



# KEY FACTS ABOUT

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

# Alaska

2005 estimated population: 663,661

*U.S. Census 2005 Population Estimate*

2000 population: 626,932

*U.S. Census 2000*



## An average of 1,042 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 = \$197,539

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



## 344 children served by 4 grantees are in Early Head Start

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

## 52% of all the requests for child care to the child care resource and referral programs were for infant and toddler care

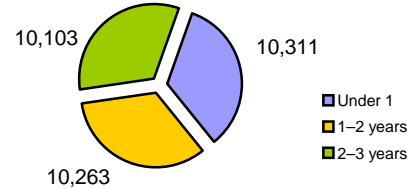
*(Child Care in America: 2006 State Fact Book, NACCRRA)*



## 642 children under 3 receive early Intervention services under IDEA, Part C

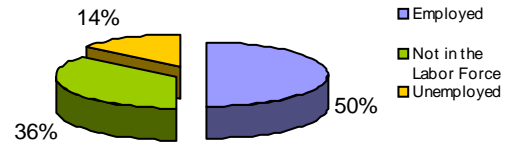
*(U.S. Dept. of Education, Office of Special Ed. Programs, Data Analysis System (DANS), 2005)*

## 30,677 Children Under the Age of 3 Live in Alaska



*U.S. Census 2005 Population Estimate*

## 50% of Alaska Women with Children Under the Age of 3 Are in the Labor Force



*Current Population Survey, March 2001*

Infant/Toddler Caregiver Credential:	Yes
Infant/Toddler Child Development Associate (CDA)*:	15 issued in 2005 18 issued in 2002 9 issued in 1998
Early Learning Guidelines for 0-3:	No
Infant/Toddler Specialist Network:	No

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

1:5 for 0-18 months; 1:6 for 19 to 36 months; 1:10 for 3- and 4-year-olds

*Center ratios differ slightly for the Municipality of Anchorage. (State Licensing Regulations)*

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

1:8 (with no more than 3 children under 30 months, and of these, no more than 2 who are non-ambulatory)

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

2:12 (with no more than 5 children under 30 months, and of these, no more than 4 who are non-ambulatory)

If the caregiver has completed 1 year of licensed home care OR meets college credit or CDA credential requirements, then the ratio is 1:10 (with no children under 30 months) or 1:12 (with school-aged children only)

*(State Licensing Regulations)*

**Average annual fee for full-time child care for an infant in center based care..... \$7,848**

**Cost of child care for an infant as percent of median income for two-parent families ..... 10%**

**Cost of child care for an infant as percent of median income for single parent families..... 27%**

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