

(Un)affordability of Child Care



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Data Sources

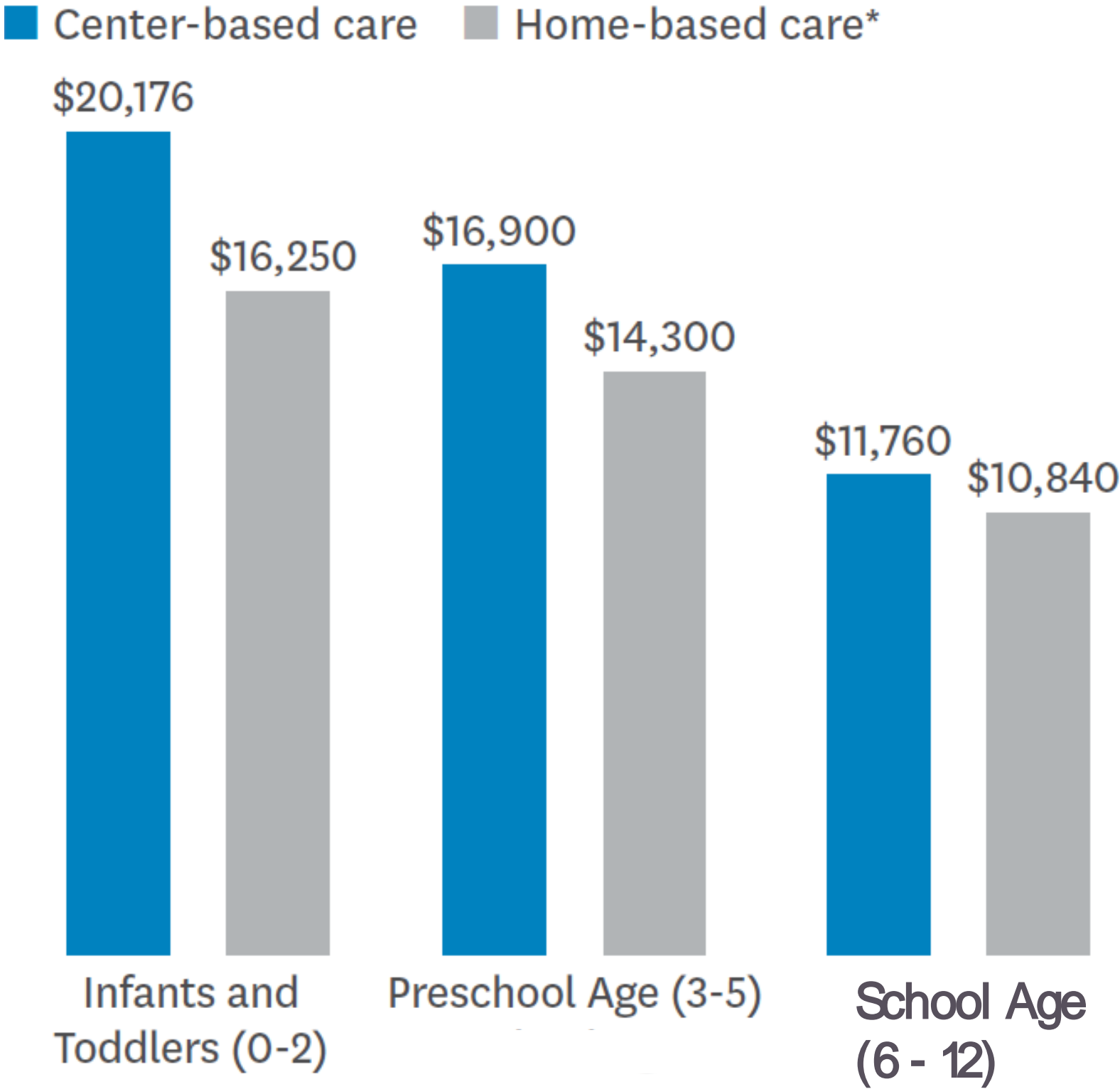


Data on child care costs come from the [2022 Child Care Market Rate Survey](#) Report from the New York State Office of Children and Families

Demographic data and estimates of median family income come from the Census Bureau's [2021 American Community Survey Public Use Microdata Area Sample File, 5-year Estimates](#).



Estimated Annual Costs by Age and Setting



Note: The cost estimates by setting for school age children are derived from categories provided in the 2022 Market Rate Survey. Afterschool and youth programs in New York City will not necessarily be identified by this distinction.

Definitions

AFFORDABILITY

The share of families with children who would pay less than 7% of their annual income on child care.

CHILD CARE COST BURDEN

The share of household income child care costs would consume.



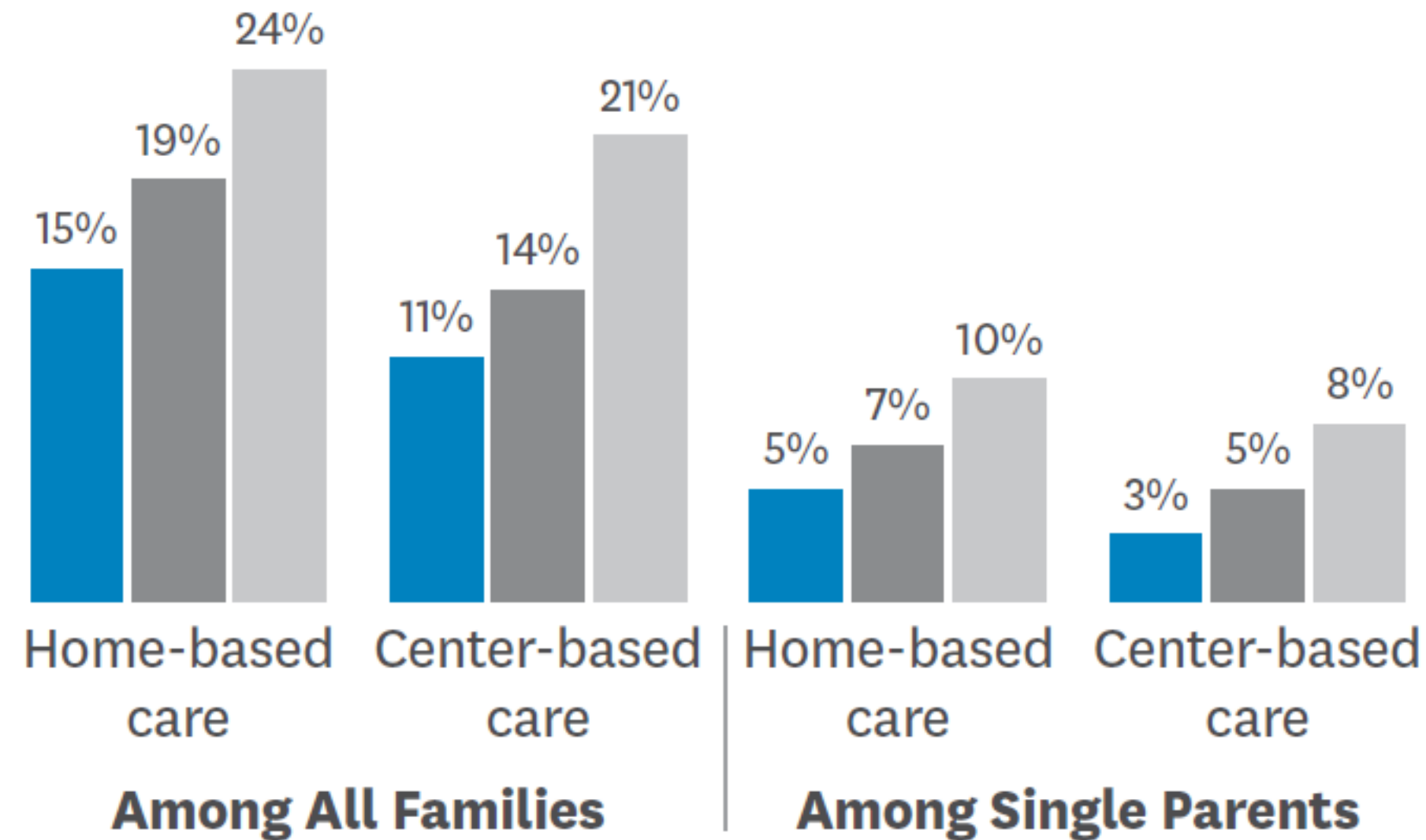


Child Care Affordability

More than 80% of NYC families with young children *cannot* afford child care.

**Rates of Child Care Affordability
by Age Group and Setting**

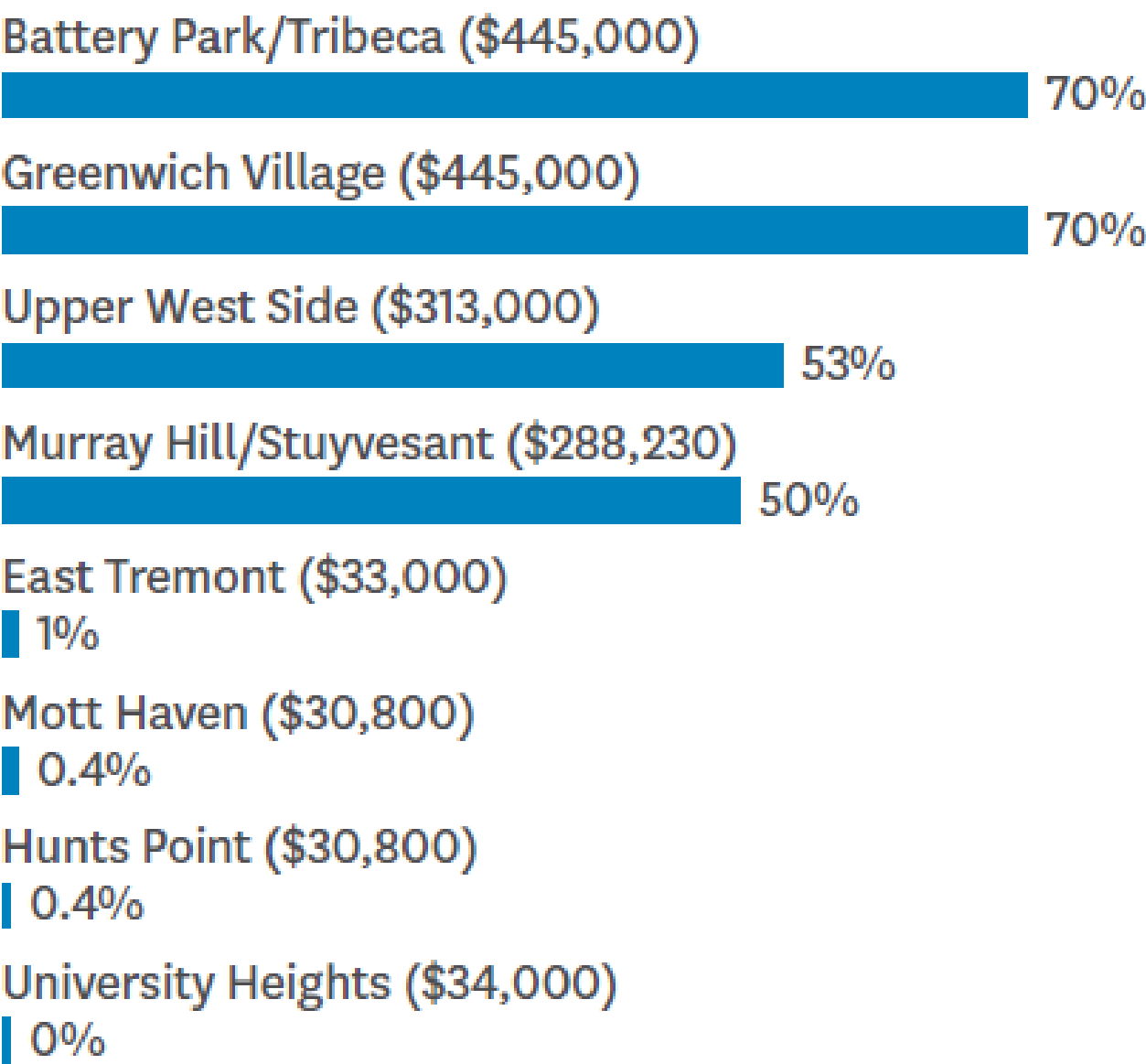
- Infants and toddlers (Ages 0-2)
- Preschool age children (Ages 3-5)
- School age children (Ages 6-12)



The median income for all families with children in 2022 was **\$77,681**, but to be able to afford child care for one child under the age of two, a family would need an income no less than **\$232,000**.

While more than 80% of families cannot afford with a child under 5 cannot afford child care, disparities exist within neighborhoods.

Community Districts with the Highest and Lowest Affordability Rates, Center-Based Care



Using Public Use Micro Area (PUMA) areas we convert to NYC community districts (59 total) using population ratios.

The illustration shows a person with dark hair in a bun, wearing a blue t-shirt and green pants, sitting on a grey chair at a black desk. They are looking at two computer monitors. The left monitor displays a pie chart, and the right monitor displays a line graph. The person's hand is near their chin in a thoughtful pose. The background is a light green area with a dotted border.



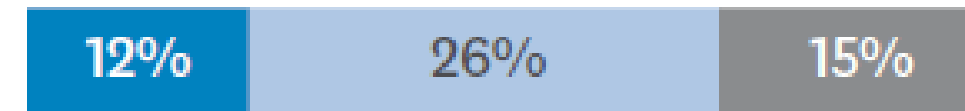
● The Cost Burden of Child Care

Reminder!
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costs would consume.

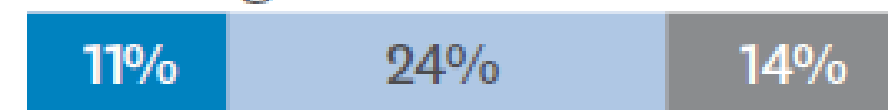
Child Care Cost Burden by Age Cohort and Setting

■ Married families ■ Single parents ■ All families

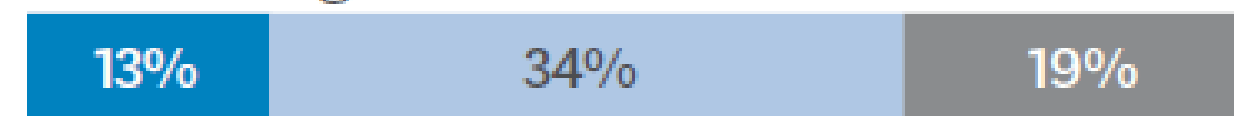
School age center-based



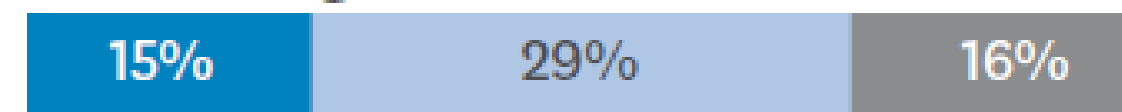
School age home-based



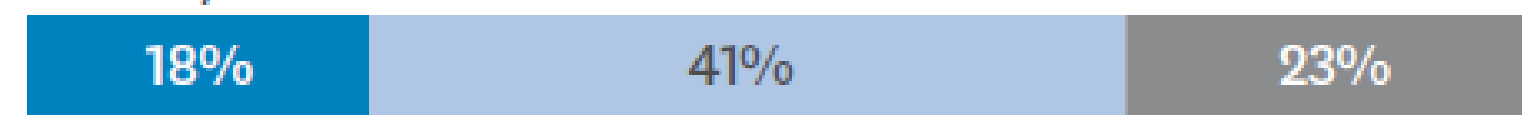
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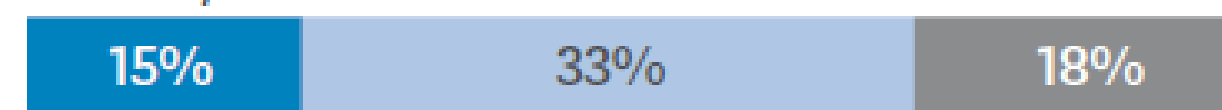
Preschool age home-based








Infants/toddlers center-based



Infants/toddlers home-based

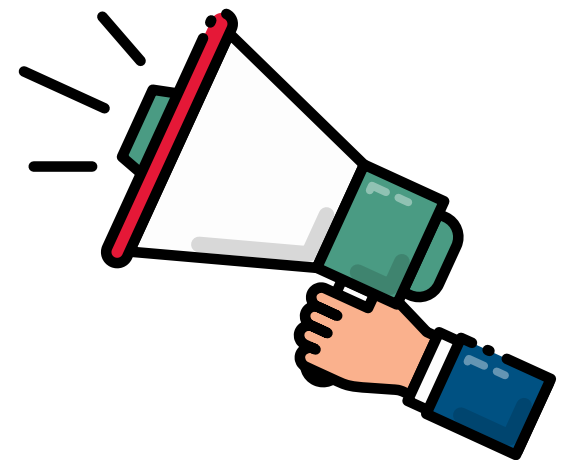


The cumulative cost of child care is at least \$136,960 for 2 children across 6 years.

\$136,960 in Cumulative Child Care Costs for Two Children Across Six Years					
Year 1 One Infant 	Year 2 One Toddler 	Year 3 One Preschooler One Infant 	Year 4 One Preschooler One Toddler 	Year 5 One School age One Preschooler 	Year 6 One School age One Preschooler 
\$16,250	\$16,250	\$14,300 Full day care for 3 y/o \$16,250 Full day care for Infant	\$10,840 Out of school care \$16,250 Full day care for Toddler	\$10,840 Out of school care \$14,300 Full day care for 3 y/o	\$10,840 Out of school care \$10,840 Out of school care

Key Takeaways

- A family with one child under the age of 5 might spend between 14% and 41% of their income on child care alone. Separately, a family with one child between ages 6-12 might spend between 11% and 26% of their income on out-of-school care.
- Among families with school-age children, only 21% of families can afford center-based care for 1 child age 6-12.
- More than 80% of families cannot afford for a child under 5.

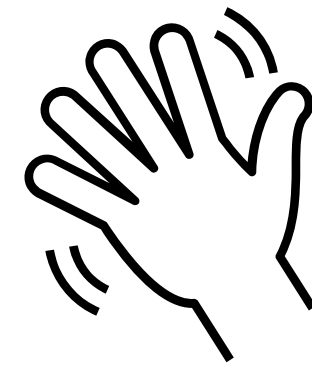




Questions



Thank you!



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