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Anne Arundel County Report

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Frequently Requested Child Care Information

Anne Arundel County is located South of Baltimore and bordered by Baltimore City and Baltimore, Howard, Prince George’s, and Calvert Counties, with the Chesapeake Bay on its eastern border. It includes Annapolis, the Capital of Maryland. It is approximately 418 square miles in size. It has a population of approximately 584,000 people, making it 4th in county population count in the state.

Anne Arundel County’s economy includes transportation, defense, telecommunications, retail, and warehousing and distribution. Of the approximately 305,000 civilian employees, the county employs approximately 259,000 people via 16,000 businesses. Approximately 87% are in the private sector, with the largest concentrations in trade, transportation, and utilities and professional and business services. The rest are in local government (3%), state government (4%) and federal government (6%).

Major employers include Fort George G. Meade, at which several federal agencies are located, Northrup Grumman, Luminis Health, Southwest Airlines, UM Baltimore Washington Medical Center, U.S. Naval Academy/Naval Activity Support, Live! Casino, Amazon, Booz Allen Hamilton, Inc., Allegis Group, Anne Arundel Community College, DXC Technologies, Raytheon Technologies, and Jacobs.

Approximately 43% of Anne Arundel County residents have a Bachelor’s degree or higher. For public schools, Anne Arundel County has approximately 81 elementary schools, 21 middle or combined schools, 13 high schools, 2 career/tech schools, and 2 charter schools¹. Total public school enrollment is 84,000 students. The county is home to St. John’s College and U.S. Naval Academy (four-year) and Anne Arundel Community College (two-year)².

Child Population 2022

Age Group	Number in age group
0-2 years	19,660
3-4 years	15,618
5 years	7,045
6-8 years	22,530
9-11 years	22,244
Total Children in Households Aged 0-11	87,097

Source: US Bureau of the Census, American Community Survey 2022

Child Care Costs as Compared to Other Major Household Expenses

The estimated current median family income in Anne Arundel is \$136,266⁶. A family of four that included a couple and two children ages 0-23 months and 2-4 years can be expected to have the following yearly household expenses:

Expense	Cost	% of Income
Child Care	\$27,403.48	20%
Infant ¹	\$13,591.24	
Preschooler ²	\$13,812.24	
Food ³	\$ 2,946.00	2%
Housing ⁴	\$28,488.00	21%
Taxes ⁵	\$34,306.00	25%
Total	\$93,143.48	68%

¹ Average cost of full-time care in a family child care home (LOCATE, 2023).

² Average cost of full-time care in a child care center (LOCATE, 2023). ³ National 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, July 2023), U.S. Average, United States Department of Agriculture). ⁴ Based on U.S. Bureau of the Census 2020 median selected owner costs with a mortgage; included mortgage, taxes, insurance and utilities. ⁵ State and local taxes per Comptroller of Maryland (2023), Medicare and FICA taxes per moneychimp.com (2023). Taxes do not reflect Earned Income Credit. ⁶ Current income as shown in the Geolytics Report dated July 2023. This data cannot be compared to previous data.

Average Weekly Cost of Full-time Child Care

Anne Arundel County	Family Child Care Programs	Child Care Centers
0-23 Months	\$288.03	\$418.89
2-4 Years	\$248.74	\$318.99
5 Years ¹	\$231.43	\$308.96
School Age Full ²	\$203.66	\$352.04
School Age B/A ³	\$141.00	\$165.12

Source: MFN/LOCATE: Child Care, 6/23.

¹ Average 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. ² Average cost of full time care for a 6+ school age child (out-of-school child care, i.e., holidays, school closures and summers). ³ Average cost of before and after school child care.

¹ Maryland Public School Enrollment by Race/Ethnicity and Gender and Number of Schools, 2022-2023

² Brief Economic Facts, Maryland Department of Commerce, 2022

Population Information

Child Population¹

	2011		2022	
	Anne Arundel	Maryland	Anne Arundel	Maryland
0-2 years	20,815	215,677	19,660	205,809
3-4 years	13,321	149,276	15,618	152,669
5 years	7,124	73,189	7,045	72,489
6-8 years	20,895	216,607	22,530	224,287
9-11 years	20,346	224,348	22,244	231,904
Total	82,501	879,097	87,097	887,158

Source: US Bureau of the Census, American Community Survey 2011, 2022

Female Population (selected ages)

Age Group	2011	2022
Aged 20-24	15,726	16,236
Aged 25-29	17,956	18,673
Aged 30-34	17,188	21,473
Total Aged 20-34	50,870	56,382

Source: US Bureau of the Census, American Community Survey 2011, 2022

Work Force Information

Total Population Ages 16+ in Work Force

	Anne Arundel	Maryland
2022		
Females	152,463	1,618,655
Males	172,092	1,713,303
2011		
Females	155,494	1,706,926
Males	172,608	1,772,418
Change		
Females	-1.9%	-5.2%
Males	-0.3%	-3.3%

Source: US Bureau of the Census, American Community Survey 2011, 2022
* Does not include the population not in the Labor Force

Females Aged 16+ with Children

Age Group	2011	2022	Change
Total Children Under 6 years old	40,128	41,074	2.4%
Children Under 6 with all custodial parents working	26,956	29,687	10.1%
Total Children 6-17 years old	78,681	85,312	8.4%
Children 6-17 with all custodial parents working	59,439	66,246	11.5%

Source: US Bureau of the Census, American Community Survey 2011, 2022

Total Population

	Anne Arundel	Maryland
2022	588,109	6,161,707
2021	584,064	6,148,545
2011	532,369	5,736,545
2000	489,656	5,296,486
1990	427,239	4,780,753
1980	370,775	4,216,975

Source: US Bureau of the Census, 1980, 1990, 2000; American community Survey 2011, 2021

Male Population (selected ages)

Age Group	2011	2022
Aged 20-24	19,565	18,537
Aged 25-29	18,197	19,924
Aged 30-34	16,918	21,504
Total Aged 20-34	54,680	59,965

Source: US Bureau of the Census, American Community Survey 2011, 2022

Households

	2011	2022
Total household population	516,105	577,602
Total number of households	197,348	221,704
Average household size	2.62	2.61

Source: US Bureau of the Census, American Community Survey 2011, 2022

Females Aged 16+ with Children Under 18

Age Group	2011	2022	Change
Females (16+) with children under 18	62,057	59,968	-3.4%
Females (16+) with children under 18, in the workforce	44,943	47,154	4.9%

Source: US Bureau of the Census, American Community Survey 2011, 2022

Census Information

Families and Poverty

	2011	% in Poverty	2022	% in Poverty	% Change
All Families	138,085		152,630		10.5%
Families Below Poverty Level	5,102	3.7%	6,233	4.1%	22.2%
All Families with Children Under 5	27,021		26,354		-2.5%
All Families w Children Under 5 Below Poverty Level	2,073	7.7%	2,070	7.9%	-0.1%
All Families w Children Under 18	67,931		70,464		3.7%
All Families w Children Under 18 Below Poverty Level	4,003	5.9%	4,553	6.5%	13.7%

Source: US Bureau of the Census, American Community Survey 2011, 2022

Children and Poverty

	2011	% in Poverty	2022	% in Poverty	% Change
Total Related Children Under 18	122,709		130,323		6.2%
Total Children Under 18 Below Poverty Level	9,108	7.4%	9,685	7.4%	6.3%
Total Children Under 5 Below Poverty Level	2,806	8.3%	2,680	7.7%	-4.5%
Children 5-17 Below Poverty Level	6,302	7.1%	7,005	7.3%	11.2%

Source: US Bureau of the Census, American Community Survey 2011, 2022

Educational Attainment for Adults over 25 Years

	Anne Arundel	% of Adults	Maryland	% of Adults
Total Adults Aged 25 or More	409,052		4,260,095	
High School Graduate or Higher	382,651	93.5%	3,876,178	91.0%
Bachelors Degree or Higher	180,512	44.1%	1,798,746	42.2%

Source: US Bureau of the Census, American Community Survey 2022

Families

Anne Arundel	2011	2022	% Change
Total Families	138,085	152,630	10.5%
Total # of All Families with Related Childrend Under Age 6*	26,839	27,991	4.3%
Total # of All Families with Related Childrend Under Age 18	62,057	64,675	4.2%

Maryland	2011	2022	% Change
Total Families	1,428,101	1,525,066	6.8%
Total # of All Families with Related Childrend Under Age 6*	269,284	262,824	-2.4%
Total # of All Families with Related Childrend Under Age 18	656,740	643,101	-2.1%

Source: US Bureau of the Census, American Community Survey 2011, 2022

*Includes Families with children under 6 AND Families with children under 6 and aged 6-17

Income, Unemployment and Housing Information

Annual Wage Rate Information

Public School Teacher Salary (AA County) ¹	\$75,294
Public Teacher Salary Average MD ¹	\$79,420
Non Public School Teacher Salary Average (National) ²	\$67,201
Family Child Care Provider (County) ³	\$38,172
Child Care Center Director (County) ³	\$40,263
Center Senior Staff /Teacher(County) ³	\$31,309
Center Aide (Count) ³	\$22,084

1. Average Teacher Salary MSDE Sept 2023
2. National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS) 2022- 2023 Year
3. MFN's 2022 Statewide Survey of Family Child Care Providers and Child Care Centers.

Family Income

Median Family Income

Anne Arundel	\$136,266
Maryland	\$120,081

Source: US Bureau of the Census, American Community Survey 2022

Median Household Income¹:

Anne Arundel	\$116,009
Maryland	\$98,461

Income Distribution	Percent Households	
	Anne Arundel	Maryland
Under \$25,000	7.2%	11.6%
\$25,000-\$49,999	9.9%	13.2%
\$50,000-\$74,999	12.6%	13.6%
\$75,000 +	70.3%	61.6%
Total Households	221,704	2,318,124

Source: US Bureau of the Census, American Community Survey 2022
NOTE: Percentages may not total 100% because of rounding

Housing Information

	Anne Arundel	%	Maryland	%
Owner-Occupied housing	166,367	75.0%	1,564,056	67.5%
Renter-Occupied housing	55,337	25.0%	754,068	32.5%
Mean Value of Owner-Occupied Housing	\$432,000		\$380,500	
Median Selected Monthly Owner Costs with a Mortgage	\$2,374		\$2,245	
Median Gross Residential Monthly Rent	\$1,908		\$1,598	

Source: US Bureau of the Census, American Community Survey 2022

Unemployment Rate

	Anne Arundel	Maryland
2001	3.3%	4.0%
2002	3.2%	3.9%
2003	3.4%	4.1%
2004	3.2%	3.9%
2005	3.2%	3.9%
2006	3.2%	3.7%
2007	3.1%	3.6%
2008	4.0%	4.5%
2009	6.5%	7.1%
2010	6.6%	7.3%
2011	6.6%	7.2%
2012	5.9%	6.5%
2013	5.7%	6.2%
2014	5.0%	5.6%
2015	4.5%	5.0%
2016	4.0%	4.5%
2017	3.6%	4.3%
2018	3.9%	4.5%
2019	3.4%	3.9%
2020	7.4%	8.3%
2021	5.6%	6.7%
2020	3.1%	3.7%
2023	1.5%	1.7%

MD Department of Labor Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) June 2023.

Supply of Regulated Early Childhood Programs and Education

Children's Programs by Type with Capacity/ Enrollment

	# of Programs	Capacity ¹
Family Child Care Providers	351	2,722
*OCC Licensed Group Programs	245	17,864
8-12 Hour Child Care Centers	147	12,635
Infant/Toddler	5	27
Part-Day	37	N/A
Before/after School (School & Center-Based)	154	11,456
Employer-Sponsored Centers	4	315
Nursery Schools	45	N/A
Public Kindergarten	48	N/A
**Head Start	4	316
***Early Head Start	1	85
***Public Pre-Kindergarten Sites	48	N/A
Total Infant/Toddler	342	764

¹Some providers may still be closed due to COVID 19 considerations.

*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 programs which include Head Start, Early Head Start and Home-based Head Start.

***State funded.

Source: MFN/LOCATE Child Care, 6/23; Maryland State Department of Education; Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.

Education

Public and Private Schools (Elementary and Middle)

	Public	Private*
Elementary Schools	81	7
Middle Schools	19	2
Combined	2	32

Elementary School Enrollment

	Public	Private*
Pre-Kindergarten	2,394	1,360
Kindergarten	5,966	852
Grades 1 - 6	37,546	6,320
Total	45,906	8,532

Source: MSDE, 2022-23 school year. Enrollment figures are for September 30, 2022.

*Self reported data from Maryland Nonpublic Schools as reported to MSDE.*Self reported data from Maryland Nonpublic Schools as reported to MSDE.

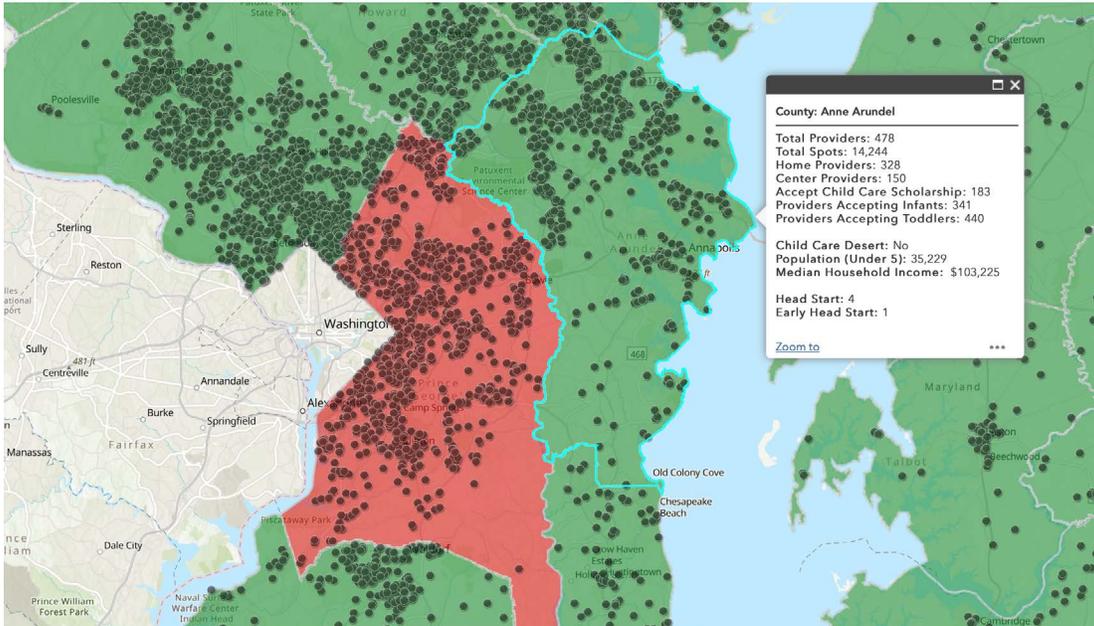
Density of Family Providers and Center Programs by Community/Zip Code

The following chart shows the number of registered family child care providers and licensed full-day child care centers in Anne Arundel as of June 30, 2023.

Community/ Zip Code	Family Providers	%	8-12 Hour Centers	%
Annapolis 21401	13	3.7%	19	12.8%
Annapolis 21403	7	2.0%	4	2.7%
Annapolis 21409	17	4.8%	4	2.7%
Annapolis Junction 20701	0	0.0%	1	0.7%
Arnold 21012	13	3.7%	5	3.4%
Baltimore 21225	2	0.6%	3	2.0%
Baltimore 21226	1	0.3%	1	0.7%
Brooklyn Park 21225	1	0.3%	0	0.0%
Churchton 20733	4	1.1%	0	0.0%
Crofton 21113	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Crofton 21114	11	3.1%	3	2.0%
Crownsville 21032	3	0.9%	3	2.0%
Davidsonville 21035	2	0.6%	6	4.0%
Deale 20751	1	0.3%	1	0.7%
Dunkirk 20754	2	0.6%	0	0.0%
Edgewater 21037	8	2.3%	6	4.0%
Edgewater 21401	0	0.0%	1	0.7%
Fort Meade 20755	0	0.0%	1	0.7%
Friendship 20758	1	0.3%	0	0.0%
Galesville 20765	0	0.0%	1	0.7%
Gambrills 21054	7	2.0%	13	8.7%
Glen Burnie 21060	24	6.8%	3	2.0%
Glen Burnie 21061	46	13.1%	11	7.4%
Hanover 21076	14	4.0%	10	6.7%
Harwood 20776	1	0.3%	1	0.7%
Jessup 20794	4	1.1%	1	0.7%
Laurel 20724	15	4.3%	2	1.3%
Linthicum 21090	8	1.4%	2	1.3%
Linthicum Heights 21090	3	0.9%	3	2.0%
Linthicum Heights 21225	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Lothian 20711	2	0.6%	2	1.3%
Millersville 21108	16	4.6%	3	2.0%
Odenton 21113	23	6.6%	9	6.0%
Pasadena 21122	41	11.7%	17	11.4%
Riva 21140	4	1.1%	0	0.0%
Severn 21144	38	10.8%	3	2.0%
Severna Park 21146	15	4.3%	10	6.7%
Shady Side 20764	7	2.0%	0	0.0%
Tracys Landing 20779	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Totals	351	100.0%	149	100.0%

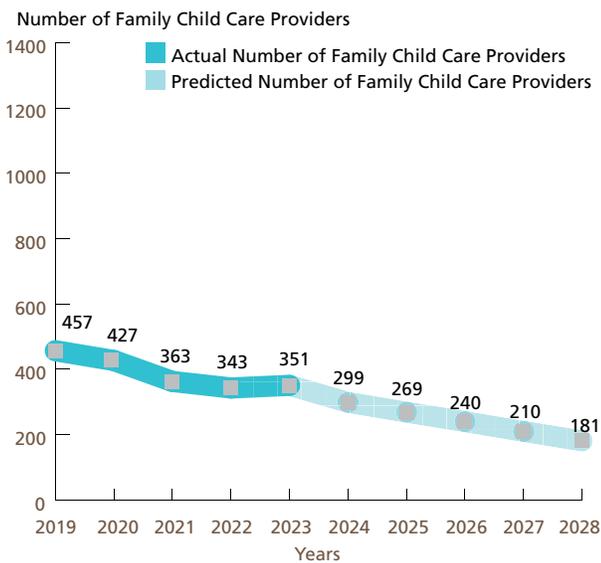
Maryland Child Care Supply and Demand Map

Maryland Family Network and Upfront partnered to create a [real-time map](#) of Maryland's child care landscape to identify deserts by county, legislative, and congressional districts.

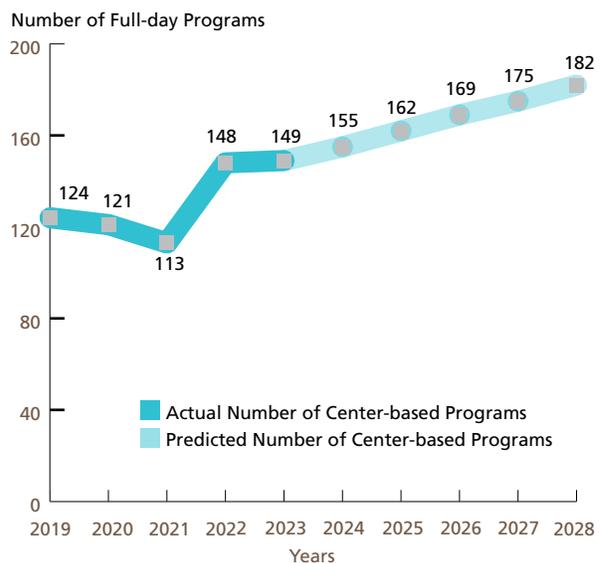


Past and Anticipated Growth Patterns for Family/Center Providers

Family Child Care Providers in Anne Arundel 2019-2028



Center-based Programs in Anne Arundel 2019-2028 Full-day (8 to 12 hours)

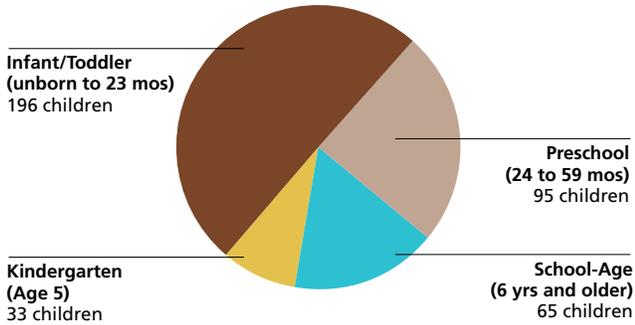


These predictions were generated with the use of the Multiple Regression Analysis and Forecasting template. The predictions generated by the Model do not reflect the effects of current changes to social programs affecting child care.
Source: MFN/LOCATE: Child Care, 6/23.

Demand for Child Care

Children Served by Age

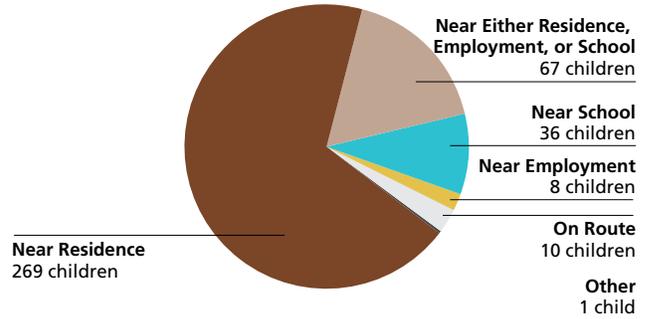
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Source: LOCATE: Child Care at Maryland Family Network, Baltimore (7/1/22-6/30/23).

Children Served by Locational Preferences for Care

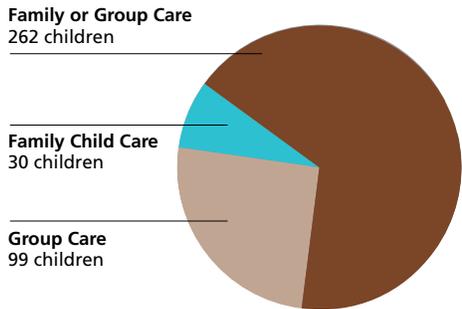
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Source: LOCATE: Child Care at Maryland Family Network, Baltimore (7/1/22-6/30/23).

Children Served by Type of Care Preferred

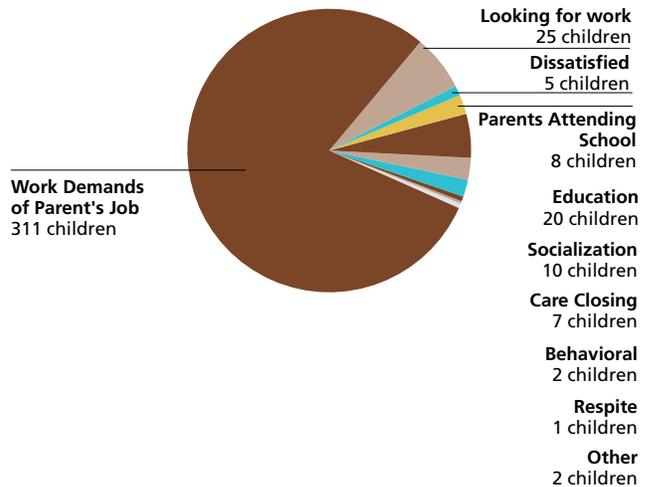
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Source: LOCATE: Child Care at Maryland Family Network, Baltimore (7/1/22-6/30/23).

Reason Child Care is Needed

N=390



Source: LOCATE: Child Care at Maryland Family Network, Baltimore (7/1/22-6/30/23).

Demand for Child Care

Number of Children Served by LOCATE: Child Care
391 children (7/1/22-6/30/23)

Full-time or Part-time Care Needs of Children Served

N=391

Full-time: 300 children

Part-time: 82 children

Other*: 9 children

* Includes requests for sick, backup and temporary care.

Source: LOCATE: Child Care at Maryland Family Network, Baltimore (7/1/22-6/30/23).

NOTE: Percentages may not total 100% because of rounding.

Child Care Scholarship Program (CCS)*

LOCATE Calls received from parents with children eligible for Child Care Scholarship
105 (27% of all calls)

LOCATE Calls received from parents with children receiving Child Care Scholarship
18 (5% of all calls)

Source: LOCATE: Child Care at Maryland Family Network, Baltimore (7/1/22-6/30/23)

* Formerly Child Care Subsidy Program

Major Factors Important to Parents Who Found Care in Anne Arundel County

Factor	Count
Proximity	23
Environment	10
Cost	12
Hours	11
Caregiver	10
Program	10
Escort	3
Vacancy	2
Transportation	1

Source: LOCATE: Child Care at Maryland Family Network, Baltimore (7/1/22-6/30/23).

Supply of Child Care

Child Care Scholarship Program (CCS)*

Family Child Care Providers willing to care for CCS children in Anne Arundel County
111 (27% of total family child care providers)

Child Care Centers willing to care for CCS children in Anne Arundel County
75 (50% of total child care centers)

LOCATE: Child Care at Maryland Family Network Baltimore, June 2022.

* Formerly Child Care Subsidy Program

Anne Arundel County FY23 Allocation (estimated)
\$11,772,632

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

Special Needs Child Care

Family providers who serve/have served children with special needs¹
116 (33% of total family child care providers in Anne Arundel)

Centers who serve/have served children with special needs
50 (34% of total child care centers in Anne Arundel)

Source: LOCATE: Child Care at Maryland Family Network, Baltimore (7/1/22-6/30/23).

¹In 2023, LOCATE: Child Care changed the method of tracking providers with Special Needs Experience. Providers now are able to indicate experience with individual special needs. In 2024 and future years, this number will increase as we identify those providers. This number cannot be compared to earlier Demographics.

Definitions

The American Community Survey (ACS): is an ongoing survey that provides vital information on a yearly basis about our nation and its people. Information from the survey generates data that help inform how trillions of dollars in federal funds are distributed each year. (Census.gov)

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 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 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 Scholarship Program (CCS)*: 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 from the American Community Survey 2022.

Current Population Estimates: Current Population Estimates are based on the American Community Survey 2022.

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)

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. (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.

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)

Definitions

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 \$30,000 in 2022. (U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Jan 2021)

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)

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)

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