

The 2007 Child Care Licensing Study

Michigan State Profile

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NUMBER OF LICENSED FACILITIES AND LICENSED CAPACITY

Facility Type	Number of Licensed Facilities	Licensed Capacity
Child care centers	4,841	284,954
Small FCC homes	7,265	43,136
Large/group FCC homes	3,459	41,303
Other types of licensed facilities	0	0
Total	15,565	369,393

NUMBER OF LICENSING SUPERVISORS, STAFF, AND CASELOADS

Total number of full-time equivalent licensing supervisors	7
Total number of full-time equivalent line staff	68
Estimated caseload ratio (i.e., number of facilities per line staff)	229:1

Note: NCCIC/NARA calculated the estimated caseload by dividing the total number of licensed facilities (i.e., centers and FCC homes) by the total number of licensing line staff.

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FREQUENCY OF INSPECTIONS BY TYPE			
Type	Child Care Centers	Small FCC Homes	Large/Group FCC Homes
Prior to issuing a license	✓		✓
• Announced	✓		✓
• Unannounced			
License renewal	✓		✓
• Announced			
• Unannounced	✓		✓
Routine compliance	✓	✓	✓
• Announced			
• Unannounced	✓	✓	✓
FREQUENCY OF REQUIRED INSPECTION VISITS BY FACILITY TYPE			
Type	Frequency		
Child care centers	Once a year		
Small FCC homes	Inspected 90 days after licensure; renewal by mail		
Large/group FCC homes	Once a year		
FREQUENCY OF LICENSE RENEWAL BY FACILITY TYPE			
Type	Frequency		
Child care centers	Once every 2 years		
Small FCC homes	Once every 3 years		
Large/group FCC homes	Once every 2 years		
REGULATIONS SUMMARY			
Regulations Title			Date
Child care center regulations			
Licensing Rules for Child Care Centers			12/7/2006
Small FCC home regulations			
Licensing Rules for Family and Group Child Care Homes			1/1/2006

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REGULATIONS SUMMARY, CON.		
Regulations Title	Date	
Large/group FCC home regulations		
Licensing Rules for Family and Group Child Care Homes	1/1/2006	
Note: NCCIC/NARA used child care licensing regulations that were posted on the National Resource Center for Health and Safety in Child Care and Early Education Web site between January 1, 2006, to December 31, 2007. Regulations titles were also copied directly from this site.		
DEFINITION OF LICENSED FCC HOMES		
Small FCC homes		
Number of children allowed	1–6	
Maximum number of children to 1 provider	6	
Provider’s own children counted	Yes	
Maximum number of infants and toddlers to 1 provider	4 younger than 30 months, with no more than 2 younger than 18 months	
Large/Group FCC homes		
Number of children allowed	7–12	
Ratio of children to 1 provider	6:1	
Provider’s own children counted	Yes	
CHILD-STAFF RATIOS AND GROUP SIZE BY AGE OF CHILDREN		
Age of Children	Child-Staff Ratio	Group Size
6 weeks	4:1	12
9 months	4:1	12
18 months	4:1	12
27 months	4:1	12
3 years	10:1	NR
4 years	12:1	NR
5 years	12:1	NR
6 years	18:1	NR
7 years	18:1	NR
8–9 years	18:1	NR
10 years and older	18:1	NR

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CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS REQUIRED BY TYPE			
Type	Child Care Centers	Small FCC Homes	Large/Group FCC Homes
Criminal history records	✓	✓	✓
Fingerprints	✓	✓	✓
Child abuse and neglect registry	✓	✓	✓
Sex offender registry	✓	✓	✓
Signed statement about criminal status	✓		

MINIMUM PRESERVICE QUALIFICATIONS AND ONGOING TRAINING REQUIREMENTS		
Role	Minimum Preservice Qualifications	Ongoing Training Hours
Child care center staff		
Director	CDA credential and additional credit hours in ECE	12
Master teacher	Clock hours in ECE and experience	12
Teacher	No preservice qualifications	12
Assistant teacher	NR	NR
Aide	NR	NR
Small FCC home providers		
Provider	None	10
Assistant provider	None	5
Large/Group FCC home providers		
Provider	None	10
Assistant provider	None	5

Key:

CCP = Certified Child Care Professional Credential awarded by the National Child Care Association
 CDA = Child Development Associate Credential awarded by the Council for Professional Recognition
 ECE = Early childhood education
 FCC = Family child care
 GED = General Educational Development Test
 NA = Not applicable/not addressed
 NAC = National Administrators Credential awarded by the National Child Care Association

NARA = National Association for Regulatory Administration
 NC = No category of facility
 NCCIC = National Child Care Information and Technical Assistance Center
 NL = Not licensed
 NR = Not regulated
 SAC = School-age children