

2019 State Child Care Facts in the State of: Mississippi



CHILD CARE NEED¹

POPULATION	MISSISSIPPI	UNITED STATES
Total residents	2,986,220	321,004,407
Children age birth to 4 years	190,840	19,839,997
Children age birth to 4 years living in poverty	61,009	4,390,252
Children age 5 to 11	287,275	28,709,244
Total families with children	309,867	33,469,709
Single parent families	129,601	10,802,250
Families in poverty	124,002	8,253,388

CHILDREN UNDER AGE 6 POTENTIALLY IN NEED OF CHILD CARE	MISSISSIPPI	UNITED STATES
Children in two-parent families, both parents in labor force	70,178	8,708,721
Children in single-parent families, parent in the labor force	80,230	6,248,816
Total children under age 6 potentially needing child care	150,408	14,957,537

NUMBER OF WORKING MOTHERS	MISSISSIPPI	UNITED STATES
With infants under one year	24,125	2,502,585
With children under age 6 only	52,690	5,538,989
With children age 6 to 17 only	145,961	14,854,271
With both children under age 6 AND children age 6 to 17	48,616	4,406,577
Married working mothers	131,498	15,867,548
Single working mothers	83,974	6,664,103

AVAILABILITY OF CHILD CARE²

SPACES IN CHILD CARE PROGRAMS	MISSISSIPPI
Total spaces/slots	125,260
Percent of spaces in child care center programs	NR
Percent of total spaces in licensed FCC homes	NR
Percent of total spaces in school-age care programs	NR
Percent of total spaces in other programs	NR
Percentage spaces/slots of licensed programs	
Percent of licensed spaces for infants	NR
Percent of licensed spaces for toddlers	NR
Percent of licensed spaces for preschool-aged children	NR
Percent of licensed spaces for school-aged children	NR

TYPES OF AVAILABLE CHILD CARE

TYPES OF CHILD CARE	MISSISSIPPI
Number of center-based child care programs	1,531
Percent of centers nationally accredited	NR
Do faith-based programs need to be regulated?	NR
Number of regulated faith-based programs	NR
Number of family child care (FCC) homes	NR
Percent of FCC homes nationally accredited	NR
Number of school-aged care programs	NR
Percent of licensed programs with slots for school-aged children	NR
Percent of licensed programs with slots for ONLY school-aged children	NR
Number of other regulated child care centers	NR
Number of other regulated FCC homes	NR

CHILD CARE WORKFORCE

NUMBERS, INCOME, AND SUPPORT OF THE CHILD CARE WORKFORCE ³	MISSISSIPPI	UNITED STATES
Child care workers (in centers)	6,530	564,630
Average annual income of child care workers	\$19,310	\$24,610
Total paid early childhood workforce ⁴	NA	2.2 million

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

CCR&R CONTACTS	URL
Child Care Aware® of America	http://usa.childcareaware.org www.childcareaware.org

NOTES

- **NA:** Not Applicable
- **NR:** Data Not Reported or Not Available

¹ Unless otherwise noted, statistics in the Child Care Need sections are from the American Community Survey, U.S. Census Bureau, 2013-2017 five-year estimates (<http://factfinder2.census.gov/faces/nav/jsf/pages/index.xhtml>).

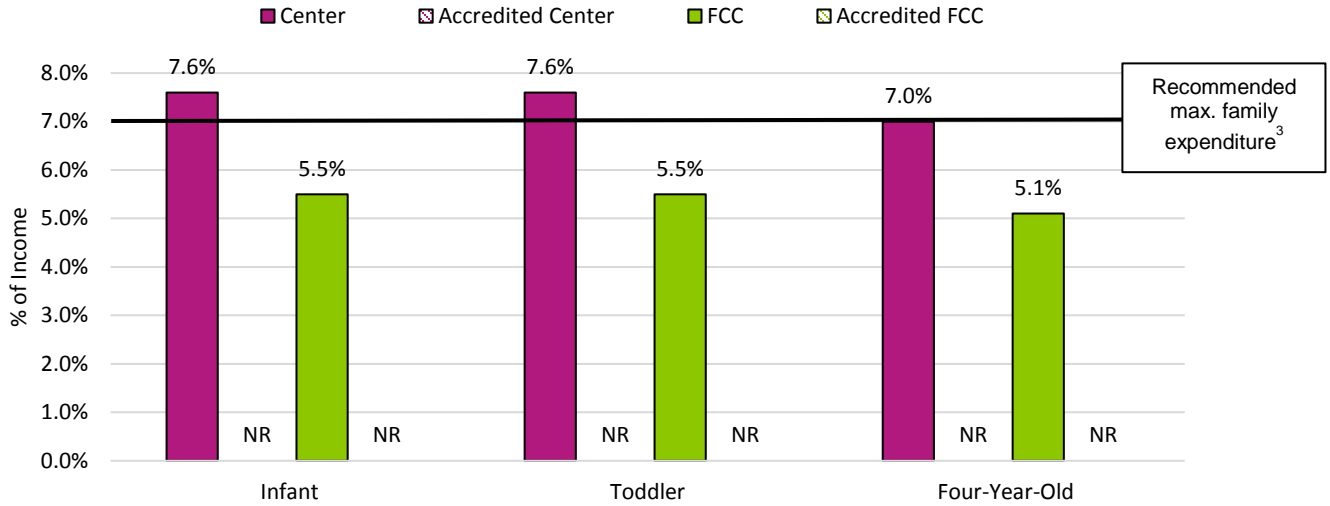
² Unless otherwise noted, data for the rest of the Fact Sheet is provided by Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies for Child Care Aware® of America's 2019 State Fact Sheet Survey. Data reflects the 2018 calendar year.

³ Unless otherwise noted, statistics in the Child Care Workforce sections are from the Occupational Employment Statistics, Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2018 data (<https://www.bls.gov/oes/>).

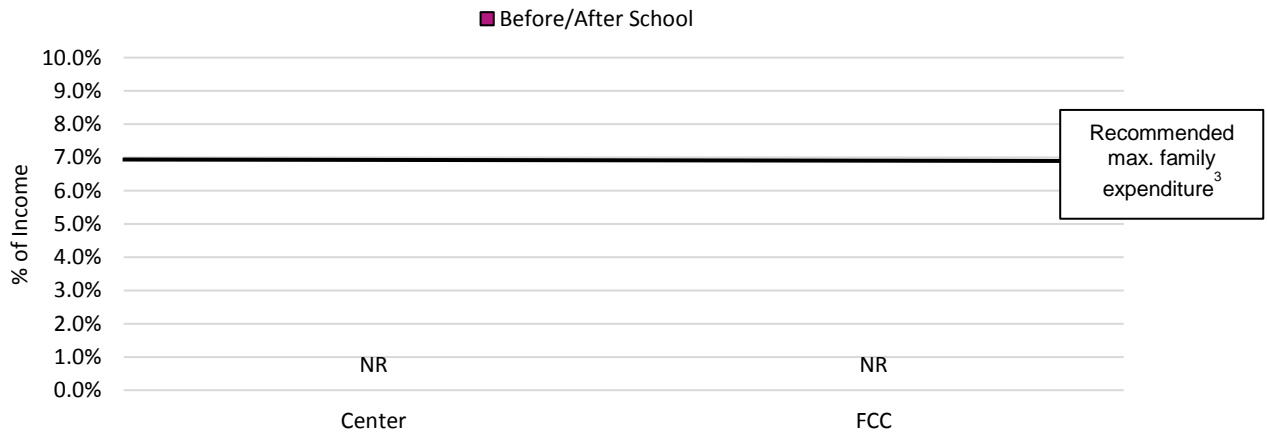
⁴Weiss E. & Brandon, R. N. (2010). *The Economic Value of the U.S. Early Childhood Sector*. Partnership for America's Economic Success.

2019 Cost of Child Care in the State of: Mississippi¹

Affordability- Child Care for Young Children²



Affordability- Child Care for School-Age Children⁴



¹ Price data retrieved from [2018 Mississippi Market Rate Survey](#)

² Annual price of care divided by state median income for married couple families with children (U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-year estimates 2013-2017, Table B19126)

³ 7% of family income, [recommended by DHHS](#), as the maximum amount working families should spend on child care

⁴ Annual price for before/after School care divided by 75% of state median income for married-couple families with children, to reflect a 9-month school year (U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-year estimates 2013-2017, Table B19126)