



2024 Price  
of Care:

# Child Care Affordability Analysis



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TABLE I

## 2024 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*	\$8,632	\$8,424	\$8,008	\$5,226	\$1,742
Alaska	\$12,107	\$11,304	\$9,883	\$6,324	\$2,239
Arizona	\$15,964	\$13,390	\$11,680	\$5,850	\$2,600
Arkansas	\$9,178	\$8,801	\$8,320	\$3,397	\$1,971
California*	\$22,628	NR	\$16,665	\$10,627	\$3,542
Colorado	\$20,978	\$17,479	\$14,800	\$8,292	NR
Connecticut	\$18,492	\$18,829	\$15,297	\$5,967	NR
Delaware	\$16,617	\$14,668	\$13,218	\$5,476	\$2,806
District of Columbia	\$26,193	\$24,087	\$20,981	NR	NR
Florida*	\$13,011	\$11,461	\$9,409	\$5,238	\$2,619
Georgia	\$11,066	\$10,537	\$9,573	\$6,568	\$2,021
Hawaii	\$24,115	\$18,852	\$13,992	\$7,402	NR
Idaho	\$10,608	\$9,996	\$9,201	\$6,444	NR
Illinois	\$19,807	\$18,736	\$17,238	\$4,538	\$3,603
Indiana	\$16,478	\$16,002	\$12,531	\$6,394	\$2,784
Iowa	\$12,694	\$11,729	\$10,100	\$3,572	\$2,128
Kansas	\$15,156	\$11,071	\$9,217	\$2,254	\$1,471
Kentucky	\$12,740	\$12,220	\$10,712	\$5,850	\$2,489
Louisiana*	\$10,847	\$9,997	\$9,378	\$5,841	\$1,943
Maine*	\$15,730	\$14,820	\$14,144	\$7,683	\$2,561
Maryland	\$25,321	\$22,594	\$15,601	\$10,226	NR
Massachusetts	\$26,343	\$24,314	\$20,669	\$17,944	\$3,918
Michigan	\$13,454	\$13,555	\$12,246	\$5,468	\$1,261
Minnesota	\$20,421	\$18,042	\$15,733	NA	NA
Mississippi*	\$7,696	\$7,254	\$6,864	\$4,290	\$1,430
Missouri	\$13,780	\$11,700	\$9,568	\$4,056	\$1,352
Montana	\$15,080	\$15,080	\$14,300	\$4,875	\$3,250
Nebraska	\$18,147	\$17,184	\$15,738	NR	\$12,848
Nevada	\$12,659	\$11,442	\$10,605	\$6,140	NR
New Hampshire	\$16,040	\$14,870	\$13,042	\$4,826	NR
New Jersey*	\$20,213	\$19,448	\$17,503	\$5,990	\$1,997

State	Infant	Toddler	4-Year-Old	Before/After School	Full-Time Summer
New York	\$20,439	\$18,661	\$17,343	\$12,447	NR
North Carolina	\$12,370	\$11,694	\$10,381	\$5,811	\$1,941
North Dakota	\$12,299	\$11,580	\$10,869	NR	NR
Ohio	\$13,780	\$12,376	\$11,752	\$6,435	\$2,145
Oklahoma	\$10,809	\$10,060	\$9,415	\$7,326	NR
Oregon	\$19,500	\$17,368	\$13,260	NR	NR
Pennsylvania*	\$14,910	\$14,180	\$12,453	\$7,937	\$2,645
Rhode Island*	\$18,486	NA	\$16,212	\$10,920	\$3,640
South Carolina	\$10,474	\$10,308	\$9,691	\$8,277	NR
South Dakota	\$8,632	\$8,632	\$8,070	\$5,460	NR
Tennessee	\$13,126	\$12,063	\$10,840	\$4,402	\$7,724
Texas*	\$11,349	\$10,921	\$10,225	\$6,782	\$2,260
Utah	\$14,160	\$11,328	\$9,876	\$5,940	\$1,980
Vermont	\$18,710	\$17,988	\$15,877	\$6,442	\$3,530
Virginia	\$16,796	\$15,964	\$13,884	\$5,772	\$3,601
Washington	\$21,348	\$19,236	\$16,908	\$5,196	NR
West Virginia*	\$10,439	\$9,903	\$9,368	NR	NR
Wisconsin	\$17,963	\$18,239	\$15,039	\$6,226	NR
Wyoming*	\$12,784	\$11,897	\$11,229	\$6,249	\$2,321

<sup>^</sup>Source of Child Care Prices: Child Care Aware® of America's January 2025 survey of Child Care Resource and Referral State Networks. Some states used the latest state Market Rate Survey.

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TABLE II

## 2024 Average Annual Price of Full-Time Family Child Care (FCC) by State

State	Infant	Toddler	4-Year-Old	Before/After School	Full-Time Summer
Alabama*	\$7,670	\$7,527	\$7,332	\$5,090	\$1,697
Alaska	\$10,809	\$9,265	\$8,610	\$5,559	\$2,084
Arizona	\$10,920	\$10,400	\$10,400	\$5,850	\$2,600
Arkansas	\$7,963	\$7,727	\$7,745	\$4,274	\$1,804
California*	\$19,022	NR	\$16,763	\$10,293	\$3,431
Colorado	\$13,666	\$13,666	\$12,830	\$8,068	NR
Connecticut	\$14,305	NA	\$13,201	\$5,928	NA
Delaware	\$10,997	\$10,358	\$9,968	\$4,294	\$2,191
District of Columbia	\$21,382	\$21,022	\$19,685	NR	NR
Florida*	\$11,201	\$10,185	\$8,592	\$5,094	\$2,547
Georgia	\$8,407	\$8,043	\$7,802	\$5,661	\$1,887
Hawaii	\$11,632	\$11,148	\$11,028	\$10,694	\$10,668
Idaho	\$7,380	\$7,308	\$7,152	\$5,328	NR
Illinois	\$12,283	\$12,283	\$10,439	\$3,524	\$2,403
Indiana	\$9,508	\$9,102	\$8,470	\$5,143	\$1,934
Iowa	\$8,596	\$8,443	\$8,285	\$3,067	\$1,934
Kansas	\$7,639	\$6,890	\$7,750	\$2,742	\$914
Kentucky	\$9,880	\$9,360	\$9,360	\$5,148	\$2,340
Louisiana*	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Maine*	\$11,830	\$11,206	\$10,790	\$6,728	\$2,243
Maryland	\$15,919	\$15,676	\$13,416	\$8,505	
Massachusetts	\$17,510	\$17,511	\$15,056	\$7,583	\$3,764
Michigan	\$9,458	\$9,959	\$10,355	\$5,448	\$1,257
Minnesota	\$9,821	\$9,434	\$8,978	NA	NA
Mississippi*	\$6,188	\$5,980	\$5,720	\$3,588	\$1,196
Missouri	\$9,984	\$8,996	\$8,320	\$3,432	\$1,144
Montana	\$11,700	\$11,700	\$10,400	\$3,900	\$2,600
Nebraska	\$13,383	\$13,383	\$13,383	NR	\$10,038
Nevada	\$9,703	\$9,239	\$8,982	\$4,954	NR
New Hampshire	\$11,708	\$11,432	\$11,418	\$3,827	NR

State	Infant	Toddler	4-Year-Old	Before/After School	Full-Time Summer
New Jersey*	\$12,502	\$11,113	\$11,113	\$7,960	\$2,246
New York	\$16,415	\$15,616	\$15,616	\$13,299	
North Carolina	\$9,961	\$9,591	\$9,047	\$5,693	\$1,898
North Dakota	\$10,141	\$9,801	\$9,473	NA	NA
Ohio	\$10,556	\$10,192	\$9,048	\$5,967	\$1,989
Oklahoma	\$9,399	\$9,122	\$8,577	\$7,990	NA
Oregon	\$15,808	\$13,832	\$13,728	NR	NR
Pennsylvania*	\$10,994	\$10,428	\$9,685	\$6,297	\$2,099
Rhode Island*	\$14,300	NA	\$13,000	\$8,775	\$2,925
South Carolina	\$8,126	\$7,449	\$7,223	\$6,321	NR
South Dakota	\$6,822	\$6,822	\$6,635	\$4,836	NR
Tennessee	\$9,415	\$9,430	\$8,689	\$5,618	\$6,789
Texas*	\$10,010	\$9,957	\$9,582	\$6,300	\$2,100
Utah	\$10,800	\$8,700	\$8,160	\$5,760	\$1,920
Vermont	\$12,395	\$11,952	\$11,818	\$5,595	\$2,804
Virginia	\$13,052	\$12,480	\$12,116	\$4,095	\$3,081
Washington	\$18,000	\$16,200	\$14,556	\$5,460	NR
West Virginia*	\$8,565	\$7,762	\$7,762	NR	NR
Wisconsin	\$12,319	\$14,743	\$11,088	\$6,568	NR
Wyoming*	\$10,704	\$10,278	\$9,747	\$6,080	\$2,258

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**TABLE III**  
**2024 Ranking of Least Affordable Center-Based Child Care for Infants**

Rank	State	Annual Price- Infant, Center <sup>^</sup>	Single-Parent Family		Married-Couple Family	
			Median Income <sup>^^</sup>	% of Median Income	Median Income <sup>^^</sup>	% of Median Income
1	Hawaii	\$24,115	\$49,190	49.0%	\$134,710	17.9%
2	California*	\$22,628	\$45,721	49.5%	\$138,719	16.3%
3	Maryland	\$25,321	\$52,696	48.1%	\$159,911	15.8%
4	Oregon	\$19,500	\$41,753	46.7%	\$125,549	15.5%
5	Nebraska	\$18,147	\$42,047	43.2%	\$119,896	15.1%
6	Massachusetts	\$26,343	\$42,380	62.2%	\$177,034	14.9%
7	Washington	\$21,348	\$42,108	50.7%	\$145,513	14.7%
8	New York	\$20,439	\$40,903	50.0%	\$141,123	14.5%
9	Illinois	\$19,807	\$41,288	48.0%	\$137,283	14.4%
10	Indiana	\$16,478	\$35,871	45.9%	\$114,341	14.4%
11	Minnesota	\$20,421	\$44,713	45.7%	\$142,517	14.3%
12	Colorado	\$20,978	\$48,348	43.4%	\$147,124	14.3%
13	Vermont	\$18,710	\$43,136	43.4%	\$133,818	14.0%
14	Wisconsin	\$17,963	\$40,428	44.4%	\$129,130	13.9%
15	Montana	\$15,080	\$41,602	36.2%	\$112,896	13.4%
16	Arizona	\$15,964	\$44,148	36.2%	\$119,616	13.3%
17	Kansas	\$15,156	\$37,850	40.0%	\$114,128	13.3%
18	Maine*	\$15,730	\$40,736	38.6%	\$119,024	13.2%
19	Rhode Island*	\$18,486	\$39,134	47.2%	\$141,221	13.1%
20	Delaware	\$16,617	\$45,405	36.6%	\$131,254	12.7%
21	New Jersey*	\$20,213	\$44,800	45.1%	\$167,018	12.1%
22	Kentucky	\$12,740	\$28,400	44.9%	\$106,973	11.9%
23	Missouri	\$13,780	\$39,986	34.5%	\$115,991	11.9%
24	Connecticut	\$18,492	\$43,073	42.9%	\$157,187	11.8%
25	Tennessee	\$13,126	\$32,391	40.5%	\$111,879	11.7%
26	Utah	\$14,160	\$44,502	31.8%	\$121,946	11.6%
27	Pennsylvania*	\$14,910	\$37,131	40.2%	\$129,691	11.5%
28	Florida*	\$13,011	\$41,114	31.6%	\$113,290	11.5%
29	Virginia	\$16,796	\$42,879	39.2%	\$146,806	11.4%

Rank	State	Annual Price-Infant, Center^	Single-Parent Family		Married-Couple Family	
			Median Income^^	% of Median Income	Median Income^^	% of Median Income
30	Wyoming*	\$12,784	\$33,303	38.4%	\$112,093	11.4%
31	Nevada	\$12,659	\$39,499	32.0%	\$112,561	11.2%
32	Michigan	\$13,454	\$35,603	37.8%	\$120,797	11.1%
33	Ohio	\$13,780	\$34,414	40.0%	\$124,688	11.1%
34	New Hampshire	\$16,040	\$45,086	35.6%	\$150,029	10.7%
35	Oklahoma	\$10,809	\$31,574	34.2%	\$101,609	10.6%
36	North Carolina	\$12,370	\$36,181	34.2%	\$117,287	10.5%
37	Iowa	\$12,694	\$39,543	32.1%	\$120,779	10.5%
38	District of Columbia	\$26,193	\$55,536	47.2%	\$250,000	10.5%
39	West Virginia*	\$10,439	\$29,974	34.8%	\$100,188	10.4%
40	Idaho	\$10,608	\$41,533	25.5%	\$107,726	9.8%
41	Texas*	\$11,349	\$38,384	29.6%	\$116,166	9.8%
42	Louisiana*	\$10,847	\$27,790	39.0%	\$111,196	9.8%
43	Alaska	\$12,107	\$46,867	25.8%	\$125,462	9.6%
44	South Carolina	\$10,474	\$35,510	29.5%	\$110,894	9.4%
45	North Dakota	\$12,299	\$35,660	34.5%	\$131,059	9.4%
46	Georgia	\$11,066	\$38,311	28.9%	\$119,792	9.2%
47	Arkansas	\$9,178	\$31,747	28.9%	\$100,841	9.1%
48	Alabama*	\$8,632	\$29,497	29.3%	\$107,403	8.0%
49	South Dakota	\$8,632	\$37,415	23.1%	\$115,205	7.5%
50	Mississippi*	\$7,696	\$26,911	28.6%	\$103,063	7.5%

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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 IV**  
**2024 Ranking of Least Affordable Family Child Care (FCC) for Infants**

Rank	State	Annual Price- Infant, FCC <sup>^</sup>	Single-Parent Family		Married-Couple Family	
			Median Income <sup>^^</sup>	% of Median Income	Median Income <sup>^^</sup>	% of Median Income
1	California*	\$19,022	\$45,721	41.6%	\$138,719	13.7%
2	Oregon	\$15,808	\$41,753	37.9%	\$125,549	12.6%
3	Washington	\$18,000	\$42,108	42.7%	\$145,513	12.4%
4	New York	\$16,415	\$40,903	40.1%	\$141,123	11.6%
5	Nebraska	\$13,383	\$42,047	31.8%	\$119,896	11.2%
6	Montana	\$11,700	\$41,602	28.1%	\$112,896	10.4%
7	Rhode Island*	\$14,300	\$39,134	36.5%	\$141,221	10.1%
8	Maryland	\$15,919	\$52,696	30.2%	\$159,911	10.0%
9	Maine*	\$11,830	\$40,736	29.0%	\$119,024	9.9%
10	Massachusetts	\$17,510	\$42,380	41.3%	\$177,034	9.9%
11	Florida*	\$11,201	\$41,114	27.2%	\$113,290	9.9%
12	Wyoming*	\$10,704	\$33,303	32.1%	\$112,093	9.5%
13	Wisconsin	\$12,319	\$40,428	30.5%	\$129,130	9.5%
14	Colorado	\$13,666	\$48,348	28.3%	\$147,124	9.3%
15	Vermont	\$12,395	\$43,136	28.7%	\$133,818	9.3%
16	Oklahoma	\$9,399	\$31,574	29.8%	\$101,609	9.3%
17	Kentucky	\$9,880	\$28,400	34.8%	\$106,973	9.2%
18	Arizona	\$10,920	\$44,148	24.7%	\$119,616	9.1%
19	Connecticut	\$14,305	\$43,073	33.2%	\$157,187	9.1%
20	Illinois	\$12,283	\$41,288	29.7%	\$137,283	8.9%
21	Virginia	\$13,052	\$42,879	30.4%	\$146,806	8.9%
22	Utah	\$10,800	\$44,502	24.3%	\$121,946	8.9%
23	Hawaii	\$11,632	\$49,190	23.6%	\$134,710	8.6%
24	Nevada	\$9,703	\$39,499	24.6%	\$112,561	8.6%
25	Texas*	\$10,010	\$38,384	26.1%	\$116,166	8.6%
26	Alaska	\$10,809	\$46,867	23.1%	\$125,462	8.6%
27	Missouri	\$9,984	\$39,986	25.0%	\$115,991	8.6%
28	District of Columbia	\$21,382	\$55,536	38.5%	\$250,000	8.6%
29	West Virginia*	\$8,565	\$29,974	28.6%	\$100,188	8.5%

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			Median Income <sup>^^</sup>	% of Median Income	Median Income <sup>^^</sup>	% of Median Income
30	North Carolina	\$9,961	\$36,181	27.5%	\$117,287	8.5%
31	Pennsylvania*	\$10,994	\$37,131	29.6%	\$129,691	8.5%
32	Ohio	\$10,556	\$34,414	30.7%	\$124,688	8.5%
33	Tennessee	\$9,415	\$32,391	29.1%	\$111,879	8.4%
34	Delaware	\$10,997	\$45,405	24.2%	\$131,254	8.4%
35	Indiana	\$9,508	\$35,871	26.5%	\$114,341	8.3%
36	Arkansas	\$7,963	\$31,747	25.1%	\$100,841	7.9%
37	Michigan	\$9,458	\$35,603	26.6%	\$120,797	7.8%
38	New Hampshire	\$11,708	\$45,086	26.0%	\$150,029	7.8%
39	North Dakota	\$10,141	\$35,660	28.4%	\$131,059	7.7%
40	New Jersey*	\$12,502	\$44,800	27.9%	\$167,018	7.5%
41	South Carolina	\$8,126	\$35,510	22.9%	\$110,894	7.3%
42	Alabama*	\$7,670	\$29,497	26.0%	\$107,403	7.1%
43	Iowa	\$8,596	\$39,543	21.7%	\$120,779	7.1%
44	Georgia	\$8,407	\$38,311	21.9%	\$119,792	7.0%
45	Minnesota	\$9,821	\$44,713	22.0%	\$142,517	6.9%
46	Idaho	\$7,380	\$41,533	17.8%	\$107,726	6.9%
47	Kansas	\$7,639	\$37,850	20.2%	\$114,128	6.7%
48	Mississippi*	\$6,188	\$26,911	23.0%	\$103,063	6.0%
49	South Dakota	\$6,822	\$37,415	18.2%	\$115,205	5.9%
50	Louisiana*	NA	\$27,790	NA	\$111,196	NA

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TABLE V

## 2024 Ranking of Least Affordable Center-Based Child Care for Toddlers

Rank	State	Annual Price-Toddler, Center^	Single-Parent Family		Married-Couple Family	
			Median Income^^	% of Median Income	Median Income^^	% of Median Income
1	Nebraska	\$17,184	\$42,047	40.9%	\$119,896	14.3%
2	Maryland	\$22,594	\$52,696	42.9%	\$159,911	14.1%
3	Wisconsin	\$18,239	\$40,428	45.1%	\$129,130	14.1%
4	Indiana	\$16,002	\$35,871	44.6%	\$114,341	14.0%
5	Hawaii	\$18,852	\$49,190	38.3%	\$134,710	14.0%
6	Oregon	\$17,368	\$41,753	41.6%	\$125,549	13.8%
7	Massachusetts	\$24,314	\$42,380	57.4%	\$177,034	13.7%
8	Illinois	\$18,736	\$41,288	45.4%	\$137,283	13.6%
9	Vermont	\$17,988	\$43,136	41.7%	\$133,818	13.4%
10	Montana	\$15,080	\$41,602	36.2%	\$112,896	13.4%
11	New York	\$18,661	\$40,903	45.6%	\$141,123	13.2%
12	Washington	\$19,236	\$42,108	45.7%	\$145,513	13.2%
13	Minnesota	\$18,042	\$44,713	40.4%	\$142,517	12.7%
14	Maine*	\$14,820	\$40,736	36.4%	\$119,024	12.5%
15	Connecticut	\$18,829	\$43,073	43.7%	\$157,187	12.0%
16	Colorado	\$17,479	\$48,348	36.2%	\$147,124	11.9%
17	New Jersey*	\$19,448	\$44,800	43.4%	\$167,018	11.6%
18	Kentucky	\$12,220	\$28,400	43.0%	\$106,973	11.4%
19	Michigan	\$13,555	\$35,603	38.1%	\$120,797	11.2%
20	Arizona	\$13,390	\$44,148	30.3%	\$119,616	11.2%
21	Delaware	\$14,668	\$45,405	32.3%	\$131,254	11.2%
22	Pennsylvania*	\$14,180	\$37,131	38.2%	\$129,691	10.9%
23	Virginia	\$15,964	\$42,879	37.2%	\$146,806	10.9%
24	Tennessee	\$12,063	\$32,391	37.2%	\$111,879	10.8%
25	Wyoming*	\$11,897	\$33,303	35.7%	\$112,093	10.6%
26	Nevada	\$11,442	\$39,499	29.0%	\$112,561	10.2%
27	Florida*	\$11,461	\$41,114	27.9%	\$113,290	10.1%
28	Missouri	\$11,700	\$39,986	29.3%	\$115,991	10.1%
29	North Carolina	\$11,694	\$36,181	32.3%	\$117,287	10.0%

Rank	State	Annual Price-Toddler, Center^	Single-Parent Family		Married-Couple Family	
			Median Income^^	% of Median Income	Median Income^^	% of Median Income
30	Ohio	\$12,376	\$34,414	36.0%	\$124,688	9.9%
31	New Hampshire	\$14,870	\$45,086	33.0%	\$150,029	9.9%
32	Oklahoma	\$10,060	\$31,574	31.9%	\$101,609	9.9%
33	West Virginia*	\$9,903	\$29,974	33.0%	\$100,188	9.9%
34	Iowa	\$11,729	\$39,543	29.7%	\$120,779	9.7%
35	Kansas	\$11,071	\$37,850	29.2%	\$114,128	9.7%
36	District of Columbia	\$24,087	\$55,536	43.4%	\$250,000	9.6%
37	Texas*	\$10,921	\$38,384	28.5%	\$116,166	9.4%
38	South Carolina	\$10,308	\$35,510	29.0%	\$110,894	9.3%
39	Utah	\$11,328	\$44,502	25.5%	\$121,946	9.3%
40	Idaho	\$9,996	\$41,533	24.1%	\$107,726	9.3%
41	Alaska	\$11,304	\$46,867	24.1%	\$125,462	9.0%
42	Louisiana*	\$9,997	\$27,790	36.0%	\$111,196	9.0%
43	North Dakota	\$11,580	\$35,660	32.5%	\$131,059	8.8%
44	Georgia	\$10,537	\$38,311	27.5%	\$119,792	8.8%
45	Arkansas	\$8,801	\$31,747	27.7%	\$100,841	8.7%
46	Alabama*	\$8,424	\$29,497	28.6%	\$107,403	7.8%
47	South Dakota	\$8,632	\$37,415	23.1%	\$115,205	7.5%
48	Mississippi*	\$7,254	\$26,911	27.0%	\$103,063	7.0%
--	California*	NR	\$45,721		\$138,719	
--	Rhode Island*	NA	\$39,134		\$141,221	

<sup>^</sup>Source of Child Care Prices: Child Care Aware® of America's January 2025 survey of Child Care Resource and Referral State Networks. Some states used the latest state Market Rate Survey.

<sup>^^</sup>Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2023, 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/NA: Data not reported or not available for some categories of child care.

Note: 1 = least affordable and 48 = 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

## 2024 Ranking of Least Affordable Family Child Care (FCC) for Toddlers

Rank	State	Annual Price-Toddler, FCC <sup>^</sup>	Single-Parent Family		Married-Couple Family	
			Median Income <sup>^^</sup>	% of Median Income	Median Income <sup>^^</sup>	% of Median Income
1	Wisconsin	\$14,743	\$40,428	36.5%	\$129,130	11.4%
2	Nebraska	\$13,383	\$42,047	31.8%	\$119,896	11.2%
3	Washington	\$16,200	\$42,108	38.5%	\$145,513	11.1%
4	New York	\$15,616	\$40,903	38.2%	\$141,123	11.1%
5	Oregon	\$13,832	\$41,753	33.1%	\$125,549	11.0%
6	Montana	\$11,700	\$41,602	28.1%	\$112,896	10.4%
7	Massachusetts	\$17,511	\$42,380	41.3%	\$177,034	9.9%
8	Maryland	\$15,676	\$52,696	29.7%	\$159,911	9.8%
9	Maine*	\$11,206	\$40,736	27.5%	\$119,024	9.4%
10	Colorado	\$13,666	\$48,348	28.3%	\$147,124	9.3%
11	Wyoming*	\$10,278	\$33,303	30.9%	\$112,093	9.2%
12	Florida*	\$10,185	\$41,114	24.8%	\$113,290	9.0%
13	Oklahoma	\$9,122	\$31,574	28.9%	\$101,609	9.0%
14	Illinois	\$12,283	\$41,288	29.7%	\$137,283	8.9%
15	Vermont	\$11,952	\$43,136	27.7%	\$133,818	8.9%
16	Kentucky	\$9,360	\$28,400	33.0%	\$106,973	8.7%
17	Arizona	\$10,400	\$44,148	23.6%	\$119,616	8.7%
18	Texas*	\$9,957	\$38,384	25.9%	\$116,166	8.6%
19	Virginia	\$12,480	\$42,879	29.1%	\$146,806	8.5%
20	Tennessee	\$9,430	\$32,391	29.1%	\$111,879	8.4%
21	DC	\$21,022	\$55,536	37.9%	\$250,000	8.4%
22	Hawaii	\$11,148	\$49,190	22.7%	\$134,710	8.3%
23	Michigan	\$9,959	\$35,603	28.0%	\$120,797	8.2%
24	Nevada	\$9,239	\$39,499	23.4%	\$112,561	8.2%
25	North Carolina	\$9,591	\$36,181	26.5%	\$117,287	8.2%
26	Ohio	\$10,192	\$34,414	29.6%	\$124,688	8.2%
27	Pennsylvania*	\$10,428	\$37,131	28.1%	\$129,691	8.0%
28	Indiana	\$9,102	\$35,871	25.4%	\$114,341	8.0%
29	Delaware	\$10,358	\$45,405	22.8%	\$131,254	7.9%

Rank	State	Annual Price-Toddler, FCC <sup>^</sup>	Single-Parent Family		Married-Couple Family	
			Median Income <sup>^^</sup>	% of Median Income	Median Income <sup>^^</sup>	% of Median Income
30	Missouri	\$8,996	\$39,986	22.5%	\$115,991	7.8%
31	West Virginia*	\$7,762	\$29,974	25.9%	\$100,188	7.7%
32	Arkansas	\$7,727	\$31,747	24.3%	\$100,841	7.7%
33	New Hampshire	\$11,432	\$45,086	25.4%	\$150,029	7.6%
34	North Dakota	\$9,801	\$35,660	27.5%	\$131,059	7.5%
35	Alaska	\$9,265	\$46,867	19.8%	\$125,462	7.4%
36	Utah	\$8,700	\$44,502	19.5%	\$121,946	7.1%
37	Alabama*	\$7,527	\$29,497	25.5%	\$107,403	7.0%
38	Iowa	\$8,443	\$39,543	21.4%	\$120,779	7.0%
39	Idaho	\$7,308	\$41,533	17.6%	\$107,726	6.8%
40	South Carolina	\$7,449	\$35,510	21.0%	\$110,894	6.7%
41	Georgia	\$8,043	\$38,311	21.0%	\$119,792	6.7%
42	New Jersey*	\$11,113	\$44,800	24.8%	\$167,018	6.7%
43	Minnesota	\$9,434	\$44,713	21.1%	\$142,517	6.6%
44	Kansas	\$6,890	\$37,850	18.2%	\$114,128	6.0%
45	South Dakota	\$6,822	\$37,415	18.2%	\$115,205	5.9%
46	Mississippi*	\$5,980	\$26,911	22.2%	\$103,063	5.8%
--	California*	NR	\$45,721		\$138,719	
--	Connecticut	NA	\$43,073		\$157,187	
--	Louisiana*	NA	\$27,790		\$111,196	
--	Rhode Island*	NA	\$39,134		\$141,221	

<sup>^</sup>Source of Child Care Prices: Child Care Aware® of America's January 2025 survey of Child Care Resource and Referral State Networks. Some states used the latest state Market Rate Survey.

<sup>^^</sup>Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2023, 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/NA: Data not reported or not available for some categories of child care.

Note: 1 = least affordable and 46 = 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

## 2024 Ranking of Least-Affordable Center-Based Child Care for 4-Year-Olds

Rank	State	Annual Price- 4-Year-Old, Center <sup>^</sup>	Single-Parent Family		Married-Couple Family	
			Median Income <sup>^^</sup>	% of Median Income	Median Income <sup>^^</sup>	% of Median Income
1	Nebraska	\$15,738	\$42,047	37.43%	\$119,896	13.1%
2	Montana	\$14,300	\$41,602	34.37%	\$112,896	12.7%
3	Illinois	\$17,238	\$41,288	41.75%	\$137,283	12.6%
4	New York	\$17,343	\$40,903	42.40%	\$141,123	12.3%
5	California*	\$16,665	\$45,721	36.45%	\$138,719	12.0%
6	Maine*	\$14,144	\$40,736	34.72%	\$119,024	11.9%
7	Vermont	\$15,877	\$43,136	36.81%	\$133,818	11.9%
8	Massachusetts	\$20,669	\$42,380	48.77%	\$177,034	11.7%
9	Wisconsin	\$15,039	\$40,428	37.20%	\$129,130	11.6%
10	Washington	\$16,908	\$42,108	40.15%	\$145,513	11.6%
11	Rhode Island*	\$16,212	\$39,134	41.43%	\$141,221	11.5%
12	Minnesota	\$15,733	\$44,713	35.19%	\$142,517	11.0%
13	Indiana	\$12,531	\$35,871	34.93%	\$114,341	11.0%
14	Oregon	\$13,260	\$41,753	31.76%	\$125,549	10.6%
15	New Jersey*	\$17,503	\$44,800	39.07%	\$167,018	10.5%
16	Hawaii	\$13,992	\$49,190	28.44%	\$134,710	10.4%
17	Michigan	\$12,246	\$35,603	34.40%	\$120,797	10.1%
18	Delaware	\$13,218	\$45,405	29.11%	\$131,254	10.1%
19	Colorado	\$14,800	\$48,348	30.61%	\$147,124	10.1%
20	Wyoming*	\$11,229	\$33,303	33.72%	\$112,093	10.0%
21	Kentucky	\$10,712	\$28,400	37.72%	\$106,973	10.0%
22	Arizona	\$11,680	\$44,148	26.46%	\$119,616	9.8%
23	Maryland	\$15,601	\$52,696	29.61%	\$159,911	9.8%
24	Connecticut	\$15,297	\$43,073	35.51%	\$157,187	9.7%
25	Tennessee	\$10,840	\$32,391	33.47%	\$111,879	9.7%
26	Pennsylvania*	\$12,453	\$37,131	33.54%	\$129,691	9.6%
27	Virginia	\$13,884	\$42,879	32.38%	\$146,806	9.5%
28	Ohio	\$11,752	\$34,414	34.15%	\$124,688	9.4%
29	Nevada	\$10,605	\$39,499	26.85%	\$112,561	9.4%

Rank	State	Annual Price- 4-Year-Old, Center <sup>^</sup>	Single-Parent Family		Married-Couple Family	
			Median Income <sup>^^</sup>	% of Median Income	Median Income <sup>^^</sup>	% of Median Income
30	West Virginia*	\$9,368	\$29,974	31.25%	\$100,188	9.4%
31	Oklahoma	\$9,415	\$31,574	29.82%	\$101,609	9.3%
32	North Carolina	\$10,381	\$36,181	28.69%	\$117,287	8.9%
33	Texas*	\$10,225	\$38,384	26.64%	\$116,166	8.8%
34	South Carolina	\$9,691	\$35,510	27.29%	\$110,894	8.7%
35	New Hampshire	\$13,042	\$45,086	28.93%	\$150,029	8.7%
36	Idaho	\$9,201	\$41,533	22.15%	\$107,726	8.5%
37	Louisiana*	\$9,378	\$27,790	33.75%	\$111,196	8.4%
38	DC	\$20,981	\$55,536	37.78%	\$250,000	8.4%
39	Iowa	\$10,100	\$39,543	25.54%	\$120,779	8.4%
40	Florida*	\$9,409	\$41,114	22.89%	\$113,290	8.3%
41	North Dakota	\$10,869	\$35,660	30.48%	\$131,059	8.3%
42	Arkansas	\$8,320	\$31,747	26.21%	\$100,841	8.3%
43	Missouri	\$9,568	\$39,986	23.93%	\$115,991	8.2%
44	Utah	\$9,876	\$44,502	22.19%	\$121,946	8.1%
45	Kansas	\$9,217	\$37,850	24.35%	\$114,128	8.1%
46	Georgia	\$9,573	\$38,311	24.99%	\$119,792	8.0%
47	Alaska	\$9,883	\$46,867	21.09%	\$125,462	7.9%
48	Alabama*	\$8,008	\$29,497	27.15%	\$107,403	7.5%
49	South Dakota	\$8,070	\$37,415	21.57%	\$115,205	7.0%
50	Mississippi*	\$6,864	\$26,911	25.51%	\$103,063	6.7%

<sup>^</sup>Source of Child Care Prices: Child Care Aware® of America's January 2025 survey of Child Care Resource and Referral State Networks. Some states used the latest state Market Rate Survey.

<sup>^^</sup>Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2023, 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/NA: Data not reported or not available for some categories of child 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 VIII

## 2024 Ranking of Least-Affordable Family Child Care (FCC) for 4-Year-Olds

Rank	State	Annual Price- 4-Year-Old, FCC <sup>^</sup>	Single-Parent Family		Married-Couple Family	
			Median Income <sup>^^</sup>	% of Median Income	Median Income <sup>^^</sup>	% of Median Income
1	California*	\$16,763	\$45,721	36.7%	\$138,719	12.1%
2	Nebraska	\$13,383	\$42,047	31.8%	\$119,896	11.2%
3	New York	\$15,616	\$40,903	38.2%	\$141,123	11.1%
4	Oregon	\$13,728	\$41,753	32.9%	\$125,549	10.9%
5	Washington	\$14,556	\$42,108	34.6%	\$145,513	10.0%
6	Montana	\$10,400	\$41,602	25.0%	\$112,896	9.2%
7	Rhode Island*	\$13,000	\$39,134	33.2%	\$141,221	9.2%
8	Maine*	\$10,790	\$40,736	26.5%	\$119,024	9.1%
9	Vermont	\$11,818	\$43,136	27.4%	\$133,818	8.8%
10	Kentucky	\$9,360	\$28,400	33.0%	\$106,973	8.7%
11	Colorado	\$12,830	\$48,348	26.5%	\$147,124	8.7%
12	Wyoming*	\$9,747	\$33,303	29.3%	\$112,093	8.7%
13	Arizona	\$10,400	\$44,148	23.6%	\$119,616	8.7%
14	Wisconsin	\$11,088	\$40,428	27.4%	\$129,130	8.6%
15	Michigan	\$10,355	\$35,603	29.1%	\$120,797	8.6%
16	Massachusetts	\$15,056	\$42,380	35.5%	\$177,034	8.5%
17	Oklahoma	\$8,577	\$31,574	27.2%	\$101,609	8.4%
18	Connecticut	\$13,201	\$43,073	30.6%	\$157,187	8.4%
19	Maryland	\$13,416	\$52,696	25.5%	\$159,911	8.4%
20	Virginia	\$12,116	\$42,879	28.3%	\$146,806	8.3%
21	Texas*	\$9,582	\$38,384	25.0%	\$116,166	8.2%
22	Hawaii	\$11,028	\$49,190	22.4%	\$134,710	8.2%
23	Nevada	\$8,982	\$39,499	22.7%	\$112,561	8.0%
24	DC	\$19,685	\$55,536	35.4%	\$250,000	7.9%
25	Tennessee	\$8,689	\$32,391	26.8%	\$111,879	7.8%
26	West Virginia*	\$7,762	\$29,974	25.9%	\$100,188	7.7%
27	North Carolina	\$9,047	\$36,181	25.0%	\$117,287	7.7%
28	Arkansas	\$7,745	\$31,747	24.4%	\$100,841	7.7%
29	New Hampshire	\$11,418	\$45,086	25.3%	\$150,029	7.6%

Rank	State	Annual Price- 4-Year-Old, FCC <sup>^</sup>	Single-Parent Family		Married-Couple Family	
			Median Income <sup>^^</sup>	% of Median Income	Median Income <sup>^^</sup>	% of Median Income
30	Illinois	\$10,439	\$41,288	25.3%	\$137,283	7.6%
31	Delaware	\$9,968	\$45,405	22.0%	\$131,254	7.6%
32	Florida*	\$8,592	\$41,114	20.9%	\$113,290	7.6%
33	Pennsylvania*	\$9,685	\$37,131	26.1%	\$129,691	7.5%
34	Indiana	\$8,470	\$35,871	23.6%	\$114,341	7.4%
35	Ohio	\$9,048	\$34,414	26.3%	\$124,688	7.3%
36	North Dakota	\$9,473	\$35,660	26.6%	\$131,059	7.2%
37	Missouri	\$8,320	\$39,986	20.8%	\$115,991	7.2%
38	Alaska	\$8,610	\$46,867	18.4%	\$125,462	6.9%
39	Iowa	\$8,285	\$39,543	21.0%	\$120,779	6.9%
40	Alabama*	\$7,332	\$29,497	24.9%	\$107,403	6.8%
41	Kansas	\$7,750	\$37,850	20.5%	\$114,128	6.8%
42	Utah	\$8,160	\$44,502	18.3%	\$121,946	6.7%
43	New Jersey*	\$11,113	\$44,800	24.8%	\$167,018	6.7%
44	Idaho	\$7,152	\$41,533	17.2%	\$107,726	6.6%
45	South Carolina	\$7,223	\$35,510	20.3%	\$110,894	6.5%
46	Georgia	\$7,802	\$38,311	20.4%	\$119,792	6.5%
47	Minnesota	\$8,978	\$44,713	20.1%	\$142,517	6.3%
48	South Dakota	\$6,635	\$37,415	17.7%	\$115,205	5.8%
49	Mississippi*	\$5,720	\$26,911	21.3%	\$103,063	5.6%
--	Louisiana*	NA	\$27,790		\$111,196	

<sup>^</sup>Source of Child Care Prices: Child Care Aware® of America's January 2025 survey of Child Care Resource and Referral State Networks. Some states used the latest state Market Rate Survey.

<sup>^^</sup>Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2023, 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/NA: Data not reported or not available for some categories of child 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 IX

## 2024 Ranking of Least-Affordable Center-Based Child Care for School-Age Children

Rank	State	Annual Price, Center-Based Program <sup>^</sup>		Single-Parent Family		Married-Couple Family	
		Before/After School Care	Full-Time Summer Care	Median Income <sup>^^</sup>	% of Median Income	Median Income <sup>^^</sup>	% of Median Income
1	Massachusetts	\$17,944	\$3,918	\$31,785	56.45%	\$132,776	13.51%
2	New York	\$12,447	NR	\$30,677.25	40.57%	\$105,842	11.76%
3	Rhode Island*	\$10,920	\$3,640	\$29,350.50	37.21%	\$105,916	10.31%
4	California*	\$10,627	\$3,542	\$34,290.75	30.99%	\$104,039	10.21%
5	South Carolina	\$8,277	NR	\$26,632.50	31.08%	\$83,171	9.95%
6	Oklahoma	\$7,326	NR	\$23,680.50	30.94%	\$76,207	9.61%
7	Maine*	\$7,683	\$2,561	\$30,552	25.15%	\$89,268	8.61%
8	Maryland	\$10,226	NR	\$39,522	25.87%	\$119,933	8.53%
9	Pennsylvania*	\$7,937	\$2,645	\$27,848.25	28.50%	\$97,268	8.16%
10	Idaho	\$6,444	NR	\$31,149.75	20.69%	\$80,795	7.98%
11	Texas*	\$6,782	\$2,260	\$28,788	23.56%	\$87,125	7.78%
12	Colorado	\$8,292	NR	\$36,261	22.87%	\$110,343	7.51%
13	Indiana	\$6,394	\$2,784	\$26,903.25	23.77%	\$85,756	7.46%
14	Wyoming*	\$6,249	\$2,321	\$24,977.25	25.02%	\$84,070	7.43%
15	Hawaii	\$7,402	NR	\$36,892.50	20.06%	\$101,033	7.33%
16	Georgia	\$6,568	\$2,021	\$28,733.25	22.86%	\$89,844	7.31%
17	Kentucky	\$5,850	\$2,489	\$21,300	27.46%	\$80,230	7.29%
18	Nevada	\$6,140	NR	\$29,624.25	20.73%	\$84,421	7.27%
19	Louisiana*	\$5,841	\$1,943	\$20,842.50	28.02%	\$83,397	7%
20	Ohio	\$6,435	\$2,145	\$25,810.50	24.93%	\$93,516	6.88%
21	Alaska	\$6,324	\$2,239	\$35,150.25	17.99%	\$94,097	6.72%
22	North Carolina	\$5,811	\$1,941	\$27,135.75	21.41%	\$87,965	6.61%
23	Arizona	\$5,850	\$2,600	\$33,111	17.67%	\$89,712	6.52%
24	Utah	\$5,940	\$1,980	\$33,376.50	17.80%	\$91,460	6.49%
25	Alabama*	\$5,226	\$1,742	\$22,122.75	23.62%	\$80,552	6.49%
26	Wisconsin	\$6,226	NR	\$30,321	20.53%	\$96,848	6.43%
27	Vermont	\$6,442	\$3,530	\$32,352	19.91%	\$100,364	6.42%
28	South Dakota	\$5,460	NR	\$28,061.25	19.46%	\$86,404	6.32%
29	Florida*	\$5,238	\$2,619	\$30,835.50	16.99%	\$84,968	6.16%

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	Michigan	\$5,468	\$1,261	\$26,702.25	20.48%	\$90,598	6.04%
31	Montana	\$4,875	\$3,250	\$31,201.50	15.62%	\$84,672	5.76%
32	Delaware	\$5,476	\$2,806	\$34,053.75	16.08%	\$98,441	5.56%
33	Mississippi*	\$4,290	\$1,430	\$20,183.25	21.26%	\$77,297	5.55%
34	Tennessee	\$4,402	\$7,724	\$24,293.25	18.12%	\$83,909	5.25%
35	Virginia	\$5,772	\$3,601	\$32,159.25	17.95%	\$110,105	5.24%
36	Connecticut	\$5,967	NR	\$32,304.75	18.47%	\$117,890	5.06%
37	New Jersey*	\$5,990	\$1,997	\$33,600	17.83%	\$125,264	4.78%
38	Washington	\$5,196	NR	\$31,581	16.45%	\$109,135	4.76%
39	Missouri	\$4,056	\$1,352	\$29,989.50	13.52%	\$86,993	4.66%
40	Arkansas	\$3,397	\$1,971	\$23,810.25	14.27%	\$75,631	4.49%
41	Illinois	\$4,538	\$3,603	\$30,966	14.65%	\$102,962	4.41%
42	New Hampshire	\$4,826	NR	\$33,814.50	14.27%	\$112,522	4.29%
43	Iowa	\$3,572	\$2,128	\$29,657.25	12.04%	\$90,584	3.94%
44	Kansas	\$2,254	\$1,471	\$28,387.50	7.94%	\$85,596	2.63%
--	DC	NR	NR	\$41,652		\$187,500	
--	Minnesota	NA	NA	\$33,534.75		\$106,888	
--	Nebraska	NR	\$12,848	\$31,535.25		\$89,922	
--	North Dakota	NR	NR	\$26,745		\$98,294	
--	Oregon	NR	NR	\$31,314.75		\$94,162	
--	West Virginia*	NR	NR	\$22,480.50		\$75,141	

<sup>^</sup>Source of Child Care Prices: Child Care Aware® of America's January 2025 survey of Child Care Resource and Referral State Networks. Some states used the latest state Market Rate Survey.

<sup>^^</sup>Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2023, Table B19126, <https://data.census.gov/> Percentage of median income for before/after school programs calculated by dividing cost of before/after school care by 75% of median income.

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

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

Note: 1 = least affordable and 44 = 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

## 2024 Ranking of Least-Affordable Family Child Care (FCC) for School-Age Children

Rank	State	Annual Price, FCC Program <sup>^</sup>		Single-Parent Family		Married-Couple Family	
		Before/After School Care	Full-Time Summer Care	Median Income <sup>^^</sup>	% of Median Income	Median Income <sup>^^</sup>	% of Median Income
1	New York	\$13,299	NR	\$30,677	43.35%	\$105,842	12.6%
2	Hawaii	\$10,694	\$10,668	\$36,893	28.99%	\$101,033	10.6%
3	Oklahoma	\$7,990	NA	\$23,681	33.74%	\$76,207	10.5%
4	California*	\$10,293	\$3,431	\$34,291	30.02%	\$104,039	9.9%
5	Rhode Island*	\$8,775	\$2,925	\$29,351	29.90%	\$105,916	8.3%
6	South Carolina	\$6,321	NR	\$26,633	23.73%	\$83,171	7.6%
7	Maine*	\$6,728	\$2,243	\$30,552	22.02%	\$89,268	7.5%
8	Colorado	\$8,068	NR	\$36,261	22.25%	\$110,343	7.3%
9	Wyoming*	\$6,080	\$2,258	\$24,977	24.34%	\$84,070	7.2%
10	Texas*	\$6,300	\$2,100	\$28,788	21.88%	\$87,125	7.2%
11	Maryland	\$8,505	NR	\$39,522	21.52%	\$119,933	7.1%
12	Wisconsin	\$6,568	NR	\$30,321	21.66%	\$96,848	6.8%
13	Tennessee	\$5,618	\$6,789	\$24,293	23.13%	\$83,909	6.7%
14	Idaho	\$5,328	NR	\$31,150	17.10%	\$80,795	6.6%
15	Arizona	\$5,850	\$2,600	\$33,111	17.67%	\$89,712	6.5%
16	Pennsylvania*	\$6,297	\$2,099	\$27,848	22.61%	\$97,268	6.5%
17	North Carolina	\$5,693	\$1,898	\$27,136	20.98%	\$87,965	6.5%
18	Kentucky	\$5,148	\$2,340	\$21,300	24.17%	\$80,230	6.4%
19	Ohio	\$5,967	\$1,989	\$25,811	23.12%	\$93,516	6.4%
20	New Jersey*	\$7,960	\$2,246	\$33,600	23.69%	\$125,264	6.4%
21	Alabama*	\$5,090	\$1,697	\$22,123	23.01%	\$80,552	6.3%
22	Georgia	\$5,661	\$1,887	\$28,733	19.70%	\$89,844	6.3%
23	Utah	\$5,760	\$1,920	\$33,377	17.26%	\$91,460	6.3%
24	Michigan	\$5,448	\$1,257	\$26,702	20.40%	\$90,598	6.0%
25	Indiana	\$5,143	\$1,934	\$26,903	19.12%	\$85,756	6.0%
26	Florida*	\$5,094	\$2,547	\$30,836	16.52%	\$84,968	6.0%
27	Alaska	\$5,559	\$2,084	\$35,150	15.81%	\$94,097	5.9%
28	Nevada	\$4,954	NR	\$29,624	16.72%	\$84,421	5.9%
29	Massachusetts	\$7,583	\$3,764	\$31,785	23.86%	\$132,776	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	Arkansas	\$4,274	\$1,804	\$23,810	17.95%	\$75,631	5.7%
31	South Dakota	\$4,836	NR	\$28,061	17.23%	\$86,404	5.6%
32	Vermont	\$5,595	\$2,804	\$32,352	17.29%	\$100,364	5.6%
33	Connecticut	\$5,928	NA	\$32,305	18.35%	\$117,890	5.0%
34	Washington	\$5,460	NR	\$31,581	17.29%	\$109,135	5.0%
35	Mississippi*	\$3,588	\$1,196	\$20,183	17.78%	\$77,297	4.6%
36	Montana	\$3,900	\$2,600	\$31,202	12.50%	\$84,672	4.6%
37	Delaware	\$4,294	\$2,191	\$34,054	12.61%	\$98,441	4.4%
38	Missouri	\$3,432	\$1,144	\$29,990	11.44%	\$86,993	3.9%
39	Virginia	\$4,095	\$3,081	\$32,159	12.73%	\$110,105	3.7%
40	Illinois	\$3,524	\$2,403	\$30,966	11.38%	\$102,962	3.4%
41	New Hampshire	\$3,827	NR	\$33,815	11.32%	\$112,522	3.4%
42	Iowa	\$3,067	\$1,934	\$29,657	10.34%	\$90,584	3.4%
43	Kansas	\$2,742	\$914	\$28,388	9.66%	\$85,596	3.2%
--	DC	NR	NR	\$41,652		\$187,500	
--	Louisiana*	NA	NA	\$20,843		\$83,397	
--	Minnesota	NA	NA	\$33,535		\$106,888	
--	Nebraska	NR	\$10,038	\$31,535		\$89,922	
--	North Dakota	NA	NA	\$26,745		\$98,294	
--	Oregon	NR	NR	\$31,315		\$94,162	
--	West Virginia*	NR	NR	\$22,481		\$75,141	

<sup>^</sup>Source of Child Care Prices: Child Care Aware® of America's January 2025 survey of Child Care Resource and Referral State Networks. Some states used the latest state Market Rate Survey.

<sup>^^</sup>Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2023, Table B19126, <https://data.census.gov/> Percentage of median income for before/after school programs calculated by dividing cost of before/after school care by 75% of median income.

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

NR/NA: Data not reported or not available for some categories of child 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

2024 Average Prices for Two Children in Center-Based Child Care Versus Median Housing Costs by State

State	Infant^	Toddler^	4-Year-Old^	Two Children^^	Annualized Rent*	% Difference**	Annualized Mortgage*	% Difference**
Alabama*	\$8,632	\$8,424	\$8,008	\$16,640	\$11,556	43.99%	\$16,632	0.05%
Alaska	\$12,107	\$11,304	\$9,883	\$21,990	\$16,656	32.03%	\$26,304	-16.40%
Arizona*	\$15,964	\$13,390	\$11,680	\$27,644	\$17,172	60.98%	\$20,868	32.47%
Arkansas	\$9,178	\$8,801	\$8,320	\$17,498	\$10,968	59.54%	\$15,564	12.43%
California*	\$22,628	NR	\$16,665	\$39,293	\$23,472	67.40%	\$34,380	14.29%
Colorado	\$20,978	\$17,479	\$14,800	\$35,779	\$20,316	76.11%	\$26,772	33.64%
Connecticut	\$18,492	\$18,829	\$15,297	\$33,789	\$17,172	96.77%	\$28,596	18.16%
Delaware	\$16,617	\$14,668	\$13,218	\$29,835	\$16,092	85.40%	\$21,384	39.52%
District of Columbia	\$26,193	\$24,087	\$20,981	\$47,174	\$22,800	106.90%	\$36,744	28.39%
Florida*	\$13,011	\$11,461	\$9,409	\$22,420	\$18,768	19.46%	\$22,320	0.45%
Georgia	\$11,066	\$10,537	\$9,573	\$20,639	\$15,672	31.69%	\$20,544	0.46%
Hawaii	\$24,115	\$18,852	\$13,992	\$38,107	\$23,256	63.86%	\$34,356	10.92%
Idaho*	\$10,608	\$9,996	\$9,201	\$19,809	\$13,800	43.54%	\$19,320	2.53%
Illinois*	\$19,807	\$18,736	\$17,238	\$37,045	\$14,724	151.60%	\$23,400	58.31%
Indiana	\$16,478	\$16,002	\$12,531	\$29,009	\$12,240	137%	\$16,260	78.41%
Iowa	\$12,694	\$11,729	\$10,100	\$22,794	\$11,388	100.16%	\$17,928	27.14%
Kansas	\$15,156	\$11,071	\$9,217	\$24,373	\$12,348	97.38%	\$19,656	24%
Kentucky	\$12,740	\$12,220	\$10,712	\$23,452	\$11,196	109.47%	\$16,716	40.30%
Louisiana*	\$10,847	\$9,997	\$9,378	\$20,225	\$12,456	62.37%	\$18,516	9.23%
Maine*	\$15,730	\$14,820	\$14,144	\$29,874	\$13,008	129.66%	\$19,884	50.24%
Maryland	\$25,321	\$22,594	\$15,601	\$40,832	\$19,944	104.73%	\$27,612	47.88%
Massachusetts	\$26,343	\$24,314	\$20,669	\$47,012	\$20,244	132.23%	\$31,908	47.34%
Michigan	\$13,454	\$13,555	\$12,246	\$25,699	\$13,008	97.56%	\$18,252	40.80%
Minnesota	\$20,421	\$18,042	\$15,733	\$36,154	\$14,820	143.95%	\$22,680	59.41%
Mississippi*	\$7,696	\$7,254	\$6,864	\$14,560	\$11,076	31.46%	\$16,236	-10.32%
Missouri	\$13,780	\$11,700	\$9,568	\$23,348	\$11,952	95.35%	\$17,736	31.64%
Montana	\$15,080	\$15,080	\$14,300	\$29,380	\$12,372	137.47%	\$20,832	41.03%
Nebraska	\$18,147	\$17,184	\$15,738	\$32,916	\$12,420	165.02%	\$20,232	62.69%
Nevada	\$12,659	\$11,442	\$10,605	\$23,264	\$17,868	30.20%	\$22,404	3.84%

State	Infant^	Toddler^	4-Year-Old^	Two Children^^	Annualized Rent*	% Difference**	Annualized Mortgage*	% Difference**
New Hampshire*	\$16,040	\$14,870	\$13,042	\$29,082	\$17,076	70.31%	\$27,660	5.14%
New Jersey*	\$20,213	\$19,448	\$17,503	\$37,717	\$19,836	90.14%	\$33,444	12.78%
New York	\$20,439	\$18,661	\$17,343	\$37,783	\$18,912	99.79%	\$30,012	25.89%
North Carolina	\$12,370	\$11,694	\$10,381	\$22,751	\$13,944	63.16%	\$18,732	21.46%
North Dakota	\$12,299	\$11,580	\$10,869	\$23,168	\$11,208	106.71%	\$20,580	12.58%
Ohio	\$13,780	\$12,376	\$11,752	\$25,532	\$11,856	115.35%	\$17,664	44.54%
Oklahoma	\$10,809	\$10,060	\$9,415	\$20,224	\$11,760	71.97%	\$17,748	13.95%
Oregon	\$19,500	\$17,368	\$13,260	\$32,760	\$17,400	88.28%	\$24,960	31.25%
Pennsylvania*	\$14,910	\$14,180	\$12,453	\$27,364	\$13,944	96.24%	\$20,664	32.42%
Rhode Island*	\$18,486	NA	\$16,212	\$34,698	\$15,276	127.14%	\$26,280	32.03%
South Carolina	\$10,474	\$10,308	\$9,691	\$20,166	\$13,512	49.25%	\$17,700	13.93%
South Dakota	\$8,632	\$8,632	\$8,070	\$16,702	\$10,944	52.62%	\$19,416	-13.98%
Tennessee*	\$13,126	\$12,063	\$10,840	\$23,966	\$13,464	78%	\$18,072	32.61%
Texas*	\$11,349	\$10,921	\$10,225	\$21,574	\$16,068	34.27%	\$24,144	-10.64%
Utah	\$14,160	\$11,328	\$9,876	\$24,036	\$16,860	42.56%	\$23,124	3.94%
Vermont*	\$18,710	\$17,988	\$15,877	\$34,586	\$14,316	141.59%	\$22,524	53.55%
Virginia	\$16,796	\$15,964	\$13,884	\$30,680	\$18,168	68.87%	\$24,948	22.98%
Washington	\$21,348	\$19,236	\$16,908	\$38,256	\$20,184	89.54%	\$28,296	35.20%
West Virginia*	\$10,439	\$9,903	\$9,368	\$19,807	\$10,200	94.19%	\$14,700	34.74%
Wisconsin*	\$17,963	\$18,239	\$15,039	\$33,002	\$12,540	163.17%	\$19,824	66.47%
Wyoming*	\$12,784	\$11,897	\$11,229	\$24,013	\$11,616	106.72%	\$20,292	18.34%

<sup>^</sup> Source: Child Care Aware® of America's January 2025 survey of Child Care Resource and Referral State Networks. Some states used the latest state Market Rate Survey.

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

<sup>^^</sup> 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 2023, Table B25064, <https://data.census.gov/>.

Mortgage- U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2023, 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/NA: Data not reported or not available for some categories of child care.

TABLE XII

2024 Average Annual Price of Full-Time Center-Based Child Care and Public College Tuition and Fees by State

State	Average Annual Child Care Prices, Center <sup>^</sup>					In-State Tuition, 4 Year Public University	
	Infant	Toddler	4-Year-Old	Before/After School	Full-Time Summer	Avg Tuition and Fees <sup>^^</sup>	% Difference <sup>^^</sup>
Alabama*	\$8,632	\$8,424	\$8,008	\$16,640	\$8,632	\$12,221.15	-29.37%
Alaska	\$12,107	\$11,304	\$9,883	\$21,990	\$12,107	\$9,265.34	30.67%
Arizona*	\$15,964	\$13,390	\$11,680	\$27,644	\$15,964	\$12,826.35	24.46%
Arkansas	\$9,178	\$8,801	\$8,320	\$17,498	\$9,178	\$10,107.33	-9.19%
California*	\$22,628	NR	\$16,665	\$39,293	\$22,628	\$11,314.36	99.99%
Colorado	\$20,978	\$17,479	\$14,800	\$35,779	\$20,978	\$13,180.46	59.16%
Connecticut	\$18,492	\$18,829	\$15,297	\$33,789	\$18,492	\$17,190	7.57%
Delaware	\$16,617	\$14,668	\$13,218	\$29,835	\$16,617	\$15,690	5.91%
District of Columbia	\$26,193	\$24,087	\$20,981	\$47,174	\$26,193	\$8,636	203.30%
Florida*	\$13,011	\$11,461	\$9,409	\$22,420	\$13,011	\$6,362.22	104.50%
Georgia	\$11,066	\$10,537	\$9,573	\$20,639	\$11,066	\$8,521.59	29.86%
Hawaii	\$24,115	\$18,852	\$13,992	\$38,107	\$24,115	\$11,185	115.60%
Idaho*	\$10,608	\$9,996	\$9,201	\$19,809	\$10,608	\$8,865	19.66%
Illinois*	\$19,807	\$18,736	\$17,238	\$37,045	\$19,807	\$15,318	29.31%
Indiana	\$16,478	\$16,002	\$12,531	\$29,009	\$16,478	\$10,642.15	54.84%
Iowa	\$12,694	\$11,729	\$10,100	\$22,794	\$12,694	\$10,867	16.81%
Kansas	\$15,156	\$11,071	\$9,217	\$24,373	\$15,156	\$10,285.74	47.35%
Kentucky	\$12,740	\$12,220	\$10,712	\$23,452	\$12,740	\$12,144	4.91%
Louisiana*	\$10,847	\$9,997	\$9,378	\$20,225	\$10,847	\$10,363.76	4.66%
Maine*	\$15,730	\$14,820	\$14,144	\$29,874	\$15,730	\$12,356.52	27.30%
Maryland	\$25,321	\$22,594	\$15,601	\$40,832	\$25,321	\$11,156	126.97%
Massachusetts	\$26,343	\$24,314	\$20,669	\$47,012	\$26,343	\$15,285	72.35%
Michigan	\$13,454	\$13,555	\$12,246	\$25,699	\$13,454	\$15,922	-15.50%
Minnesota	\$20,421	\$18,042	\$15,733	\$36,154	\$20,421	\$13,863	47.31%
Mississippi*	\$7,696	\$7,254	\$6,864	\$14,560	\$7,696	\$9,720.64	-20.83%
Missouri	\$13,780	\$11,700	\$9,568	\$23,348	\$13,780	\$12,354.31	11.54%
Montana	\$15,080	\$15,080	\$14,300	\$29,380	\$15,080	\$8,248.95	82.81%
Nebraska	\$18,147	\$17,184	\$15,738	\$32,916	\$18,147	\$9,731.59	86.48%
Nevada	\$12,659	\$11,442	\$10,605	\$23,264	\$12,659	\$9,365.04	35.17%

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*	\$16,040	\$14,870	\$13,042	\$29,082	\$16,040	\$17,362.83	-7.62%
New Jersey*	\$20,213	\$19,448	\$17,503	\$37,717	\$20,213	\$17,049.35	18.56%
New York	\$20,439	\$18,661	\$17,343	\$37,783	\$20,439	\$8,730.28	134.12%
North Carolina	\$12,370	\$11,694	\$10,381	\$22,751	\$12,370	\$7,474	65.51%
North Dakota	\$12,299	\$11,580	\$10,869	\$23,168	\$12,299	\$10,470.73	17.46%
Ohio	\$13,780	\$12,376	\$11,752	\$25,532	\$13,780	\$13,433.46	2.58%
Oklahoma	\$10,809	\$10,060	\$9,415	\$20,224	\$10,809	\$9,810	10.18%
Oregon	\$19,500	\$17,368	\$13,260	\$32,760	\$19,500	\$14,128.22	38.02%
Pennsylvania*	\$14,910	\$14,180	\$12,453	\$27,364	\$14,910	\$16,329.31	-8.69%
Rhode Island*	\$18,486	NA	\$16,212	\$34,698	\$18,486	\$15,686.53	17.85%
South Carolina	\$10,474	\$10,308	\$9,691	\$20,166	\$10,474	\$13,205.33	-20.68%
South Dakota	\$8,632	\$8,632	\$8,070	\$16,702	\$8,632	\$9,192.27	-6.10%
Tennessee*	\$13,126	\$12,063	\$10,840	\$23,966	\$13,126	\$11,305.54	16.10%
Texas*	\$11,349	\$10,921	\$10,225	\$21,574	\$11,349	\$11,260.25	0.79%
Utah	\$14,160	\$11,328	\$9,876	\$24,036	\$14,160	\$7,986	77.31%
Vermont*	\$18,710	\$17,988	\$15,877	\$34,586	\$18,710	\$17,488.82	6.98%
Virginia	\$16,796	\$15,964	\$13,884	\$30,680	\$16,796	\$15,663	7.23%
Washington	\$21,348	\$19,236	\$16,908	\$38,256	\$21,348	\$11,848	80.18%
West Virginia*	\$10,439	\$9,903	\$9,368	\$19,807	\$10,439	\$9,591.24	8.84%
Wisconsin*	\$17,963	\$18,239	\$15,039	\$33,002	\$17,963	\$10,131.58	77.30%
Wyoming*	\$12,784	\$11,897	\$11,229	\$24,013	\$12,784	\$6,957.22	83.75%

<sup>\*</sup>Source: Child Care Aware® of America's January 2025 survey of Child Care Resource and Referral State Networks. Some states used the latest state Market Rate Survey.

<sup>^</sup>Source: College Board. (2024). Trends in College Pricing and Student Aid: 2024. Table CP-5: *Public Four-Year In-State Tuition and Fees, 2024-24*. Retrieved from: <https://research.collegeboard.org/trends/college-pricing>.

<sup>^^</sup>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/NA: Data not reported or not available for some categories of child care.

TABLE XIII

## 2024 Ranking of Affordability of Center-Based Child Care for Single-Parent Households

Rank	State	Median Income, Single Parent <sup>^</sup>	Infant Care		Toddler Care		4-Year-Old Care	
			Price <sup>^^</sup>	% of Income	Price <sup>^^</sup>	% of Income	Price <sup>^^</sup>	% of Income
1	Massachusetts	\$42,380	\$26,343	62.2%	\$24,314	57.4%	\$20,669	48.8%
2	Washington	\$42,108	\$21,348	50.7%	\$19,236	45.7%	\$16,908	40.2%
3	New York	\$40,903	\$20,439	50.0%	\$18,661	45.6%	\$17,343	42.4%
4	California*	\$45,721	\$22,628	49.5%	NR		\$16,665	36.4%
5	Hawaii	\$49,190	\$24,115	49.0%	\$18,852	38.3%	\$13,992	28.4%
6	Maryland	\$52,696	\$25,321	48.1%	\$22,594	42.9%	\$15,601	29.6%
7	Illinois	\$41,288	\$19,807	48.0%	\$18,736	45.4%	\$17,238	41.8%
8	Rhode Island*	\$39,134	\$18,486	47.2%	NA		\$16,212	41.4%
9	District of Columbia	\$55,536	\$26,193	47.2%	\$24,087	43.4%	\$20,981	37.8%
10	Oregon	\$41,753	\$19,500	46.7%	\$17,368	41.6%	\$13,260	31.8%
11	Indiana	\$35,871	\$16,478	45.9%	\$16,002	44.6%	\$12,531	34.9%
12	Minnesota	\$44,713	\$20,421	45.7%	\$18,042	40.4%	\$15,733	35.2%
13	New Jersey*	\$44,800	\$20,213	45.1%	\$19,448	43.4%	\$17,503	39.1%
14	Kentucky	\$28,400	\$12,740	44.9%	\$12,220	43.0%	\$10,712	37.7%
15	Wisconsin	\$40,428	\$17,963	44.4%	\$18,239	45.1%	\$15,039	37.2%
16	Colorado	\$48,348	\$20,978	43.4%	\$17,479	36.2%	\$14,800	30.6%
17	Vermont	\$43,136	\$18,710	43.4%	\$17,988	41.7%	\$15,877	36.8%
18	Nebraska	\$42,047	\$18,147	43.2%	\$17,184	40.9%	\$15,738	37.4%
19	Connecticut	\$43,073	\$18,492	42.9%	\$18,829	43.7%	\$15,297	35.5%
20	Tennessee	\$32,391	\$13,126	40.5%	\$12,063	37.2%	\$10,840	33.5%
21	Pennsylvania*	\$37,131	\$14,910	40.2%	\$14,180	38.2%	\$12,453	33.5%
22	Kansas	\$37,850	\$15,156	40.0%	\$11,071	29.2%	\$9,217	24.4%
23	Ohio	\$34,414	\$13,780	40.0%	\$12,376	36.0%	\$11,752	34.1%
24	Virginia	\$42,879	\$16,796	39.2%	\$15,964	37.2%	\$13,884	32.4%
25	Louisiana*	\$27,790	\$10,847	39.0%	\$9,997	36.0%	\$9,378	33.7%
26	Maine*	\$40,736	\$15,730	38.6%	\$14,820	36.4%	\$14,144	34.7%
27	Wyoming*	\$33,303	\$12,784	38.4%	\$11,897	35.7%	\$11,229	33.7%
28	Michigan	\$35,603	\$13,454	37.8%	\$13,555	38.1%	\$12,246	34.4%
29	Delaware	\$45,405	\$16,617	36.6%	\$14,668	32.3%	\$13,218	29.1%

Rank	State	Median Income, Single Parent <sup>^</sup>	Infant Care		Toddler Care		4-Year-Old Care	
			Price <sup>^^</sup>	% of Income	Price <sup>^^</sup>	% of Income	Price <sup>^^</sup>	% of Income
30	Montana	\$41,602	\$15,080	36.2%	\$15,080	36.2%	\$14,300	34.4%
31	Arizona	\$44,148	\$15,964	36.2%	\$13,390	30.3%	\$11,680	26.5%
32	New Hampshire	\$45,086	\$16,040	35.6%	\$14,870	33.0%	\$13,042	28.9%
33	West Virginia*	\$29,974	\$10,439	34.8%	\$9,903	33.0%	\$9,368	31.3%
34	North Dakota	\$35,660	\$12,299	34.5%	\$11,580	32.5%	\$10,869	30.5%
35	Missouri	\$39,986	\$13,780	34.5%	\$11,700	29.3%	\$9,568	23.9%
36	Oklahoma	\$31,574	\$10,809	34.2%	\$10,060	31.9%	\$9,415	29.8%
37	North Carolina	\$36,181	\$12,370	34.2%	\$11,694	32.3%	\$10,381	28.7%
38	Iowa	\$39,543	\$12,694	32.1%	\$11,729	29.7%	\$10,100	25.5%
39	Nevada	\$39,499	\$12,659	32.0%	\$11,442	29.0%	\$10,605	26.8%
40	Utah	\$44,502	\$14,160	31.8%	\$11,328	25.5%	\$9,876	22.2%
41	Florida*	\$41,114	\$13,011	31.6%	\$11,461	27.9%	\$9,409	22.9%
42	Texas*	\$38,384	\$11,349	29.6%	\$10,921	28.5%	\$10,225	26.6%
43	South Carolina	\$35,510	\$10,474	29.5%	\$10,308	29.0%	\$9,691	27.3%
44	Alabama*	\$29,497	\$8,632	29.3%	\$8,424	28.6%	\$8,008	27.1%
45	Arkansas	\$31,747	\$9,178	28.9%	\$8,801	27.7%	\$8,320	26.2%
46	Georgia	\$38,311	\$11,066	28.9%	\$10,537	27.5%	\$9,573	25.0%
47	Mississippi*	\$26,911	\$7,696	28.6%	\$7,254	27.0%	\$6,864	25.5%
48	Alaska	\$46,867	\$12,107	25.8%	\$11,304	24.1%	\$9,883	21.1%
49	Idaho	\$41,533	\$10,608	25.5%	\$9,996	24.1%	\$9,201	22.2%
50	South Dakota	\$37,415	\$8,632	23.1%	\$8,632	23.1%	\$8,070	21.6%

<sup>^</sup>Source of Child Care Prices: Child Care Aware® of America's January 2025 survey of Child Care Resource and Referral State Networks. Some states used the latest state Market Rate Survey.

<sup>^^</sup>Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2023, 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/NA: Data not reported or not available for some categories of child care.

Note: 1 = least affordable and 50 = 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

2024 Ranking of Affordability of Center-Based Child Care for Single-Parent Households, School-Age and Two Children

Rank	State	Median Income, Single Parent <sup>^</sup>	School-Age Care		Care for Two Children <sup>^^</sup>	
			Price <sup>^^</sup>	% of Income	Price <sup>^^</sup>	% of Income
1	Massachusetts	\$42,380	\$17,944	56.5%	\$47,012	110.9%
2	New York	\$40,903	\$12,447	40.6%	\$37,783	92.4%
3	Washington	\$42,108	\$5,196	16.5%	\$38,256	90.9%
4	Illinois	\$41,288	\$4,538	14.7%	\$37,045	89.7%
5	Rhode Island*	\$39,134	\$10,920	37.2%	\$34,698	88.7%
6	California*	\$45,721	\$10,627	31.0%	\$39,293	85.9%
7	District of Columbia	\$55,536	NR		\$47,174	84.9%
8	New Jersey*	\$44,800	\$5,990	17.8%	\$37,717	84.2%
9	Kentucky	\$28,400	\$5,850	27.5%	\$23,452	82.6%
10	Wisconsin	\$40,428	\$6,226	20.5%	\$33,002	81.6%
11	Indiana	\$35,871	\$6,394	23.8%	\$29,009	80.9%
12	Minnesota	\$44,713	NA		\$36,154	80.9%
13	Vermont	\$43,136	\$6,442	19.9%	\$34,586	80.2%
14	Oregon	\$41,753	NR		\$32,760	78.5%
15	Connecticut	\$43,073	\$5,967	18.5%	\$33,789	78.4%
16	Nebraska	\$42,047	NR		\$32,916	78.3%
17	Maryland	\$52,696	\$10,226	25.9%	\$40,832	77.5%
18	Hawaii	\$49,190	\$7,402	20.1%	\$38,107	77.5%
19	Ohio	\$34,414	\$6,435	24.9%	\$25,532	74.2%
20	Colorado	\$48,348	\$8,292	22.9%	\$35,779	74.0%
21	Tennessee	\$32,391	\$4,402	18.1%	\$23,966	74.0%
22	Pennsylvania*	\$37,131	\$7,937	28.5%	\$27,364	73.7%
23	Maine*	\$40,736	\$7,683	25.1%	\$29,874	73.3%
24	Louisiana*	\$27,790	\$5,841	28.0%	\$20,225	72.8%
25	Michigan	\$35,603	\$5,468	20.5%	\$25,699	72.2%
26	Wyoming*	\$33,303	\$6,249	25.0%	\$24,013	72.1%
27	Virginia	\$42,879	\$5,772	17.9%	\$30,680	71.6%
28	Montana	\$41,602	\$4,875	15.6%	\$29,380	70.6%
29	West Virginia*	\$29,974	NR		\$19,807	66.1%

Rank	State	Median Income, Single Parent <sup>^</sup>	School-Age Care		Care for Two Children <sup>^^</sup>	
			Price <sup>^^</sup>	% of Income	Price <sup>^^</sup>	% of Income
30	Delaware	\$45,405	\$5,476	16.1%	\$29,835	65.7%
31	North Dakota	\$35,660	NR		\$23,168	65.0%
32	New Hampshire	\$45,086	\$4,826	14.3%	\$29,082	64.5%
33	Kansas	\$37,850	\$2,254	7.9%	\$24,373	64.4%
34	Oklahoma	\$31,574	\$7,326	30.9%	\$20,224	64.1%
35	North Carolina	\$36,181	\$5,811	21.4%	\$22,751	62.9%
36	Arizona	\$44,148	\$5,850	17.7%	\$27,644	62.6%
37	Nevada	\$39,499	\$6,140	20.7%	\$23,264	58.9%
38	Missouri	\$39,986	\$4,056	13.5%	\$23,348	58.4%
39	Iowa	\$39,543	\$3,572	12.0%	\$22,794	57.6%
40	South Carolina	\$35,510	\$8,277	31.1%	\$20,166	56.8%
41	Alabama*	\$29,497	\$5,226	23.6%	\$16,640	56.4%
42	Texas*	\$38,384	\$6,782	23.6%	\$21,574	56.2%
43	Arkansas	\$31,747	\$3,397	14.3%	\$17,498	55.1%
44	Florida*	\$41,114	\$5,238	17.0%	\$22,420	54.5%
45	Mississippi*	\$26,911	\$4,290	21.3%	\$14,560	54.1%
46	Utah	\$44,502	\$5,940	17.8%	\$24,036	54.0%
47	Georgia	\$38,311	\$6,568	22.9%	\$20,639	53.9%
48	Idaho	\$41,533	\$6,444	20.7%	\$19,809	47.7%
49	Alaska	\$46,867	\$6,324	18.0%	\$21,990	46.9%
50	South Dakota	\$37,415	\$5,460	19.5%	\$16,702	44.6%

<sup>^</sup>Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2023, Table B19126, <https://data.census.gov/>

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

<sup>^^</sup>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.

<sup>^^^</sup>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/NA: Data not reported or not available for some categories of child care.

Note: 1 = least affordable and 50 = 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

2024 Average Prices for Center-Based Child Care for Infants 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 <sup>^</sup>	Poverty Level <sup>^^</sup>	150% of Poverty Level	200% of Poverty Level	Avg. Annual Price, 2 Children <sup>^^^</sup>	Poverty Level <sup>^^</sup>	150% of Poverty Level	200% of Poverty Level
Alabama*	\$8,632	\$25,820	33.4%	\$38,730	22.3%	\$51,640	16.7%	\$16,640
Alaska	\$12,107	\$32,270	37.5%	\$48,405	25.0%	\$64,540	18.8%	\$21,990
Arizona	\$15,964	\$25,820	61.8%	\$38,730	41.2%	\$51,640	30.9%	\$27,644
Arkansas	\$9,178	\$25,820	35.5%	\$38,730	23.7%	\$51,640	17.8%	\$17,498
California*	\$22,628	\$25,820	87.6%	\$38,730	58.4%	\$51,640	43.8%	\$39,293
Colorado	\$20,978	\$25,820	81.2%	\$38,730	54.2%	\$51,640	40.6%	\$35,779
Connecticut	\$18,492	\$25,820	71.6%	\$38,730	47.7%	\$51,640	35.8%	\$33,789
Delaware District of Columbia	\$16,617	\$25,820	64.4%	\$38,730	42.9%	\$51,640	32.2%	\$29,835
Florida*	\$26,193	\$25,820	101.4%	\$38,730	67.6%	\$51,640	50.7%	\$47,174
Florida*	\$13,011	\$25,820	50.4%	\$38,730	33.6%	\$51,640	25.2%	\$22,420
Georgia	\$11,066	\$25,820	42.9%	\$38,730	28.6%	\$51,640	21.4%	\$20,639
Hawaii	\$24,115	\$26,690	90.4%	\$40,035	60.2%	\$53,380	45.2%	\$38,107
Idaho	\$10,608	\$25,820	41.1%	\$38,730	27.4%	\$51,640	20.5%	\$19,809
Illinois	\$19,807	\$25,820	76.7%	\$38,730	51.1%	\$51,640	38.4%	\$37,045
Indiana	\$16,478	\$25,820	63.8%	\$38,730	42.5%	\$51,640	31.9%	\$29,009
Iowa	\$12,694	\$25,820	49.2%	\$38,730	32.8%	\$51,640	24.6%	\$22,794
Kansas	\$15,156	\$25,820	58.7%	\$38,730	39.1%	\$51,640	29.3%	\$24,373
Kentucky	\$12,740	\$25,820	49.3%	\$38,730	32.9%	\$51,640	24.7%	\$23,452
Louisiana*	\$10,847	\$25,820	42.0%	\$38,730	28.0%	\$51,640	21.0%	\$20,225
Maine*	\$15,730	\$25,820	60.9%	\$38,730	40.6%	\$51,640	30.5%	\$29,874
Maryland	\$25,321	\$25,820	98.1%	\$38,730	65.4%	\$51,640	49.0%	\$40,832
Massachusetts	\$26,343	\$25,820	102.0%	\$38,730	68.0%	\$51,640	51.0%	\$47,012
Michigan	\$13,454	\$25,820	52.1%	\$38,730	34.7%	\$51,640	26.1%	\$25,699
Minnesota	\$20,421	\$25,820	79.1%	\$38,730	52.7%	\$51,640	39.5%	\$36,154
Mississippi*	\$7,696	\$25,820	29.8%	\$38,730	19.9%	\$51,640	14.9%	\$14,560
Missouri	\$13,780	\$25,820	53.4%	\$38,730	35.6%	\$51,640	26.7%	\$23,348
Montana	\$15,080	\$25,820	58.4%	\$38,730	38.9%	\$51,640	29.2%	\$29,380
Nebraska	\$18,147	\$25,820	70.3%	\$38,730	46.9%	\$51,640	35.1%	\$32,916

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	\$12,659	\$25,820	49.0%	\$38,730	32.7%	\$51,640	24.5%	\$23,264
New Hampshire	\$16,040	\$25,820	62.1%	\$38,730	41.4%	\$51,640	31.1%	\$29,082
New Jersey*	\$20,213	\$25,820	78.3%	\$38,730	52.2%	\$51,640	39.1%	\$37,717
New York	\$20,439	\$25,820	79.2%	\$38,730	52.8%	\$51,640	39.6%	\$37,783
North Carolina	\$12,370	\$25,820	47.9%	\$38,730	31.9%	\$51,640	24.0%	\$22,751
North Dakota	\$12,299	\$25,820	47.6%	\$38,730	31.8%	\$51,640	23.8%	\$23,168
Ohio	\$13,780	\$25,820	53.4%	\$38,730	35.6%	\$51,640	26.7%	\$25,532
Oklahoma	\$10,809	\$25,820	41.9%	\$38,730	27.9%	\$51,640	20.9%	\$20,224
Oregon	\$19,500	\$25,820	75.5%	\$38,730	50.3%	\$51,640	37.8%	\$32,760
Pennsylvania*	\$14,910	\$25,820	57.7%	\$38,730	38.5%	\$51,640	28.9%	\$27,364
Rhode Island*	\$18,486	\$25,820	71.6%	\$38,730	47.7%	\$51,640	35.8%	\$34,698
South Carolina	\$10,474	\$25,820	40.6%	\$38,730	27.0%	\$51,640	20.3%	\$20,166
South Dakota	\$8,632	\$25,820	33.4%	\$38,730	22.3%	\$51,640	16.7%	\$16,702
Tennessee	\$13,126	\$25,820	50.8%	\$38,730	33.9%	\$51,640	25.4%	\$23,966
Texas*	\$11,349	\$25,820	44.0%	\$38,730	29.3%	\$51,640	22.0%	\$21,574
Utah	\$14,160	\$25,820	54.8%	\$38,730	36.6%	\$51,640	27.4%	\$24,036
Vermont	\$18,710	\$25,820	72.5%	\$38,730	48.3%	\$51,640	36.2%	\$34,586
Virginia	\$16,796	\$25,820	65.1%	\$38,730	43.4%	\$51,640	32.5%	\$30,680
Washington	\$21,348	\$25,820	82.7%	\$38,730	55.1%	\$51,640	41.3%	\$38,256
West Virginia*	\$10,439	\$25,820	40.4%	\$38,730	27.0%	\$51,640	20.2%	\$19,807
Wisconsin	\$17,963	\$25,820	69.6%	\$38,730	46.4%	\$51,640	34.8%	\$33,002
Wyoming*	\$12,784	\$25,820	49.5%	\$38,730	33.0%	\$51,640	24.8%	\$24,013

<sup>^</sup>Source: Child Care Aware® of America's January 2025 survey of Child Care Resource and Referral State Networks. Some states used the latest state Market Rate Survey.

<sup>^^</sup>Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. [2024 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.

<sup>^^^</sup>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/NA: Data not reported or not available for some categories of child care.

TABLE XVI

2024 Average Prices for Center-Based Child Care for Toddlers and 4-Year-Olds 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*	\$8,424	32.6%	21.8%	16.3%	\$8,008	31.0%	20.7%	15.5%
Alaska	\$11,304	35.0%	23.4%	17.5%	\$9,883	30.6%	20.4%	15.3%
Arizona*	\$13,390	51.9%	34.6%	25.9%	\$11,680	45.2%	30.2%	22.6%
Arkansas	\$8,801	34.1%	22.7%	17.0%	\$8,320	32.2%	21.5%	16.1%
California*	NR				\$16,665	64.5%	43.0%	32.3%
Colorado	\$17,479	67.7%	45.1%	33.8%	\$14,800	57.3%	38.2%	28.7%
Connecticut	\$18,829	72.9%	48.6%	36.5%	\$15,297	59.2%	39.5%	29.6%
Delaware	\$14,668	56.8%	37.9%	28.4%	\$13,218	51.2%	34.1%	25.6%
District of Columbia	\$24,087	93.3%	62.2%	46.6%	\$20,981	81.3%	54.2%	40.6%
Florida*	\$11,461	44.4%	29.6%	22.2%	\$9,409	36.4%	24.3%	18.2%
Georgia	\$10,537	40.8%	27.2%	20.4%	\$9,573	37.1%	24.7%	18.5%
Hawaii	\$18,852	70.6%	47.1%	35.3%	\$13,992	52.4%	34.9%	26.2%
Idaho*	\$9,996	38.7%	25.8%	19.4%	\$9,201	35.6%	23.8%	17.8%
Illinois*	\$18,736	72.6%	48.4%	36.3%	\$17,238	66.8%	44.5%	33.4%
Indiana	\$16,002	62.0%	41.3%	31.0%	\$12,531	48.5%	32.4%	24.3%
Iowa	\$11,729	45.4%	30.3%	22.7%	\$10,100	39.1%	26.1%	19.6%
Kansas	\$11,071	42.9%	28.6%	21.4%	\$9,217	35.7%	23.8%	17.8%
Kentucky	\$12,220	47.3%	31.6%	23.7%	\$10,712	41.5%	27.7%	20.7%
Louisiana*	\$9,997	38.7%	25.8%	19.4%	\$9,378	36.3%	24.2%	18.2%
Maine*	\$14,820	57.4%	38.3%	28.7%	\$14,144	54.8%	36.5%	27.4%
Maryland	\$22,594	87.5%	58.3%	43.8%	\$15,601	60.4%	40.3%	30.2%
Massachusetts	\$24,314	94.2%	62.8%	47.1%	\$20,669	80.1%	53.4%	40.0%
Michigan	\$13,555	52.5%	35.0%	26.2%	\$12,246	47.4%	31.6%	23.7%
Minnesota	\$18,042	69.9%	46.6%	34.9%	\$15,733	60.9%	40.6%	30.5%
Mississippi*	\$7,254	28.1%	18.7%	14.0%	\$6,864	26.6%	17.7%	13.3%
Missouri	\$11,700	45.3%	30.2%	22.7%	\$9,568	37.1%	24.7%	18.5%
Montana	\$15,080	58.4%	38.9%	29.2%	\$14,300	55.4%	36.9%	27.7%
Nebraska	\$17,184	66.6%	44.4%	33.3%	\$15,738	61.0%	40.6%	30.5%

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	\$11,442	44.3%	29.5%	22.2%	\$10,605	41.1%	27.4%	20.5%
New Hampshire*	\$14,870				\$13,042	50.5%	33.7%	25.3%
New Jersey*	\$19,448	75.3%	50.2%	37.7%	\$17,503	67.8%	45.2%	33.9%
New York	\$16,415	63.6%	42.4%	31.8%	\$17,343	67.2%	44.8%	33.6%
North Carolina	\$9,961	38.6%	25.7%	19.3%	\$10,381	40.2%	26.8%	20.1%
North Dakota	\$10,141	39.3%	26.2%	19.6%	\$10,869	42.1%	28.1%	21.0%
Ohio	\$10,556	40.9%	27.3%	20.4%	\$11,752	45.5%	30.3%	22.8%
Oklahoma	\$9,399	36.4%	24.3%	18.2%	\$9,415	36.5%	24.3%	18.2%
Oregon	\$15,808	61.2%	40.8%	30.6%	\$13,260	51.4%	34.2%	25.7%
Pennsylvania*	\$10,994	42.6%	28.4%	21.3%	\$12,453	48.2%	32.2%	24.1%
Rhode Island*	\$14,300	55.4%	36.9%	27.7%	\$16,212	62.8%	41.9%	31.4%
South Carolina	\$8,126	31.5%	21.0%	15.7%	\$9,691	37.5%	25.0%	18.8%
South Dakota	\$6,822	26.4%	17.6%	13.2%	\$8,070	31.3%	20.8%	15.6%
Tennessee*	\$9,415	36.5%	24.3%	18.2%	\$10,840	42.0%	28.0%	21.0%
Texas*	\$10,010	38.8%	25.8%	19.4%	\$10,225	39.6%	26.4%	19.8%
Utah	\$10,800	41.8%	27.9%	20.9%	\$9,876	38.2%	25.5%	19.1%
Vermont*	\$12,395	48.0%	32.0%	24.0%	\$15,877	61.5%	41.0%	30.7%
Virginia	\$13,052	50.5%	33.7%	25.3%	\$13,884	53.8%	35.8%	26.9%
Washington	\$18,000	69.7%	46.5%	34.9%	\$16,908	65.5%	43.7%	32.7%
West Virginia*	\$8,565	33.2%	22.1%	16.6%	\$9,368	36.3%	24.2%	18.1%
Wisconsin*	\$12,319	47.7%	31.8%	23.9%	\$15,039	58.2%	38.8%	29.1%
Wyoming*	\$10,704	41.5%	27.6%	20.7%	\$11,229	43.5%	29.0%	21.7%

<sup>^</sup> Source: Child Care Aware® of America's January 2025 survey of Child Care Resource and Referral State Networks. Some states used the latest state Market Rate Survey.

<sup>^^</sup>Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. [2024 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/NA: Data not reported or not available for some categories of child care.

## 2024 Average Prices for Family Child Care (FCC) for Infants 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 <sup>^</sup>	Poverty Level <sup>^^</sup>	150% of Poverty Level	200% of Poverty Level	Avg. Annual Price, 2 Children <sup>^^^</sup>	Poverty Level <sup>^^</sup>	150% of Poverty Level	200% of Poverty Level
Alabama*	\$7,670	\$25,820	29.7%	\$38,730	19.8%	\$51,640	14.9%	\$15,002
Alaska	\$10,809	\$32,270	33.5%	\$48,405	22.3%	\$64,540	16.7%	\$19,419
Arizona*	\$10,920	\$25,820	42.3%	\$38,730	28.2%	\$51,640	21.1%	\$21,320
Arkansas	\$7,963	\$25,820	30.8%	\$38,730	20.6%	\$51,640	15.4%	\$15,708
California*	\$19,022	\$25,820	73.7%	\$38,730	49.1%	\$51,640	36.8%	\$35,785
Colorado	\$13,666	\$25,820	52.9%	\$38,730	35.3%	\$51,640	26.5%	\$26,496
Connecticut	\$14,305	\$25,820	55.4%	\$38,730	36.9%	\$51,640	27.7%	\$27,506
Delaware	\$10,997	\$25,820	42.6%	\$38,730	28.4%	\$51,640	21.3%	\$20,965
District of Columbia	\$21,382	\$25,820	82.8%	\$38,730	55.2%	\$51,640	41.4%	\$41,067
Florida*	\$11,201	\$25,820	43.4%	\$38,730	28.9%	\$51,640	21.7%	\$19,793
Georgia	\$8,407	\$25,820	32.6%	\$38,730	21.7%	\$51,640	16.3%	\$16,209
Hawaii	\$11,632	\$26,690	43.6%	\$40,035	29.1%	\$53,380	21.8%	\$22,660
Idaho*	\$7,380	\$25,820	28.6%	\$38,730	19.1%	\$51,640	14.3%	\$14,532
Illinois*	\$12,283	\$25,820	47.6%	\$38,730	31.7%	\$51,640	23.8%	\$22,722
Indiana	\$9,508	\$25,820	36.8%	\$38,730	24.5%	\$51,640	18.4%	\$17,978
Iowa	\$8,596	\$25,820	33.3%	\$38,730	22.2%	\$51,640	16.6%	\$16,881
Kansas	\$7,639	\$25,820	29.6%	\$38,730	19.7%	\$51,640	14.8%	\$15,389
Kentucky	\$9,880	\$25,820	38.3%	\$38,730	25.5%	\$51,640	19.1%	\$19,240
Louisiana*	NA	\$25,820		\$38,730		\$51,640		
Maine*	\$11,830	\$25,820	45.8%	\$38,730	30.5%	\$51,640	22.9%	\$22,620
Maryland	\$15,919	\$25,820	61.7%	\$38,730	41.1%	\$51,640	30.8%	\$29,335
Massachusetts	\$17,510	\$25,820	67.8%	\$38,730	45.2%	\$51,640	33.9%	\$32,566
Michigan	\$9,458	\$25,820	36.6%	\$38,730	24.4%	\$51,640	18.3%	\$19,813
Minnesota	\$9,821	\$25,820	38.0%	\$38,730	25.4%	\$51,640	19.0%	\$18,799
Mississippi*	\$6,188	\$25,820	24.0%	\$38,730	16.0%	\$51,640	12.0%	\$11,908
Missouri	\$9,984	\$25,820	38.7%	\$38,730	25.8%	\$51,640	19.3%	\$18,304
Montana	\$11,700	\$25,820	45.3%	\$38,730	30.2%	\$51,640	22.7%	\$22,100
Nebraska	\$13,383	\$25,820	51.8%	\$38,730	34.6%	\$51,640	25.9%	\$26,766

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	\$9,703	\$25,820	37.6%	\$38,730	25.1%	\$51,640	18.8%	\$18,685
New Hampshire*	\$11,708	\$25,820	45.3%	\$38,730	30.2%	\$51,640	22.7%	\$23,126
New Jersey*	\$12,502	\$25,820	48.4%	\$38,730	32.3%	\$51,640	24.2%	\$23,615
New York	\$16,415	\$25,820	63.6%	\$38,730	42.4%	\$51,640	31.8%	\$32,031
North Carolina	\$9,961	\$25,820	38.6%	\$38,730	25.7%	\$51,640	19.3%	\$19,008
North Dakota	\$10,141	\$25,820	39.3%	\$38,730	26.2%	\$51,640	19.6%	\$19,614
Ohio	\$10,556	\$25,820	40.9%	\$38,730	27.3%	\$51,640	20.4%	\$19,604
Oklahoma	\$9,399	\$25,820	36.4%	\$38,730	24.3%	\$51,640	18.2%	\$17,976
Oregon	\$15,808	\$25,820	61.2%	\$38,730	40.8%	\$51,640	30.6%	\$29,536
Pennsylvania*	\$10,994	\$25,820	42.6%	\$38,730	28.4%	\$51,640	21.3%	\$20,679
Rhode Island*	\$14,300	\$25,820	55.4%	\$38,730	36.9%	\$51,640	27.7%	\$27,300
South Carolina	\$8,126	\$25,820	31.5%	\$38,730	21.0%	\$51,640	15.7%	\$15,349
South Dakota	\$6,822	\$25,820	26.4%	\$38,730	17.6%	\$51,640	13.2%	\$13,457
Tennessee*	\$9,415	\$25,820	36.5%	\$38,730	24.3%	\$51,640	18.2%	\$18,104
Texas*	\$10,010	\$25,820	38.8%	\$38,730	25.8%	\$51,640	19.4%	\$19,592
Utah	\$10,800	\$25,820	41.8%	\$38,730	27.9%	\$51,640	20.9%	\$18,960
Vermont*	\$12,395	\$25,820	48.0%	\$38,730	32.0%	\$51,640	24.0%	\$24,213
Virginia	\$13,052	\$25,820	50.5%	\$38,730	33.7%	\$51,640	25.3%	\$25,168
Washington	\$18,000	\$25,820	69.7%	\$38,730	46.5%	\$51,640	34.9%	\$32,556
West Virginia*	\$8,565	\$25,820	33.2%	\$38,730	22.1%	\$51,640	16.6%	\$16,327
Wisconsin*	\$12,319	\$25,820	47.7%	\$38,730	31.8%	\$51,640	23.9%	\$23,407
Wyoming*	\$10,704	\$25,820	41.5%	\$38,730	27.6%	\$51,640	20.7%	\$20,451

<sup>\*</sup>Source: Child Care Aware® of America's January 2025 survey of Child Care Resource and Referral State Networks. Some states used the latest state Market Rate Survey.

<sup>^</sup>Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. [2024 Federal Poverty Guidelines](#). 150% poverty calculated by multiplying the poverty level by 1.5. 200% poverty calculated by multiplying the poverty level by 2.

<sup>^</sup>Infant price comparison based on a family of three. Two children price comparison based on a family of four.

<sup>^^</sup>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/NA: Data not reported or not available for some categories of child care.

TABLE XVIII

2024 Average Prices for Family Child Care (FCC) for Toddlers 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 <sup>^</sup>	Poverty Level <sup>^^</sup>	150% of Poverty Level	200% of Poverty Level	Avg. Annual Price, 4-Year-Old <sup>^</sup>	Poverty Level <sup>^^</sup>	150% of Poverty Level	200% of Poverty Level
Alabama*	\$7,527	29.2%	19.4%	14.6%	\$7,332	28.4%	18.9%	14.2%
Alaska	\$9,265	28.7%	19.1%	14.4%	\$8,610	26.7%	17.8%	13.3%
Arizona*	\$10,400	40.3%	26.9%	20.1%	\$10,400	40.3%	26.9%	20.1%
Arkansas	\$7,727	29.9%	20.0%	15.0%	\$7,745	30.0%	20.0%	15.0%
California*	NR				\$16,763	64.9%	43.3%	32.5%
Colorado	\$13,666	52.9%	35.3%	26.5%	\$12,830	49.7%	33.1%	24.8%
Connecticut	NA				\$13,201	51.1%	34.1%	25.6%
Delaware	\$10,358	40.1%	26.7%	20.1%	\$9,968	38.6%	25.7%	19.3%
District of Columbia	\$21,022	81.4%	54.3%	40.7%	\$19,685	76.2%	50.8%	38.1%
Florida*	\$10,185	39.4%	26.3%	19.7%	\$8,592	33.3%	22.2%	16.6%
Georgia	\$8,043	31.2%	20.8%	15.6%	\$7,802	30.2%	20.1%	15.1%
Hawaii	\$11,148	41.8%	27.8%	20.9%	\$11,028	41.3%	27.5%	20.7%
Idaho*	\$7,308	28.3%	18.9%	14.2%	\$7,152	27.7%	18.5%	13.8%
Illinois*	\$12,283	47.6%	31.7%	23.8%	\$10,439	40.4%	27.0%	20.2%
Indiana	\$9,102	35.3%	23.5%	17.6%	\$8,470	32.8%	21.9%	16.4%
Iowa	\$8,443	32.7%	21.8%	16.3%	\$8,285	32.1%	21.4%	16.0%
Kansas	\$6,890	26.7%	17.8%	13.3%	\$7,750	30.0%	20.0%	15.0%
Kentucky	\$9,360	36.3%	24.2%	18.1%	\$9,360	36.3%	24.2%	18.1%
Louisiana*	NA				NA			
Maine*	\$11,206	43.4%	28.9%	21.7%	\$10,790	41.8%	27.9%	20.9%
Maryland	\$15,676	60.7%	40.5%	30.4%	\$13,416	52.0%	34.6%	26.0%
Massachusetts	\$17,511	67.8%	45.2%	33.9%	\$15,056	58.3%	38.9%	29.2%
Michigan	\$9,959	38.6%	25.7%	19.3%	\$10,355	40.1%	26.7%	20.1%
Minnesota	\$9,434	36.5%	24.4%	18.3%	\$8,978	34.8%	23.2%	17.4%
Mississippi*	\$5,980	23.2%	15.4%	11.6%	\$5,720	22.2%	14.8%	11.1%
Missouri	\$8,996	34.8%	23.2%	17.4%	\$8,320	32.2%	21.5%	16.1%
Montana	\$11,700	45.3%	30.2%	22.7%	\$10,400	40.3%	26.9%	20.1%
Nebraska	\$13,383	51.8%	34.6%	25.9%	\$13,383	51.8%	34.6%	25.9%

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	\$9,239	35.8%	23.9%	17.9%	\$8,982	34.8%	23.2%	17.4%
New Hampshire*	\$11,432	44.3%	29.5%	22.1%	\$11,418	44.2%	29.5%	22.1%
New Jersey*	\$11,113	43.0%	28.7%	21.5%	\$11,113	43.0%	28.7%	21.5%
New York	\$15,616	60.5%	40.3%	30.2%	\$15,616	60.5%	40.3%	30.2%
North Carolina	\$9,591	37.1%	24.8%	18.6%	\$9,047	35.0%	23.4%	17.5%
North Dakota	\$9,801	38.0%	25.3%	19.0%	\$9,473	36.7%	24.5%	18.3%
Ohio	\$10,192	39.5%	26.3%	19.7%	\$9,048	35.0%	23.4%	17.5%
Oklahoma	\$9,122	35.3%	23.6%	17.7%	\$8,577	33.2%	22.1%	16.6%
Oregon	\$13,832	53.6%	35.7%	26.8%	\$13,728	53.2%	35.4%	26.6%
Pennsylvania*	\$10,428	40.4%	26.9%	20.2%	\$9,685	37.5%	25.0%	18.8%
Rhode Island*	NA				\$13,000	50.3%	33.6%	25.2%
South Carolina	\$7,449	28.8%	19.2%	14.4%	\$7,223	28.0%	18.6%	14.0%
South Dakota	\$6,822	26.4%	17.6%	13.2%	\$6,635	25.7%	17.1%	12.8%
Tennessee*	\$9,430	36.5%	24.3%	18.3%	\$8,689	33.7%	22.4%	16.8%
Texas*	\$9,957	38.6%	25.7%	19.3%	\$9,582	37.1%	24.7%	18.6%
Utah	\$8,700	33.7%	22.5%	16.8%	\$8,160	31.6%	21.1%	15.8%
Vermont*	\$11,952	46.3%	30.9%	23.1%	\$11,818	45.8%	30.5%	22.9%
Virginia	\$12,480	48.3%	32.2%	24.2%	\$12,116	46.9%	31.3%	23.5%
Washington	\$16,200	62.7%	41.8%	31.4%	\$14,556	56.4%	37.6%	28.2%
West Virginia*	\$7,762	30.1%	20.0%	15.0%	\$7,762	30.1%	20.0%	15.0%
Wisconsin*	\$14,743	57.1%	38.1%	28.5%	\$11,088	42.9%	28.6%	21.5%
Wyoming*	\$10,278	39.8%	26.5%	19.9%	\$9,747	37.7%	25.2%	18.9%

<sup>^</sup> Source: Child Care Aware® of America's January 2025 survey of Child Care Resource and Referral State Networks. Some states used the latest state Market Rate Survey.

<sup>^^</sup>Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. [2024 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/NA: Data not reported or not available for some categories of child care.

TABLE XIX

## 2024 Affordability Rankings for Child Care Professionals with Children in Center-Based Child Care

Rank	State	Annual Price of Care^				Annual Income – Child Care Professionals^A		
		Infant	Toddler	4-Year-Old	Before/After School	Two Children^AA	Avg. Income	% of Income for 2 children, center
1	DC	\$26,193	\$24,087	\$20,981	NR	\$47,174	\$33,140	142.3%
2	Massachusetts	\$26,343	\$24,314	\$20,669	\$17,944	\$47,012	\$33,140	141.9%
3	Maryland	\$25,321	\$22,594	\$15,601	\$10,226	\$40,922	\$33,140	123.5%
4	California*	\$22,628	NR	\$16,665	\$10,627	\$39,293	\$33,140	118.6%
5	Washington	\$21,348	\$19,236	\$16,908	\$5,196	\$38,256	\$33,140	115.4%
6	Hawaii	\$24,115	\$18,852	\$13,992	\$7,402	\$38,107	\$33,140	115.0%
7	New York	\$20,439	\$18,661	\$17,343	\$12,447	\$37,782	\$33,140	114.0%
8	New Jersey*	\$20,213	\$19,448	\$17,503	\$5,990	\$37,716	\$33,140	113.8%
9	Illinois	\$19,807	\$18,736	\$17,238	\$4,538	\$37,045	\$33,140	111.8%
10	Minnesota	\$20,421	\$18,042	\$15,733	NA	\$36,154	\$33,140	109.1%
11	Colorado	\$20,978	\$17,479	\$14,800	\$8,292	\$35,778	\$33,140	108.0%
12	Rhode Island*	\$18,486	NA	\$16,212	\$10,920	\$34,698	\$33,140	104.7%
13	Vermont	\$18,710	\$17,988	\$15,877	\$6,442	\$34,587	\$33,140	104.4%
14	Nebraska	\$18,147	\$17,184	\$15,738	NR	\$33,885	\$33,140	102.2%
15	Connecticut	\$18,492	\$18,829	\$15,297	\$5,967	\$33,789	\$33,140	102.0%
16	Wisconsin	\$17,963	\$18,239	\$15,039	\$6,226	\$33,002	\$33,140	99.6%
17	Oregon	\$19,500	\$17,368	\$13,260	NR	\$32,760	\$33,140	98.9%
18	Virginia	\$16,796	\$15,964	\$13,884	\$5,772	\$30,680	\$33,140	92.6%
19	Maine*	\$15,730	\$14,820	\$14,144	\$7,683	\$29,874	\$33,140	90.1%
20	Delaware	\$16,617	\$14,668	\$13,218	\$5,476	\$29,835	\$33,140	90.0%
21	Montana	\$15,080	\$15,080	\$14,300	\$4,875	\$29,380	\$33,140	88.7%
22	New Hampshire	\$16,040	\$14,870	\$13,042	\$4,826	\$29,082	\$33,140	87.8%
23	Indiana	\$16,478	\$16,002	\$12,531	\$6,394	\$29,009	\$33,140	87.5%
24	Arizona	\$15,964	\$13,390	\$11,680	\$5,850	\$27,644	\$33,140	83.4%
25	Pennsylvania*	\$14,910	\$14,180	\$12,453	\$7,937	\$27,363	\$33,140	82.6%
26	Michigan	\$13,454	\$13,555	\$12,246	\$5,468	\$25,700	\$33,140	77.5%
27	Ohio	\$13,780	\$12,376	\$11,752	\$6,435	\$25,532	\$33,140	77.0%
28	Kansas	\$15,156	\$11,071	\$9,217	\$2,254	\$24,373	\$33,140	73.5%
29	Utah	\$14,160	\$11,328	\$9,876	\$5,940	\$24,036	\$33,140	72.5%

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	Wyoming*	\$12,784	\$11,897	\$11,229	\$6,249	\$24,013	\$33,140	72.5%
31	Tennessee	\$13,126	\$12,063	\$10,840	\$4,402	\$23,966	\$33,140	72.3%
32	Kentucky	\$12,740	\$12,220	\$10,712	\$5,850	\$23,452	\$33,140	70.8%
33	Missouri	\$13,780	\$11,700	\$9,568	\$4,056	\$23,348	\$33,140	70.5%
34	Nevada	\$12,659	\$11,442	\$10,605	\$6,140	\$23,264	\$33,140	70.2%
35	North Dakota	\$12,299	\$11,580	\$10,869	NR	\$23,168	\$33,140	69.9%
36	Iowa	\$12,694	\$11,729	\$10,100	\$3,572	\$22,794	\$33,140	68.8%
37	North Carolina	\$12,370	\$11,694	\$10,381	\$5,811	\$22,751	\$33,140	68.7%
38	Florida*	\$13,011	\$11,461	\$9,409	\$5,238	\$22,420	\$33,140	67.7%
39	Alaska	\$12,107	\$11,304	\$9,883	\$6,324	\$21,990	\$33,140	66.4%
40	Texas*	\$11,349	\$10,921	\$10,225	\$6,782	\$21,574	\$33,140	65.1%
41	Georgia	\$11,066	\$10,537	\$9,573	\$6,568	\$20,639	\$33,140	62.3%
42	Louisiana*	\$10,847	\$9,997	\$9,378	\$5,841	\$20,225	\$33,140	61.0%
43	Oklahoma	\$10,809	\$10,060	\$9,415	\$7,326	\$20,224	\$33,140	61.0%
44	South Carolina	\$10,474	\$10,308	\$9,691	\$8,277	\$20,165	\$33,140	60.8%
45	Idaho	\$10,608	\$9,996	\$9,201	\$6,444	\$19,809	\$33,140	59.8%
46	West Virginia*	\$10,439	\$9,903	\$9,368	NR	\$19,807	\$33,140	59.8%
47	Arkansas	\$9,178	\$8,801	\$8,320	\$3,397	\$17,498	\$33,140	52.8%
48	South Dakota	\$8,632	\$8,632	\$8,070	\$5,460	\$16,702	\$33,140	50.4%
49	Alabama*	\$8,632	\$8,424	\$8,008	\$5,226	\$16,640	\$33,140	50.2%
50	Mississippi*	\$7,696	\$7,254	\$6,864	\$4,290	\$14,560	\$33,140	43.9%

\*Source: Child Care Aware® of America's January 2025 survey of Child Care Resource and Referral State Networks. Some states used the latest state Market Rate Survey.

^Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2023 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/NA: Data not reported or not available for some categories of child care.

Note: 1 = least affordable and 50 = most affordable. Rank is based on price of child care as percentage of average annual income for child professionals who work in a center.



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