

The Capital Region's

CHILD CARE LANDSCAPE



Introduction: Each week, an estimated 38,500 children in New York’s Capital Region attend some type of child care. However, many families are unable to find the high-quality child care they want for their children. Families who find child care are overwhelmed by the cost; spending a significant portion of their income on child care expenses. The average cost for center-based care can cost as much as \$14,000 annually for an infant or \$11,500 annually for a four-year-old. The inadequate supply, high cost, and inaccessibility of child care burdens families, communities, and businesses resulting in lost productivity, frustration, and all too often – low quality early education experiences.

Capital Region businesses need a reliable and skilled workforce. An unprecedented number of parents are in the workforce leaving their children in paid child care. Reliable, high quality, affordable child care arrangements significantly contribute to the success of the workforce. While child care is a necessary support for working parents, it also critically influences children during the most consequential phase of human development. By laying the crucial groundwork for tomorrow’s workforce and promoting a strong workforce today, high- quality, accessible, and affordable child care provides a powerful two-generation approach to building the human capital that a prosperous and sustainable future requires. It supports parents; increasing workforce productivity, and helping business attract and retain talent. Most importantly, it ensures that children have the chance for optimal development.

While most parents struggle to find child care it is particularly difficult for those seeking care for an infant or for a child with developmental needs. Families who must seek child care to accommodate non-traditional work hours are extremely unlikely to find a reliable or licensed care facility. In fact there are so few child care programs that offer non-traditional care hours that some employers report that their staff bring their children to work on a regular basis or fail to report for their shift a least once weekly.

REGULATED CHILD CARE PROGRAMS OFFERING CARE DURING NON- TRADITIONAL HOURS				
COUNTY	CENTER	GROUP FAMILY	FAMILY	SCHOOL-AGE
Albany	0	20	13	2
Columbia	0	1	2	0
Fulton	0	0	0	0
Greene	0	1	0	0
Montgomery	0	1	0	1
Rensselaer	0	1	5	3
Saratoga	2	2	4	0
Schenectady	0	8	10	0
Warren	0	0	1	0
Washington	0	3	3	2

CHILD CARE DESERTS

To better understand the supply of licensed child care across the United States the Center for American Progress analyzed the geographic locations of licensed child care facilities, including centers and family child care homes. In 2016, the Center of American Progress introduced a working definition of child care deserts- areas with an insufficient supply of licensed child care. Their findings indicate that 51 percent of Americans live in neighborhoods classified as child care deserts. Specifically a child care desert either has no child care facilities or there are more than three times the children living in a community for each child care slot. Key findings of the 2017 Center for American Progress report found;

Families in rural areas face the greatest challenges finding licensed child care, with 3 in 5 rural communities lacking adequate child care supply.
High-income suburban neighborhoods are the least likely to experience child care shortages.

In review of New York's Capital Region supply and demand in child care, we found that child care deserts are especially prevalent in low income communities, rural communities, among families of color, and among families with irregular or nontraditional work schedules.

On the following pages we have provided county specific *child care desert* data for the eight Capital Region counties. Data indicate significant shortage of child care in the Menands and Cohoes area, large areas of rural communities without a single child care program in Columbia, Greene, Saratoga, Warren and Washington counties, 50 children per single child care slot in South Troy, and overall shortage of infant and toddler care in Schenectady County. Fulton County Gloversville area lacks adequate child care and census tracts 702,703,704,706,707, and 709 in the City of Amsterdam lack a single registered or licensed child care program!

ALBANY COUNTY

CHILD CARE DESERTS IN ALBANY COUNTY NEW YORK			
County	Census Tract	Number of children per child care slot	Town/City
Albany	3	5 children per licensed slot	West Albany/Tivoli NP
Albany	5.02	No child care programs	Beverwyck
Albany	15	17 children per licensed slot	Pine Hills
Albany	16	8 children per licensed slot	Pine Hills
Albany	18.02	11 children per licensed slot	Eagle Hill
Albany	19.01	9 children per licensed slot	Helderberg
Albany	19.02	No child care program	Whitehall
Albany	21	11 children per licensed slot	Academy Rd
Albany	26	7 children per licensed slot	South End
Albany	127	No child care programs	Ontario Street/Cohoes
Albany	128	19 children per licensed slot	Cohoes Blvd./Cohoes
Albany	130	9 children per licensed slot	Columbia St./Cohoes
Albany	131	6 children per licensed slot	Green Island
Albany	132	10 children per licensed slot	2 nd Ave/Cohoes
Albany	133	8 children per licensed slot	19 th St./ Cohoes
Albany	135.08	5 children per licensed slot	Boght Corners
Albany	136.01	26 children per licensed slot	Albany Rural
Albany	136.02	No child care programs	Menands
Albany	137.06	No child care programs	Loudonville
Albany	137.07	8 children per licensed slot	Newtonville
Albany	138.02	30 children per licensed slot	Denison Rd./Colonie
Albany	139.01	11 children per licensed slot	Colonie
Albany	139.02	9 children per licensed slot	Colonie
Albany	140.02	No child care program	Sand Creek Road
Albany	142.02	No child care programs	Delaware Avenue
Albany	142.03	16 children per licensed slot	Elm Ave/Elsmere
Albany	143.01	27 children per licensed slot	Glenmont/Selkirk
Albany	143.02	9 children per licensed slot	Bethlehem/S. Albany
Albany	144.01	6 children per licensed slot	Coeymans
Albany	144.02	4 children per licensed slot	Ravena
Albany	145.01	8 children per licensed slot	New Scotland Road
Albany	145.02	No child care programs	New Scotland
Albany	145.03	3 children per licensed slot	Voorheesville
Albany	146.08	No child care programs	McKownville
Albany	146.11	No child care programs	Tawasentha/Guilderland
Albany	146.12	13 children per licensed slot	Altamont
Albany	146.13	5 children per licensed slot	Guilderland Center
Albany	147	No child care programs	Knox
Albany	148.01	No child care programs	East Berne
Albany	148.02	6 children per licensed slot	South Berne
Albany	148.03	No child care program	Westerlo

ALBANY COUNTY UNIVERSAL PREKINDERGARTEN ENROLLMENT

Ages Served	County	District/Agency	# of 3's and 4's in the census (2015)	Number of children Served in UPK
4	Albany	Achievements	-	-
3 & 4	Albany	Albany City SD	2,297	977
4	Albany	Berne-Knox- Westerlo CSD	167	29
3 & 4	Albany	Cohoes City SD	94	128
4	Albany	Green Island UFSD	86	20
4	Albany	Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk CSD	201	74
4	Albany	South Colonie CSD	685	144
4	Albany	Watervliet City SD	187	71
ALBANY COUNTY TOTALS			3,717	1,443

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ALBANY COUNTY LICENSED/REGISTERED CHILD CARE CAPACITY

MODALITY	NUMBER OF PROGRAMS	ENROLLMENT CAPACITY
CHILD CARE CENTER	68	5,840
FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES	78	624
GROUP FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES	62	984
SCHOOL AGE PROGRAMS	71	5,955

COLUMBIA COUNTY

CHILD CARE DESERTS IN COLUMBIA COUNTY NEW YORK			
County	Census Tract	Number of children per child care slot	Town/City
Columbia	1	9 children per licensed slot	New Lebanon
Columbia	2	No child care programs	Canaan
Columbia	3	8 children per licensed slot	Chatham
Columbia	4.01	5 children per licensed slot	Kinderhook
Columbia	5	9 children per licensed slot	Stuyvesant
Columbia	7	4 children per licensed slot	Ghent
Columbia	10	5 children per licensed slot	Claverack
Columbia	14	No child care programs	Livingston
Columbia	15	No child care programs	Taghkanic
Columbia	16	No child care programs	Copake
Columbia	17	No child care programs	Ancram
Columbia	18	12 children per licensed slot	Gallantinville

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COLUMBIA COUNTY UNIVERSAL PREKINDERGARTEN ENROLLMENT

Ages Served	County	District/Agency	# of 3's and 4's in the census (2015)	Number of children Served in UPK
4	Columbia	Germantown CSD	81	33
4	Columbia	Hudson City SD	640	60
4	Columbia	Taconic Hills CSD	150	39
COLUMBIA COUNTY TOTALS			871	132

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COLUMBIA COUNTY LICENSED/REGISTERED CHILD CARE CAPACITY		
MODALITY	NUMBER OF PROGRAMS	ENROLLMENT CAPACITY
CHILD CARE CENTER	13	548
FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES	6	48
GROUP FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMESS	13	202
SCHOOL AGE PROGRAMS	8	803

FULTON COUNTY

CHILD CARE DESERTS IN FULTON COUNTY NEW YORK			
County	Census Tract	Number of children per child care slot	Town/City
Fulton	9701	No licensed/registered child care	Northville
Fulton	9702	14 children per licensed slot	Mayfield
Fulton	9703	No licensed/registered child care	Broadalbin Junction
Fulton	9705	10 children per licensed slot	Oppenheim
Fulton	9707	No licensed/registered child care	Johnstown/Rt. 309
Fulton	9708	No licensed/registered child care	Gloversville
Fulton	9710	5 children per licensed slot	Kingsboro/Gloversville
Fulton	9711	22 children per licensed slot	Kingsboro/Gloversville
Fulton	9712	9 children per licensed slot	Johnstown
Fulton	9714	16 children per licensed slot	Perth
Fulton	9715	16 children per licensed slot	Broadalbin

FULTON COUNTY UNIVERSAL PREKINDERGARTEN ENROLLMENT				
Ages Served	County	District/Agency	# of 3's and 4's in the census (2015)	Number of children Served in UPK
4	Fulton	Broadalbin-Perth CSD	233	90
4	Fulton	Gloversville City SD	470	144
4	Fulton	Johnstown City SD	178	95
4	Fulton	Mayfield CSD	270	46
4	Fulton	Northville CSD	30	21
4	Fulton	Oppenheim-Ephratah- St. Johnsville	114	22
FULTON COUNTY TOTALS			1,295	418

FULTON COUNTY LICENSED/REGISTERED CHILD CARE CAPACITY		
MODALITY	NUMBER OF PROGRAMS	ENROLLMENT CAPACITY
CHILD CARE CENTER	7	468
FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES	7	56
GROUP FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES	7	101
SCHOOL AGE PROGRAMS	6	450

GREENE COUNTY

CHILD CARE DESERTS IN GREENE COUNTY NEW YORK			
County	Census Tract	Number of children per child care slot	Town/City
Greene	802	No child care programs	Coxsackie
Greene	802.01	4 children per licensed slot	Greenville
Greene	802.02	13 children per licensed slot	Coxsackie
Greene	803	No child care programs	Ashland
Greene	804.01	4 children per licensed slot	Tannersville
Greene	804.02	No child care programs	Lexington
Greene	806	No child care programs	Earlton/Climax
Greene	809	4 children per licensed slot	Athens
Greene	811.01	No child care programs	Laurenciville
Greene	811.02	10 children per licensed slot	Jefferson Heights

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GREENE COUNTY UNIVERSAL PREKINDERGARTEN ENROLLMENT

Ages Served	County	District/Agency	# of 3's and 4's in the census (2015)	Number of children Served in UPK
4	Greene	Cairo-Durham CSD	212	40
4	Greene	Catskill CSD	400	57
4	Greene	Greenville CSD	440	28
GREENE COUNTY TOTALS			1052	125

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GREENE COUNTY LICENSED/REGISTERED CHILD CARE CAPACITY

MODALITY	NUMBER OF PROGRAMS	ENROLLMENT CAPACITY
CHILD CARE CENTER	10	400
FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES	11	88
GROUP FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMESS	6	96
SCHOOL AGE PROGRAMS	6	337

MONTGOMERY COUNTY

CHILD CARE DESERTS IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY NEW YORK			
County	Census Tract	Number of children per child care slot	Town/City
Montgomery	702	No licensed/registered child care	Amsterdam
Montgomery	703	No licensed/registered child care	Amsterdam
Montgomery	704	No licensed/registered child care	Amsterdam
Montgomery	706	No licensed/registered child care	Amsterdam
Montgomery	707	No licensed/registered child care	Amsterdam
Montgomery	709	No licensed/registered child care	Amsterdam
Montgomery	722	5 children per licensed slot	Fonda
Montgomery	723	7 children per licensed slot	Palatine Bridge
Montgomery	724	14 children per licensed slot	St. Johnsville
Montgomery	725	15 children per licensed slot	Fort Plain
Montgomery	726	8 children per licensed slot	Canajoharie
Montgomery	727	14 children per licensed slot	Town of Root

MONTGOMERY COUNTY UNIVERSAL PREKINDERGARTEN ENROLLMENT				
Ages Served	County	District/Agency	# of 3's and 4's in the census (2015)	Number of children Served in UPK
3 & 4	Montgomery	Amsterdam City SD	715	288
3 & 4	Montgomery	Canajoharie CSD	87	50
4	Montgomery	Fonda-Fultonville CSD	302	54
4	Montgomery	Fort Plain CSD	176	35
MONTGOMERY COUNTY TOTALS			1,280	427

MONTGOMERY COUNTY LICENSED/REGISTERED CHILD CARE CAPACITY		
MODALITY	NUMBER OF PROGRAMS	ENROLLMENT CAPACITY
CHILD CARE CENTER	11	767
FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES	5	40
GROUP FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMESS	13	208
SCHOOL AGE PROGRAMS	3	230

RENSELAER COUNTY

CHILD CARE DESERTS IN RENSELAER COUNTY NEW YORK			
County	Census Tract	Number of children per child care slot	Town/City
Rensselaer	402	8 children per licensed slot	North Troy
Rensselaer	408	No child care programs	2 nd Street
Rensselaer	410	17 children per licensed slot	2 nd St./South Troy
Rensselaer	411	50 children per licensed slot	South Troy
Rensselaer	412	29 children per licensed slot	Pawling Avenue
Rensselaer	515	No child care programs	Rensselaer
Rensselaer	516	6 children per licensed slot	Van Allen Park/Rens.
Rensselaer	517.01	No child care programs	Hoosick
Rensselaer	518	27 children per licensed slot	Pittstown
Rensselaer	519.02	17 children per licensed slot	Speigletown
Rensselaer	520.03	11 children per licensed slot	Brunswick Center
Rensselaer	520.04	3 children per licensed slot	Brunswick Road
Rensselaer	521.02	5 children per licensed slot	Petersburg
Rensselaer	521.03	3 children per licensed slot	Berlin
Rensselaer	522.01	19 children per licensed slot	Poestenkill
Rensselaer	522.03	40 children per licensed slot	Sand Lake
Rensselaer	522.04	5 children per licensed slot	Millers Corners
Rensselaer	524.02	No child care programs	Rt.151/E. Greenbush
Rensselaer	524.03	21 children per licensed slot	Hampton Manor
Rensselaer	525.03	No child care programs	Castleton-on-Hudson
Rensselaer	526.01	33 children per licensed slot	North Nassau
Rensselaer	526.02	13 children per licensed slot	Nassau
Rensselaer	526.03	No child care programs	Stephentown

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RENSELAER COUNTY UNIVERSAL PREKINDERGARTEN ENROLLMENT

Ages Served	County	District/Agency	# of 3's & 4's in the census (2015)	Number of children Served in UPK
4	Rensselaer	Berlin CSD	115	36
4	Rensselaer	Hoosic Valley CSD	56	34
4	Rensselaer	Hoosick Falls CSD	563	36
3 & 4	Rensselaer	Lansingburgh CSD	414	156
4	Rensselaer	Questar III BOCES	--	--
4	Rensselaer	Rensselaer City SD	384	85
3 & 4	Rensselaer	Troy City School District	1,018	299
RENSELAER COUNTY TOTALS			1,402	646

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RENSSELAER COUNTY LICENSED/REGISTERED CHILD CARE CAPACITY		
MODALITY	NUMBER OF PROGRAMS	ENROLLMENT CAPACITY
CHILD CARE CENTER	32	2,227
FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES	36	288
GROUP FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMESS	23	368
SCHOOL AGE PROGRAMS	30	2,436

MONTGOMERY COUNTY

CHILD CARE DESERTS IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY NEW YORK			
County	Census Tract	Number of children per child care slot	Town/City
Montgomery	702	No licensed/registered child care	Amsterdam
Montgomery	703	No licensed/registered child care	Amsterdam
Montgomery	704	No licensed/registered child care	Amsterdam
Montgomery	706	No licensed/registered child care	Amsterdam
Montgomery	707	No licensed/registered child care	Amsterdam
Montgomery	709	No licensed/registered child care	Amsterdam
Montgomery	722	5 children per licensed slot	Fonda
Montgomery	723	7 children per licensed slot	Palatine Bridge
Montgomery	724	14 children per licensed slot	St. Johnsville
Montgomery	725	15 children per licensed slot	Fort Plain
Montgomery	726	8 children per licensed slot	Canajoharie
Montgomery	727	14 children per licensed slot	Town of Root

MONTGOMERY COUNTY UNIVERSAL PREKINDERGARTEN ENROLLMENT				
Ages Served	County	District/Agency	# of 3's and 4's in the census (2015)	Number of children Served in UPK
3 & 4	Montgomery	Amsterdam City SD	715	288
3 & 4	Montgomery	Canajoharie CSD	87	50
4	Montgomery	Fonda-Fultonville CSD	302	54
4	Montgomery	Fort Plain CSD	176	35
MONTGOMERY COUNTY TOTALS			1,280	427

MONTGOGMERY COUNTY LICENSED/REGISTERED CHILD CARE CAPACITY		
MODALITY	NUMBER OF PROGRAMS	ENROLLMENT CAPACITY
CHILD CARE CENTER	11	767
FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES	5	40
GROUP FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMESS	13	208
SCHOOL AGE PROGRAMS	3	230

SARATOGA COUNTY

CHILD CARE DESERTS IN SARATOGA COUNTY NEW YORK			
County	Census Tract	Number of children per child care slot	Town/City
Saratoga	601.02	5 children per licensed slot	Moreau
Saratoga	602	5 children per licensed slot	South Glens Falls
Saratoga	603	8 children per licensed slot	S. Corinth/Corinth
Saratoga	605.01	No child care programs	Hadley
Saratoga	605.02	No child care programs	Edinburg/Day
Saratoga	605.03	No child care programs	Barkersville
Saratoga	606.01	5 children per licensed slot	Greenfield Center
Saratoga	606.02	10 children per licensed slot	Greenfield
Saratoga	607.01	24 children per licensed slot	Wilton
Saratoga	607.02	6 children per licensed slot	Rexford
Saratoga	608	5 children per licensed slot	Gansevoort
Saratoga	609.01	No child care programs	Gates/Schuylerville
Saratoga	609.02	25 children per licensed slot	Schuylerville
Saratoga	611	5 children per licensed slot	Saratoga Springs
Saratoga	613.01	4 children per licensed slot	Saratoga Springs
Saratoga	614.01	4 children per licensed slot	West Milton
Saratoga	614.04	7 children per licensed slot	Milton Center
Saratoga	615	4 children per licensed slot	Galway
Saratoga	616	7 children per licensed slot	Charlton
Saratoga	617.01	18 children per licensed slot	Ballston Ctr/Brookline Rd.
Saratoga	620	4 children per licensed slot	Wayville
Saratoga	622	7 children per licensed slot	Mechanicville
Saratoga	623	6 children per licensed slot	Mechanicville
Saratoga	624.03	4 children per licensed slot	Crescent
Saratoga	624.04	8 children per licensed slot	Halfmoon/Mechanicville
Saratoga	624.06	11 children per licensed slot	Halfmoon
Saratoga	625.02	5 children per licensed slot	Country Knolls
Saratoga	625.03	5 children per licensed slot	Clifton Park Center
Saratoga	625.05	No child care programs	Halfmoon
Saratoga	625.06	7 children per licensed slot	Lapp Rd/Clifton Park
Saratoga	625.07	No child care programs	Vischer Ferry
Saratoga	626.01	No child care programs	Clifton Park/Country Knoll
Saratoga	626.02	4 children per licensed slot	Rexford
Saratoga	627	6 children per licensed slot	Waterford/Peebles Island
Saratoga	628	10 children per licensed slot	Waterford

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SARATOGA COUNTY UNIVERSAL PREKINDERGARTEN ENROLLMENT

Ages Served	County	District/Agency	# of 3's and 4's in the census (2015)	Number of children Served in UPK
4	Saratoga	Ballston Spa CSD	570	133
4	Saratoga	Corinth CSD	273	4
4	Saratoga	Saratoga Springs City SD	760	128
4	Saratoga	South Glens Falls CSD	545	108
4	Saratoga	Stillwater City SD	67	27
SARATOGA COUNTY TOTALS			2,215	400

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SARATOGA COUNTY LICENSED/REGISTERED CHILD CARE CAPACITY MODALITY

MODALITY	NUMBER OF PROGRAMS	ENROLLMENT CAPACITY
CHILD CARE CENTER	46	3,471
FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES	50	400
GROUP FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMESS	58	924
SCHOOL AGE PROGRAMS	33	2,086

SCHENECTADY COUNTY

CHILD CARE DESERTS IN SCHENECTADY COUNTY NEW YORK			
County	Census Tract	Number of children per child care slot	Town/City
Schenectady	201.02	7 children per licensed slot	Van Vanken Avenue
Schenectady	206	5 children per licensed slot	Central Park
Schenectady	207	21 children per licensed slot	Lawnwood to Brandywine
Schenectady	208	6 children per licensed slot	Eastern Avenue & Elmer
Schenectady	209	27 children per licensed slot	Hamilton Hill/ Duane Ave
Schenectady	212	20 children per licensed slot	Bellevue/ Campbell Ave
Schenectady	214	9 children per licensed slot	Crane Street/ Bridge Street
Schenectady	215	16 children per licensed slot	Mont Pleasant
Schenectady	216	15 children per licensed slot	Dewitt St./Mont Pleasant
Schenectady	319	6 children per licensed slot	St. David's/ Niskayuna
Schenectady	321.01	4 children per licensed slot	GE Research Center
Schenectady	321.02	19 children per licensed slot	Mohawk Rd./Niskayuna
	322	4 children per licensed slot	Scotia
Schenectady	324.02	3 children per licensed slot	Maple Ave./Glenville
Schenectady	324.03	No child care programs	Glenville Bus. Park
Schenectady	324.04	11 children per licensed slot	Beukendaal
Schenectady	325.02	16 children per licensed slot	WillowBrook Park Glenville
Schenectady	325.04	No child care programs	West Glenville/Saunders P
Schenectady	326.01	4 children per licensed slot	Duanesburg Road
Schenectady	326.02	25 children per licensed slot	Plotter Kill
Schenectady	327	7 children per licensed slot	Mariaville Road
Schenectady	330.02	20 children per licensed slot	Guilderland Ave
Schenectady	330.03	11 children per licensed slot	Helderberg Ave
Schenectady	333	6 children per licensed slot	Rotterdam

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SCHENECTADY COUNTY UNIVERSAL PREKINDERGARTEN ENROLLMENT

Ages Served	County	District/Agency	# of 3's and 4's in the census (2015)	Number of children Served in UPK
3 & 4	Schenectady	Schenectady City SD	3,100	399
4	Schenectady	Duanesburg CDD	724	26
SCHENECTADY COUNTY TOTALS			3,824	425

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SCHENECTADY COUNTY LICENSED/REGISTERED CHILD CARE CAPACITY

MODALITY	NUMBER OF PROGRAMS	ENROLLMENT CAPACITY
CHILD CARE CENTER	38	3,133
FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES	57	456
GROUP FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMESS	43	670
SCHOOL AGE PROGRAMS	21	1,062

WARREN COUNTY

CHILD CARE DESERTS IN WARREN COUNTY NEW YORK			
County	Census Tract	Number of children per child care slot	Town/City
Warren	701	10 children per licensed slot	Glens Falls
Warren	703	38 children per licensed slot	North Glens Falls
Warren	704	No child care programs	Dix Avenue/Glens Falls
Warren	706.02	7 children per licensed slot	Lake George
Warren	707.01	3 children per licensed slot	Queensbury
Warren	708	6 children per licensed slot	West Glens Falls
Warren	709	5 children per licensed slot	Tyneswood
Warren	710	8 children per licensed slot	Beartown
Warren	720	3 children per licensed slot	Lake George
Warren	730	3 children per licensed slot	Warrensburg
Warren	735	No child care programs	Thurman/Stoney Creek
Warren	740	No child care programs	Johnsburg
Warren	750	4 children per licensed slot	Chestertown
Warren	760	No child care programs	Brant Lake/Horicon
Warren	780	No child care programs	Bolton Landing

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WARREN COUNTY UNIVERSAL PREKINDERGARTEN ENROLLMENT				
Ages Served	County	District/Agency	# of 3's & 4's in the census (2015)	Number of children Served in UPK
4	Warren	Bolton CSD	766	10
4	Warren	Glens Falls City SD	472	51
4	Warren	Hadley-Luzerne CSD	874	15
4	Warren	North Warren CSD	116	16
4	Warren	Warrensburg CSD	167	29
WARREN COUNTY TOTALS			2,395	121

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WARREN COUNTY LICENSED/REGISTERED CHILD CARE CAPACITY		
MODALITY	NUMBER OF PROGRAMS	ENROLLMENT CAPACITY
CHILD CARE CENTER	13	939
FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES	20	157
GROUP FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMESS	11	168
SCHOOL AGE PROGRAMS	10	368

WASHINGTON COUNTY

CHILD CARE DESERTS IN WASHINGTON COUNTY NEW YORK			
County	Census Tract	Number of children per child care slot	Town/City
Washington	802	No child care programs	Hudson Falls
Washington	803	3 children per licensed slot	Kingsbury
Washington	810	No child care programs	Fort Ann
Washington	820.01	7 children per licensed slot	Whitehall
Washington	820.02	No child care programs	Lake George
Washington	840	3 children per licensed slot	Granville
Washington	850	9 children per licensed slot	Hartford
Washington	860	11 children per licensed slot	Hebron
Washington	870	7 children per licensed slot	Argyle
Washington	890	48 children per licensed slot	N.Greenwich/Spraguetown
Washington	900	29 children per licensed slot	Salem
Washington	910	12 children per licensed slot	Battenville
Washington	930	21 children per licensed slot	North Cambridge

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WASHINGTON COUNTY UNIVERSAL PREKINDERGARTEN ENROLLMENT				
Ages Served	County	District/Agency	# of 3's & 4's in the census (2015)	Number of children Served in UPK
4	Washington	Cambridge CSD	168	18
4	Washington	Fort Ann CSD	620	31
4	Washington	Fort Edward CSD	781	25
4	Washington	Granville CSD	89	39
4	Washington	Hartford CSD	378	26
4	Washington	Hudson Falls CSD	350	115
4	Washington	Whitehall CSD	200	22
WASHINGTON COUNTY TOTALS			2,586	276

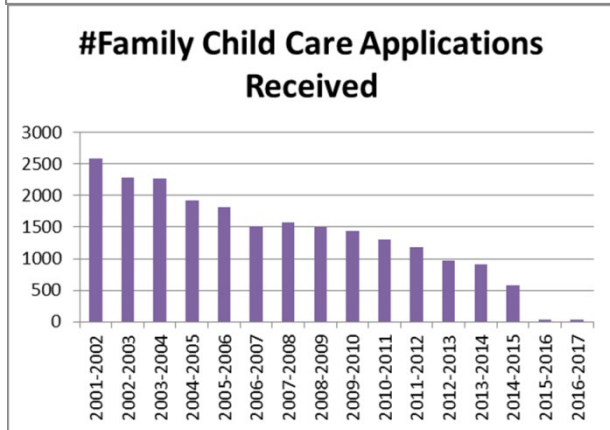
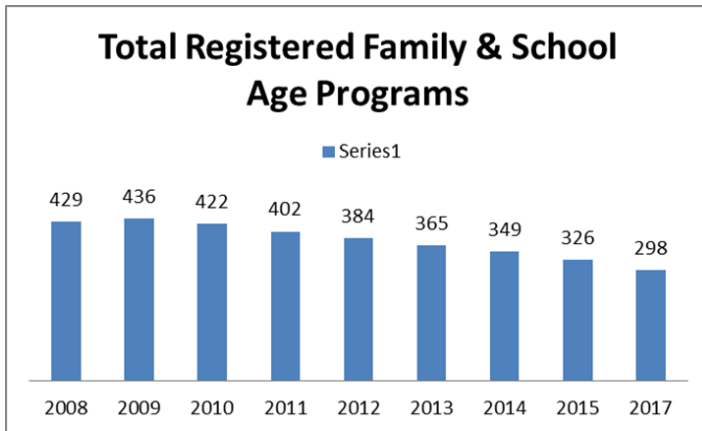
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WASHINGTON COUNTY LICENSED/REGISTERED CHILD CARE CAPACITY

MODALITY	NUMBER OF PROGRAMS	ENROLLMENT CAPACITY
CHILD CARE CENTER	10	499
FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES	24	192
GROUP FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMESS	20	320
SCHOOL AGE PROGRAMS	3	105

THE STRUGGLE FOR RETENTION

Since 2008 the number of registered family child care/school-age programs in Albany, Schenectady, and Rensselaer Counties has declined by 131; a 69% decrease. Although we continue to enroll family child care providers in the program we lose enrollees at a faster rate; often due to the child care provider closing her business.



Closed Child Care Facilities 2018				
Month	Center	Family	Group Family	School Age
July	1	9	5	1
August	4	12	1	0
September	2	12	7	3
October	3	5	3	0
November	2	7	3	0
December	1	6	4	0
Total	13	51	23	4

RESPONDING

In an effort to meet the 2019 Regional Council priorities to work with businesses and communities to identify child care needs and to develop potential solutions, Regional Economic Development Councils (REDC) are implementing strategies to increase the supply and improve the quality of child care services for children in underserved areas, infants and toddlers, children with disabilities (as defined by the state), and children who receive care during nontraditional hours (NTH). Following are a few examples of activities taking place across the State.

The Mohawk Valley Regional Economic Development Council (MVREDC) has established an ACCESS to Child Care Workgroup. Their primary focus is on the discussion of child care needs of the region and the important impact that access to child care can have on the Mohawk Valley's economy. They are developing a regionally specific strategy to increase access to quality, affordable child care. As a means to that end; they are considering potential child care projects in the Mohawk Valley Region for funding.

The Finger Lakes Regional Economic Development Council has convened a committee of businesses and early educators to address the region's need for child care and the impact on economic development. They have examined regulatory changes and funding support. FLREDC set a Child Care Workgroup Charter with the expressed purpose to develop strategies to meet the unmet need for child care in the Finger Lakes region using catalytic, single-use funding to expand child care infrastructure for lasting boots to economic development, pursuant to the 2019 NYS guidebook for Regional Economic Development Councils.

The Long Island REDC has convened a child care committee. Members include the local Child Care Councils, labor leadership, corporate leadership, a private foundation, and the small business development center. The group has commissioned a policy proposal that they will recommend to the LIREDC, adopt and put forward in the report to Governor Cuomo. The proposal includes the following points:

1. Help parents afford child care
 - a. Fund a Facilitated Enrollment model to help parents above County subsidy eligibility up to 400% of poverty, based on a sliding scale.
 - b. Incentivize and facilitate corporate sponsorship models (either to contract with existing providers, or join together to support a specific facility, etc.
2. Increase wages for the child care workforce

- a. Proposed model is based on the EARNNS program that existed in Suffolk County. This model would provide a wage supplement to child care workers based on their education level.
3. Support Child Care Providers
 - a. The committee will propose grants to (1) help child care providers expand the supply of care specifically for infants/toddlers and non-traditional hours and (2) reward programs that meet certain quality indicators (QSNY or self-rating).

The Capital Region Economic Development Council (CREDC) has convened a committee of businesses and early educators to address the region's need for child care and the impact on economic development. They have applied for the NYS B-5 child care needs assessment grant. The Committee will focus on business engagement to determine obstacles faced by capital region employers and their employees related to child care availability.

ACTION PRIORITIES

1. The Capital District Child Care Council will convene a coalition of child care providers, elected officials, county officials, and community members to address the need for high quality, assessable, affordable child care in the City of Amsterdam and Gloversville.
2. The Capital District Child Care Council in partnership with the City of Albany Poverty Reduction Initiative (CAPRI), and the Employee Navigator Programs is addressing the need for child care during non-traditional business hours in the City of Albany.
3. The Capital District Child Care Council is establishing a Family Child Care Accreditation Cohort in Saratoga County to address the need for accredited child care providers who will care for children of military personnel during non-traditional hours.