

Child Care and Early Education Profile: 2025




7th Congressional District Congressman Danny K. Davis

A Snapshot of Children in Congressional District 7

24,775 children 0 to 2
23,278 children 3 to 5
54,085 children 6 to 12
102,138 Total children under 13

} **71%** of children under 6 live in households where all parents work

What child care options are available to families?

-  **264** Child care centers can serve up to **21981** children
-  **481** Licensed child care homes can serve up to **4519** children
-  **1951** License-exempt home caregivers can serve around **4217** children

How much are families paying for child care?

MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME: \$77,894

INFANT: Average annual price of licensed care

 Home-based: **\$13,599**

 Center-based: **\$20,473**

This is **17% - 26%** of a family's income.

PRESCHOOLER: Average annual price of licensed care

 Home-based: **\$11,709**

 Center-based: **\$14,495**

This is **15% - 19%** of a family's income.

The cost of center care rivals college tuition: \$15,677

What programs support children & families in your district?

CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES (IDHS)

3743 children age 0-2

4921 children age 3-5

7456 children age 6-12

16668 children served

\$13,687,185.47

in total CCAP payments to providers in the district

The Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP), funded through IDHS, helps families pay for child care while they work or go to school.

EARLY CHILDHOOD BLOCK GRANT

ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION (ISBE)

42 Prevention Initiative programs

1543 children age 0-2

148 Preschool for All programs

6019 children age 3-5

7,562 children served

The Early Childhood Block Grant is funded by ISBE to help programs provide high-quality early education opportunities through Preschool for All (PFA) and Prevention Initiative (PI) services for infants, toddlers, and expectant families.

HEAD START & EARLY HEAD START

US DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

51 Early Head Start sites

2,461 children age 0-2

51 Head Start sites

2,039 children age 3-5

4500 children served

Head Start programs for 3- and 4-year-olds, along with Early Head Start for infants and toddlers, are federally-funded early education programs for families living below the poverty line and designed to meet the comprehensive needs of families.

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