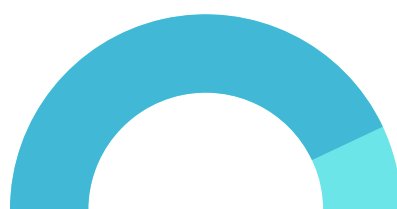# The Rising Cost of Childcare in the state of Florida

As financial pressures mount for families across Florida, the increasing costs of childcare have become a significant concern. Understand how rising expenses may impact your family and community, and join us in taking action to keep Florida affordable for families.

Florida has the
17th
Lowest Average Childcare Cost in the U.S.
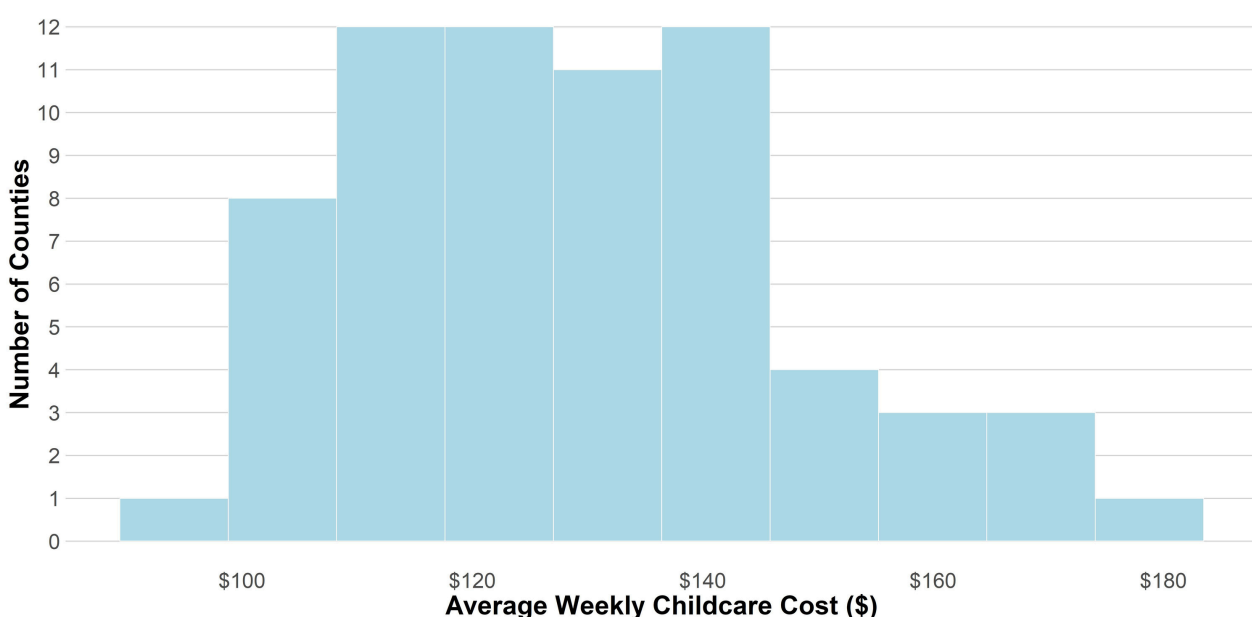
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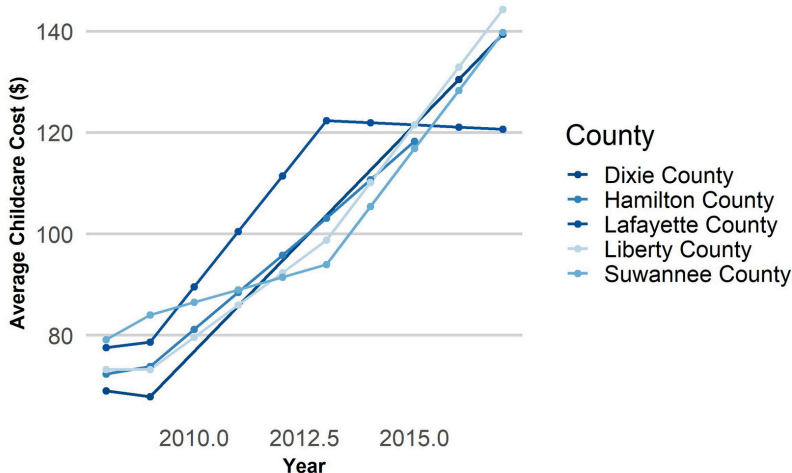
but this is only part of the story

58 out of 67 Counties

saw childcare cost increases that **outpaced median household income increases** from 2007-2017

Childcare Costs Across FL Counties

Number of Counties (y-axis: 0–12)
Average Weekly Childcare Cost ($) (x-axis: $100, $120, $140, $160, $180)

Where are Childcare Costs Increasing the Most?

Average Childcare Cost ($) (y-axis: 80, 100, 120, 140)
Year (x-axis: 2010.0, 2012.5, 2015.0)

County
- Dixie County
- Hamilton County
- Lafayette County
- Liberty County
- Suwannee County

Dixie County, FL
saw a
101% Increase
in average childcare costs from 2008-2017

Help us combat rising childcare costs!

- **Call your local officials** to advocate for legislation on lowering childcare costs.
- **Contact us for assistance** in finding affordable childcare solutions in Florida.