

Region: King & Pierce Counties

Child Care Rates



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Typical Monthly Cost of Child Care

Many child care providers report their rates to Child Care Aware of Washington. To help families understand the typical cost of care in their area, we estimate the median cost of child care in different types of child care for each county. The amounts listed below may be higher or lower than the actual rates you are quoted by individual providers.

Family Child Care Homes

County	Infant	Toddler	Preschool	School-Age (Before & After School Only)
King	\$966	\$919	\$776	\$585
Pierce	\$758	\$737	\$650	\$477

Child Care Centers

County	Infant	Toddler	Preschool	School-Age (Before & After School Only)
King	\$1,456	\$1,274	\$1,079	\$607
Pierce	\$949	\$780	\$715	\$479

Child Care Subsidies

Working Connections Child Care helps low-income families pay for child care while the adults are working, looking for work or in an approved training program. The program is funded by state and federal funds and administered by the Washington State Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS). To see if you are eligible for this program, use the DSHS Trial Eligibility Calculator at <http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/ESA/TEC/> or call Working Connections at 1-877-501-2233 or apply online www.washingtonconnection.org.

Federal Child Tax Credit

If you have a child under 17 and owe federal income taxes, the Child Tax Credit may help you pay a portion of your taxes. If you qualify for an Additional Child Tax Credit, you do not have to owe taxes to be able to receive a credit. To find out more about the Federal Child Tax Credit, contact Child Care Aware of Washington at 1-800-446-1114 or <http://wa.childcareaware.org/families>.

Other types of financial assistance

Ask your child care provider if they offer sliding scale fees or multi-child discounts. For further information about child care subsidies, tax credits and other financial resources that may be available to help your family pay for child care, contact us at 1-800-446-1114 or <http://wa.childcareaware.org/families>.