Child Care in
Adams County

Trends in Child Care
In most parts of Washington, the number of child care providers declined from 2011-2013, but the number of providers and total capacity for children has stabilized in the last few years.

In Adams County, the number of child care providers has dropped from 48 with capacity for 797 children in 2011, to 36 providers with capacity for 628 children in June of 2016.*

Early Achievers
Early Achievers is Washington’s Quality Rating and Improvement System (QRIS), which gives training, technical assistance, coaching, awards, scholarships, and other benefits to child care providers to improve the quality of their care.

Statewide, 4,011 child care providers have joined since July 2012.
Approximately 84% of licensed child care providers in Adams County are enrolled in Early Achievers. Early Achievers provides families with valuable child care program quality information so they can make informed child care choices.
Helping Families Find Child Care in 2016

In FY2016, Child Care Aware of Washington programs helped 16,723 families find child care providers matching their unique needs.

In Adams County alone, we helped 16 families with 31 children in need of child care to search for matching providers 18 times.

Children Using Subsidies

Referral Demand by Child Age

- 94% of children under 18 living in poverty
- 68.5 to 82.9% of children under 6 w/ all parents working
- Median Household Income: $45,712
- Unemployment Rate: 5.5%

Monthly Cost of Child Care in 2016

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Family Child Care

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Data Sources:
Most data is from Child Care Aware of Washington. More data and full citations are available at [http://wa.childcareaware.org](http://wa.childcareaware.org).

*Includes licensed child care (centers and family child care) and exempt school-age programs only
2 Office of the Superintendent Public Instruction, October Enrollment Report, 2015-2016
3 U.S. Census Bureau Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates, 2014
4 U.S. Census Bureau American Community Survey, 2014
5 Washington State Employment Security Department; U.S. BLS, Local Area Unemployment Statistics, 2016 (not seasonally-adjusted)
6 Department of Early Learning & Washington State University, Washington State 2015 Child Care Survey
   Note: Child care provider income is regional data, not county-specific. Adams County is in DEL Region 1 which includes: Adams, Asotin, Chelan, Douglas, Ferry, Garfield, Grant, Lincoln, Okanogan, Pend Or., Spokane, Stevens, Whitman.
7 Office of the Superintendent Public Instruction, Historical Comparison of Statewide School District Personnel, 2015-2016

For more information, go to [http://wa.childcareaware.org](http://wa.childcareaware.org)