Child Care in
Kitsap County

August 2016

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 Kitsap County, the number of child care providers has dropped from 179 with capacity for 5319 children in 2011, to 145 providers with capacity for 4943 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 62% of licensed child care providers in Kitsap 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.
Demographics

Population

- Total Population in 2015: 258,200
- Change since 2011: 4,300
- Children under 5 yrs: 15,360
- Children under 15 yrs: 45,705
- K-12 Enrollment: 35,777

Economics

- % of children under 18 living in poverty: 14.4%
- % of children under 6 with all parents working: 48.5 to 55.3%
- Median Household Income: $59,605
- Unemployment Rate: 5.7%

Compensation in 2014

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<th>Comparison of Average Annual Salary/Income</th>
<th>Centers</th>
<th>Median Cost</th>
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<th>State Subsidy Rate</th>
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<td>Family Child Care Provider (Gross Earnings)</td>
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<td>K-12 Teacher (Statewide)</td>
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Contact Child Care Aware of Washington

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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 Kitsap County alone, we helped 520 families with 739 children in need of child care to search for matching providers 667 times.

Children Using Subsidies

- 57% of children under 18 living in poverty
- 48.5 to 55.3% of children under 6 with all parents working
- Median Household Income: $59,605
- Unemployment Rate: 5.7%

Referral Demand by Child Age

- Infants: 23%
- Toddlers: 31%
- Preschoolers: 22%
- School-Age: 24%

Data Sources:

- Most data is from Child Care Aware of Washington. More data and full citations are available at 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
- 6 Department of Early Learning & Washington State University, Washington State 2015 Child Care Survey
- 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