

Child Care and Early Education Profile: 2023

15th Congressional District Congresswoman Mary Miller

A Snapshot of Children in Congressional District 15

47,520 Children 0 to 5 } **66%** of children 0 to 5 live in households where all parents work
64,456 Children 6 to 12
111,976 Total children under 13

What child care options are available to families?



114 Child care centers can serve up to **9,798** children



491 Licensed child care homes can serve up to **4,624** children



352 License-exempt home caregivers can serve around **756** children

How much are families paying for child care?

MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME: \$81,479

INFANT: Average annual price of licensed care



Home-based: **\$7,450**



Center-based: **\$10,687**

This is **9%-13%** of a family's income.

PRESCHOOLER: Average annual price of licensed care



Home-based: **\$6,827**



Center-based: **\$8,192**

This is **8%-10%** of a family's income.

The cost of center care rivals college tuition: **\$14,579**

What programs support children & families in your district?

CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES (IDHS)

1,811 children age 0-2

1,836 children age 3-5

1,835 children age 6-12

5,521 children served

\$19,518,491

in total CCAP payments to providers in the district

The Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP), funded through IDHS, helps families pay for child care while they work or go to school.

EARLY CHILDHOOD BLOCK GRANT

ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION (ISBE)

36 Prevention Initiative programs

1,393 children age 0-2

121 Preschool for All programs

6,951 children age 3-5

8,344 children served

The Early Childhood Block Grant is funded by ISBE to help programs provide high-quality early education opportunities through Preschool for All (PFA) and Prevention Initiative (PI) services for infants, toddlers, and expectant families.

HEAD START & EARLY HEAD START

US DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

17 Early Head Start sites

286 children age 0-2

29 Head Start sites

1,099 children age 3-5

1,385 children served

Head Start programs for 3- and 4-year-olds, along with Early Head Start for infants and toddlers, are federally-funded early education programs for families living below the poverty line and designed to meet the comprehensive needs of families.

For source information on the data cited in this profile, please email:

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