



Kentucky's Family Child Care Home Landscape

Early Childhood Task Force

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Mission & Vision

Mission

To serve as a visible community resource committed to offering access to affordable, quality care and education.

Vision

To promote, expand, and enhance services that improve the quality of life for all children, families, and early care professionals in the Bluegrass.



Family Child Care Network

Mission


Family Child Care Network of KY recruits and supports in-home care, families, and communities to increase and sustain access to quality early learning experiences.

Types of Child Care in Kentucky


Licensed child care facility – Facility licensed to care for 4 or more children in a nonresidential setting.



Licensed family child care home – Child care program in the home of the primary licensee that typically cares for 7 to 12 children, including those related to the licensee.



Certified family child care home – The provider cares for up to ten children, including those related to the provider, in his/her own home.



Registered family child care provider – A family member, friend or neighbor who can care for up to three children in the provider's home or in the home of the child.

History of Family Child Care in Kentucky



Estimates from the early 2000's note that Kentucky had a record amount of Family Child Care providers with over 1,200 Certified and Type II homes.



Currently, we have 241 Certified and Type II homes.

Benefits of choosing a Certified or Type II Family Child Care Home

Licensed, Quality and safe learning environment

Lower teacher/child ratio

Choice of curriculum

Meets their culture, backgrounds and values

Sustainable in rural areas

Siblings can attend together

Trained educators

Availability of non-traditional hours

Providers have the support of the Family Child Care Network

Current Family Child Care locations



Reasons for Decline

Child Care
Assistance
freeze in 2013

Previous lack
of Support

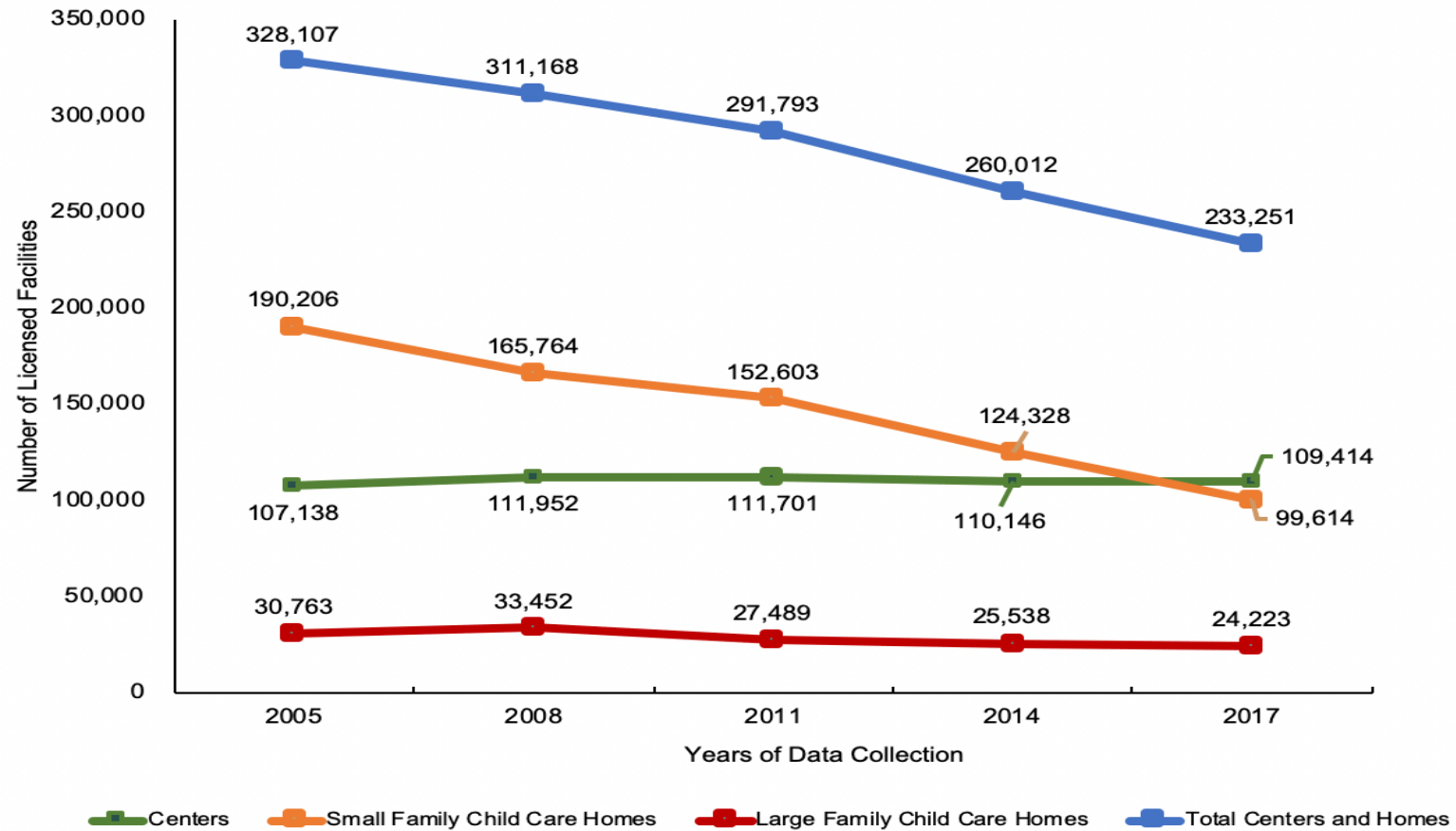
Planning and
Zoning
Restrictions

Lack of
sustainable
business model

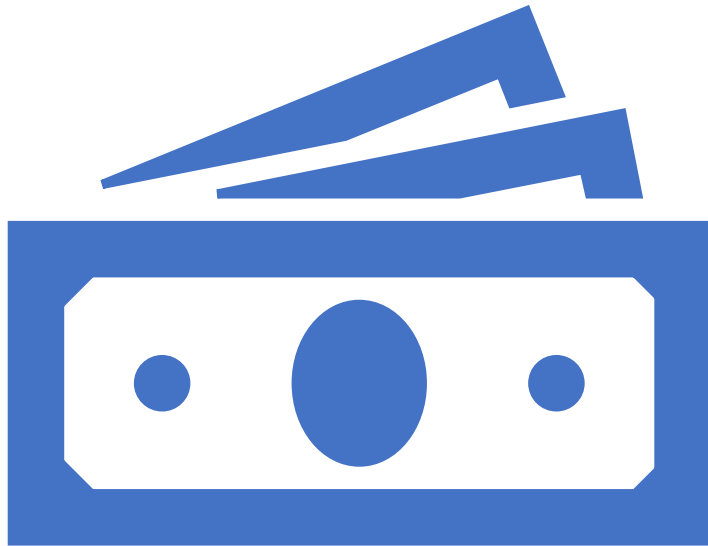
Low Wages

Quality
Building
Capacity

Federal Office of Child Care



Average Wages of Child Care Providers



Child Care Program Teacher:

\$7.68/hour to \$15.14/hour (\$15,685 to \$31,415 annual)

Median annual income: \$22,620

Family Child Care Teacher & Administrator:

\$5.50/hour to \$22.10/hour (\$15,374 to \$36,821 annual)

Median annual income: \$27,560

Child Care Center Director:

\$8.28/hour to \$25.12/hour (\$16,245 to \$57,727 annual)

Median annual income: \$31,828

Kentucky Child Care Assistance Program

The Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP) provides financial assistance to at-risk families when the adults are full-time students or work a minimum of 20 hours per week.

Currently families at 85% of State Median Income (SMI) can qualify for the Child Care Assistance Program. Prior to the pandemic, families qualified at 160% of the Federal Poverty Level.

Child care assistance in Kentucky is based on the market rate of child care in the county and age of the child. The CCAP program covers the cost of 80% of the child care programs in Kentucky. Prior to the pandemic, CCAP covered the full cost of 40% of the child care programs.

We need your support

Strengthen	Sustain	Encourage	Recommend	Support
Strengthen the Family Child Care Network by sustaining resources and creating additional investments	Sustain improvements in CCAP reimbursement rates, family eligibility, categorical eligibility, and transition periods	Encourage competitive wages, benefits, and educational opportunities for early care and education professionals	Recommend studying local planning and zoning restrictions and fees	Support successful implementation and continuation of the Employee Child Care Assistance Partnership (HB 499)



Thank you

Invest Early.....Invest Often!



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of Kentucky