Child Care and Early Education Profile: 2023

8th Congressional District Congressman Raja Krishnamoorthi

A Snapshot of Children in Congressional District 8

25,781 children 0 to 2

27,158 children 3 to 5

66% of children under 6 live in households where all parents work

67,487 children 6 to 12

120,426 Total children under 13

What child care options are available to families?

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155 Child care centers can serve up to 17,500 children

96 Licensed child care homes can serve up to 964 children

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162 License-exempt home caregivers can serve around 370 children

How much are families paying for child care?

MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME: \$108,581

INFANT: Average annual price of licensed care

Home-based: \$13,359

Center-based: \$20,068

This is 12%–18% of a family's income.

PRESCHOOLER: Average annual price of licensed care

Home-based: \$12,243

Center-based: \$15,542

This is 11%-14% of a family's income.

The cost of center care rivals college tuition: \$15,348

What programs support children & families in your district?

CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES (IDHS)

2,060 children age 0-2

2,466 children age 3-5

2,126 children age 6-12

6,679 children served

\$38,274,007

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)

15 Prevention Initiative programs

828 children age 0-2

34 Preschool for All programs

3,428 children age 3-5

4,256 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

2 Early Head Start sites 193 children age 0-2

9 Head Start sites

294 children age 3-5

487 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.

