



Early Care & Education and School-Age Child Care Demographic Dashboard - June 2023

		<u>Mecklenburg</u>		<u>Cabarrus</u>		<u>Union</u>		<u>Rowan</u>		<u>Stanly</u>		<u>Region 6 Total</u>		<u>North Carolina</u>	
Child population ¹	0-5 years	88,158		15,485		14,375		9,709		4,062		131,789		713,978	
	6-13 years	99,620		19,630		19,355		11,934		4,811		155,350		865,718	
	Total	187,778		35,115		33,730		21,643		8,873		287,139		1,579,696	
Households in which all parents present are employed ^{2, 3}	Children under age 6	58,638	70%	11,885	75%	9,000	56%	5,809	59%	3,013	73%	88,345	69%	441,803	66%
	Children 6-17 years	199,204	73%	33,839	83%	30,525	68%	11,439	59%	5,734	66%	280,741	76%	1,081,089	72%
Employed mothers with children under age 6 ^{2, 3}	Total with children under age 6	34,215	64%	5,899	69%	7,939	60%	3,860	62%	1,574	60%	53,487	64%	274,269	63%
Licensed early care & education and school-age child care programs	Number of programs ^{4, 5}	546		86		89		47		30		798		5,457	
	Licensed child care spaces ^{4, 5}	49,151		9,563		10,135		3,182		1,797		73,828		371,066	
	Child care workforce ⁶	4,509		862		816		390		178		6,755		38,010	
4- and 5- star programs compared to all star rated programs	Programs ^{4, 5}	410	80%	60	82%	53	80%	37	90%	18	64%	578	78%	3,696	72%
	Licensed capacity ^{4, 5}	38,061	86%	7,343	92%	5,960	80%	2,552	92%	1,408	88%	55,324	87%	26,381	79%
	Children enrolled ⁶	19,834	75%	4,148	81%	3,543	67%	1,541	82%	1,100	77%	30,166	81%	160,207	72%
Average annual fee for full-time, star rated child care center ^{4, 7}	Infant	\$15,608		\$14,907		\$13,848		\$9,857		\$9,464		\$12,737		\$12,372	
	1-2 years	\$15,253		\$14,160		\$13,347		\$9,616		\$9,421		\$12,359		\$12,087	
	2-3 years	\$14,510		\$13,567		\$12,852		\$8,848		\$8,748		\$11,705		\$11,287	
	3-4 years	\$13,761		\$12,596		\$11,979		\$8,013		\$8,424		\$10,955		\$10,538	
	4-5 years	\$13,530		\$12,437		\$11,854		\$7,655		\$8,476		\$10,790		\$10,348	
	School-age *	\$7,598		\$6,218		\$5,972		\$5,687		\$5,051		\$6,105		\$5,950	
Child care subsidy ^{7, 8}	*Before/after school, 40 weeks/year; full-time, 12 weeks/year														
	Children receiving subsidy	6,034		947		679		705		405		8,770		63,388	

1) NC Office of State Budget & Management, 2021 Population Estimates, updated 2022

2) Mecklenburg, Cabarrus, Rowan, Union & NC: 2021 American Community Survey; 1-Year Estimate

3) Stanly: 2017-2021 American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimate

4) Child Care Resources Inc. (CCRI), 6/30/23

5) NC: NC Division of Child Development & Early Education, 6/30/23

6) WorkLife Systems, CCRI, 6/30/23

7) Mecklenburg, CCRI 6/30/23

8) Cabarrus, Union, Rowan, Stanly, NC: NCDCEE, 6/30/23