

# UNION COUNTY New Jersey

## A Profile of Child Care Indicators 2013



### NEED Children Depending on Child Care While Parents Work

Age		Child Population	Children with Working Parents	
		Number	Number	Percent
0-5	Living with two parents	26,223	16,130	61%
	Living with one parent	14,888	11,451	77%
6-17	Living with two parents	56,450	37,687	67%
	Living with one parent	28,094	24,207	86%

**SOURCE:** Children With Working Parents represents children under the age of 17 who live in two-parent families in which both parents work outside the home and children who live in single-parent households in which the only parent works outside the home. The percent of children with working parents displays the proportion of all children in each age group from two-parent families where both work outside the home and children from single-parent households in which that parent works outside the home. Data compiled from the US Census Bureau's 2012 American Community Survey.

### AVAILABILITY Slots in Licensed Centers, Registered Homes, License-Exempt Facilities and State Funded Programs

Type of Program	Number of Facilities	Total Capacity	Monthly Average # of Children Receiving Any Child Care Subsidy
Licensed Child Care Centers	294	23,794	
Accredited Child Care Centers	21	3,269	
Registered Family Child Care Homes	118	577	
Accredited Family Child Care Homes	2	10	
License -Exempt School-Age Care *	12	N/A	
State Funded Pre-School ** (NJDOE fka Abbott/ECPA/ELLI)	7	1,980	

**SOURCE:** Unless otherwise noted, data was compiled by the local CCR&R in a 2013 survey that is annually reported to Child Care Aware America.

\* School-Age child care provided in settings that are exempt from licensing, including faith-based and public school-based programs. Note: Only includes those programs that reported their information to the CCR&R.

\*\*For state funded school based Pre-K programs, a district represents one program even though there may be multiple sites in the district. The number of districts that have a state funded pre-school program was retrieved from the NJ Dept. of Education, Division of Early Childhood Development website and represents 2013-2014 school year data. The capacity represents NJDOE enrollment figures for 2012-2013. Note: Capacity figures are included in the licensed child care center figures for those districts that operate a state funded Pre-K program and utilize licensed community based providers.

### AFFORDABILITY Cost of Child Care

Average Annual Cost of Full-Time Care		Licensed Child Care Centers	Registered Family Child Care Homes
Infant ≥ 12 months	County	\$12,168	\$8,216
	NJ Average	\$11,534	\$8,699
Four-Year Old	County	\$9,620	\$7,020
	NJ Average	\$9,546	\$7,790
Before/After School	County	\$4,859	\$3,268
	NJ Average	\$3,475	\$3,268

**SOURCE:** The average annual cost of infant, preschool and school-age care was compiled by local CCR&Rs through a 2013 survey that is annually reported to Child Care Aware of America. Note: Figures only include those centers that report their fees to the CCR&R.

### WELL-BEING & SCHOOL-READINESS

Percent or Number of Children		Indicator of Health & Well-Being
NJ	County	
84,442	80,770	Median Income of Families w/Children (2012)
12.9%	14.7%	% Families w/Children Living Below 100% Federal Poverty Level (2012)
68,692	3,241	Children Receiving TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) (2012)
7.9%	8.6%	% Babies Born with Low Birth Weight (2009)
76.9%	75.6%	% Women Receiving Early Prenatal Care (2009)
91,834	5,892	Children Enrolled in Public Kindergarten - Full/Half Day (2012)
74%	80%	% Children Enrolled in Full Day Public Kindergarten (2012)
10,066	675	Children Ages 0-3 Receiving Early Intervention Services (2012)
15%	12%	% Children Ages 3-5 Classified as Special Education (2012)
59%	58%	% Students Passing NJASK 4th Grade Language Test (11-12)
77%	79%	% Students Passing NJASK 4th Grade Math Test (11-12)

**SOURCE:** Data representing the median income of families with children and the number of children living in poverty was compiled from the US Census Bureau, 2012 American Community Survey. The number of children receiving TANF was derived from NJ Dept. of Human Services, Division of Family Development. Data on low birth weights and prenatal care was retrieved from the 2009 NJ Dept. of Health, Center for Health Statistics, NJ State Health Assessment Data. Data on half-day and full-day Kindergarten enrollment, and students with limited English proficiency (LEP) was provided by the NJ Dept. of Education and is based on the 2011-2012 school year. State totals may include Charter School enrollments. The number of children receiving early intervention services was compiled in the NJ Early Intervention County Performance and Determination Report prepared by the NJ Dept. of Health, Division of Family Health Services and reports the number of children with active IEPs as of December 2012. The number of children classified as Special Education students was reported by the NJ Dept. of Education, Office of Special Education Programs as of Oct 15, 2013. The percent of students passing the 4th Grade Achievement Test during school year 2011-2012 was obtained from the NJ Dept. of Education and includes charter schools as well as public schools.

## NJACCRRRA

NJ Association of Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies

### Child Care Resource & Referral Agency Serving the County:

Community Coordinated Child Care of Union County  
 2 City Hall Plaza, 3rd Floor  
 Rahway, NJ 07065  
 Phone: (973) 923-1433  
[www.cccunion.org](http://www.cccunion.org)

### Requests from Families Seeking Child Care

Total Requests for All Types of Child Care	14,558
Center-Based Child Care	7,448
Family Child Care Homes	5,396
Infant-Toddler Care	6,702
Pre-School Care	3,084
School-Age Care	4,117
Special Needs Care	102
FULL-TIME Care	9,993
PART-TIME Care	1,235
Before/After Care	1,384
Non-Traditional Hour Care	218
Training Sessions Held for Early Care Providers	165
On-Site Tech. Assistance Visits to Child Care Providers	331