

K E Y F A C T S A B O U T

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

Maine

2005 estimated population: 1,321,505

U.S. Census 2005 Population Estimate

2000 population: 1,274,923

U.S. Census 2000



An average of 1,066 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 = \$335,773

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



290 children served by 6 grantees are in Early Head Start

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

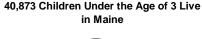
57% of all the requests for child care to the child care resource and referral programs were for infant and toddler care

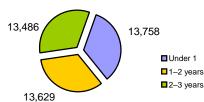
(Child Care in America: 2006 State Fact Book, NACCRRA)



1,182 children under 3 receive early intervention services under IDEA, Part C

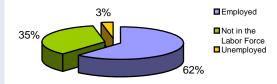
(U.S. Dept. of Education, Office of Special Ed. Programs, Data Analysis System (DANS), 2005)





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62% of Maine Women with Children Under the Age of 3 Are in the Labor Force



Current Population Survey, March 2001

Infant/Toddler Caregiver Credential: In Development

Infant/Toddler Child Development Associate (CDA)*: 28 issued in 2005
*Council on Professional Recognition
8 issued in 2002
2 issued in 1998

Early Learning Guidelines for 0-3:

Maine's Infant Toddler
Early Learning Guidelines
[in Development]

Infant/Toddler Specialist Network: Yes

Average annual fee for full-time child care for an infant in center based care......\$7,802

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...... 43%

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

1:4 for 6 weeks to 12 to 15 months; 1:5 for 1 to 2 years (with a maximum of 10 or 1:4 (with max. of 12); 1:7 for 2 to 3 years (State Licensing Regulations)

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

1:4 for children up to 30 months; 1:8 no more than 3 children under 30 months + 3 children 30 months to 5 years + 2 school age children; (State Licensing Regulations)

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