

Child & Adult Care Food Program: Participation Trends 2017



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Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)

Many low-income working parents rely on child care and afterschool programs to provide a safe and healthy place for their children while they commute and work. By paying for nutritious meals and snacks for eligible children who are enrolled at participating child care centers, day care homes and Head Start programs, the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) plays an important role in improving the quality of those programs and in making them more affordable for low-income parents.

CACFP is a well-documented success. Young children can receive up to two meals and a snack that meet USDA nutritional standards. Studies have shown that children in CACFP receive meals that are nutritionally superior to those served to children in child care settings without CACFP. Children in participating institutions have higher intakes of key nutrients, fewer servings of fats and sweets, than children in non-participating care. Research cites participation in CACFP as one of the major factors influencing quality care, reporting that 87 percent of the family child care homes considered to be providing quality child care participated in CACFP.

While the Child and Adult Care Food Program has several segments, the majority of CACFP participants are preschool-aged children attending participating family child homes, child care centers or Head Start programs. Depending on the type of program, eligibility is based either on the poverty status of the area or on the income of the enrolled children.

Each year the Food Research and Action Center (FRAC) analyzes CACFP participation data for child care centers and family child care homes provided by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) for the United States as a whole and for each of the 50 states and the District of Columbia. Key findings for fiscal year 2017 include:

Child Care Centers

- Just over 3.6 million children enrolled in child care centers benefited daily from CACFP in fiscal year 2017, a 3.3 percent increase from fiscal year 2016.
- Nationally the number of child care centers participating in CACFP declined slightly to 63,908 in fiscal year 2017, a 1.8 percent decrease from the previous year.

Family Child Care Homes

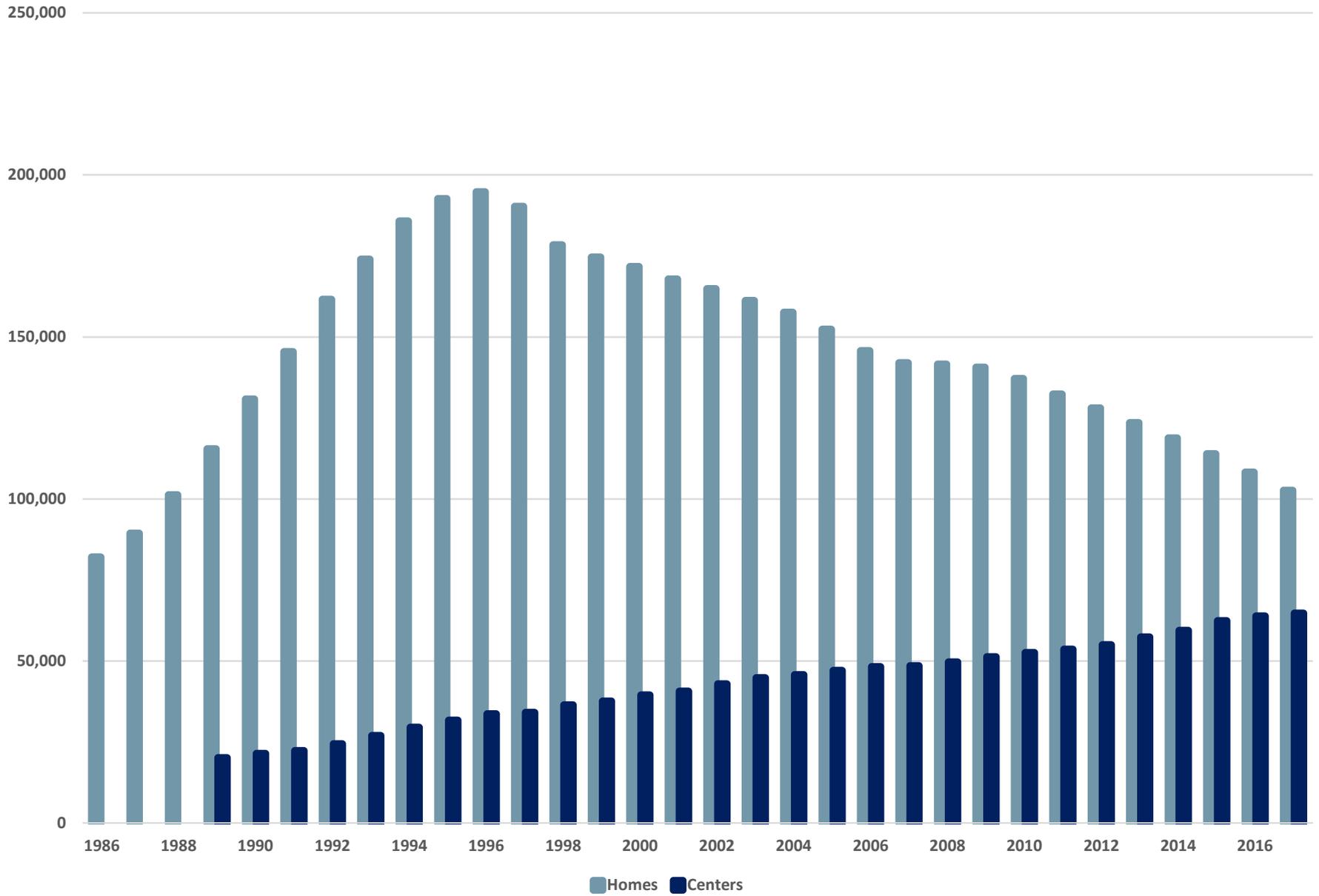
- In fiscal year 2017, 756,947 low-income children attending family child care homes relied on CACFP to provide healthy meals each day, essentially unchanged from fiscal year 2016.
- Nationally 102,630 family child care homes participated in CACFP in fiscal year 2017, a 5.3 percent decrease from the previous year.

The Impact of the CACFP Means Test

As part of the reform of welfare undertaken in 1996, major changes in the way family child care homes are reimbursed in the Child and Adult Care Food Program were mandated. A means test was instituted which effectively cut in half the federal reimbursement for meals and snacks for providers serving moderate-income children.

These changes have had negative consequences that continue to affect the program. Between 1996 and 2017 the number of family child care homes participating in CACFP dropped by 47.3 percent, while the number of children served fell by 219,269. This is in contrast to the growth of child care centers, including child care and afterschool programs, using CACFP over that time. During the same 20-year period, the participation of centers in CACFP grew by 90.0 percent and the number of children served by those centers grew by just over 2.25 million.

Number of Family Child Care Homes and Child Care Centers



Number of Meals (in Millions) Served by Family Child Care Homes, FY 1986 - FY 2017

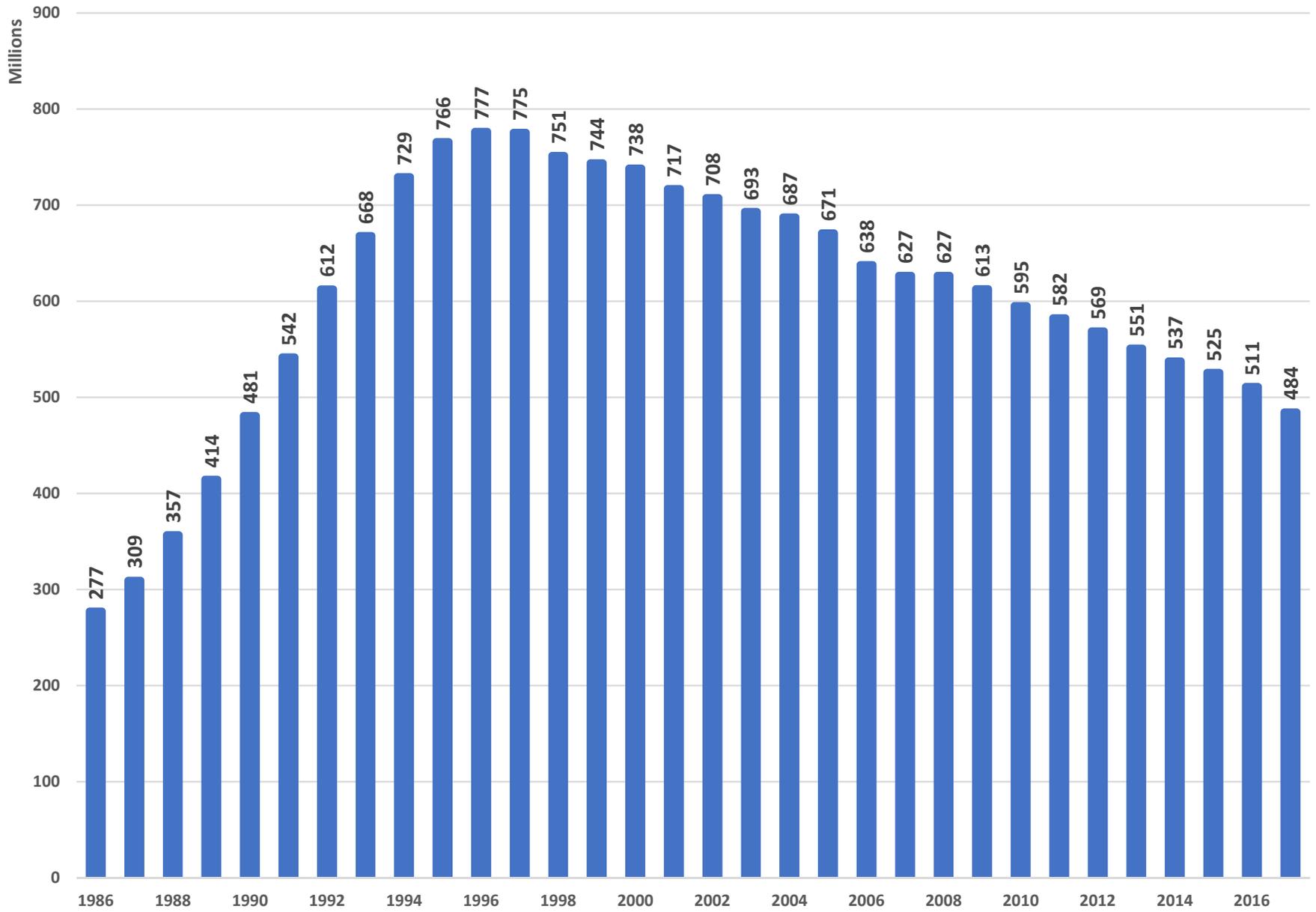


Table 1
Change in the Number of Child Care Centers, FY 1997 to FY 2017

State	Total Centers FY 1997	Total Centers FY 2017	Number Change	Percent Change	Rank (Percent Change)
Alabama	464	975	511	110.1 %	14
Alaska	159	219	61	38.2 %	38
Arizona	598	696	99	16.5 %	47
Arkansas	397	1,096	700	176.3 %	6
California	3,517	7,795	4,278	121.6 %	10
Colorado	460	754	294	63.9 %	28
Connecticut	275	303	28	10.1 %	49
Delaware	105	359	254	241.7 %	3
District of Columbia	117	285	168	143.1 %	8
Florida	1,330	4,538	3,207	241.1 %	4
Georgia	1,039	1,927	888	85.4 %	20
Hawaii	227	212	-16	-6.8 %	51
Idaho	101	243	142	140.3 %	9
Illinois	1,272	2,432	1,160	91.2 %	19
Indiana	755	1,032	277	36.7 %	40
Iowa	511	594	83	16.1 %	48
Kansas	433	581	148	34.2 %	42
Kentucky	804	1,084	280	34.9 %	41
Louisiana	509	915	406	79.9 %	25
Maine	198	186	-13	-6.4 %	50
Maryland	399	1,309	910	227.9 %	5
Massachusetts	751	942	190	25.3 %	44
Michigan	947	1,574	627	66.2 %	27
Minnesota	577	703	126	21.8 %	46
Mississippi	367	780	413	112.7 %	13
Missouri	612	1,189	577	94.2 %	18
Montana	166	343	177	106.3 %	15
Nebraska	353	504	150	42.5 %	34
Nevada	59	377	318	538.1 %	1
New Hampshire	136	195	59	43.4 %	32
New Jersey	937	1,245	307	32.8 %	43
New Mexico	389	613	224	57.5 %	30
New York	2,374	4,251	1,877	79.0 %	26
North Carolina	1,563	2,237	674	43.2 %	33
North Dakota	107	197	91	85.0 %	21
Ohio	1,426	1,957	531	37.2 %	39
Oklahoma	684	954	269	39.3 %	37
Oregon	479	678	199	41.6 %	35
Pennsylvania	1,509	3,080	1,571	104.1 %	17
Rhode Island	100	204	105	104.8 %	16
South Carolina	321	578	257	79.9 %	24
South Dakota	163	239	76	46.6 %	31
Tennessee	696	1,499	803	115.3 %	12
Texas	1,775	6,282	4,507	253.9 %	2
Utah	279	345	66	23.5 %	45
Vermont	87	227	140	160.5 %	7
Virginia	685	1,258	573	83.6 %	22
Washington	831	1,321	490	59.0 %	29
West Virginia	305	657	352	115.3 %	11
Wisconsin	655	916	261	39.8 %	36
Wyoming	72	132	60	83.0 %	23
US	34,049	63,908	29,860	87.7 %	

Source: FRAC analysis of administrative CACFP data provided by USDA.

Note: US totals include Guam, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Table 2
Change in the Number of Child Care Centers, FY 2016 to FY 2017

State	Total Centers FY 2016	Total Centers FY 2017	Number Change	Percent Change	Rank (Percent Change)
Alabama	960	975	15	1.5 %	24
Alaska	217	219	2	.9 %	25
Arizona	746	696	-50	-6.7 %	42
Arkansas	1,227	1,096	-131	-10.7 %	49
California	7,530	7,795	264	3.5 %	14
Colorado	804	754	-50	-6.2 %	41
Connecticut	307	303	-4	-1.2 %	31
Delaware	331	359	28	8.3 %	7
District of Columbia	226	285	59	26.2 %	2
Florida	4,505	4,538	33	.7 %	26
Georgia	2,429	1,927	-503	-20.7 %	51
Hawaii	219	212	-7	-3.2 %	35
Idaho	230	243	13	5.5 %	10
Illinois	2,370	2,432	62	2.6 %	19
Indiana	982	1,032	50	5.1 %	12
Iowa	582	594	12	2.0 %	22
Kansas	585	581	-3	-.6 %	29
Kentucky	1,017	1,084	68	6.7 %	9
Louisiana	969	915	-54	-5.6 %	40
Maine	181	186	5	2.6 %	18
Maryland	1,350	1,309	-41	-3.0 %	34
Massachusetts	940	942	2	.2 %	28
Michigan	1,537	1,574	37	2.4 %	21
Minnesota	625	703	78	12.5 %	4
Mississippi	705	780	75	10.6 %	5
Missouri	1,229	1,189	-41	-3.3 %	36
Montana	234	343	109	46.5 %	1
Nebraska	553	504	-50	-9.0 %	48
Nevada	303	377	74	24.3 %	3
New Hampshire	191	195	4	2.0 %	23
New Jersey	1,345	1,245	-101	-7.5 %	44
New Mexico	592	613	21	3.5 %	15
New York	4,465	4,251	-215	-4.8 %	39
North Carolina	2,230	2,237	7	.3 %	27
North Dakota	190	197	7	3.7 %	13
Ohio	1,896	1,957	61	3.2 %	17
Oklahoma	973	954	-20	-2.0 %	32
Oregon	739	678	-61	-8.2 %	47
Pennsylvania	3,318	3,080	-238	-7.2 %	43
Rhode Island	212	204	-8	-3.5 %	37
South Carolina	548	578	30	5.5 %	11
South Dakota	245	239	-6	-2.3 %	33
Tennessee	1,845	1,499	-347	-18.8 %	50
Texas	6,346	6,282	-64	-1.0 %	30
Utah	321	345	24	7.4 %	8
Vermont	209	227	19	8.9 %	6
Virginia	1,366	1,258	-108	-7.9 %	46
Washington	1,289	1,321	32	2.5 %	20
West Virginia	690	657	-33	-4.8 %	38
Wisconsin	994	916	-78	-7.9 %	45
Wyoming	128	132	4	3.3 %	16
US	65,105	63,908	-1,197	-1.8 %	

Source: FRAC analysis of administrative CACFP data provided by USDA.

Note: US totals include Guam, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Table 3
Change in the Average Daily Attendance of Child Care Centers, FY 1997 to FY 2017

State	ADA Centers FY 1997	ADA Centers FY 2017	Number Change	Percent Change	Rank (Percent Change)
Alabama	22,154	55,437	33,283	150.2 %	16
Alaska	4,525	8,545	4,021	88.9 %	34
Arizona	31,945	32,878	933	2.9 %	51
Arkansas	14,738	57,777	43,039	292.0 %	7
California	143,497	484,308	340,811	237.5 %	8
Colorado	18,713	36,202	17,489	93.5 %	30
Connecticut	9,366	17,649	8,283	88.4 %	35
Delaware	6,171	18,083	11,912	193.0 %	12
District of Columbia	4,174	30,281	26,108	625.6 %	2
Florida	70,187	285,515	215,328	306.8 %	5
Georgia	65,399	126,158	60,759	92.9 %	31
Hawaii	7,616	9,628	2,012	26.4 %	49
Idaho	3,375	10,123	6,748	199.9 %	10
Illinois	55,155	114,888	59,733	108.3 %	26
Indiana	27,865	68,681	40,816	146.5 %	18
Iowa	16,977	28,853	11,876	70.0 %	43
Kansas	16,979	24,688	7,709	45.4 %	45
Kentucky	33,668	60,421	26,753	79.5 %	37
Louisiana	21,222	50,726	29,505	139.0 %	20
Maine	4,218	4,906	688	16.3 %	50
Maryland	17,425	70,078	52,653	302.2 %	6
Massachusetts	26,459	52,526	26,067	98.5 %	28
Michigan	37,164	66,648	29,485	79.3 %	38
Minnesota	18,233	40,547	22,314	122.4 %	23
Mississippi	22,531	44,468	21,938	97.4 %	29
Missouri	25,646	60,970	35,323	137.7 %	21
Montana	4,732	8,886	4,153	87.8 %	36
Nebraska	14,182	26,957	12,775	90.1 %	32
Nevada	3,475	26,353	22,878	658.3 %	1
New Hampshire	4,324	9,629	5,305	122.7 %	22
New Jersey	28,823	71,808	42,985	149.1 %	17
New Mexico	18,367	27,760	9,394	51.1 %	44
New York	131,340	224,629	93,290	71.0 %	41
North Carolina	80,582	116,304	35,722	44.3 %	46
North Dakota	4,194	9,227	5,033	120.0 %	24
Ohio	57,196	98,205	41,009	71.7 %	40
Oklahoma	25,771	48,748	22,977	89.2 %	33
Oregon	12,043	35,797	23,754	197.2 %	11
Pennsylvania	49,354	143,361	94,008	190.5 %	13
Rhode Island	5,405	7,389	1,984	36.7 %	47
South Carolina	16,313	33,191	16,879	103.5 %	27
South Dakota	4,928	10,766	5,839	118.5 %	25
Tennessee	27,133	73,777	46,643	171.9 %	14
Texas	98,932	530,746	431,814	436.5 %	3
Utah	14,708	19,962	5,254	35.7 %	48
Vermont	1,989	9,264	7,275	365.8 %	4
Virginia	25,025	77,328	52,303	209.0 %	9
Washington	26,357	69,497	43,140	163.7 %	15
West Virginia	8,099	19,798	11,699	144.5 %	19
Wisconsin	27,859	49,012	21,153	75.9 %	39
Wyoming	3,062	5,213	2,151	70.2 %	42
US	1,442,465	3,635,052	2,192,587	152.0 %	

Source: FRAC analysis of administrative CACFP data provided by USDA.

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Table 4
Change in the Average Daily Attendance of Child Care Centers, FY 2016 to FY 2017

State	ADA Centers FY 2016	ADA Centers FY 2017	Number Change	Percent Change	Rank (Percent Change)
Alabama	53,436	55,437	2,002	3.7 %	22
Alaska	8,393	8,545	153	1.8 %	26
Arizona	32,853	32,878	25	.1 %	34
Arkansas	60,934	57,777	-3,157	-5.2 %	47
California	459,051	484,308	25,256	5.5 %	16
Colorado	35,741	36,202	461	1.3 %	27
Connecticut	17,552	17,649	97	.6 %	32
Delaware	16,103	18,083	1,979	12.3 %	9
District of Columbia	17,271	30,281	13,011	75.3 %	1
Florida	282,075	285,515	3,440	1.2 %	30
Georgia	127,924	126,158	-1,766	-1.4 %	39
Hawaii	9,884	9,628	-256	-2.6 %	42
Idaho	9,736	10,123	387	4.0 %	21
Illinois	116,817	114,888	-1,929	-1.7 %	41
Indiana	62,319	68,681	6,362	10.2 %	10
Iowa	27,671	28,853	1,182	4.3 %	19
Kansas	24,968	24,688	-280	-1.1 %	38
Kentucky	56,237	60,421	4,184	7.4 %	14
Louisiana	54,979	50,726	-4,253	-7.7 %	49
Maine	5,233	4,906	-327	-6.3 %	48
Maryland	76,670	70,078	-6,593	-8.6 %	50
Massachusetts	52,536	52,526	-9	.0 %	35
Michigan	70,091	66,648	-3,443	-4.9 %	46
Minnesota	35,756	40,547	4,790	13.4 %	7
Mississippi	38,391	44,468	6,078	15.8 %	6
Missouri	58,306	60,970	2,664	4.6 %	18
Montana	8,581	8,886	305	3.5 %	24
Nebraska	26,673	26,957	285	1.1 %	31
Nevada	15,773	26,353	10,580	67.1 %	2
New Hampshire	8,257	9,629	1,372	16.6 %	4
New Jersey	71,509	71,808	299	.4 %	33
New Mexico	26,654	27,760	1,106	4.2 %	20
New York	261,717	224,629	-37,088	-14.2 %	51
North Carolina	114,896	116,304	1,408	1.2 %	29
North Dakota	9,112	9,227	115	1.3 %	28
Ohio	99,275	98,205	-1,071	-1.1 %	37
Oklahoma	45,257	48,748	3,491	7.7 %	13
Oregon	34,727	35,797	1,071	3.1 %	25
Pennsylvania	132,924	143,361	10,437	7.9 %	12
Rhode Island	7,462	7,389	-74	-1.0 %	36
South Carolina	31,730	33,191	1,462	4.6 %	17
South Dakota	11,121	10,766	-354	-3.2 %	43
Tennessee	65,637	73,777	8,140	12.4 %	8
Texas	481,662	530,746	49,084	10.2 %	11
Utah	19,247	19,962	715	3.7 %	23
Vermont	7,961	9,264	1,303	16.4 %	5
Virginia	60,130	77,328	17,198	28.6 %	3
Washington	65,495	69,497	4,002	6.1 %	15
West Virginia	20,770	19,798	-973	-4.7 %	45
Wisconsin	49,714	49,012	-702	-1.4 %	40
Wyoming	5,456	5,213	-243	-4.5 %	44
US	3,517,365	3,635,052	117,687	3.3 %	

Source: FRAC analysis of administrative CACFP data provided by USDA.

Note: US totals include Guam, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Table 5
Change in the Number of Family Child Care Homes, FY 1997 to FY 2017

State	Total Homes FY 1997	Total Homes FY 2017	Number Change	Percent Change	Rank (Percent Change)
Alabama	2,398	676	-1,722	-71.8 %	47
Alaska	544	230	-314	-57.7 %	30
Arizona	4,324	2,081	-2,243	-51.9 %	21
Arkansas	979	313	-666	-68.0 %	44
California	23,447	13,626	-9,821	-41.9 %	11
Colorado	4,561	1,071	-3,490	-76.5 %	50
Connecticut	2,193	811	-1,383	-63.0 %	39
Delaware	1,303	525	-778	-59.7 %	32
District of Columbia	131	52	-80	-60.6 %	34
Florida	2,636	1,841	-795	-30.1 %	8
Georgia	2,762	1,368	-1,395	-50.5 %	18
Hawaii	509	230	-279	-54.7 %	25
Idaho	546	195	-351	-64.4 %	41
Illinois	7,227	6,139	-1,088	-15.1 %	6
Indiana	2,112	2,018	-94	-4.4 %	5
Iowa	2,508	1,681	-828	-33.0 %	9
Kansas	5,805	2,848	-2,957	-50.9 %	19
Kentucky	748	279	-470	-62.8 %	38
Louisiana	7,855	8,649	794	10.1 %	2
Maine	1,836	779	-1,057	-57.6 %	29
Maryland	5,370	2,571	-2,799	-52.1 %	22
Massachusetts	7,004	3,818	-3,186	-45.5 %	12
Michigan	9,645	3,685	-5,960	-61.8 %	36
Minnesota	12,452	6,478	-5,973	-48.0 %	14
Mississippi	868	940	72	8.3 %	3
Missouri	2,634	1,019	-1,615	-61.3 %	35
Montana	1,278	555	-724	-56.6 %	28
Nebraska	3,565	1,920	-1,646	-46.2 %	13
Nevada	465	116	-348	-75.0 %	49
New Hampshire	367	75	-292	-79.6 %	51
New Jersey	1,384	436	-948	-68.5 %	45
New Mexico	6,854	1,981	-4,873	-71.1 %	46
New York	7,873	8,882	1,010	12.8 %	1
North Carolina	3,278	1,630	-1,648	-50.3 %	16
North Dakota	2,112	942	-1,171	-55.4 %	27
Ohio	4,812	2,009	-2,803	-58.3 %	31
Oklahoma	2,295	1,509	-786	-34.3 %	10
Oregon	5,492	1,893	-3,600	-65.5 %	42
Pennsylvania	3,090	1,395	-1,696	-54.9 %	26
Rhode Island	222	232	11	4.7 %	4
South Carolina	1,261	451	-810	-64.2 %	40
South Dakota	947	448	-499	-52.7 %	24
Tennessee	1,845	1,371	-474	-25.7 %	7
Texas	9,441	4,621	-4,820	-51.1 %	20
Utah	4,184	1,563	-2,621	-62.6 %	37
Vermont	878	416	-461	-52.6 %	23
Virginia	3,627	1,801	-1,826	-50.3 %	17
Washington	5,831	1,637	-4,194	-71.9 %	48
West Virginia	1,555	781	-774	-49.8 %	15
Wisconsin	4,291	1,715	-2,576	-60.0 %	33
Wyoming	728	247	-481	-66.0 %	43
US	190,225	102,630	-87,595	-46.0 %	

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Change in the Number of Family Child Care Homes, FY 2016 to FY 2017

State	Total Homes FY 2016	Total Homes FY 2017	Number Change	Percent Change	Rank (Percent Change)
Alabama	709	676	-33	-4.7 %	15
Alaska	252	230	-22	-8.5 %	34
Arizona	2,284	2,081	-203	-8.9 %	36
Arkansas	357	313	-44	-12.3 %	45
California	14,076	13,626	-449	-3.2 %	9
Colorado	1,126	1,071	-55	-4.9 %	17
Connecticut	821	811	-10	-1.2 %	6
Delaware	537	525	-12	-2.2 %	8
District of Columbia	57	52	-6	-9.6 %	40
Florida	1,961	1,841	-120	-6.1 %	21
Georgia	1,550	1,368	-183	-11.8 %	44
Hawaii	236	230	-5	-2.2 %	7
Idaho	226	195	-32	-14.0 %	48
Illinois	6,463	6,139	-324	-5.0 %	18
Indiana	2,011	2,018	7	.4 %	4
Iowa	1,814	1,681	-133	-7.3 %	29
Kansas	2,990	2,848	-142	-4.8 %	16
Kentucky	315	279	-36	-11.5 %	43
Louisiana	8,391	8,649	258	3.1 %	2
Maine	861	779	-82	-9.5 %	39
Maryland	2,806	2,571	-235	-8.4 %	33
Massachusetts	4,072	3,818	-254	-6.2 %	23
Michigan	3,848	3,685	-162	-4.2 %	13
Minnesota	6,909	6,478	-431	-6.2 %	22
Mississippi	847	940	93	11.0 %	1
Missouri	1,064	1,019	-45	-4.2 %	12
Montana	557	555	-3	-.5 %	5
Nebraska	2,031	1,920	-111	-5.5 %	20
Nevada	116	116	1	.6 %	3
New Hampshire	87	75	-12	-14.0 %	49
New Jersey	461	436	-25	-5.4 %	19
New Mexico	2,217	1,981	-236	-10.6 %	42
New York	9,215	8,882	-333	-3.6 %	10
North Carolina	1,768	1,630	-138	-7.8 %	32
North Dakota	1,018	942	-77	-7.5 %	30
Ohio	2,152	2,009	-143	-6.7 %	24
Oklahoma	1,568	1,509	-59	-3.8 %	11
Oregon	2,033	1,893	-141	-6.9 %	26
Pennsylvania	1,619	1,395	-224	-13.9 %	47
Rhode Island	257	232	-24	-9.5 %	38
South Carolina	498	451	-47	-9.4 %	37
South Dakota	525	448	-77	-14.6 %	50
Tennessee	1,586	1,371	-215	-13.6 %	46
Texas	4,964	4,621	-344	-6.9 %	27
Utah	1,685	1,563	-122	-7.2 %	28
Vermont	447	416	-30	-6.8 %	25
Virginia	2,183	1,801	-382	-17.5 %	51
Washington	1,796	1,637	-159	-8.8 %	35
West Virginia	818	781	-36	-4.4 %	14
Wisconsin	1,858	1,715	-143	-7.7 %	31
Wyoming	274	247	-27	-9.7 %	41
US	108,404	102,630	-5,774	-5.3 %	

Source: FRAC analysis of administrative CACFP data provided by USDA.

Note: US totals include Guam, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Table 7
Change in the Average Daily Attendance of Family Child Care Homes, FY 1997 to FY 2017

State	ADA Homes FY 1997	ADA Homes FY 2017	Number Change	Percent Change	Rank (Percent Change)
Alabama	11,641	3,842	-7,800	-67.0 %	46
Alaska	2,239	1,458	-781	-34.9 %	24
Arizona	11,124	9,022	-2,103	-18.9 %	15
Arkansas	5,279	2,678	-2,601	-49.3 %	36
California	136,650	110,380	-26,271	-19.2 %	17
Colorado	21,096	6,700	-14,396	-68.2 %	48
Connecticut	10,661	4,302	-6,359	-59.6 %	44
Delaware	6,389	3,905	-2,484	-38.9 %	29
District of Columbia	422	235	-187	-44.3 %	34
Florida	11,322	11,689	367	3.2 %	12
Georgia	18,127	14,691	-3,435	-19.0 %	16
Hawaii	1,431	1,094	-337	-23.5 %	20
Idaho	3,170	2,028	-1,143	-36.0 %	26
Illinois	25,671	23,417	-2,254	-8.8 %	14
Indiana	16,134	24,464	8,330	51.6 %	3
Iowa	10,689	14,005	3,317	31.0 %	4
Kansas	36,905	22,691	-14,214	-38.5 %	28
Kentucky	4,130	3,043	-1,087	-26.3 %	22
Louisiana	34,262	42,555	8,293	24.2 %	6
Maine	11,076	5,302	-5,774	-52.1 %	38
Maryland	30,476	14,951	-15,525	-50.9 %	37
Massachusetts	22,543	23,570	1,027	4.6 %	11
Michigan	37,372	29,705	-7,667	-20.5 %	18
Minnesota	76,196	50,924	-25,272	-33.2 %	23
Mississippi	4,348	4,851	503	11.6 %	10
Missouri	18,074	10,315	-7,760	-42.9 %	32
Montana	8,265	4,833	-3,433	-41.5 %	31
Nebraska	24,103	15,150	-8,953	-37.1 %	27
Nevada	1,631	692	-939	-57.6 %	42
New Hampshire	2,240	601	-1,640	-73.2 %	51
New Jersey	7,239	2,300	-4,940	-68.2 %	47
New Mexico	26,434	8,352	-18,081	-68.4 %	49
New York	47,118	79,474	32,357	68.7 %	2
North Carolina	17,814	9,450	-8,365	-47.0 %	35
North Dakota	13,776	8,091	-5,685	-41.3 %	30
Ohio	18,379	14,588	-3,792	-20.6 %	19
Oklahoma	19,452	8,932	-10,520	-54.1 %	40
Oregon	24,322	13,597	-10,725	-44.1 %	33
Pennsylvania	15,064	14,551	-513	-3.4 %	13
Rhode Island	1,196	1,548	352	29.4 %	5
South Carolina	8,961	3,385	-5,576	-62.2 %	45
South Dakota	7,189	4,613	-2,576	-35.8 %	25
Tennessee	9,853	12,137	2,284	23.2 %	7
Texas	49,450	37,695	-11,756	-23.8 %	21
Utah	26,300	12,525	-13,776	-52.4 %	39
Vermont	6,587	7,701	1,114	16.9 %	9
Virginia	14,518	25,270	10,753	74.1 %	1
Washington	47,219	13,100	-34,119	-72.3 %	50
West Virginia	3,294	3,930	637	19.3 %	8
Wisconsin	23,591	10,522	-13,069	-55.4 %	41
Wyoming	4,428	1,856	-2,572	-58.1 %	43
US	996,374	756,947	-239,427	-24.0 %	

Source: FRAC analysis of administrative CACFP data provided by USDA.

Note: US totals include Guam, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Table 8
Change in the Average Daily Attendance of Family Child Care Homes, FY 2016 to FY 2017

State	ADA Homes FY 2016	ADA Homes FY 2017	Number Change	Percent Change	Rank (Percent Change)
Alabama	4,015	3,842	-173	-4.3 %	24
Alaska	1,553	1,458	-95	-6.1 %	34
Arizona	9,374	9,022	-352	-3.8 %	23
Arkansas	3,034	2,678	-356	-11.7 %	46
California	112,728	110,380	-2,349	-2.1 %	17
Colorado	7,039	6,700	-340	-4.8 %	26
Connecticut	4,354	4,302	-52	-1.2 %	15
Delaware	4,138	3,905	-233	-5.6 %	31
District of Columbia	246	235	-12	-4.7 %	25
Florida	12,320	11,689	-631	-5.1 %	29
Georgia	10,854	14,691	3,838	35.4 %	3
Hawaii	1,104	1,094	-10	-.9 %	14
Idaho	2,315	2,028	-288	-12.4 %	47
Illinois	24,330	23,417	-913	-3.8 %	22
Indiana	23,809	24,464	655	2.8 %	10
Iowa	14,944	14,005	-939	-6.3 %	35
Kansas	23,928	22,691	-1,237	-5.2 %	30
Kentucky	4,562	3,043	-1,519	-33.3 %	50
Louisiana	41,206	42,555	1,349	3.3 %	9
Maine	5,740	5,302	-438	-7.6 %	41
Maryland	16,038	14,951	-1,087	-6.8 %	39
Massachusetts	24,816	23,570	-1,247	-5.0 %	28
Michigan	30,622	29,705	-917	-3.0 %	18
Minnesota	54,582	50,924	-3,659	-6.7 %	38
Mississippi	3,896	4,851	955	24.5 %	4
Missouri	10,649	10,315	-335	-3.1 %	19
Montana	4,751	4,833	82	1.7 %	11
Nebraska	15,922	15,150	-772	-4.9 %	27
Nevada	669	692	23	3.4 %	8
New Hampshire	687	601	-86	-12.5 %	48
New Jersey	2,317	2,300	-17	-.7 %	13
New Mexico	9,150	8,352	-798	-8.7 %	44
New York	80,800	79,474	-1,326	-1.6 %	16
North Carolina	8,640	9,450	809	9.4 %	6
North Dakota	8,698	8,091	-607	-7.0 %	40
Ohio	15,631	14,588	-1,044	-6.7 %	37
Oklahoma	9,491	8,932	-560	-5.9 %	32
Oregon	14,119	13,597	-523	-3.7 %	21
Pennsylvania	12,380	14,551	2,171	17.5 %	5
Rhode Island	1,692	1,548	-144	-8.5 %	43
South Carolina	3,891	3,385	-505	-13.0 %	49
South Dakota	6,997	4,613	-2,383	-34.1 %	51
Tennessee	11,688	12,137	449	3.8 %	7
Texas	39,038	37,695	-1,344	-3.4 %	20
Utah	13,342	12,525	-817	-6.1 %	33
Vermont	3,296	7,701	4,405	133.6 %	2
Virginia	9,501	25,270	15,769	166.0 %	1
Washington	14,032	13,100	-931	-6.6 %	36
West Virginia	3,899	3,930	31	.8 %	12
Wisconsin	11,432	10,522	-910	-8.0 %	42
Wyoming	2,077	1,856	-221	-10.6 %	45
US	756,604	756,947	344	.0 %	

Source: FRAC analysis of administrative CACFP data provided by USDA.

Note: US totals include Guam, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Table 9
Number and Percentage of Tier I Family Child Care Homes FY 2017

State	CACFP Total Number of Homes	Total Tier I Homes	Tier I Homes as Percent of Total	Rank (Homes as Percent of Total)
Alabama	676	646	94.7 %	15
Alaska	230	182	78.8 %	42
Arizona	2,081	2,079	98.8 %	5
Arkansas	313	320	97.3 %	10
California	13,626	12,496	91.2 %	27
Colorado	1,071	881	78.4 %	43
Connecticut	811	659	79.8 %	38
Delaware	525	502	95.1 %	14
District of Columbia	52	53	100.0 %	1
Florida	1,841	1,853	98.6 %	7
Georgia	1,368	1,305	94.1 %	18
Hawaii	230	216	92.7 %	23
Idaho	195	185	93.4 %	22
Illinois	6,139	5,552	89.7 %	29
Indiana	2,018	1,870	91.4 %	26
Iowa	1,681	1,403	82.0 %	36
Kansas	2,848	2,395	81.9 %	37
Kentucky	279	271	94.4 %	16
Louisiana	8,649	8,579	99.7 %	3
Maine	779	733	88.4 %	31
Maryland	2,571	2,070	79.1 %	40
Massachusetts	3,818	3,071	79.3 %	39
Michigan	3,685	3,202	86.0 %	33
Minnesota	6,478	3,535	53.4 %	50
Mississippi	940	933	99.7 %	2
Missouri	1,019	949	92.1 %	24
Montana	555	455	87.5 %	32
Nebraska	1,920	1,623	82.1 %	35
Nevada	116	90	78.9 %	41
New Hampshire	75	32	42.7 %	51
New Jersey	436	392	88.5 %	30
New Mexico	1,981	1,981	99.3 %	4
New York	8,882	8,321	93.6 %	20
North Carolina	1,630	1,607	96.1 %	11
North Dakota	942	570	59.1 %	49
Ohio	2,009	1,995	95.6 %	13
Oklahoma	1,509	1,436	94.2 %	17
Oregon	1,893	1,807	93.7 %	19
Pennsylvania	1,395	1,377	93.5 %	21
Rhode Island	232	223	95.7 %	12
South Carolina	451	445	97.6 %	9
South Dakota	448	326	68.6 %	47
Tennessee	1,371	1,367	98.8 %	6
Texas	4,621	4,329	91.6 %	25
Utah	1,563	1,423	89.7 %	28
Vermont	416	302	74.4 %	45
Virginia	1,801	1,571	75.8 %	44
Washington	1,637	1,422	85.8 %	34
West Virginia	781	770	98.5 %	8
Wisconsin	1,715	1,287	73.9 %	46
Wyoming	247	177	68.3 %	48
US	102,630	91,351	87.7 %	

Source: FRAC analysis of administrative CACFP data provided by USDA.

Note: US totals include Guam, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Table 10
Change in the Number of Child Care Centers, FY 1996 to FY 2017

State	Total Centers FY 1996	Total Centers FY 2017	Number Change	Percent Change	Rank (Percent Change)
Alabama	456	975	519	113.8 %	12
Alaska	159	219	60	37.7 %	41
Arizona	549	696	147	26.8 %	45
Arkansas	394	1,096	702	178.2 %	7
California	3,342	7,795	4,453	133.2 %	10
Colorado	441	754	313	70.9 %	25
Connecticut	268	303	35	13.0 %	49
Delaware	93	359	266	285.8 %	2
District of Columbia	106	285	179	168.9 %	8
Florida	1,219	4,538	3,319	272.2 %	3
Georgia	983	1,927	944	96.0 %	15
Hawaii	231	212	-20	-8.4 %	51
Idaho	98	243	145	147.7 %	9
Illinois	1,477	2,432	955	64.6 %	29
Indiana	700	1,032	332	47.5 %	35
Iowa	515	594	79	15.2 %	47
Kansas	427	581	154	36.1 %	43
Kentucky	790	1,084	294	37.2 %	42
Louisiana	500	915	415	83.0 %	23
Maine	202	186	-17	-8.2 %	50
Maryland	399	1,309	910	228.1 %	5
Massachusetts	703	942	239	33.9 %	44
Michigan	898	1,574	676	75.3 %	24
Minnesota	565	703	138	24.4 %	46
Mississippi	361	780	419	115.9 %	11
Missouri	614	1,189	575	93.6 %	16
Montana	163	343	180	110.1 %	13
Nebraska	332	504	172	51.7 %	33
Nevada	60	377	317	527.5 %	1
New Hampshire	132	195	63	47.7 %	34
New Jersey	898	1,245	347	38.6 %	40
New Mexico	376	613	237	63.0 %	30
New York	2,247	4,251	2,004	89.2 %	20
North Carolina	1,457	2,237	780	53.5 %	32
North Dakota	104	197	93	89.4 %	19
Ohio	1,387	1,957	570	41.1 %	37
Oklahoma	678	954	276	40.6 %	38
Oregon	479	678	199	41.5 %	36
Pennsylvania	1,486	3,080	1,594	107.3 %	14
Rhode Island	106	204	98	92.7 %	17
South Carolina	308	578	270	87.7 %	22
South Dakota	155	239	84	54.2 %	31
Tennessee	790	1,499	709	89.7 %	18
Texas	1,708	6,282	4,574	267.8 %	4
Utah	303	345	42	13.8 %	48
Vermont	72	227	155	215.6 %	6
Virginia	756	1,258	502	66.4 %	28
Washington	778	1,321	543	69.8 %	26
West Virginia	349	657	308	88.2 %	21
Wisconsin	657	916	259	39.3 %	39
Wyoming	78	132	54	68.9 %	27
US	33,627	63,908	30,281	90.0 %	

Source: FRAC analysis of administrative CACFP data provided by USDA.

Note: US totals include Guam, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Table 11
Change in the Average Daily Attendance of Child Care Centers, FY 1996 to FY 2017

State	ADA Centers FY 1996	ADA Centers FY 2017	Number Change	Percent Change	Rank (Percent Change)
Alabama	21,000	53,436	34,437	164.0 %	18
Alaska	4,577	8,393	3,968	86.7 %	37
Arizona	29,304	32,853	3,574	12.2 %	51
Arkansas	14,504	60,934	43,273	298.4 %	7
California	136,428	459,051	347,880	255.0 %	8
Colorado	18,068	35,741	18,134	100.4 %	30
Connecticut	9,027	17,552	8,622	95.5 %	35
Delaware	5,599	16,103	12,484	223.0 %	9
District of Columbia	3,866	17,271	26,415	683.3 %	2
Florida	62,474	282,075	223,041	357.0 %	5
Georgia	57,336	127,924	68,822	120.0 %	24
Hawaii	7,563	9,884	2,065	27.3 %	49
Idaho	3,486	9,736	6,637	190.4 %	11
Illinois	51,000	116,817	63,888	125.3 %	22
Indiana	25,176	62,319	43,505	172.8 %	16
Iowa	16,895	27,671	11,958	70.8 %	42
Kansas	16,532	24,968	8,156	49.3 %	45
Kentucky	32,600	56,237	27,821	85.3 %	38
Louisiana	19,362	54,979	31,364	162.0 %	19
Maine	4,103	5,233	803	19.6 %	50
Maryland	17,326	76,670	52,752	304.5 %	6
Massachusetts	25,263	52,536	27,263	107.9 %	29
Michigan	35,446	70,091	31,202	88.0 %	36
Minnesota	17,463	35,756	23,084	132.2 %	21
Mississippi	22,222	38,391	22,246	100.1 %	31
Missouri	24,420	58,306	36,550	149.7 %	20
Montana	4,488	8,581	4,398	98.0 %	34
Nebraska	13,485	26,673	13,472	99.9 %	32
Nevada	3,096	15,773	23,257	751.2 %	1
New Hampshire	4,313	8,257	5,316	123.2 %	23
New Jersey	33,607	71,509	38,201	113.7 %	28
New Mexico	15,513	26,654	12,247	78.9 %	41
New York	123,407	261,717	101,222	82.0 %	40
North Carolina	75,307	114,896	40,997	54.4 %	44
North Dakota	4,238	9,112	4,989	117.7 %	25
Ohio	58,932	99,275	39,273	66.6 %	43
Oklahoma	24,445	45,257	24,303	99.4 %	33
Oregon	12,388	34,727	23,409	189.0 %	12
Pennsylvania	48,036	132,924	95,325	198.4 %	10
Rhode Island	5,271	7,462	2,118	40.2 %	47
South Carolina	15,309	31,730	17,882	116.8 %	26
South Dakota	4,966	11,121	5,800	116.8 %	27
Tennessee	26,036	65,637	47,741	183.4 %	14
Texas	91,930	481,662	438,816	477.3 %	3
Utah	14,963	19,247	4,999	33.4 %	48
Vermont	1,931	7,961	7,333	379.7 %	4
Virginia	27,238	60,130	50,090	183.9 %	13
Washington	26,026	65,495	43,471	167.0 %	17
West Virginia	7,116	20,770	12,682	178.2 %	15
Wisconsin	26,863	49,714	22,149	82.5 %	39
Wyoming	3,572	5,456	1,641	45.9 %	46
US	1,384,225	3,517,365	2,250,827	162.6 %	

Source: FRAC analysis of administrative CACFP data provided by USDA.

Note: US totals include Guam, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Table 12
Change in the Number of Family Child Care Homes, FY 1996 to FY 2017

State	Total Homes FY 1996	Total Homes FY 2017	Number Change	Percent Change	Rank (Percent Change)
Alabama	2,427	676	-1,751	-72.1 %	46
Alaska	577	230	-347	-60.1 %	32
Arizona	4,114	2,081	-2,033	-49.4 %	18
Arkansas	1,107	313	-794	-71.7 %	45
California	24,008	13,626	-10,382	-43.2 %	11
Colorado	4,938	1,071	-3,867	-78.3 %	50
Connecticut	2,288	811	-1,478	-64.6 %	39
Delaware	1,308	525	-784	-59.9 %	30
District of Columbia	133	52	-81	-61.1 %	34
Florida	2,623	1,841	-782	-29.8 %	8
Georgia	2,542	1,368	-1,174	-46.2 %	14
Hawaii	532	230	-302	-56.7 %	27
Idaho	574	195	-380	-66.1 %	40
Illinois	7,306	6,139	-1,167	-16.0 %	6
Indiana	2,298	2,018	-280	-12.2 %	5
Iowa	2,658	1,681	-978	-36.8 %	10
Kansas	6,153	2,848	-3,305	-53.7 %	20
Kentucky	712	279	-434	-60.9 %	33
Louisiana	8,675	8,649	-27	-.3 %	3
Maine	1,745	779	-966	-55.4 %	24
Maryland	5,646	2,571	-3,076	-54.5 %	23
Massachusetts	7,012	3,818	-3,194	-45.6 %	13
Michigan	9,476	3,685	-5,791	-61.1 %	35
Minnesota	12,768	6,478	-6,290	-49.3 %	17
Mississippi	958	940	-18	-1.9 %	4
Missouri	2,667	1,019	-1,648	-61.8 %	37
Montana	1,299	555	-745	-57.3 %	29
Nebraska	3,706	1,920	-1,787	-48.2 %	15
Nevada	466	116	-350	-75.1 %	49
New Hampshire	395	75	-320	-81.0 %	51
New Jersey	1,689	436	-1,253	-74.2 %	48
New Mexico	6,891	1,981	-4,910	-71.2 %	44
New York	7,309	8,882	1,573	21.5 %	1
North Carolina	3,172	1,630	-1,542	-48.6 %	16
North Dakota	2,201	942	-1,260	-57.2 %	28
Ohio	5,179	2,009	-3,171	-61.2 %	36
Oklahoma	2,216	1,509	-708	-31.9 %	9
Oregon	5,753	1,893	-3,860	-67.1 %	41
Pennsylvania	3,212	1,395	-1,818	-56.6 %	26
Rhode Island	227	232	5	2.3 %	2
South Carolina	1,378	451	-927	-67.3 %	42
South Dakota	979	448	-531	-54.2 %	21
Tennessee	1,753	1,371	-382	-21.8 %	7
Texas	10,144	4,621	-5,524	-54.5 %	22
Utah	4,205	1,563	-2,642	-62.8 %	38
Vermont	937	416	-521	-55.6 %	25
Virginia	3,805	1,801	-2,004	-52.7 %	19
Washington	6,073	1,637	-4,436	-73.0 %	47
West Virginia	1,424	781	-643	-45.1 %	12
Wisconsin	4,296	1,715	-2,581	-60.1 %	31
Wyoming	756	247	-509	-67.3 %	43
US	194,710	102,630	-92,080	-47.3 %	

Source: FRAC analysis of administrative CACFP data provided by USDA.

Note: US totals include Guam, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Table 13
Change in the Average Daily Attendance of Family Child Care Homes, FY 1996 to FY 2017

State	ADA Homes FY 1996	ADA Homes FY 2017	Number Change	Percent Change	Rank (Percent Change)
Alabama	11,502	3,842	-7,661	-66.6 %	47
Alaska	2,596	1,458	-1,138	-43.8 %	34
Arizona	9,690	9,022	-669	-6.9 %	14
Arkansas	4,889	2,678	-2,212	-45.2 %	35
California	133,463	110,380	-23,083	-17.3 %	16
Colorado	20,530	6,700	-13,831	-67.4 %	48
Connecticut	10,824	4,302	-6,522	-60.3 %	45
Delaware	6,120	3,905	-2,215	-36.2 %	25
District of Columbia	451	235	-216	-47.9 %	37
Florida	10,372	11,689	1,317	12.7 %	7
Georgia	18,656	14,691	-3,965	-21.3 %	17
Hawaii	1,424	1,094	-330	-23.2 %	19
Idaho	2,990	2,028	-963	-32.2 %	22
Illinois	24,849	23,417	-1,432	-5.8 %	13
Indiana	15,403	24,464	9,061	58.8 %	3
Iowa	10,869	14,005	3,136	28.9 %	4
Kansas	38,066	22,691	-15,375	-40.4 %	28
Kentucky	3,895	3,043	-852	-21.9 %	18
Louisiana	39,258	42,555	3,297	8.4 %	9
Maine	10,157	5,302	-4,855	-47.8 %	36
Maryland	29,860	14,951	-14,909	-49.9 %	38
Massachusetts	22,757	23,570	813	3.6 %	11
Michigan	35,727	29,705	-6,022	-16.9 %	15
Minnesota	76,763	50,924	-25,839	-33.7 %	23
Mississippi	4,497	4,851	354	7.9 %	10
Missouri	17,743	10,315	-7,429	-41.9 %	29
Montana	8,368	4,833	-3,536	-42.3 %	30
Nebraska	24,465	15,150	-9,316	-38.1 %	27
Nevada	1,593	692	-901	-56.6 %	43
New Hampshire	2,624	601	-2,023	-77.1 %	51
New Jersey	7,321	2,300	-5,021	-68.6 %	49
New Mexico	26,653	8,352	-18,301	-68.7 %	50
New York	41,859	79,474	37,615	89.9 %	1
North Carolina	16,725	9,450	-7,276	-43.5 %	32
North Dakota	14,208	8,091	-6,117	-43.1 %	31
Ohio	19,872	14,588	-5,285	-26.6 %	20
Oklahoma	18,995	8,932	-10,063	-53.0 %	41
Oregon	24,182	13,597	-10,586	-43.8 %	33
Pennsylvania	15,085	14,551	-534	-3.5 %	12
Rhode Island	1,229	1,548	319	25.9 %	5
South Carolina	8,745	3,385	-5,360	-61.3 %	46
South Dakota	7,289	4,613	-2,676	-36.7 %	26
Tennessee	10,296	12,137	1,841	17.9 %	6
Texas	55,401	37,695	-17,707	-32.0 %	21
Utah	25,453	12,525	-12,929	-50.8 %	39
Vermont	6,981	7,701	720	10.3 %	8
Virginia	14,204	25,270	11,066	77.9 %	2
Washington	27,222	13,100	-14,122	-51.9 %	40
West Virginia	6,025	3,930	-2,095	-34.8 %	24
Wisconsin	23,506	10,522	-12,984	-55.2 %	42
Wyoming	4,564	1,856	-2,708	-59.3 %	44
US	976,216	756,947	-219,269	-22.5 %	

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Note: US totals include Guam, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.