



KEY FACTS ABOUT

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

Massachusetts

2005 estimated population: 6,398,743

U.S. Census 2005 Population Estimate

2000 population: 6,349,097

U.S. Census 2000



An average of 8,946 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 = \$1,255,035

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



756 children served by 11 grantees are in Early Head Start

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

51% of all the requests for child care to the child care resource and referral programs were for infant and toddler care

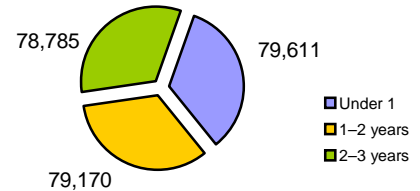
(Child Care in America: 2006 State Fact Book, NACCRRRA)



14,023 children under 3 receive early intervention services under IDEA, Part C

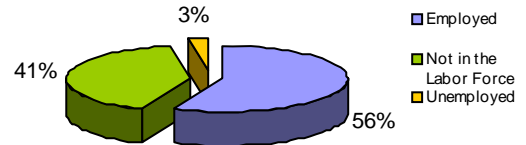
(U.S. Dept. of Education, Office of Special Ed. Programs, Data Analysis System (DANS), 2005)

237,566 Children Under the Age of 3 Live in Massachusetts



U.S. Census 2005 Population Estimate

56% of Massachusetts Women with Children Under the Age of 3 Are in the Labor Force



Current Population Survey, March 2001

Infant/Toddler Caregiver Credential: Yes, for center-based care.

Infant/Toddler Child Development Associate (CDA)*: 31 issued in 2005
**Council on Professional Recognition* 11 issued in 2002
 12 issued in 1998

Early Learning Guidelines for 0-3: No

Infant/Toddler Specialist Network: No

Average annual fee for full-time child care for an infant in center based care..... \$14,226

Cost of child care for an infant as percent of median income for two-parent families 16%

Cost of child care for an infant as percent of median income for single parent families..... 60%
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In Center-Based Care the staff-to-child ratios are
 1:3 or 2:7 for infants to 15 months; 1:4 or 2:9 for 15 months to 2.9 years; 1:10 for 2.9 to 7 years
(State Licensing Regulations)

In Family Child Care the staff-to-child ratios are
 1:6 (with up to 3 children under 2 if at least 1 of these is 15 months and can walk unassisted)
(State Licensing Regulations)

In Group Family Child Care the staff-to-child ratios are
 1:6 (with up to 3 children under 2 if at least 2 of these are 15 months and can walk unassisted)
(State Licensing Regulations)



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