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Interim Joint Committee on Families and Children

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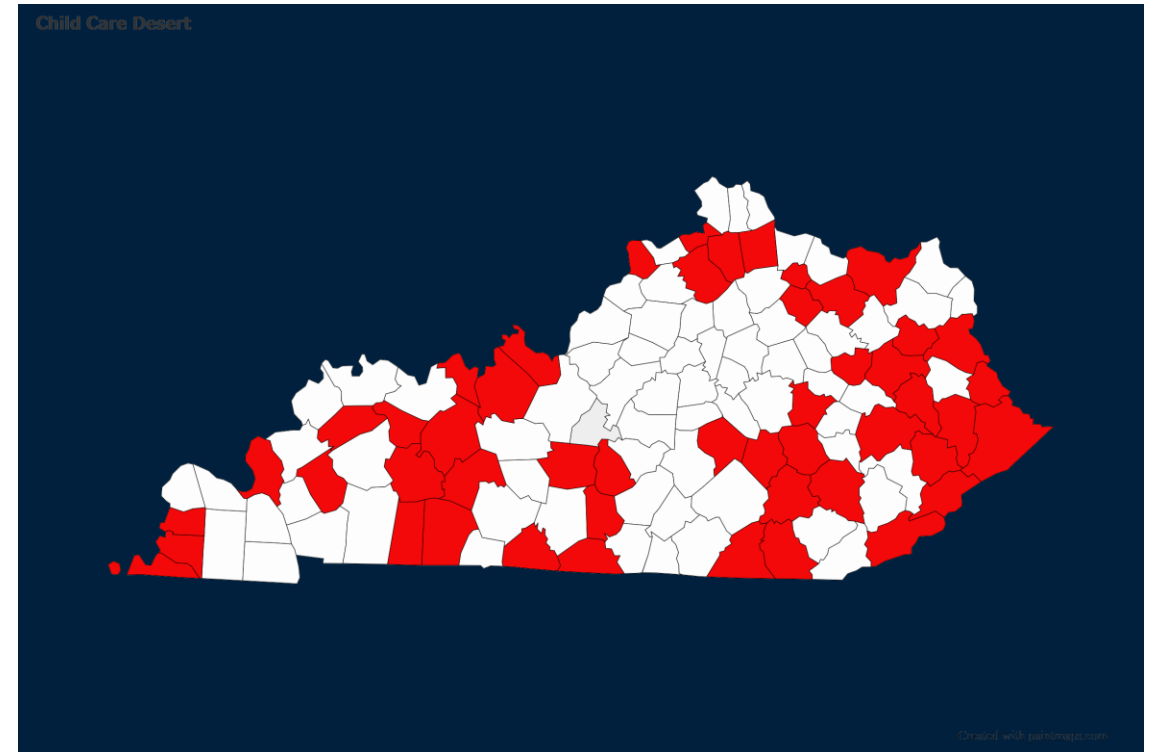
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Division of Child Care

- Administer the Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG)
- Administer the Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP)
 - Paying providers based on enrollment versus attendance
 - Family copays capped at 7% of family's gross monthly income
- Promulgate regulations pertaining to child care
- Partner with other state agencies to ensure children have access to quality care and education across multiple settings
- Facilitate the Child Care Advisory Council (CCAC)
- Participate in the statewide Early Childhood Advisory Council (ECAC) to make early childhood policy recommendations

Current State of Child Care in Kentucky

- Capacity
- Workforce shortages
 - Wages
 - Qualified staff
- Child Care Deserts
 - More than 3 children per available slot in a community
 - 50 Kentucky counties are considered child care deserts (Identified on the map in **RED**)



Child Care Landscape

Year	Licensed and Certified Providers
2020	1,924
2021	1,950
2022	1,952
2023	1,989
YTD 2024	2,000

Year	Licensed and Certified Capacity
2020	152,142
2021	158,685
2022	160,513
2023	164,049
YTD 2024	164,938

Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP) Participation

	Number of Families	Number of Children
December 2020	20,103	36,443
December 2021	17,583	31,799
December 2022	14,915	25,959
December 2023	20,081	34,316
October 2024	22,936	38,867

CCAP Child Care Employee Income Exclusion

Beginning October 24, 2022, families applying for CCAP that meet all technical eligibility requirements and have verified employment in a CHFS regulated (licensed or certified) child care program became eligible to have ALL household income excluded from the CCAP application process.

	Number of Families	Number of Children
September 2024	3,409	5,866

Transitional CCAP

- CCAP households that exceed the income guidelines at recertification or at case change, will be eligible to receive Transitional Child Care (TCC).
- TCC provides those families with 6 months of CCAP at a reduced rate.

Month & Year	Number of Families	Number of Children
January 2024	86	143
February 2024	79	128
March 2024	75	117
April 2024	89	128
May 2024	96	138
June 2024	110	160
July 2024	116	170
August 2024	111	168
September 2024	129	197

State Program

Employee Child Care Assistance Partnership (ECCAP) Program

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Apply for your Employee Child Care Assistance Partnership (ECCAP)



ECCAP – Year One

Application Status	# of Applicants (Families)	# of Children
Approved	116	160
Denied – Ineligible Employer	94	128
Denied – CCAP	31	38
Denied – Non-Contribution	7	6
Denied – Insufficient Documentation	11	13
Pending	0	0
Terminated	17	25
TOTAL	276	370

ECCAP – Year Two (...so far)

Application Status	# of Applicants (Families)	# of Children
Approved	98	135
Denied – Ineligible Employer	0	0
Denied – CCAP	5	8
Denied – Non-Contribution	0	0
Denied – Insufficient Documentation	38	44
Pending	13	17
Terminated	14	22
TOTAL	166	226

New Resources for Employers

<https://www.childcareawareky.org/support/employers/>

- Employer Tool Kit
- Average Daily Price of Child Care by Region
- Supporting Families in the Workplace
- Economic Impact
- Business Resources
- Workforce Partnership
- Workforce Branding

Questions?

