

Table 560. Licensed Child Care Centers and Family Child Care Providers by State and Other Areas: 2005

[Centers as of February; family child care providers as of August. Licensed programs are required to have permission from the state to operate and must meet specified family child care or center standards. Some states may call their regulatory processes certification or registration. Family child care providers are programs that operate in the licensee's residence with at least one provider]

State	Licensed child care centers	Licensed family child care providers	State	Licensed child care centers	Licensed family child care providers	State	Licensed child care centers	Licensed family child care providers
US, total. .	105,444	213,966	KY ⁴	2,256	1,029	OH	3,876	154
AL	1,372	1,722	LA ⁵	1,993	(⁵)	OK	1,526	4,325
AK	107	324	ME	707	1,789	OR ⁶	976	4,692
AZ ¹	2,182	371	MD	2,672	9,775	PA	3,989	5,197
AR ²	1,762	987	MA	2,263	9,403	RI	460	1,314
CA	14,841	44,494	MI	4,588	13,715	SC	1,339	303
CO	1,282	4,281	MN	1,577	13,085	SD ⁷	298	92
CT	1,560	3,078	MS	1,588	126	TN	2,304	1,468
DE	409	1,614	MO	1,938	2,069	TX	8,889	10,154
DC	360	237	MT	271	1,141	UT	268	2,342
FL	4,248	2,409	NE	854	3,066	VT ⁸	640	1,244
GA	3,019	6,736	NV	447	524	VA	2,700	1,678
HI	543	462	NH	798	359	WA	2,114	6,280
ID ³	(³)	(³)	NJ ⁵	4,262	(⁵)	WV	432	2,427
IL	2,898	10,643	NM	636	420	WI ⁹	2,418	3,192
IN	617	3,111	NY	3,626	12,093	WY	207	546
IA	1,495	6,193	NC	4,400	4,671			
KS	1,270	7,316	ND	167	1,315			

¹ Voluntary licensing for family child care homes caring for four or fewer children. ² Voluntary registration for family child care homes caring for five or fewer children. ³ Voluntary licensing for centers and family child care homes. ⁴ The state also has certified family child care homes. Information reported was only for licensed family child care homes. ⁵ Voluntary registration for family child care homes. ⁶ Voluntary licensing for public assistance reimbursement programs and programs caring for three or fewer children. ⁷ The state also has voluntarily registered family day care homes. ⁸ The state also has legally exempt child care. ⁹ The state also certifies small family care homes that wish to receive state subsidy reimbursement.

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