

CHILDREN'S FUNDING PROJECT

COST MODEL RESOURCES

A cost model is an approach to measuring the true cost of implementing and maintaining a program or service compared to its revenue. Depending on how the tool is structured, it can provide cost variations attributed to policy changes, quality characteristics, and structural choices. The Children's Funding Project believes developing an effective, state- or community-specific cost model tool is a critical step in developing a strategy to close equity and opportunity gaps for children and youth. The following tables provide cost modeling resources from across the country.

COST MODEL REPORTS

The following table provides links to reports on cost modeling studies. Most of the reports pertain to child care, preschool, rate setting, and quality rating and improvement systems.

LOCATION	LINK TO REPORT
Arkansas	<u>Making Quality Ends Meet: 2019-2021 Cost Projections for AR Early Childhood Care & Education</u>
	<u>Making Quality Ends Meet: UAMS examines 2014 Arkansas early childhood program operation costs</u>
Chicago	<u>Technical Report: Estimating the Cost of a High-Quality, Universal Preschool System for Chicago</u>
Colorado	<u>Bearing the Cost of Early Care and Education in Colorado: An Economic Analysis</u>
Delaware	<u>Cost of Quality Care Study</u>
	<u>Modeling Quality Costs for Delaware Stars: Interim Report on Program Costs of Quality in Centers</u>
District of Columbia	<u>Modeling the Cost of Child Care in the District of Columbia</u>
Florida (Southwest)	<u>The Cost of Preparing Students for Kindergarten in Southwest Florida</u>
Illinois	<u>Illinois Cost Model For Early Childhood Education and Care Services</u>
Kentucky	<u>Building Blocks: The Kentucky Early Childhood Cost of Quality Study</u>
Los Angeles	<u>A Comprehensive Fiscal Analysis of the Los Angeles County Early Care and Education System</u>
Maryland	<u>A Comprehensive Analysis of Prekindergarten in Maryland</u>
Minnesota	<u>Minnesota Cost Modeling Report</u>
New Jersey	<u>Quality Costs How Much? Estimating the Cost of Quality Child Care in New Jersey</u>
New York	<u>New York State Cost of Quality Child Care Study</u>
North Carolina	<u>Study Child Care Subsidy Rate Setting: Session Law 2016-94, Section 12B.2</u>
	<u>Study Costs and Effectiveness Associated with NC Pre-K Slots</u>
Ohio	<u>The Dollars and Cents of Early Learning: Investing in Success: A Summary of Findings From groundWork's Early Childhood Financing Project</u>
Oklahoma	<u>Estimating the Cost of Quality Early Childhood Care and Education in Oklahoma</u>
Oregon	<u>Understanding the Cost of Quality Child Care in Oregon</u>
Pennsylvania	<u>The Cost of Child Care in Pennsylvania</u>
Rhode Island	<u>The Cost of Quality Early Learning in Rhode Island: Interim Report</u>

San Francisco	<u>San Francisco Comprehensive Fiscal Analysis: Analysis and Recommendations</u>
Texas (Tarrant & Dallas counties)	<u>The cost of quality child care study: A community release and recommendations</u>
Virginia	<u>Virginia Preschool Initiative Plus Cost Study Final Report</u>
Washington	<u>Modeling the Cost of Quality in Early Achievers CENTERS and FAMILY CHILD CARE</u>
National	<u>Transforming the Financing of Early Care and Education</u>
	<u>The True Cost of Providing Safe Child Care During the Coronavirus Pandemic</u>
	<u>Where Does your Child Care Dollar Go?</u>
	<u>Understanding the True Cost of Care for Infants and Toddlers</u>
	<u>The Cost of Quality Out-of-School Time Programs</u>

COST CALCULATORS & COST MODEL TOOLS

The following table provides links to several free, interactive tools and calculators for various childhood programs/services that allow users to modify with state level data and program characteristics.

TYPE OF RESOURCE	LINK TO RESOURCE
Cost calculator for child care centers, homes, and levels of QRIS	<u>Provider Cost of Quality Calculator</u>
Cost & cost effectiveness tool for educational & social programs	<u>CBCSE Cost Tool Kit</u>
Tools for developing child care cost model	<u>Conducting a Child Care Cost of Quality Study: A Toolkit for States and Communities</u>
Preschool cost calculator	<u>Cost of Preschool Quality & Revenue Calculator</u>
After-School & Out-of-School Calculator	<u>Out-of-School Time Cost Calculator</u>