Data Notes and Sources

Data used in the Kansas 2010 Child Care Profiles is from a variety of sources in Kansas and the nation.

Additional information is included below:

Affordability

Child Care Cost for Centers and Family Child Care Homes is the average amount of money families are charged for one year of full-time care for one child. Costs vary based on the age of the child. Information is presented for the following age groups: Under Age 1, 12-17 months, 18-23 months, 2 years, 3 years, 4 years, 5 years, 6 years and older. Child care facilities include family child care homes (licensed, registered, and group) and child care centers (preschools and school-aged programs). Facilities receiving Smart Start or other quality improvement funding are included. Data represent figures as of January 2010, and are from a database, maintained by Child Care Aware® of Kansas and the six child care resource and referral member agencies.

In order to find the percentage of income being spent on child care in a household the cost of care was divided by the median income for a given County. For example, in Atchison County, the median household income is $42,788 annually and the average annual cost of family child care for one infant is $5,243 and for a preschooler it is $4,680. Therefore, a household with one infant would spend 12% of their income on child care. A household with one infant and one preschooler would spend 23% annually on family child care.

Availability

Capacity is the number of child care slots (full and part-time) available for children birth through 12 years of age in family child care homes (licensed, registered, and group) and child care centers (preschools, and school-aged programs). Slots from facilities receiving Smart Start or other quality improvement funding are included. Data represent figures as of January 2010 and is from the Kansas Department of Health and Environment CLARIS database.

Number of Facilities is the annual number of regulated child care facilities available from which families can choose to enroll their children, and include family child care homes (licensed, registered, and group) and child care centers (preschools, and school-aged programs). Facilities receiving Smart Start or other quality improvement funding are included. Data represent figures as of January 2010 and are from the Kansas Department of Health and Environment.
Number of Facilities Accepting Child Care Subsidy Payments from SRS is the number of child care facilities available from which families can choose to enroll their children, including family child care homes (licensed, registered, and group) and child care centers (preschools, and school-aged programs) that contract with the Kansas Department of Social and Rehabilitations Services to accept child care subsidies as payment for child care services. Facilities receiving Smart Start or other quality improvement funding and have an SRS contract are included. Data represent figures as of January 2010 and are from the Kansas Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services.

Demographics/trends

Child Population is the estimated number of children birth through 12 years of age, broken down by age group: 0-5 year olds, 6-12 year olds, and 0-12 year olds. Data is from the 2010 U.S. Census Bureau.

Child Poverty is presented in three graphs - the first percentage represents the estimated percentage of children (birth through 17 years of age) who live in families with incomes below the U.S. poverty threshold (as defined by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget). The second percentage represents the number of children below age 6 who live in families with income below the U.S. poverty threshold. Finally, the third percent is a breakdown by race of children 17 and under living below the poverty threshold. Data represents 2010 estimates and is from the U.S. Census Bureau’s American Community Survey.

Children with Working Parents represents the percentage of families with children where all parents in the family (the sole parent in a single-parent household and both parents in a two-parent household) were in the labor force. Data represents 2010 estimates and is from the U.S. Census Bureau’s American Community Survey.

Child Poverty is the estimated percentage of children (birth through 17 years of age) who lived in families with incomes below the U.S. poverty threshold (as defined by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget). Data represent 2003 estimates and is from the U.S. Census Bureau Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates.

Educational Degree is the percentage of people who have a Bachelor’s degree or higher educational degree. Data represent 2010 Census figures and is from the U.S. Census Bureau’s American Community Survey.

Female-headed Households is the percentage of family households headed by a female (no spouse present) in which one or more people under 18 years of age reside. Data represent 2010 estimates and is from the U.S. Census Bureau’s American Community Survey.
High School Graduation is the annual percentage of ninth-grade high school students who graduated four years later. Data represent the 2009-2010 academic year and is from the Kansas State Department of Education.

Median Family Income is the annual family income at which 50% of the families exceed and 50% fall below. Families are defined as two or more persons related by birth, marriage, or adoption that live together in one household. Data represent 2010 estimates and is from the U.S. Census Bureau’s American Community Survey.

Population is the total number of citizens (all ages) estimated to reside in the County or State. Data represent 2004 population estimates and is from the U.S. Census Bureau.

Children and Youth is the percentage of all County or State citizens who are birth through 18 years of age. Statistics were calculated from the 2010 population numbers obtained from the U.S. Census Bureau.

Race/Ethnicity statistics were calculated from the 2010 population numbers obtained from the U.S. Census Bureau.

Hispanic Citizens is the percentage of all County or State citizens whose ethnicity is Hispanic. Data includes citizens from all racial groups who have one or more races. Statistics were calculated from the 2010 population numbers obtained from the U.S. Census Bureau.

Unemployment is the average monthly percentage of civilian labor force estimated to be unemployed (not seasonally adjusted). Data represents the 2010 calendar year and is from the U.S. Department of Labor - Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Wage for Child Care Providers is the average annual salary of child care providers from family child care homes (licensed, registered, group) and child care centers (preschools, and school-aged programs). Data represents the 2010 Workforce Study conducted by Child Care Aware® of Kansas from October 2010 - December 2010.

Quality Initiatives

Early Childhood Associate Apprenticeship Program (ECAAP) data represents the annual number of apprentices in Kansas.


Child Care Aware® of Kansas is licensed through Child Care Services Association in Chapel Hill, North Carolina, to administer the T.E.A.C.H. Early Childhood® scholarships.
Child Care WAGE$ KANSAS (WAGE$) data represents the annual number of WAGE$ participants. Child Care Aware® of Kansas is licensed through Child Care Services Association in Chapel Hill, North Carolina, to administer the WAGE$ supplements.

 Kansas Quality Rating and Improvement System (KQRIS) data represents the annual number of KQRIS participants. KQRIS is a quality rating system for center-based and family child care programs. Child care providers receive a comprehensive assessment, on-site coaching, and access to a grant for quality improvement as well as college scholarships and salary supplements for teaching staff.

 National Association of Family Child Care (NAFCC) data represents the annual number of NAFCC accredited participants. NAFCC sponsors the only nationally recognized accreditation system designed specifically for family child care providers. This system was designed by hundreds of providers, parents, and early care and education experts in an effort to create a quality indicator for family child care programs across the country. www.nafcc.org

 National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) data represents the annual number of NAEYC accredited participants. For more than 80 years, the National Association for the Education of Young Children has worked to raise the quality of programs for all children from birth through age eight. A major part of NAEYC’s efforts to improve early childhood education is through different systems of accreditation for programs that are committed to meeting national standards of quality. www.naeyc.org

 National AfterSchool Association (NAA) data represents the annual number of NAA accredited participants. The NAA is the leading voice of the afterschool profession dedicated to the development, education, and care of children and youth during their out-of-school hours. NAA is the membership association for professionals who work with children and youth in diverse school and community-based settings to provide a wide variety of extended learning opportunities and care during out-of-school hours. www.naaweb.org

 Choosing Child Care/What Families Want

 What Families Need by Age Group is the annual number of child care referral requests by age group. Information was obtained from family inquiries received by the six child care resource and referral agencies in Kansas. Information is categorized by the following age groups: birth through 11 months, 12-17 months, 18-29 months, 30-59 months, and 60 months through 12 years.

 Note: Child care resource and referral agencies search child care arrangements each time a family calls regardless of how often the family calls, numbers may reflect duplication of children; families making multiple inquiries are included in the database.
each time they call resulting in the same children being counted multiple times. Data represents the 2010 calendar year and is from Child Care Aware® of Kansas.

**Children Needing Child Care by Types of Care** is the annual number of children who need child care reported by the type of care their family seeks. Types of care include family child home care (licensed, registered, and group), and center care (including Head Start, preschools, and school-aged programs).

Note: Child care resource and referral agencies search child care arrangements each time a family calls regardless of how often the family calls, numbers may reflect duplication of children; families making multiple inquiries are included in the database each time they call resulting in the same children being counted multiple times. Data represents the 2010 calendar year and is from Child Care Aware® of Kansas.

**Types of Schedules Sought** is the annual number of children who need child care reported by the type of schedule their family needs. Types of schedules include: full-time, part-time, and alternative hours (second shift, third shift, and weekend care).

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**Technical Assistance and Referrals** data was collected from Child Care Aware® of Kansas records.