Child Care in
Pacific County

January 2018

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 Pacific County, the number of child care providers has stayed the same from 11 with capacity for 276 children in 2013, to 11 providers with capacity for 247 children in December of 2017.*

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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, 3,921 child care providers participate in Early Achievers.

Approximately 64% of licensed child care providers in Pacific 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.

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Child Care Aware of Washington

Child Care Aware of Washington provides thorough and independent information and support:
• For families seeking quality child care
• For child care programs seeking to improve quality and
• For effective policymaking

Since 1989, our regional member programs and statewide Family Center have enhanced the quality of child care and helped families by:
• Delivering training, technical assistance, & consultation to child care providers
• Supplying families with consumer education & referrals for child care

(Pronerly the Washington State Child Care Resource & Referral Network)

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Child Care Provider Type

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<th>Type</th>
<th>Percentage</th>
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<td>Centers</td>
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<td>Family Child Care</td>
<td>64%</td>
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<td>School Age Only</td>
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State Subsidy

- Accept all ages
- Do not accept
- Accept school age only

Early Achievers (QRIS) Participation

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<td>Child Care Centers</td>
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<td>6</td>
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<td>Head Start &amp; State Preschool Sites</td>
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Enrollment as of 3/8/18
Child Care Aware of Washington County Profiles
January 2018

Demographics

Population
Total Population in 2017: 21,250
Change since 2013: 250
Children under 5 yrs: 973
Children under 15 yrs: 2,991
K-12 Enrollment: 3,094

Economics

% of children under 18 living in poverty: 23.7%
% of children under 6 w/ all parents working: 44.2 to 64.2%
Median Household Income: $40,677
Unemployment Rate: 6.4%

Compensation in 2014

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<th>Comparison of Average Annual Salary/Income</th>
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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 2017

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

In Pacific County alone, we helped 10 families with 21 children in need of child care to search for matching providers 15 times.

Children Using Subsidies

86%

Referral Demand by Child Age

School-Age: 36%
Pre-schoolers: 9%
Toddlers: 37%
Infants: 18%

Monthly Cost of Child Care in 2017

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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

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