



The People¹

| | AL | U.S. |
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| Number of residents | 4,599,030 | 299,398,485 |
| Number of children ages 0 through 4 ² | 299,377 | 20,417,636 |
| Number of children ages 0 through 4 living below poverty level | 89,909 | 4,211,345 |
| Number of children ages 5 through 11 ² | 362,251 | 23,705,472 |
| Number of families | 1,222,858 | 74,564,066 |
| Number of single-parent headed families | 182,749 | 10,816,345 |
| Number of families below poverty level | 153,968 | 7,282,926 |
| Number of families below 200% of poverty level ³ | 382,000 | 20,127,000 |
| Number of children under 18 below 200% of poverty level ³ | 421,000 | 28,757,000 |

Children Under 6 with Parents in the Labor Force¹

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| In two-parent families, both parents in labor force | 120,418 | 8,677,275 |
| In single-parent families, parent in the labor force | 95,474 | 5,615,003 |
| Total children under 6 needing child care, as parents work | 215,892 | 14,292,278 |

Women in the Labor Force¹

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| With children under 6 | 132,510 | 8,798,303 |
| Married with children under 18 | 238,132 | 16,429,799 |
| Single with children under 18 | 115,503 | 6,720,483 |
| Who had a birth in the past 12 months | 35,979 | 2,397,953 |

Child Care Costs, Family Incomes

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| Average, annual fees paid for full-time center care for an infant ⁴ | \$5,356 | \$4,542-\$14,591 |
| Average, annual fees paid for full-time center care for 4-year-old ⁴ | \$4,888 | \$3,380-\$10,787 |
| Average, annual fees paid for full-time care for an infant in a family child-care home ⁴ | \$4,628 | \$3,900-\$9,630 |
| Average, annual fees paid for full-time care for a 4-year-old in a family child-care home ⁴ | \$4,472 | \$3,380-\$9,164 |
| Average, annual fees paid for before and after school care for a school-age child in a center ⁴ | Not available | \$2,500-\$8,600 |
| Average, annual fees paid for before and after school care for a school-age child in a family child care home ⁴ | Not available | \$2,080-\$7,648 |
| Average, annual tuition and fees paid for 4-year state college ⁵ | \$5,245 | \$6,185 |
| Ratio of full-time infant care in a center: state college tuition and fees | 1.0:1 | 0.7:1 – 2.8:1 |
| Median annual family income of married-couple families with children under 18 ⁶ | \$64,686 | \$72,948 |
| Cost of full-time care for an infant in a center, as percent of median income for married-couple families with children under 18 | 8% | 7.5%-16.9% |
| Median annual family income of single parent (female headed) families with children under 18 ⁶ | \$17,311 | \$23,008 |
| Cost of full-time care for an infant in a center, as percent of median income for single parent (female headed) families with children under 18 | 31% | 25%-57% |

¹ Unless otherwise noted, statistics in these sections are from the 2006 American Community Survey conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau (www.census.gov).

² Based on the U.S. Census Bureau's population estimates for 2006 (www.census.gov/popest/datasets.html)

³ Families and children below 200% of poverty level are estimates provided by the U.S. Census Bureau, CPS 2006 Annual Social and Economic Supplement, available at http://pubdb3.census.gov/macro/032006/pov/new46_001_185200.htm.

⁴ Data are provided by the Alabama Department of Human Resources (DHR).

⁵ Average price of 2007-2008 tuition and fees for public four-year colleges by state, from the College Board, [Trends in College Pricing, 2007](http://www.collegeboard.com/prod_downloads/about/news_info/trends/trends_pricing_07.pdf). (http://www.collegeboard.com/prod_downloads/about/news_info/trends/trends_pricing_07.pdf)

⁶ From the 2006 American Community Survey conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau (www.census.gov).

Child Care Fee Assistance⁷

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| Number of families served | 14,700 | 1,040,700 |
| Number of children served | 28,000 | 1,799,300 |
| Number of child care providers participating | 3,194 | 699,413 |
| Percent of subsidized children cared for in licensed centers/homes | 79% | 73% |
| Percent of subsidized children cared for by relatives | 3% | 15% |
| Percent of subsidized children cared for in other non-regulated care | 18% | 13% |

Child Care Supply⁸

| | AL | U.S. |
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| Number of centers | 1,995 | 118,947 |
| Number of nationally accredited child care centers ⁹ | 167 | 10,876 |
| Percent of child care centers that are accredited | 8.4% | 9% |
| Number of family child care homes | 1,454 | 232,923 |
| Number of nationally accredited family child care homes ¹⁰ | 25 | 2,007 |
| Percent of family child care homes that are accredited | 1.72% | 0.86% |
| Total number of child care spaces | Not available | ≈ 10,780,000 |
| Percent of slots that are in child care centers | Not available | ≈ 71% |
| Percent of slots that are in family child care homes | Not available | ≈ 19% |

Child Care Demand¹¹

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| Percent requests for infant and toddler care | Not available | 45% |
| Percent requests for pre-school age care | Not available | 30% |
| Percent requests for school-age care | Not available | 25% |
| Percent requests for full-time care | Not available | 82% |
| Percent requests for part-time care | Not available | 18% |
| Percent requests for before and after-school care | Not available | 10% |
| Percent requests for non-traditional hour care | Not available | 14% |

Workforce and Training¹²

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| Number of child care workers (excludes self-employed providers) | 9,520 | 572,950 |
| Average income for full-time, year-round child care provider | \$14,800 | \$18,820 |
| Number of training sessions held by CCR&R agencies for providers | Not available | ≈ 75,500 |
| Average number of providers attending per training session | Not available | 6 to 70 |
| Total number of providers trained by CCR&R agencies | Not available | ≈ 650,000 |
| Number of on-site technical assistances provided by CCR&R agencies to child care programs | Not available | ≈ 181,165 |
| Number of child care programs receiving on-site technical assistance from CCR&R agencies | Not available | ≈ 65,500 |

Child Care Resource and Referral (CCR&R) Agencies

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| Number of CCR&R agencies | 13 | 847 |
| Type of State Network ¹³ | Voluntary Network | |

⁷ These statistics are provided by the Child Care Bureau (http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ccb/data/ccdf_data/06acf800_preliminary/list.htm), from the 2006 Child Care Development Fund preliminary data, and are derived from monthly averages. Total number of child care providers includes paid relatives and other non-regulated caregivers.

⁸ Data are provided by DHR.

⁹ Data obtained from the various national accrediting bodies that accredit child care centers. Number of accredited programs are based on data available as of February 2008. Number of accredited programs include Early Head Start/Head Start programs and those serving Department of Defense personnel exclusively.

¹⁰ The number of accredited programs as of February 2008, provided by the National Association for Family Child Care Centers (NAFCC). Number of accredited family child care homes includes those serving Department of Defense personnel exclusively.

¹¹ Data are not currently available.

¹² Workforce data are derived from the 2006 Occupational Employment Statistics survey by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor (<http://www.bls.gov/news.release/ocwage.t01.htm>); Training and on-site technical assistance data are not currently available. National on-site technical assistance data are based on a survey of local CCR&Rs conducted in 2006 by NACCRRRA.

¹³ Coordinating and Managing networks have staff and are funded to coordinate the work of local CCR&Rs. Single Entity CCR&Rs cover an entire state. Voluntary networks rely on volunteers, and operate with little or no public funding.