

2018 State Child Care Facts in the State of: Colorado



CHILD CARE NEED¹

POPULATION	COLORADO	UNITED STATES
Total residents	5,359,292	318,558,162
Children age birth to 4 years	335,469	19,853,211
Children age birth to 4 years living in poverty	57,185	4,614,933
Children age 5 to 11	496,117	28,723,602
Total families with children	597,606	33,506,082
Single parent families	169,565	10,934,829
Families in poverty	106,554	8,543,087

CHILDREN UNDER AGE 6 POTENTIALLY IN NEED OF CHILD CARE	COLORADO	UNITED STATES
Children in two-parent families, both parents in labor force	164,759	8,627,436
Children in single-parent families, parent in the labor force	81,736	6,341,151
Total children under age 6 potentially needing child care	246,495	14,968,587

NUMBER OF WORKING MOTHERS	COLORADO	UNITED STATES
With infants under one year	42,681	2,492,109
With children under age 6 only	98,715	5,559,717
With children age 6 to 17 only	252,209	14,802,290
With both children under age 6 AND children age 6 to 17	73,418	4,397,360
Married working mothers	295,669	15,768,714
Single working mothers	102,042	6,757,924

AVAILABILITY OF CHILD CARE²

SPACES IN CHILD CARE PROGRAMS	COLORADO
Total spaces/slots	274,557
Percent of spaces in child care center programs*	52%
Percent of total spaces in licensed FCC homes	6%
Percent of total spaces in school-age care programs	33%
Percent of total spaces in other programs	9%
Percentage spaces/slots of licensed programs**	
Percent of licensed spaces for infants	NA
Percent of licensed spaces for toddlers	NA
Percent of licensed spaces for preschool-aged children	NA
Percent of licensed spaces for school-aged children	NA

*Includes centers and preschools. Does not include school-aged programs

** Capacity by age is not reported here because Colorado licenses programs with a maximum and a minimum age which can overlap these age categories.

TYPES OF AVAILABLE CHILD CARE

TYPES OF CHILD CARE	COLORADO
Number of center-based child care programs*	2,131
Percent of centers nationally accredited	19%
Do faith-based programs need to be regulated?	Yes
Number of regulated faith-based programs	NA
Number of family child care (FCC) homes	2,393
Percent of FCC homes nationally accredited	3%
Number of school-aged care programs	1,062
Percent of licensed programs with slots for school-aged children	0%
Percent of licensed programs with slots for ONLY school-aged children	100%
Number of other regulated child care centers**	154
Number of other regulated FCC homes	NA

*Center-based child care programs include child care centers and licensed preschools.

**Other "regulated child care centers" above include Neighborhood Youth Organizations and Resident Camps.

CHILD CARE WORKFORCE

NUMBERS, INCOME, AND SUPPORT OF THE CHILD CARE WORKFORCE ³	COLORADO	UNITED STATES
Child care workers (in centers)	8,200	562,420
Average annual income of child care workers	\$27,530	\$22,290
Total paid early childhood workforce ⁴	NA	2.2 million

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

CCR&R CONTACTS	URL
Colorado Shines Child Care Referral at Mile High United Way	https://www.unitedwaydenver.org/childcarereferrals
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, 2012-2016 five-year estimates (<http://factfinder2.census.gov/faces/nav/jsf/pages/index.xhtml>).

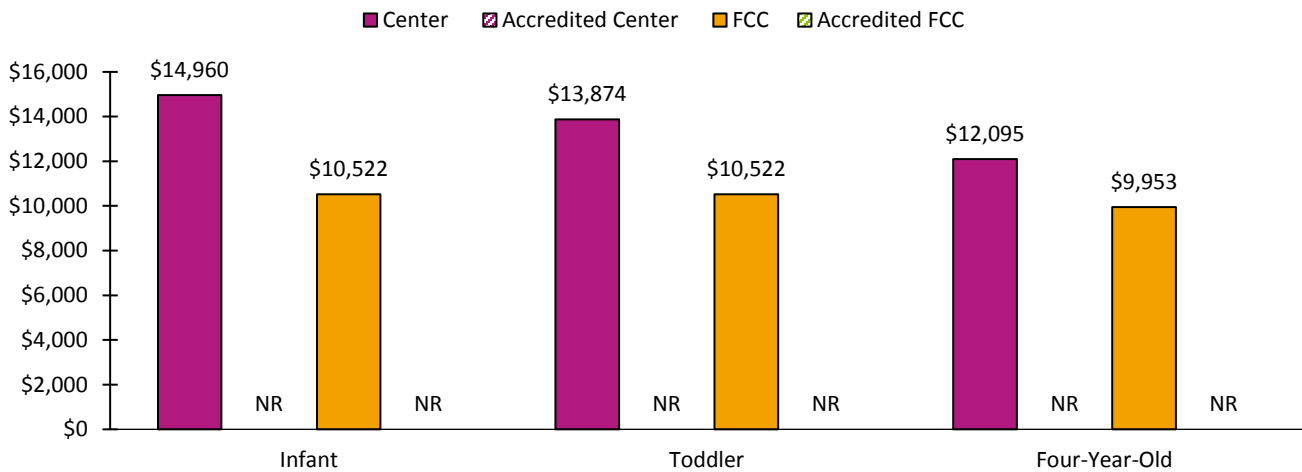
² Unless otherwise noted, data for the rest of the Fact Sheet is provided by Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies for Child Care Aware® of America's 2018 State Fact Sheet Survey. Data reflects the 2017 calendar year.

³ Unless otherwise noted, statistics in the Child Care Workforce sections are from the Occupational Employment Statistics, Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2017 data (<https://www.bls.gov/oes/>).

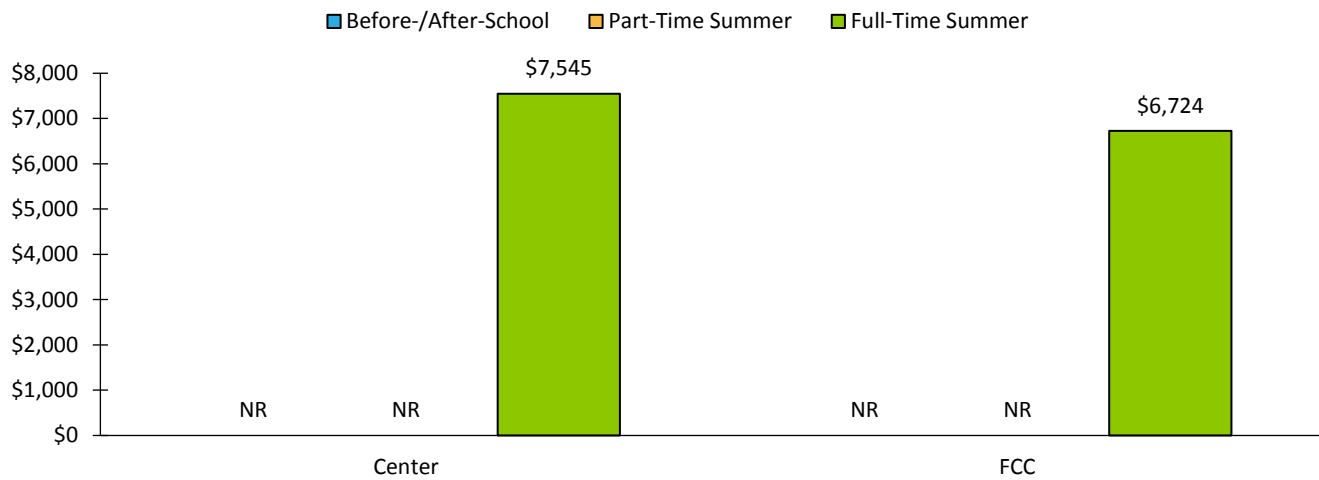
⁴Weiss E. & Brandon, R. N. (2010). *The Economic Value of the U.S. Early Childhood Sector*. Partnership for America's Economic Success.

2018 Cost of Child Care in the State of: Colorado

Annual Cost of Care for Young Children



Cost of Care for School-Age Children



2018 Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies in the State of: Colorado



CHILD CARE REFERRALS AND REQUESTS

CHILD CARE REFERRALS AND REQUESTS	COLORADO
Total referral requests received	6,243
Percent online requests	NA
Percent telephone requests	NA
Percent in-person or other requests	NA
Requests by type of child care facility*	
Percent of requests for centers	35%
Percent of requests for FCC homes	23%
Requests by age of children**	
Percent for infant care	20%
Percent for toddler care	26%
Percent for preschool-age care	14%
Percent for school-age care (before-/after-school care)	26%
Percent for school-age care (any summer care)	NA
Requests by care hours needed	
Percent for full-time care	NA
Percent for part-time care	NA

*Requests do not always include a record of the type of care families are interested in. As a result, these data do not add up to 100% of the requests made.

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TYPES OF CCR&RS

CCR&R CHARACTERISTICS	COLORADO	
State-funded Network	Yes	
TYPES OF TRAINING PROVIDED	TOTAL NUMBER OF SESSIONS/VISITS	TOTAL NUMBER OF UNDUPLICATED PARTICIPANTS SERVED
Training for child care providers	NA	NA
Training for school-age child care providers	NA	NA
On-site technical assistance for child care providers	NA	NA
On-site technical assistance for school-age care programs	NA	NA
Training for parents	NA	NA

SPECIAL REQUESTS

REFERRALS BY AGE GROUP	NON-TRADITIONAL HOURS REQUESTS	CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS REQUESTS	HOMELESS CHILDREN REQUESTS
Number for infant care	NA	NA	NA
Number for toddler care	NA	NA	NA
Number for preschool-age care	NA	NA	NA
Number for school-age care	NA	NA	NA
Total	1,041	138	NA

LANGUAGES ACCOMODATED BY CCR&R STAFF	STAFF SPEAK	ACCESS TRANSLATION SERVICES	PROVIDE PRINT MATERIALS
English	✓	NA	✓
Spanish	✓	✓	✓
Chinese			
Tagalog			
Vietnamese			
French			
Korean			
German			
Other			

REFERRALS TO LICENSE-EXEMPT PROVIDERS PROVIDED BY OFFICES OR AGENCIES IN COLORADO

License-exempt child care homes	No
License-exempt child care centers	No
Other license-exempt care	No

REFERRAL STATISTICS BY TYPE

REFERRAL STATISTICS BY TYPE	COLORADO
Families receiving referrals from CCR&Rs (annual)	4,121
Percent served by online referrals	NA
Percent served by telephone referrals	NA
Percent served by in-person or other referrals	NA
Families receiving consumer education information	NA
How often do clients seeking early care typically have contact with a consumer education/referral agent?	Once

NON-TRADITIONAL HOURS REQUESTS TRACKED

Any outside 6am – 6pm	✓
Evening child care (after 6pm)	✓
Overnight child care	✓
Weekend child care	✓
Child care for mildly ill children	
Emergency child care	✓
Seasonal child care	
Flexible/Rotating shifts child care	✓

2018 Facts about QRIS, Health, and Emergency Preparedness in the State of: Colorado



QRIS IMPLEMENTATION AND PARTICIPATION

QRIS DATA	COLORADO
Does the state have a Quality Rating and Improvement System?	Yes
Name of QRIS	Colorado Shines
QRIS Website	http://coloradoshines.force.com
How is QRIS Implemented?	Implemented statewide

PARTICIPATION IN STATE-WIDE QRIS*	
Center-Based Programs	
Number of Programs	2,131
Capacity of Programs	142,093
Number of Programs at Top Level	41
Capacity of Programs at Top Level	2,390
FCC Home Programs	
Number of Programs	2,393
Capacity of Programs	17,293
Number of Programs at Top Level	19
Capacity of Programs at Top Level	175
School-Age Programs	
Number of Programs	0
Capacity of Programs	0
Number of Programs at Top Level	0
Capacity of Programs at Top Level	0
Other Programs	
Number of Programs	0
Capacity of Programs	0
Number of Programs at Top Level	0
Capacity of Programs at Top Level	0

*Colorado Shines rates programs on a five point scale. The top rating is a Level 5.

CHILD CARE PROGRAMS <u>REQUIRED</u> TO PARTICIPATE IN STATE-WIDE QRIS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Licensed center-based programs Licensed family child care homes

CHILD CARE PROGRAMS THAT <u>MAY</u> PARTICIPATE IN STATE-WIDE QRIS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Licensed center-based programs Licensed family child care homes

ROLE OF CCR&RS IN QRIS	COLORADO
Coaching	
Training	✓
Monitoring	
Recruitment of New Programs	✓
Community Outreach	✓
Data Analysis & Reporting	
Other	

EMERGENCY SERVICES PROVIDED BY CCR&RS

RESOURCES TO HELP PROGRAMS PLAN FOR POTENTIAL EMERGENCIES PROVIDED BY STATE OR LOCAL CCR&RS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Technical assistance is available
Resources provided by state or local CCR&RS in response to an emergency in 2017 ¹
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None

SUPPLEMENTARY HEALTH PROGRAMS

SUPPLEMENTARY HEALTH PROGRAMS	COLORADO
Does state have any voluntary quality recognition programs (e.g., Breastfeeding Friendly or Healthy Child Care)?	Yes
Number of child care programs participating in the Child and Adult Care Food Program	NR
Number of child care centers that specialize in inclusion or serving children with disabilities	NR
Does your state have a network for Mental Health Consultants for child care providers?	Yes

FAMILY ENGAGEMENT PROGRAMS

FAMILY ENGAGEMENT PROGRAMS OFFERED IN COLORADO
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Circle of Security (COS) Incredible Years Nurturing Parenting Programs Parents as Teachers (PAT) Strengthening Families Program (SFP) Initiative

Note: These programs represent only those reported in Child Care Aware® of America's 2018 survey, and may not reflect all Family Engagement Programs offered within the state.

¹ This field only denotes whether services were provided; not all child care providers and not all states may have experienced an emergency in 2017.

Child Care Program QRIS Participation in the State of: Colorado

Number and Percentage of QRIS-Participating Programs at the Top Level, by Program Type

