

The Child Care & Development Block Grant (CCDBG) supports working families in all 50 states and Washington, D.C.

First Five Years Fund released a new collection of fact sheets from all 50 states and Washington, D.C. detailing how the Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG) supports working families with young children. **The following highlights key points from the 2024 CCDBG Fact sheets.**

What CCDBG Does

Child care is a necessity for working parents, yet the cost of quality care often places it out of reach for many families.

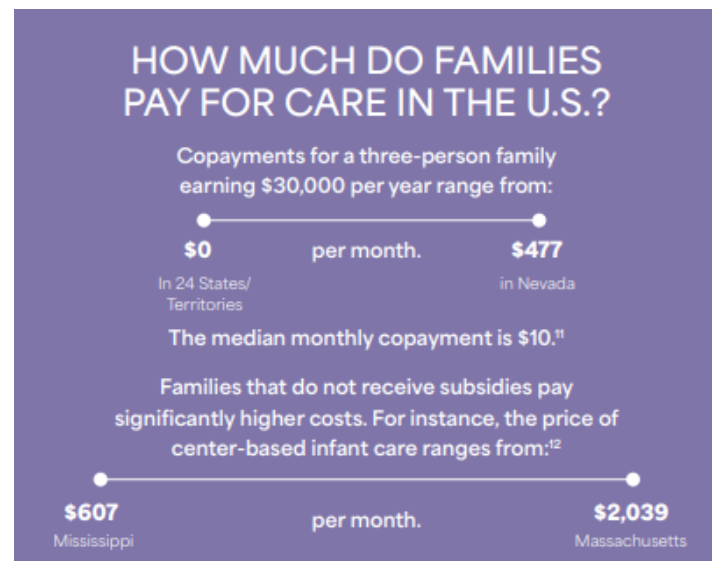
The Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG) is administered by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families (ACF). CCDBG provides block grant to states, territories, and tribal entities which are then distributed as child care subsidies for low-income families with children under age 13. The majority of these funds support children under age 6, with the remainder dedicated to the care of older children during out-of-school time.

How CCDBG Works

States have flexibility in how to use these funds to best meet the needs of children, families, and child care providers in their communities. Through a Lead Agency, states design their own subsidy programs (in compliance with federal eligibility and quality requirements). In some cases, eligible families receive a voucher to use with their choice of approved local child care providers, in others, providers are paid directly for slots reserved for eligible children. Additionally, states must invest a portion of the grant on improving the overall quality of child care for all families.

Who CCDBG Reaches

These subsidies help a portion of working families across all 50 states access affordable, high-quality child care through a variety of care settings. However, of the nearly 6.3 million children ages 5 and under whose families qualify for CCDBG, fewer than 840,000 receive it (or approximately 13%).



CCDBG subsidies provide working parents with access to quality child care in a setting of their choice.



CCDBG Reach In 50 States & Washington D.C.

	Children ages 5 and under	Children 5 and under with all available parents in the workforce (Number)	Children 5 and under with all available parents in the workforce (Percent)	Children 5 and Under Eligible for CCDBG support (Number)	Children 5 and Under Eligible for CCDBG support (Percent)	Eligible Children 5 and Under Served by CCDBG (number)	Eligible Children 5 and under served by CCDBG (percent)
Alabama	350,945	217,053	62%	102,820	29%	24,282	24%
Alaska	59,251	34,342	58%	13,290	22%	1,725	13%
Arizona	486,018	295,444	61%	134,892	28%	18,961	14%
Arkansas	218,324	136,081	62%	64,717	30%	15,600	24%
California	2,716,856	1,690,660	62%	639,963	24%	75,950	12%
Colorado	384,120	244,380	64%	98,518	26%	10,404	11%
Connecticut	220,932	157,944	71%	75,082	34%	7,314	10%
D.C.	48,574	36,404	75%	15,117	31%	720	5%
Delaware	64,629	43,566	67%	22,436	35%	2,914	13%
Florida	1,326,075	870,758	66%	381,014	29%	69,768	18%
Georgia	767,650	494,663	64%	207,221	27%	28,287	14%
Hawaii	99,886	62,193	62%	20,702	21%	3,600	17%
Idaho	137,420	78,385	57%	29,650	22%	4,556	15%
Illinois	869,134	591,775	68%	248,608	29%	37,410	15%
Indiana	494,371	318,616	64%	130,050	26%	16,592	13%
Iowa	230,356	169,610	74%	72,014	31%	9,828	14%
Kansas	218,512	146,938	67%	62,708	29%	7,194	11%
Kentucky	321,183	199,996	62%	90,291	28%	11,502	13%
Louisiana	347,824	228,908	66%	106,494	31%	15,092	14%
Maine	76,651	51,261	67%	20,273	26%	3,060	15%
Maryland	430,967	304,969	71%	129,525	30%	10,465	8%
Massachusetts	420,274	302,424	72%	121,176	29%	14,848	12%
Michigan	669,327	432,581	65%	196,247	29%	14,616	7%
Minnesota	410,953	304,671	74%	122,381	30%	11,773	10%
Mississippi	214,684	139,559	65%	66,790	31%	13,786	21%

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Missouri	435,238	292,660	67%	137,083	31%	16,188	12%
Montana	71,304	45,124	63%	20,482	29%	1,825	9%
Nebraska	154,666	110,997	72%	43,701	28%	4,380	10%
Nevada	215,983	134,707	62%	57,323	27%	3,844	7%
New Hampshire	76,004	52,977	70%	21,197	28%	2,686	13%
New Jersey	730,541	430,824	59%	186,262	25%	17,000	9%
New Mexico	140,594	84,283	60%	40,852	29%	6,426	16%
New York	1,333,604	870,990	65%	348,187	26%	34,102	10%
North Carolina	708,818	449,547	63%	202,866	29%	30,940	15%
North Dakota	61,988	44,080	71%	19,098	31%	1,820	10%
Ohio	812,056	540,413	67%	245,973	30%	22,464	9%
Oklahoma	300,082	181,059	60%	82,488	27%	20,424	25%
Oregon	260,956	164,100	63%	64,684	25%	7,540	12%
Pennsylvania	828,105	559,560	68%	239,872	29%	42,600	18%
Rhode Island	65,636	46,453	71%	21,652	33%	1,539	7%
South Carolina	340,379	219,521	64%	101,251	30%	10,425	10%
South Dakota	69,976	50,288	72%	20,682	30%	2,144	10%
Tennessee	483,017	296,134	61%	132,509	27%	46,722	35%
Texas	2,321,349	1,438,145	62%	616,026	27%	79,755	13%
Utah	290,208	152,371	53%	56,532	19%	7,500	13%
Vermont	34,193	25,291	74%	11,162	33%	1,836	16%
Virginia	593,287	392,058	66%	156,861	26%	10,478	7%
Washington	530,885	317,069	60%	121,979	23%	15,311	13%
West Virginia	108,677	60,873	56%	29,621	27%	8,113	27%
Wisconsin	390,220	275,930	71%	118,900	30%	11,189	9%
Wyoming	39,897	24,972	63%	11,550	29%	1,728	15%
U.S.	22,982,57	14,813,607	64.46%	6,280,772	27%	839,226	13%

CCDBG Fact Sheets for All 50 States



[Scan the QR Code above or click here to access all 50 state fact sheets.](#)

First Five Years Fund has detailed fact sheets about CCDBG for each of the 50 states + the District of Columbia. In them, you'll find information about:

- Federal CCDBG funding for each state along with the State Matching Funds
- The number of children eligible for and served by CCDBG
- The average cost of care with and without CCDBG subsidies in each state
- Teacher-child ratios in the state
- Teacher qualifications in the state
- And much more.

Additional Resources

- [CCDBG: The Policy Overview](#)
- [The First Five Things to Know about CCDBG.](#)
- [CCDBG Funding: From Congress to families.](#)

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Important Note: The calculations in these fact sheets are based on the most recent available data. CCDBG enrollment data were last updated in 2021 and the eligibility estimate is based on federal rules. Footnotes for all sources can be found here: <https://www.ffyf.org/2024-ccdbg-references/>



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