Trends in Child Care

In most parts of Washington, the number of child care providers and capacity for children declined several years ago, but since 2013 the number of providers has become more stable.

In Ferry County, the number of child care providers has stayed the same at 1 provider with capacity for 12 children in 2013, to 1 providers with capacity for 12 children in December of 2017.*
Helping Families Find Child Care in 2017

In 2017, Child Care Aware of Washington programs helped 14,456 families find child care providers matching their unique needs.

There were no referrals from Ferry in 2017.

Children Using Subsidies

Referral Demand by Child Age

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, 2016-2017
3 U.S. Census Bureau Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates, 2015
4 U.S. Census Bureau American Community Survey, 2015
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. Ferry County is in DEL Region 1 which includes: Adams, Asotin, Chelan, Douglas, Ferry, Garfield, Grant, Lincoln, Okanogan, Pend Or., Spokane, Stevens, Whitman.

7Office of the Superintendent Public Instruction, Historical Comparison of Statewide School District Personnel, 2016-2017

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