



How Much Money Does Child Care Take In Annually? How Many Child Care Workers Are in Tompkins County?

Early Care and Education has an Important Impact on the Local Economy.

- In Tompkins County in 2001, there were about 700 child care workers at approximately 280 early care and education establishments. Many of these were small businesses that provide a valuable local service.
- These establishments had capacity to serve about 3,500 children. Charges totaled \$12.4 million in annual revenue. Parents paid most of the charges, but some low-income working parents also received subsidies from the Department of Social Services.
- Federally funded Pre-Kindergarten and Head Start programs also took in \$2.6 million.
- Child care supply fluctuates regularly. As a result, we used round numbers in our analysis.

Category	Providers	Employees	Capacity	Weekly Fee	Annual Fee	Revenue
Parent Fees						
<i>Center Care</i>	14	156				
Center Infant			62	\$184	\$9,568	\$593,216
Center Toddler			130	\$165	\$8,580	\$1,115,400
Center Preschooler			365	\$137	\$7,140	\$2,605,954
<i>Family Child Care</i>		245				
Family Child Care Homes	82		410	\$124	\$6,448	\$2,643,680
Group Family Child Care Homes	29		290	\$135	\$7,020	\$2,035,800
Legally-Exempt, Informal Child Care Homes Listed with DCC	72		144	\$93	\$4,836	\$696,384
<i>Part-Time Early Care and Education</i>		167				
PreKindergarten	7		303	\$0	\$0	\$0
Head Start	7		174	\$0	\$0	\$0
Nursery Schools	15		317	\$50	\$2,600	\$824,200
Private Schools	3		60	\$70	\$3,640	\$218,400
<i>School Age Child Care</i>		122				
Elementary School Based	15		976	\$37	\$1,332	\$1,300,032
Community Centers	3		197	\$35	\$1,260	\$248,220
Day Care Centers	2		40	\$60	\$2,160	\$86,400
Church Based	2		38	\$42	\$1,512	\$57,456
Total Receipts from Parent Fees						\$12,425,142
Government-Funded Early Care and Education						
PreKindergarten						\$ 679,471
Head Start						\$ 1,900,000
Total	285	690	3,506			\$ 15,004,613

Source: All data from the Day Care and Child Development Council of Tompkins County (DCC) for 2001/2002.

Revenue in each category is capacity times annual fee. Only informal care listed with DCC is counted. Number of employees for part-time early care and education includes care funded both through government revenues and through parent fees.

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