Washington’s Workforce Today and Tomorrow
The State of Child Care in Chelan County Washington

Approximately 18% of children under age 18 are living in poverty.¹

Approximately 54% of children under age 6 live in homes where all adults work.¹

Are young children in Chelan County ready for kindergarten when they enter?

Only 36% of children in Chelan County demonstrate characteristics of entering kindergartners in 6 of 6 domains.²

Only 25% of low-income children in Chelan County demonstrate characteristics of entering kindergartners in 6 of 6 domains.²

Almost 76,000 people call Chelan County home. Nearly 5,000 are children younger than 5 years old.³

Child care supply in Chelan County

In Chelan County, the number of child care providers has dropped from 162 with capacity for 2,111 children in 2012, to 118 providers with capacity for 1,821 children in December 2016.*

Notes:
* Licensed child care and exempt school-age programs only in Chelan County
1. U.S. Census Bureau, 2015