



Maryland Child Care Resource Network

Prince George's Child
Resource Center

Child Care Demographics 2010

Prince George's County Report

Prince George's County, located in suburban metropolitan Washington D.C., encompasses almost 500 square miles. A diverse population of 801,515 (2000) residents is made up of African-Americans, Native Americans, Caucasians, Latinos, Filipinos, Asians and more. Environmentally, the county is as diverse as its people. This vital suburban jurisdiction has densely populated older inner beltway communities, tobacco fields, park lands, wildlife sanctuaries, and 100 miles of shoreline whose rivers empty in to the Chesapeake Bay.

In the past 10 years, Prince George's County experienced the greatest net increase of high-tech jobs in the state. Office space has tripled, and the tax base has doubled. Prince George's 15,600 businesses employ 232,000 workers, and estimated 480 of these businesses have 100 or more employees. Major employers include Andrews Air Force Base, Greenhorne & O'Mara, SGT, Dimensions Health, NASA-Goddard Space Flight Center, the University System of Maryland, Verizon Communications, Giant Foods Inc., Computer Sciences Corp, and Beltsville Agricultural Research Center.

Source: Maryland Department of Business and Economic Development (DBED) 2008-2009.

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Frequently Requested Child Care Information

Child Population 2000

Age Group	Number in age group
0-1	22,826
2-4	35,114
5-9	64,103
10-11	25,142
Total	147,185

Source: Maryland Department of Planning (MDP), 2000 Census Summary File 1.

Child Care Costs as Compared to Other Major Household Expenses

The estimated current median family income in Prince George's is \$77,346⁶. A family of four that included a couple and two children ages 1-2 and 3-5 years can be expected to have the following yearly household expenses:

Expense	Cost	% of Income
Child Care	\$17,309	22.4%
Infant ¹	\$9,114.04	
Preschooler ²	\$8,194.68	
Food ³	\$ 9,469	12.2%
Housing ⁴	\$16,848	21.8%
Taxes ⁵	\$16,684	21.6%
Total	\$60,310	78.0%

¹Average cost of full-time care in a family child care home (LOCATE, 2009).

²Average cost of full-time care in a child care center (LOCATE, 2009). ³National average cost of food at home based on a moderate cost plan (Cost of Food at Home Estimated for Food Plans at Four Cost Level, September 2009), U.S. Average, United States Department of Agriculture). ⁴Based on U.S. Bureau of the Census 2000 median selected owner costs with a mortgage; included mortgage, taxes, insurance and utilities. ⁵Federal, state, and local income taxes, Medicare, and FICA taxes per IRS and Maryland Office of Comptroller (2009). Taxes do not reflect Earned Income Credit. ⁶Current income as shown in the 2nd Quarter 2009 EDIS Report. This data cannot be compared to previous data.

Average Weekly Cost of Full-time Child Care

Prince George's	Family Child Care Programs	Child Care Centers
0-23 months	\$175.27	\$ 219.75
2-4 years	\$145.34	\$ 157.59
5 years ¹	\$134.71	\$148.84
School Age Full ²	\$123.38	\$ 136.02
School Age B/A ³	\$ 88.20	\$ 98.53

Source: MFN/LOCATE: Child Care, 7/09.

¹Average cost of full time care for a 5 year old. Defined as child being in full time child care or being in kindergarten and out-of-school child care, i.e., holidays, school closures and summers. ²Average cost of full time care for a 6+ school age child (out-of-school child care, i.e., holidays, school closures and summers).

³Average cost of before and after school child care.

Number of Prince George's Children under 12 with Mothers in the Work Force¹

107,268 - 77%² of total 2009 child population under 12 (139,309).

¹Source: MFN/LOCATE: Child Care. ²Percent based on 2000 census data. Total population number based on GeoLytics, Inc. Estimate Professional 2009/2014. Data is not directly comparable to earlier reports.

Population Information

Child Population¹

	1990		2000	
	Prince George's	Maryland	Prince George's	Maryland
0-3 years	33,899	216,136	34,246	209,218
3-4 years	21,510	141,682	23,694	144,175
5 years	10,277	69,456	12,251	74,546
6-9 years	39,405	262,917	51,852	316,772
10-11 years	19,046	124,328	25,142	162,481
Total	124,137	814,519	147,185	907,192

¹Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census Summary Tape File 1A (STF 1A), 1990, 2000 Censuses. Age breakdowns prepared by MFN.

Female Population (selected ages)

Age Group	1995 ¹	2000 ²
20-24	29,666	29,176
25-29	35,411	31,432
30-34	38,842	35,139
Total	103,919	95,747

¹Source: MDP Population Projections 7/97. trend analysis by LOCATE: Child Care

²MDP Census 2000 Summary File 1.

Work Force Information

Total Population Ages 16+ in Work Force

	Prince George's	Maryland
1990		
Female	297,928	1,238,003
Male	224,291	1,401,893
2000		
Female	221,852	1,351,034
Male	209,268	1,418,491
Change		
Female	25.5% (+)	9.1%(+)
Male	6.7% (+)	1.2%(+)

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 2000Census. Prepared by MDP, April 2002 based on STF 3A.

Females (16+) with Children

Age Group	2000	1990	Change
Total females (16+)			
with children under 6	25,051	46,630	46.3%(-)
Total females (16+)			
with children under 6 in the work force	18,715	35,851	48.0%(-)
Total females (16+)			
with children 6-17	58,025	49,362	17.5%(+)
Total females (16+)			
with children 6-17 in the work force	47,972	43,126	11.2%(+)

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 2000 census. Prepared by MDP, April 2002 based on STF 3A.

Total Population

	Prince George's	Maryland
2000	801,515	5,296,486
1995	771,605	5,046,079
1990	728,553	4,780,753
1980	665,071	4,216,975

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census Summary Tape File 1A (STF 1A), 2000, 1990, 1980 Censuses of Population and Housing and Maryland Department of Planning Data Services, Revisions, 6/95.

Male Population (selected ages)

Age Group	1995 ¹	2000 ²
20-24	30,452	29,436
25-29	34,303	28,565
30-34	36,508	31,042
Total	101,263	89,043

¹Source: MDP Population Projections 7/97. Spread of ages by LOCATE: Child Care

²MDP Census 2000 Summary File 1.

Households

	1990	2000
Total household population	712,090	784,158
Total # of households	258,011	286,610
Average household size	2.76	2.74

Census 2000 summary File 1. Produced by the Source: Maryland Department of Planning, Planning Data Services.



Census Information

Families and Poverty

	1990	%	2000	%	%Change
All Families	183,800	100%	198,066	100%	7.8%(+)
Families Below Poverty Level	6,872	3.7%	10,641	5.4%	54.8%(+)
All Families w/Children Under 6**	44,048	100%	22,678	N/A*	N/A*
Families w/Children Under 5 Below Poverty Level	2,827	6.4%	4,137	N/A*	46.3%(+)
All Families w/Children Under 18	101,891	100%	101,251	100%	0.6%(-)
Families w/Children Under 18 Below Poverty Level	5,409	5.3%	8,450	8.3%	56.2%(+)

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 2000 Census. Prepared by MDP, May 2002 based on STF 1, STF 3A. Measurements of poverty status are based in income received from the previous year.

*Comparable data not available from 1990 Census.

**Data collected in 1990 was for children under 5.

Educational Attainment

	Prince George's	%Adult Pop. Over 25 Yrs	Maryland	%Adult Pop. Over 25 Yrs
High School Grad or Higher	427,557	84.9%	2,930,509	83.8%
Associate, Bachelor's Degree or Higher	164,259	32.6%	1,099,360	31.4%

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 2000. Prepared by MDP, April 2002 based on STF 3A.

Children and Poverty

	1990	%	2000	%	%Change
Total Related Children Under 18	174,164	100%	179,642	100%	3.1%(+)
Total Children Under 18 Below Poverty Level	11,500	65.6%	20,108	11.2%	74.9%(+)
Total Related Children Under 5	54,000	100%	46,366	100%	14.1%(-)
Total Children Under 5 Below Poverty Level	4,027	7.5%	5,461	11.8%	35.6%(+)
Total Related Children 5-17	120,164	100%	133,276	100%	10.9%(+)
Total Children 5-17 Below Poverty Level	7,473	6.2%	14,647	11.0%	96.0%(+)

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 2000 Census. Prepared by MDP, August 2002 based on STF 3A. Measurements of poverty status are based in income received from the previous year.

Families

Prince George's

	Total	Total # of All Families With Related Children Under Age 6	Total # of All Families With Related Children Under Age 18
1990	183,800	44,048**	101,891
2000	198,066	22,676	101,251
Change	7.8%(+)	N/A*	0.6%(-)

Maryland

	Total	Total # of All Families With Related Children Under Age 6	Total # of All Families With Related Children Under Age 18
1990	1,256,327	281,342**	649,622
2000	1,359,318	150,011	662,172
Change	8.2%(+)	N/A*	1.9%(+)

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 1990 and 2000 Censuses. Prepared by MDP, April 2002 based on Summary tape File 3A (STF 3A). See "Census of Population and Housing" in definitions section for additional information.

* Comparable data not available for 1990 Census.

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Income, Unemployment and Housing Information

Annual Wage Rate Information

Public School Teacher Salary Average (Prince George's County)	\$63,072
Public School Teacher Salary Average (MD)	\$62,849
Nonpublic School Teacher Average (Maryland)	\$48,622
Family Child Care Provider (Maryland)	\$28,559
Child Care Center Director (Maryland)	\$34,945
Center Senior Staff/Teacher (Maryland)	\$23,927
Center Aide (Maryland)	\$16,048

Sources: MSDE, Oct 2008, Association of Independent Maryland Schools (AIMS), 2009-10 school year, and MFN's 2009 Statewide Survey of Family Child Care Providers and Child Care Centers.

Family Income

Median Family Income, 2000 Census

Prince George's	\$62,467
Maryland	\$61,876

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 2000 Census. Prepared by MDP, May 2002 based on STF 3A.

Median Household Effective Buying Income (EBI):

Prince George's	\$53,939
Maryland	\$53,064

Percent Households

EBI Distribution	Prince George's	Maryland
under \$25,000	14.2%	17.8%
\$25,000 - \$49,999	31.3%	28.9%
\$50,000 - \$74,999	24.3%	22.3%
\$75,000+	30.2%	31.0%

Source: Reprinted by permission: Copyright © Market Statistics, 2008. Demographics USA-County Ed. Median Household Effective Buying Income (EBI) is not directly comparable to 1997 or earlier reports.

Unemployment Rate

	Prince George's	Maryland
1996	4.9%	4.9%
1997	4.8%	4.7%
1998	4.5%	4.3%
1999	3.4%	3.3%
2000	3.4%	3.4%
2001	4.4%	4.0%
2002	4.5%	3.9%
2003	4.5%	4.1%
2004	4.3%	3.9%
2005	4.4%	3.9%
2006	4.0%	3.7%
2007	3.9%	3.6%
2008	4.8%	4.5%
2009	7.3%	7.1%

Source: Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation (DLLR), Sept 2009.

Housing Information

	Prince George's	Maryland
Owner-Occupied housing	177,177 (62%)	1,341,751 (67.7%)
Renter-Occupied housing	109,433 (38%)	639,108 (32.3%)

Note: Percentage is based on total occupied housing units.

	Prince George's	Maryland
Mean value of Owner-Occupied Housing	\$145,600	\$146,000
Median Selected Monthly Owner Costs With a Mortgage	\$1,404	\$1,296
Median Gross Residential Monthly Rent	\$737	\$689

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census STF 1A and STF 3A, 2000 Census. Prepared by MDP, May 2002. Percentage based on total occupied housing units prepared by MFN.

Supply of Regulated Early Childhood Programs and Education

Children's Programs by Type with Capacity/Enrollment

	# of Programs	Capacity
Family Child Care Providers	1,204	9,197
*OCC Licensed Group Programs	419	25,195
8-12 Hour Child Care Centers	286	16,717
Infant/Toddler	130	1,354
Part-Day	48	N/A
Before/after School (School & Center-Based)	322	N/A
Employer-Sponsored Centers	11	754
Youth Camps	92	N/A
Nursery Schools	29	N/A
Kindergarten	29	N/A
**Head Start	35	enrollment: 872
***Public Pre-Kindergarten	129	

*Note: Numbers do not total because facilities may have more than one type of program. Unless otherwise indicated, all programs are privately funded.
= federally funded *= state funded

Source: MFN/LOCATE Child Care, 7/09; Maryland State Department of Education; Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.

Education

Public and Private Schools (Elementary and Middle)

	Public	Private
Elementary Schools	139	8
Middle Schools	27	1
Combined	5	51

Elementary School Enrollment

	Public	Private
Pre-Kindergarten (included EEEP):	5,770	1,920
Kindergarten	8,836	977
Grades 1 - 6	44,128	5,383
Total	58,734	8,280

Source: MSDE, 2008-09 school year. Enrollment figures are for September 30, 2008. Private schools include MSDE approved schools and those operated by a tax-exempt religious organization which hold a letter of exemption from approval in accordance with State law.



Supply of Child Care

Supply of Family Child Care

City	# of Providers	Number Providing Services to			Mean Weekly Cost of Care		
		Infant	Pre-school	School-Age	Infants	Pre-school	B/A School
Beltsville	15	15	15	12	200.74	156.43	100.00
Bowie	132	120	130	112	194.19	159.39	92.20
Greenbelt	10	9	9	8	188.00	152.00	83.33
Hyattsville	67	66	67	60	163.82	134.13	85.54
Lanham	64	59	63	53	172.99	148.53	92.92
Laurel	69	67	69	57	192.23	149.48	95.00
Riverdale	17	15	17	12	168.93	142.66	86.10
Capitol Heights	52	47	52	49	162.99	137.06	87.10
Forestville	34	33	34	33	168.21	141.75	91.54
Landover	36	32	34	32	174.64	135.75	100.36
Mitchellville	32	28	30	24	183.09	150.32	96.75
Suitland	35	32	35	30	167.17	133.96	87.78
Upper Marlboro	150	127	141	131	176.62	145.77	89.00
Accokeek	19	18	18	18	186.92	150.45	91.67
Brandywine	15	12	13	12	181.25	148.59	86.25
Clinton	98	93	98	91	168.50	137.97	88.04
Fort Washington	93	84	88	85	176.88	135.48	86.20
Oxon Hill	34	29	33	32	159.58	125.92	82.65
Temple Hills	74	64	73	63	163.57	132.28	94.11

Supply of Full-Day Center Care

City	# of Providers	Number Providing Services to			Mean Weekly Cost of Care		
		Infant	Pre-school	School-Age	Infants	Pre-school	B/A School
Beltsville	11	5	11	8	\$251.75	\$181.51	\$120.42
Bowie	26	12	23	19	244.50	174.87	102.06
Greenbelt	6	1	6	4	256.00	168.25	88.50
Hyattsville	18	8	18	10	199.00	143.08	103.75
Lanham	14	5	14	9	253.00	175.70	120.86
Laurel	18	6	17	14	264.17	167.67	96.14
Riverdale	7	3	5	2	217.50	152.50	72.50
Capitol Heights	18	8	16	12	192.50	143.07	88.84
Forestville	10	4	9	9	215.00	130.84	90.67
Landover	17	10	16	13	204.11	153.77	102.25
Mitchellville	6	3	6	3	193.33	152.08	95.00
Suitland	7	3	7	7	197.50	137.17	111.00
Upper Marlboro	18	8	16	12	220.00	161.44	108.86
Accokeek	3	2	3	2	225.00	150.00	00.00
Brandywine	4	2	4	3	237.50	137.82	98.75
Clinton	14	6	14	9	210.00	145.25	93.33
Fort Washington	19	6	18	17	216.25	140.27	89.17
Oxon Hill	7	4	6	4	186.00	160.33	66.00
Temple Hills	15	6	15	14	206.25	150.47	97.00

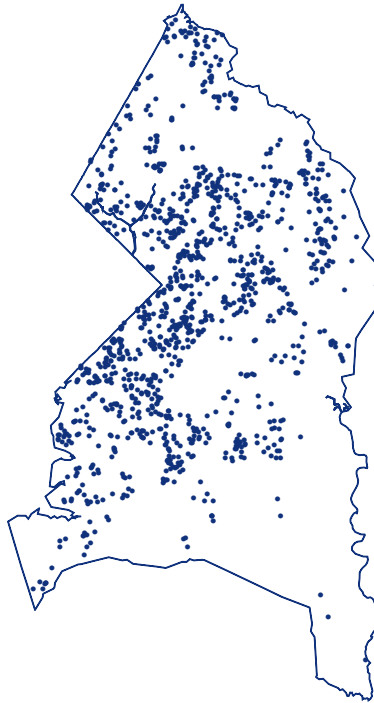
NOTE: Only selected cities/communities in Prince George's County are represented. The number of providers caring for the different age groups does not equal the total number of providers in each city because some providers may care for more than one age group and/or complete information may not be available. "B/A School" is care provided before and/or after school.

Source: PGCCRC/LOCATE: Child Care, 7/09.

Supply of Regulated Child Care

Density of Regulated Family Child Care Homes in Prince George's County

1 dot = 1 home



Source: MFN/LOCATE: Child Care, 7/09.

Density of Licensed 8-12 Hour Child Care Centers in Prince George's County

1 dot = 1 center



Source: MFN/LOCATE: Child Care, 7/09.

Supply of Regulated Child Care

Number of Children 0-5 Years Per Regulated Child Care Space by Census Tract

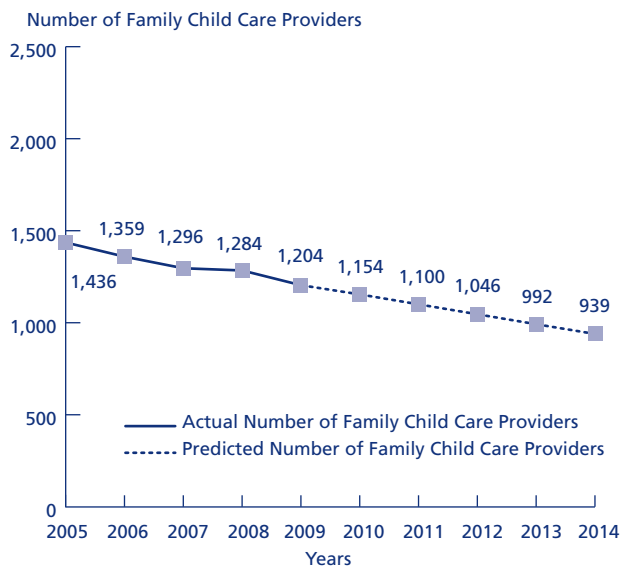


This map is based on the total population of children 0-5 yrs. Child population numbers are taken from Geolytics, Inc. Estimate Professional 2009/2014. When assessing the need for child care, the results of the National Child Care Survey 1990 also should be considered which indicate that approximately 66% of the working mothers surveyed used no supplemental care or utilized care by relatives, caregivers in the child's own home, or other arrangements. Only 34% utilized care in regulated out-of-home settings. See "National Child Care Survey 1990" in definition section for additional information.

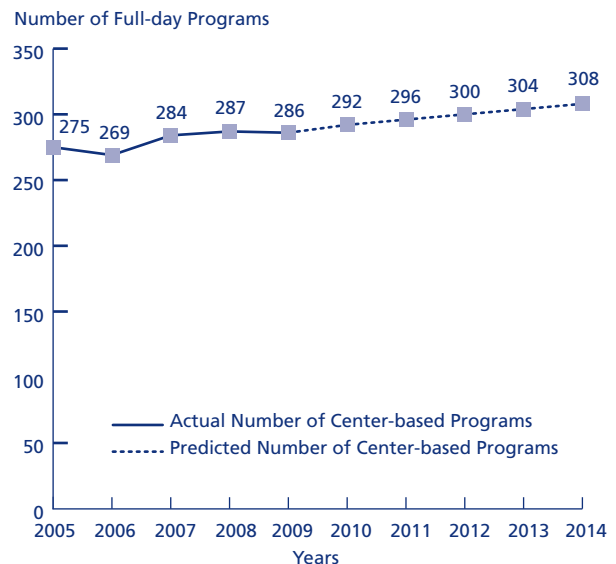
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Past and Anticipated Growth Patterns for Family/Center Providers

Family Child Care Providers in Prince George's 2005-2014



Center-based Programs in Prince George's 2005-2014 Full-day (8 to 12 hours)



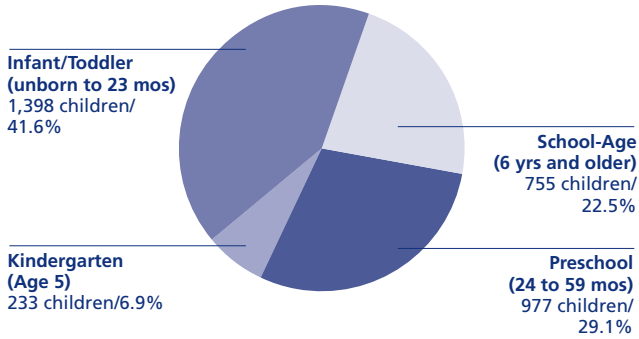
These predictions were generated with the use of the Cycle Regression Analysis Model. This model is being developed as part of the FORECAST system by Dr. LeRoy Simmons and Mr. George Wright of Loyola College. The predictions generated by the Model do not reflect the effects of current changes to social programs affecting child care. For further information, contact Arna Griffith, 410.752.7588.

Source: MFN/LOCATE: Child Care, 7/09.

Demand for Child Care

Children Served by Age

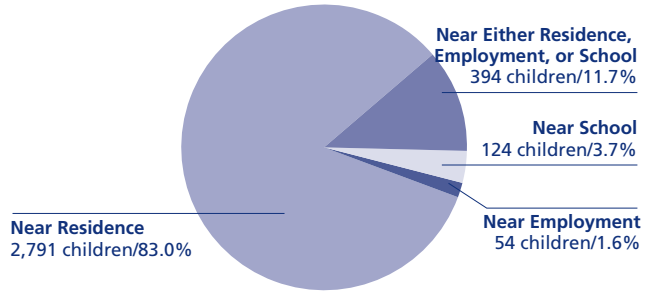
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Source: LOCATE: Child Care at Prince George's Child Resource Center (7/1/08-6/30/09).
NOTE: Percentages do not total 100% because of rounding.

Children Served by Locational Preferences for Care

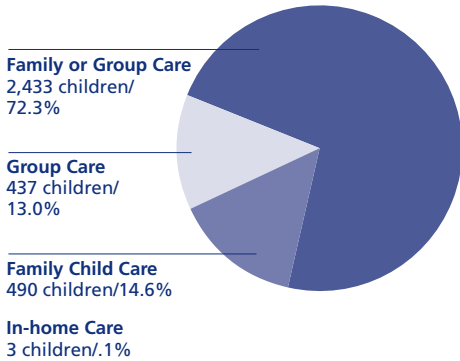
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Children Served by Type of Care Preferred

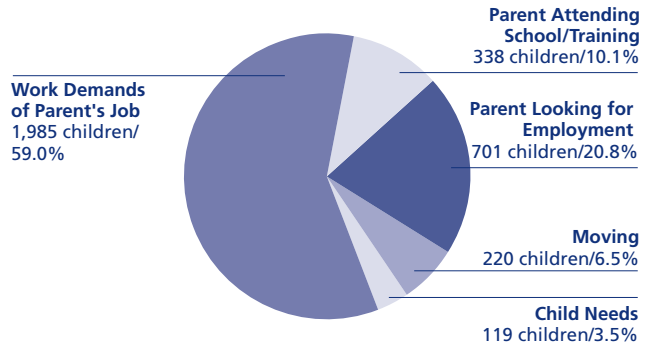
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Source: LOCATE: Child Care at Prince George's Child Resource Center (7/1/08-6/30/09).
* Indicates all other combinations of Family Care, Group Care and In-home Care

Reason Child Care is Needed

N=3,363



Source: LOCATE: Child Care at Prince George's Child Resource Center (7/1/08-6/30/09).
NOTE: Percentages do not total 100% because of rounding.

Demand for Child Care

Number of Children Served by LOCATE: Child Care
3,363 children (7/1/08-6/30/09)

Full-time or Part-time Care Needs of Children Served N=3,363

Full-time: 2,233 children (66.4%)

Part-time: 1,046 children (31.1%)

Other*: 84 children (2.5%)

* Includes requests for sick, backup and temporary care.

Source: LOCATE: Child Care at Prince George's Child Resource Center (7/1/08-6/30/09).

Child Care Subsidy Program (formerly POC)

LOCATE calls received from parents with children eligible for Child Care Subsidy
918 (27.3% of all calls)

LOCATE calls received from parents with children receiving Child Care Subsidy
926 (27.5% of all calls)

Source: LOCATE: Child Care at Prince George's Child Resource Center (7/1/08-6/30/09).

Major Reasons Parents Could Not Find Child Care in Prince George's

Reason	Count
Cost	93
Other	54
No vacancies for infant	19
Location	14
Schedule	14
Quality of care	13
Combination of ages	11
Transportation/Escort	9
No vacancies for school age	8
Special needs experience	4
No vacancies for preschool	3

Source: LOCATE: Child Care at Prince George's Child Resource Center (7/1/08-6/30/09).

Major Factors Important to Parents Who Found Child Care in Prince George's

Reason	Count
Proximity to home	425
Quality of care	308
Educational program	181
Cost	149
Appearance/facilities	98
Group size	68
Hours of operation	64
Escort	58
Family setting	41
Proximity to school	39
Proximity to work	30
Only provider/program with vacancy	10
Special needs experience	10
Offered part time care	9
Nearby transportation	8
Did not provide response	2

Source: LOCATE: Child Care at Prince George's Child Resource Center (7/1/08-6/30/09).

Supply of Child Care

Child Care Subsidy Program

Family Child Care Providers willing to care for CCS children in Prince George's
1,004 (83.4% of total family child care providers)

Child Care Centers willing to care for CCS children in Prince George's County
223 (78.0% of total child care centers)

Source: MFN/LOCATE: Child Care at Prince George's Child Resource Center (7/1/08-6/30/09).

Prince George's FY 10 Allocation
\$17,739,166 = 3,982 full-time children

Source: Maryland State Department of Education, Office of Child Care.

Special Needs Child Care

Family providers who serve/have served children with special needs
705 (58.6% of total family child care providers in Prince George's)

Centers who serve/have served children with special needs
189 (66.1% of total child care centers in Prince George's)

Source: MFN/LOCATE: Child Care, 7/09.

Definitions

Before/After-School Care: School-Age child care offers care to children enrolled in Kindergarten or above. Care is provided before and/or after school and during school holidays/vacations. Programs are licensed by the Office of Child Care. Programs may operate from a school building or other licensed facility.

Census of Population and Housing: There are two versions of the 2000 Census questionnaire: a short form which asks a limited number of population and housing questions of all households, and a long form questionnaire which asks additional social and economic questions of a sample of all households. The data contained in the Census Summary Tape File 1 A (STF 1 A) are based on the questions which were asked of all persons, while the data from the Census Summary Tape File 3A (STF 3A) are based on the sample questionnaire. The user should note that data obtained from a sample are subject to sampling variability, and that there are limitations to many of these data.

Child Care: The care or supervision of a child when the child's parent has given the child's care over to another for some portion of a 24-hour-day as a supplement to the parent's primary care of the child. (OCC)

Child Care Center: Child care provided in a facility that, for part or all of the day, provides care to children in the absence of the parent. Centers are licensed by the Office of Child Care.

Child Care Subsidy Program (formerly POC): Provides financial assistance to eligible families in securing care for their children in registered family child care homes or licensed child care centers while parents/guardians are attending school, working, or in job training.

Children with Special Needs: Children who, because of a disability or other special educational, developmental, physical, emotional, behavioral, or medical condition, require additional care, or whose activities are restricted by a certain condition. (OCC)

Current Median Family Income: Current median family income is the value presented in the Economic Development Intelligence System, (EDIS) 2nd Quarter 2009 report.

Current Population Estimates: Current population estimates are based on GeoLytics, Inc. Estimate Professional 2009/2014.

Educational Attainment: The highest level of school completed or the highest degree received. Educational attainment figures were used for persons over 25 years of age. (U.S. Bureau of the Census)

Effective Buying Income: Personal income less personal tax and nontax payments. It is commonly known as "Disposable personal income." (DBED)

Employer-Sponsored Centers: A child care center located on-site or off-site which is sponsored by a corporation, business, or other employer. Employees are given priority for enrollment slots.

Family Child Care: The care given to a child younger than 13 years old or to a developmentally disabled person younger than 21 years old, in place of parental care for less than 24 hours a day, in a residence other than the child's residence and for which the provider is paid. Regulations allow a family child care provider to care for as many as eight children at any time. (OCC)

Family Household Income: Family includes a householder and one or more persons living in the same household who are related to the householder by birth, marriage, or adoption. A household can contain only one family for purposes of census tabulations. Information on money income received in the calendar year 1999 was requested from persons 15 years and over. (U.S. Bureau of the Census)

Head Start: Project Head Start provides comprehensive developmental services for children from low-income families. Head Start is comprised of four components including Education, Health, Parent Involvement, and Social Services. Head Start Centers serve children from age 3 to school entry age from income eligible families.

Infant/Toddler: In the State of Maryland, "infant" means a child under 18 months old. "Toddler" means a child 18 months old or older but younger than 2 years old. (OCC) MFN reports "infant" as a child birth through 23 months of age.

Kindergarten: An instructional program for children who are 5 years old by September 1st of each academic year. Programs may be operated by a private or public school. Kindergarten is the year of school which precedes entrance to first grade.

The National Child Care Survey 1990: (NCCS) contains information on demand and parental preferences for care based on a nationally representative sample of families with children younger than age 13. The NCCS examined the type of care and education (excluding formal schooling) that parents use to supplement their own care of children. Employed mothers were surveyed regarding the primary supplemental care arrangements used for the most hours per week by their youngest child excluding school or kindergarten attendance.

Definitions, cont.

The results indicate that 66% of the employed mothers surveyed used no supplemental care, or utilized care by relatives, by caregivers in the child's own home, or other arrangements. Family child care homes or child care centers were used as the primary supplemental care arrangement by the remaining 34%. The mother's utilization of out-of-home care varied with the age of the child, with 42% of children under 3 years of age, 60% of children ages 3-4 years, and 21% of children 5-12 years placed in these settings for supplemental care.

Nursery Schools: An instructional program approved or exempted by the Maryland State Department of Education for children who are two through four years old. The maximum length of the program is 6 hours per day, however most operate only a few hours per day and may meet only two or three times per week for a nine month period.

Owner Costs with Mortgage (Selected Monthly): The sum of payments for mortgages, deeds of trust, contracts to purchase, or similar debts on the property; real estate taxes; fire hazard, and flood insurance on the property; utilities; and fuels. It also includes, where appropriate, the monthly condominium fees or mobile home costs. A housing unit is owner-occupied if the owner or co-owner lives in the unit even if it is mortgaged or not fully paid for. (U.S. Bureau of the Census)

Part Day: A program regulated by OCC with an educational focus for children one or two years before entering kindergarten. These programs are usually 2-3 hrs/day, 2-3 days/week, nine months/year.

Pre-Kindergarten: These are publicly funded pre-kindergarten programs for eligible 4-year-old children administered by local boards of education or qualified vendors. The programs have the overall goal of providing learning experiences to help children develop and maintain school readiness skills necessary for successful school performance. Local school systems shall enroll all 4-year-old applicants from economically disadvantaged or homeless families.

Poverty Level: The poverty guideline for a family of four persons was \$22,050 in 2009. (U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, OCT 2009)

Renter Occupied Gross Monthly Rent: Monthly contract rent plus the estimated average monthly cost of utilities and fuels, if these are paid by the renter. All occupied housing units which are not owner-occupied, whether they are rented for cash rent or occupied without payment of cash rent, are classified as renter-occupied. (U.S. Bureau of the Census)

Small Centers: A small center is licensed by the Office of Child Care for a maximum of 12 children. It may be in a residential or non-residential setting.

Unemployment Rate: Civilians 16 years old and over are classified unemployed if they (1) were neither "at work" nor "with a job but not at work" during the reference week, and (2) were looking for work during the last four weeks, and (3) were available to accept a job. Also included were civilians who did not work at all during the reference week and were waiting to be called back to a job from which they had been laid off. (U.S. Bureau of the Census)

Youth Camps (Licensed): A day camp, residential camp, travel camp, or trip camp licensed by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.

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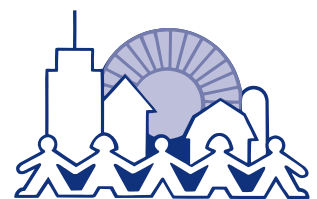
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