

The 2007 Child Care Licensing Study

Utah State Profile

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NUMBER OF LICENSED FACILITIES AND LICENSED CAPACITY

Facility Type	Number of Licensed Facilities	Licensed Capacity
Child care centers	281	22,677
Small FCC homes*	1,498	10,712
Large/group FCC homes	268	3,822
Other types of licensed facilities*	71	3,028
Total	2,118	40,239

NUMBER OF LICENSING SUPERVISORS, STAFF, AND CASELOADS

Total number of full-time equivalent licensing supervisors	3
Total number of full-time equivalent line staff	24
Estimated caseload ratio (i.e., number of facilities per line staff)	88:1

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	Twice a year		
Small FCC homes	Twice a year		
Large/group FCC homes	Twice a year		
FREQUENCY OF LICENSE RENEWAL BY FACILITY TYPE			
Type	Frequency		
Child care centers	Once every 2 years		
Small FCC homes	Once every 2 years		
Large/group FCC homes	Once every 2 years		
REGULATIONS SUMMARY			
Regulations Title			Date
Child care center regulations			
Rule R430-100: Child Care Centers			12/30/2006
Small FCC home regulations			
Rule R430-50: Residential Certificate Child Care Standards			2/15/2002

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REGULATIONS SUMMARY, CON.		
Regulations Title	Date	
Large/group FCC home regulations		
Rule R430-90: Licensed Family Child Care	2/15/2002	
<p>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.</p>		
DEFINITION OF LICENSED FCC HOMES		
Small FCC homes		
Number of children allowed	5–8	
Maximum number of children to 1 provider	8	
Provider's own children counted	Yes	
Maximum number of infants and toddlers to 1 provider	2 younger than 2 years	
Large/Group FCC homes		
Number of children allowed	9–16	
Ratio of children to 1 provider	8: 1, with no more than 2 younger than age 2; 12:1 for SAC	
Provider's own children counted	Yes	
CHILD-STAFF RATIOS AND GROUP SIZE BY AGE OF CHILDREN FOR CHILD CARE CENTERS		
Age of Children	Child-Staff Ratio	Group Size
6 weeks	4: 1	8
9 months	4: 1	8
18 months	4: 1	8
27 months	7: 1	14
3 years	12: 1	24
4 years	15: 1	30
5 years	20: 1	40
6 years	20: 1	40
7 years	20: 1	40
8–9 years	20: 1	40
10 years and older	20: 1	40

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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	NAC credential and clock hours in ECE	20
Master teacher	NR	NR
Teacher	High school diploma or GED	20
Assistant teacher	No preservice qualifications	20
Aide	NR	NR
Small FCC home providers		
Provider	Clock hours in ECE within 90 days of licensure	0
Assistant provider	NR	NR
Large/Group FCC home providers		
Provider	None	20
Assistant provider	None	20

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

***Notes:**

The number of small FCC homes is the total of small FCC (715) and residential certificate programs (783). Other licensed facilities include hourly centers.