



# KEY FACTS ABOUT

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

# North Carolina

2005 estimated population: 8,683,242

*U.S. Census 2005 Population Estimate*

2000 population: 8,049,313

*U.S. Census 2000*



**An average of 25,619 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 = \$3,187,075**

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



**1,051 children served by 16 grantees are in Early Head Start**

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

**82% of all the requests for child care to the child care resource and referral programs were for infant and toddler care**

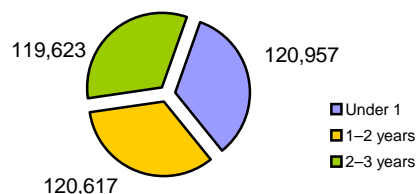
*(Child Care in America: 2006 State Fact Book, NACCRRA)*



**6,698 children under 3 receive early intervention services under IDEA, Part C**

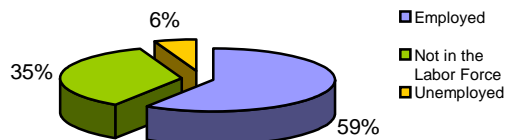
*(U.S. Dept. of Education, Office of Special Ed. Programs, Data Analysis System (DANS), 2005)*

**361,197 Children Under the Age of 3 Live in North Carolina**



*U.S. Census 2005 Population Estimate*

**59% of North Carolina 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)*:	41 issued in 2005 51 issued in 2002 49 issued in 1998
Early Learning Guidelines for 0-3:	In development
Infant/Toddler Specialist Network:	Yes

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

1:5 for 0-12 months; 1:6 for 12 to 24 months; 1:10 for 2-year-olds; 1:15 for 3-year-olds

*(State Licensing Regulations)*

**In Family Child Care Homes,**

Up to 5 preschool children (including the operator's own preschool-age children) may be enrolled, with up to 3 additional school-age children.

*(State Licensing Regulations)*

**Average annual fee for full-time child care for an infant in center based care was not reported**

**Cost of child care for an infant as percent of median income for two-parent families was not reported**

**Cost of child care for an infant as percent of median income for single parent families was not reported**

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