0%	26.7%
Kentucky	\$7,345	29.5%	19.7%	14.8%	\$13,845	46.2%	37.1%	23.1%
Louisiana*	\$8,035	32.3%	21.5%	16.2%	\$15,688	52.3%	42.1%	26.1%
Maine	\$8,580	34.5%	23.0%	17.3%	\$16,380	54.6%	43.9%	27.3%
Maryland	\$14,320	57.6%	38.4%	28.8%	\$24,456	81.5%	65.6%	40.8%
Massachusetts	\$15,129	60.9%	40.6%	30.4%	\$29,203	97.3%	78.3%	48.7%
Michigan	\$9,044	36.4%	24.3%	18.2%	\$17,685	59.0%	47.4%	29.5%
Minnesota	\$9,765	39.3%	26.2%	19.6%	\$18,746	62.5%	50.3%	31.2%
Mississippi*	\$6,724	27.0%	18.0%	13.5%	\$13,741	45.8%	36.8%	22.9%
Missouri	\$8,498	34.2%	22.8%	17.1%	\$15,859	52.9%	42.5%	26.4%
Montana	\$9,100	36.6%	24.4%	18.3%	\$18,200	60.7%	48.8%	30.3%
Nebraska	\$8,320	33.5%	22.3%	16.7%	\$16,380	54.6%	43.9%	27.3%

State	Price of Care as a Percentage of Income				Price of Care as a Percentage of Income			
	Avg. Annual Price, Infant [*]	Poverty Level ^{^^}	150% of Poverty Level	200% of Poverty Level	Avg. Annual Price, 2 Children ^{^^^}	Poverty Level ^{^^}	150% of Poverty Level	200% of Poverty Level
Nevada	\$10,407	41.9%	27.9%	20.9%	\$20,010	66.7%	53.7%	33.4%
New Hampshire*	\$11,402	45.9%	30.6%	22.9%	\$22,366	74.6%	60.0%	37.3%
New Jersey*	\$12,144	48.8%	32.6%	24.4%	\$22,939	76.5%	61.5%	38.2%
New Mexico*	\$11,564	46.5%	31.0%	23.3%	\$23,128	77.1%	62.0%	38.5%
New York	\$16,383	65.9%	43.9%	33.0%	\$30,935	103.1%	83.0%	51.6%
North Carolina	\$9,617	38.7%	25.8%	19.3%	\$18,400	61.3%	49.3%	30.7%
North Dakota	\$9,203	37.0%	24.7%	18.5%	\$17,916	59.7%	48.0%	29.9%
Ohio	\$9,278	37.3%	24.9%	18.7%	\$17,130	57.1%	45.9%	28.6%
Oklahoma	\$8,704	35.0%	23.3%	17.5%	\$16,623	55.4%	44.6%	27.7%
Oregon	\$13,000	52.3%	34.9%	26.1%	\$24,440	81.5%	65.5%	40.7%
Pennsylvania*	\$10,679	43.0%	28.6%	21.5%	\$20,087	67.0%	53.9%	33.5%
Rhode Island*	\$14,618	58.8%	39.2%	29.4%	\$28,578	95.3%	76.6%	47.6%
South Carolina	\$7,150	28.8%	19.2%	14.4%	\$13,000	43.3%	34.9%	21.7%
South Dakota	\$5,824	23.4%	15.6%	11.7%	\$11,482	38.3%	30.8%	19.1%
Tennessee*	\$8,024	32.3%	21.5%	16.1%	\$16,016	53.4%	42.9%	26.7%
Texas*	\$9,724	39.1%	26.1%	19.6%	\$19,032	63.4%	51.0%	31.7%
Utah	\$8,400	33.8%	22.5%	16.9%	\$15,600	52.0%	41.8%	26.0%
Vermont*	\$12,395	49.9%	33.2%	24.9%	\$24,170	80.6%	64.8%	40.3%
Virginia	\$12,158	48.9%	32.6%	24.5%	\$23,353	77.8%	62.6%	38.9%
Washington	\$15,600	62.8%	41.8%	31.4%	\$28,600	95.3%	76.7%	47.7%
West Virginia	\$8,320	33.5%	22.3%	16.7%	\$15,860	52.9%	42.5%	26.4%
Wisconsin*	\$10,400	41.8%	27.9%	20.9%	\$19,760	65.9%	53.0%	32.9%
Wyoming*	\$9,475	38.1%	25.4%	19.1%	\$17,596	58.7%	47.2%	29.3%

^{*}Source: Child Care Aware® of America's January 2024 survey of Child Care Resource and Referral State Networks. Some states used the latest state market rate survey.

^{^^}Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. [2023 Federal Poverty Guidelines](#). 150% poverty calculated by multiplying the poverty level by 1.5. 200% poverty calculated by multiplying the poverty level by 2.

Infant price comparison based on a family of three. Two children price comparison based on a family of four.

^{^^^}Child care prices for two children calculated by adding the annual price of infant care to the annual price of care for a 4-Year-Old.

^{*} State did not report prices on the 2024 survey; data reported from state's most recent Market Rate Survey.

NR: Data not reported or not available for some categories of care.

TABLE XVIII

2023 Average Prices for Family Child Care (FCC) for a Toddler and a 4-Year-Old Compared to Varying Poverty Levels

State	Price of Care as a Percentage of Income				Price of Care as a Percentage of Income			
	Avg. Annual Price, Toddler [^]	Poverty Level ^{^^}	150% of Poverty Level	200% of Poverty Level	Avg. Annual Price, 4-Year-Old [^]	Poverty Level ^{^^}	150% of Poverty Level	200% of Poverty Level
Alabama*	\$8,186	32.9%	22.0%	16.5%	\$7,894	31.8%	21.2%	15.9%
Alaska	\$9,000	29.0%	19.3%	14.5%	\$8,364	26.9%	17.9%	13.5%
Arizona*	\$7,800	31.4%	20.9%	15.7%	\$7,800	31.4%	20.9%	15.7%
Arkansas	\$7,371	29.7%	19.8%	14.8%	\$7,038	28.3%	18.9%	14.2%
California*	NR	NR	NR	NR	\$14,480	58.2%	38.8%	29.1%
Colorado	\$12,750	51.3%	34.2%	25.6%	\$11,970	48.1%	32.1%	24.1%
Connecticut	NR	NR	NR	NR	\$12,896	51.9%	34.6%	25.9%
Delaware	\$9,558	38.4%	25.6%	19.2%	\$9,128	36.7%	24.5%	18.4%
District of Columbia	\$20,449	82.3%	54.8%	41.1%	\$19,149	77.0%	51.4%	38.5%
Florida*	\$9,797	39.4%	26.3%	19.7%	\$8,346	33.6%	22.4%	16.8%
Georgia	\$8,042	32.3%	21.6%	16.2%	\$7,802	31.4%	20.9%	15.7%
Hawaii	\$10,737	37.6%	25.0%	18.8%	\$10,597	37.1%	24.7%	18.5%
Idaho*	\$7,384	29.7%	19.8%	14.9%	\$7,022	28.2%	18.8%	14.1%
Illinois*	\$11,691	47.0%	31.4%	23.5%	\$10,233	41.2%	27.4%	20.6%
Indiana	\$8,313	33.4%	22.3%	16.7%	\$7,776	31.3%	20.9%	15.6%
Iowa	\$8,015	32.2%	21.5%	16.1%	\$7,871	31.7%	21.1%	15.8%
Kansas	\$8,241	33.1%	22.1%	16.6%	\$7,391	29.7%	19.8%	14.9%
Kentucky	\$7,020	28.2%	18.8%	14.1%	\$6,500	26.1%	17.4%	13.1%
Louisiana*	\$7,653	30.8%	20.5%	15.4%	\$7,653	30.8%	20.5%	15.4%
Maine	\$7,800	31.4%	20.9%	15.7%	\$7,800	31.4%	20.9%	15.7%
Maryland	\$10,824	43.5%	29.0%	21.8%	\$10,136	40.8%	27.2%	20.4%
Massachusetts	\$14,074	56.6%	37.7%	28.3%	\$14,074	56.6%	37.7%	28.3%
Michigan	\$9,044	36.4%	24.3%	18.2%	\$8,641	34.8%	23.2%	17.4%
Minnesota	\$9,403	37.8%	25.2%	18.9%	\$8,981	36.1%	24.1%	18.1%
Mississippi*	\$5,847	23.5%	15.7%	11.8%	\$7,017	28.2%	18.8%	14.1%
Missouri	\$7,555	30.4%	20.3%	15.2%	\$7,361	29.6%	19.7%	14.8%
Montana	\$9,100	36.6%	24.4%	18.3%	\$9,100	36.6%	24.4%	18.3%
Nebraska	\$8,060	32.4%	21.6%	16.2%	\$8,060	32.4%	21.6%	16.2%

State	Price of Care as a Percentage of Income				Price of Care as a Percentage of Income			
	Avg. Annual Price, Toddler [^]	Poverty Level ^{^^}	150% of Poverty Level	200% of Poverty Level	Avg. Annual Price, 4-Year-Old [^]	Poverty Level ^{^^}	150% of Poverty Level	200% of Poverty Level
Nevada	\$10,074	40.5%	27.0%	20.3%	\$9,603	38.6%	25.8%	19.3%
New Hampshire*	\$11,695	47.0%	31.4%	23.5%	\$10,964	44.1%	29.4%	22.1%
New Jersey*	\$10,795	43.4%	28.9%	21.7%	\$10,795	43.4%	28.9%	21.7%
New Mexico*	\$11,564	46.5%	31.0%	23.3%	\$11,564	46.5%	31.0%	23.3%
New York	\$15,535	62.5%	41.7%	31.2%	\$14,552	58.5%	39.0%	29.3%
North Carolina	\$9,160	36.8%	24.6%	18.4%	\$8,783	35.3%	23.6%	17.7%
North Dakota	\$8,891	35.8%	23.8%	17.9%	\$8,713	35.0%	23.4%	17.5%
Ohio	\$8,862	35.6%	23.8%	17.8%	\$7,852	31.6%	21.1%	15.8%
Oklahoma	\$8,439	33.9%	22.6%	17.0%	\$7,919	31.9%	21.2%	15.9%
Oregon	\$11,700	47.1%	31.4%	23.5%	\$11,440	46.0%	30.7%	23.0%
Pennsylvania*	\$10,129	40.7%	27.2%	20.4%	\$9,408	37.8%	25.2%	18.9%
Rhode Island*	\$14,618	58.8%	39.2%	29.4%	\$13,960	56.2%	37.4%	28.1%
South Carolina	\$5,937	23.9%	15.9%	11.9%	\$5,850	23.5%	15.7%	11.8%
South Dakota	\$5,824	23.4%	15.6%	11.7%	\$5,658	22.8%	15.2%	11.4%
Tennessee*	\$8,604	34.6%	23.1%	17.3%	\$7,992	32.1%	21.4%	16.1%
Texas*	\$9,672	38.9%	25.9%	19.5%	\$9,308	37.4%	25.0%	18.7%
Utah	\$7,800	31.4%	20.9%	15.7%	\$7,200	29.0%	19.3%	14.5%
Vermont*	\$12,318	49.5%	33.0%	24.8%	\$11,775	47.4%	31.6%	23.7%
Virginia	\$11,659	46.9%	31.3%	23.4%	\$11,195	45.0%	30.0%	22.5%
Washington	\$14,300	57.5%	38.3%	28.8%	\$13,000	52.3%	34.9%	26.1%
West Virginia	\$7,540	30.3%	20.2%	15.2%	\$7,540	30.3%	20.2%	15.2%
Wisconsin*	\$9,360	37.7%	25.1%	18.8%	\$9,360	37.7%	25.1%	18.8%
Wyoming*	\$8,614	34.7%	23.1%	17.3%	\$8,121	32.7%	21.8%	16.3%

[^] Source: Child Care Aware® of America's January 2024 survey of Child Care Resource and Referral State Networks. Some states used the latest state market rate survey.

^{^^}Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. [2023 Federal Poverty Guidelines](#). 150% poverty calculated by multiplying the poverty level by 1.5. 200% poverty calculated by multiplying the poverty level by 2.

Both price comparisons based on a family of three.

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TABLE XIX

2023 Affordability Rankings for Child Care Professionals with Children in Center-Based Care

Rank	State	Annual Price of Care [^]					Annual Income – Child Care Professionals ^{^^}	
		Infant	Toddler	4-Year-Old	Before/After School	Two Children ^{^^^}	Avg. Income	% of Income for 2 children, center
1	New Hampshire*	\$17,250	\$16,007	\$14,618	NR	\$31,868	\$27,130	117.5%
2	Minnesota	\$20,129	\$17,784	\$15,544	NR	\$35,673	\$30,710	116.2%
3	District of Columbia	\$25,480	\$23,431	\$20,410	NR	\$45,890	\$40,370	113.7%
4	Hawaii	\$22,585	\$17,925	\$13,156	\$3,603	\$35,741	\$31,580	113.2%
5	New Jersey*	\$19,634	\$18,891	\$17,002	\$5,819	\$36,636	\$32,640	112.2%
6	Massachusetts	\$24,005	\$22,463	\$18,760	\$7,762	\$42,766	\$38,840	110.1%
7	Maryland	\$19,906	\$15,253	\$12,771	\$5,503	\$32,677	\$31,570	103.5%
8	Vermont*	\$17,973	\$17,353	\$17,043	\$6,374	\$35,016	\$33,970	103.1%
9	New York	\$19,584	\$18,081	\$16,415	\$15,067	\$35,999	\$35,190	102.3%
10	Delaware	\$14,995	\$13,365	\$12,084	\$5,034	\$27,079	\$26,930	100.6%
11	Connecticut	\$17,888	\$16,432	\$14,716	\$7,748	\$32,604	\$32,700	99.7%
12	Virginia	\$16,397	\$15,583	\$13,560	\$5,409	\$29,957	\$30,160	99.3%
13	Washington	\$20,370	\$17,976	\$15,720	\$8,385	\$36,090	\$36,920	97.8%
14	Rhode Island*	\$16,899	\$15,967	\$14,618	\$7,324	\$31,517	\$32,300	97.6%
15	Pennsylvania*	\$14,483	\$13,774	\$12,097	\$7,710	\$26,580	\$27,330	97.3%
16	Kansas	\$15,071	\$12,851	\$9,724	\$2,842	\$24,795	\$25,570	97.0%
17	Colorado	\$19,573	\$16,307	\$13,809	\$7,736	\$33,382	\$35,040	95.3%
18	Illinois*	\$16,373	\$16,373	\$11,987	\$3,641	\$28,360	\$30,900	91.8%
19	Wisconsin*	\$13,572	\$12,272	\$11,128	NR	\$24,700	\$27,050	91.3%
20	Oregon	\$17,680	\$16,796	\$13,832	NR	\$31,512	\$34,610	91.0%
21	Iowa	\$12,168	\$11,143	\$9,745	\$3,545	\$21,913	\$24,140	90.8%
22	California*	\$19,547	NR	\$14,396	\$9,180	\$33,943	\$37,430	90.7%
23	Tennessee*	\$11,985	\$11,027	\$10,389	\$4,356	\$22,374	\$25,160	88.9%
24	Indiana	\$13,736	\$11,965	\$9,421	\$4,278	\$23,157	\$26,390	87.7%
25	Louisiana*	\$10,101	\$9,504	\$9,183	\$5,934	\$19,284	\$22,100	87.3%
26	Nebraska	\$13,000	\$11,960	\$10,920	\$2,268	\$23,920	\$28,000	85.4%
27	New Mexico*	\$13,521	\$10,296	\$9,486	\$5,843	\$23,007	\$27,190	84.6%
28	West Virginia	\$10,140	\$9,620	\$9,100	NR	\$19,240	\$22,770	84.5%
29	Montana	\$11,700	\$11,700	\$10,400	\$4,446	\$22,100	\$26,480	83.5%

Rank	State	Annual Price of Care [^]					Annual Income – Child Care Professionals ^{^^}	
		Infant	Toddler	4-Year-Old	Before/After School	Two Children ^{^^^}	Avg. Income	% of Income for 2 children, center
30	North Carolina	\$12,251	\$11,363	\$10,206	\$5,011	\$22,457	\$27,030	83.1%
31	Nevada	\$13,024	\$12,563	\$10,928	\$6,493	\$23,952	\$28,830	83.1%
32	Michigan	\$12,667	\$12,089	\$10,414	\$5,660	\$23,081	\$27,980	82.5%
33	Texas*	\$11,024	\$10,608	\$9,932	\$6,588	\$20,956	\$25,910	80.9%
34	Georgia	\$11,066	\$10,534	\$9,666	NR	\$20,732	\$26,170	79.2%
35	Missouri	\$12,907	\$10,640	\$9,681	\$3,437	\$22,588	\$28,710	78.7%
36	Ohio	\$12,351	\$11,125	\$9,580	\$5,643	\$21,931	\$28,180	77.8%
37	Florida*	\$12,639	\$11,133	\$9,139	\$5,088	\$21,778	\$28,480	76.5%
38	Arizona*	\$14,040	\$12,662	\$10,920	\$4,500	\$24,960	\$32,650	76.4%
39	Oklahoma	\$10,065	\$9,432	\$8,436	\$4,618	\$18,501	\$24,280	76.2%
40	Idaho*	\$10,108	\$9,246	\$8,496	\$7,946	\$18,604	\$24,640	75.5%
41	Wyoming*	\$11,075	\$10,300	\$9,745	\$4,003	\$20,820	\$27,860	74.7%
42	Alabama*	\$8,771	\$8,771	\$8,186	\$5,101	\$16,957	\$22,770	74.5%
43	Mississippi*	\$8,186	\$7,894	\$7,309	\$5,482	\$15,495	\$21,430	72.3%
44	Utah	\$11,232	\$9,180	\$8,268	\$5,220	\$19,500	\$27,250	71.6%
45	North Dakota	\$10,758	\$10,236	\$9,685	NR	\$20,443	\$28,590	71.5%
46	Kentucky	\$9,685	\$9,243	\$8,525	\$5,460	\$18,210	\$25,530	71.3%
47	South Carolina	\$9,048	\$8,727	\$8,216	\$5,363	\$17,264	\$25,050	68.9%
48	Arkansas	\$8,869	\$8,099	\$8,219	\$3,034	\$17,088	\$26,300	65.0%
49	Alaska	\$11,760	\$10,980	\$9,600	\$6,143	\$21,360	\$33,140	64.5%
50	Maine	\$11,960	\$11,284	\$8,580	\$5,460	\$20,540	\$32,080	64.0%
51	South Dakota	\$7,862	\$7,862	\$7,218	\$4,898	\$15,080	\$25,490	59.2%

[^]Source: Child Care Aware® of America's January 2024 survey of Child Care Resource and Referral State Networks. Some states used the latest state market rate survey.

^{^^}Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2022 Annual Mean Wage: Childcare Workers. <https://www.bls.gov/oes/current/oes399011.htm>

^{^^^}Child care prices for two children calculated by adding the annual price of infant care to the annual price of care for a 4-Year-Old.

*State did not report prices on the 2024 survey; data reported from state's most recent Market Rate Survey.

NR: Data not reported or not available for some categories of care.

Note: 1 = least affordable and 51 = most affordable. Rank is based on price of child care as percentage of average annual income for child professionals who work in a center setting.