

KEY FACTS ABOUT

Children birth to 3 years, their families, and the child care system that serves them

Connecticut

2005 estimated population: 3,510,297

U.S. Census 2005 Population Estimate

2000 population: 3,405,565



An average of 2,440 children 0-3 are served per month by the **Child Care and Development Fund**

(FY 2005 ACF-801 data)

In Federal Fiscal Year 2006 the Infant/Toddler Child Care and Development Fund Set-Aside = \$700,966

(FY 2006 CCDF Allocations and Earmarks, U.S. Dept. of HHS, ACF)



320 children served by 8 grantees are in Early Head Start

(2006 Early Head Start Funded Enrollment) (EHSNRC Database—September 2006)

41% of all the requests for child care to the child care resource and referral programs were for infant and toddler care

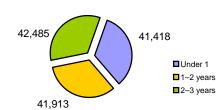
(Child Care in America: 2006 State Fact Book, NACCRRA)



3,970 children under 3 receive early intervention services under IDEA, Part C

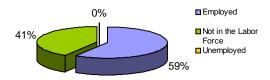
(U.S. Dept. of Education, Office of Special Ed. Programs, Data Analysis System (DANS), 2005)

125,816 Children Under the Age of 3 Live in Connecticut



U.S. Census 2005 Population Estimate

59% of Connecticut Women with Children Under the Age of 3 Are in the Labor Force



Current Population Survey, March 2001

Infant/Toddler Caregiver Credential: No

Infant/Toddler Child Development Associate (CDA)*: 67 issued in 2005 *Council on Professional Recognition 94 issued in 2002 43 issued in 1998

Early Learning Guidelines for 0-3: Connecticut's Guidelines for the

Development of Early Learning for Infants and Toddlers (in Development)

Infant/Toddler Specialist Network: Nο Average annual fee for full-time child care for an infant in center based care......\$10,472

Cost of child care for an infant as percent of median income for two-parent families 12%

Cost of child care for an infant as percent of median income for single parent families....... 38%

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In Center-Based Care the staff-to-child ratios are

1:4 for 6 weeks to 36 months (State Licensing Regulations)

In Family Child Care the staff-to-child ratios are

1:6 (with no more than 2 under 2 years of age) (State Licensing Regulations)

In Group Family Child Care the staff-to-child ratios are

1:4 for 6 weeks to 36 months (State Licensing Regulations)

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