



KEY FACTS ABOUT

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

South Carolina

2005 estimated population: 4,255,083

U.S. Census 2005 Population Estimate

2000 population: 4,012,012

U.S. Census 2000



An average of 6,221 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 = \$1,815,424

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



195 children served by 6 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

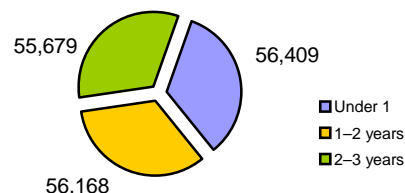
(Child Care in America: 2006 State Fact Book, NACCRRA)



3,152 children under 3 receive early intervention services under IDEA, Part C

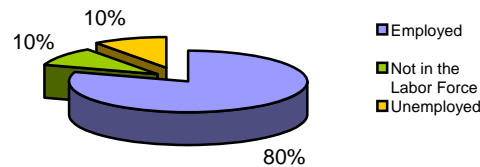
(U.S. Dept. of Education, Office of Special Ed. Programs, Data Analysis System (DANS), 2005)

168,256 Children Under the Age of 3 Live in South Carolina



U.S. Census 2005 Population Estimate

80% of South 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)*:	22 issued in 2005 11 issued in 2002 21 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 birth to 1 year; 1:6 1 to 2 years; 1:9 for 2 to 3 years
(State Licensing Regulations) – effective June 2007

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

1:6 (the maximum number of infants and toddlers to one provider is not addressed in the regulations)
(State Licensing Regulations) – effective June 2007

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

1:8 (with no more than 3 children under the age of 2)
(State Licensing Regulations) – effective June 2007

Average annual fee for full-time child care for an infant in center based care..... \$4,712

Cost of child care for an infant as percent of median income for two-parent families7%

Cost of child care for an infant as percent of median income for single parent families..... 26%

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