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Overview

The 2007 Kentucky Child Care Market Rate Study was conducted by the Kentucky Partnership for Early Childhood Services in conjunction with nine regionally based Child Care Resource and Referral (CCR&R) Agencies that cover the 15 Area Development Districts (ADD) throughout the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Each CCR&R agency maintains a database on child care via NACCRRAware and is the most knowledgeable of child care providers in their area, therefore, the Market Rate Survey (MRS) was conducted through the CCR&R agencies. It was projected that the familiarity of child care providers in the state with the CCR&R in their area would increase the likelihood that providers would respond to a survey versus a survey by another less know agency.

Child care provider data has been maintained uniformly in NACCRRAware statewide since 2000. NACCRRAware was developed by the National Association of Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies (NACCRRRA) and is the recognized provider database for Child Care Resource and Referral agencies in the nation. NACCRRAware's primary purpose is to provide referrals to families seeking child care. In addition, as the NACCRRAware database is structured to hold the same data used in the market rate survey, thus it was decided it would be the best source for statewide, reliable child care provider data. Currently, NACCRRAware houses information on 3,236 licensed or certified providers in Kentucky.

Methods

Data Collection Procedures

Kentucky CCR&R's are required by contract to conduct a provider update at least once annually with all child care providers in their region. Therefore, it was determined the most efficient process would be for CCR&R's to combine the MRS with their annual update. Provider update forms used previously by the CCR&R's were submitted to the Kentucky Partnership for Early Childhood Services office for review. A standard form was compiled, based on the best practice recommendations and information collected in past MRS. Provider update surveys were disseminated by each CCR&R between September 1, 2006 and January 31, 2007.

A three tiered data collection procedure was developed and implemented by all CCR&R's. These steps included:

Step 1 - A written survey to all providers via email, mail, fax, hand delivered with a return date of two weeks. A target return rate of 80% was set as the minimum required for each region

Step 2 – Thirty (30) days after initial dissemination of the survey, a second reminder contact was provided for all providers who have not yet responded and if the 80% minimum had not been reached. The preferred method of contact was phone, but written follow-up could also be used.

Step 3 - Thirty (30) days after second notification, a third contact was made to all providers who have not yet responded if the 80% minimum had not been reached. The third contact was to be conducted by phone or in person. Step 3 was to be repeated every 30 days until 80% minimum has been reached or January 31, 2007.

Each CCR&R was offered a financial incentive to complete the 80% minimum return rate in their area. Higher return rates yielded enhanced incentive packages. The average statewide return rate was 94% with a range from 66% to 100%. CCR&R agencies reported a 100% return rate in 6 of the 15 ADDs.

The three types of programs licensed in the state of Kentucky were included in the data collection process. Type I programs consist of licensed child care facility that includes a dwelling unit that regularly provides care for 13 or more children or a facility other than a dwelling unit that regularly provides care for 4 or more children in a non-residential setting. Type II licensed family child care centers have capacity for 7-12 children in a provider's home. Certified family child care homes have capacity for 6 or fewer children unrelated to the provider in the provider's home.

Providers were asked to provide information on child care rates charged to parents for both full-time and part-time services and by the child's age: infant (birth – 12 months), toddler 1 (12 – 24 months), toddler 2 (2 – 3 years), preschool 1 (3 – 4 years), preschool 2 (4 – 5 years), school age 1 (5 – 6 years), and school age 2 (6 years and older). In addition, information was requested related to child care capacity for the same age categories. This included licensed capacity, the number of children actually enrolled, the number of vacancies, and the desired capacity. Ideally, the sum of the enrollment plus vacancies would equal the desired capacity.

Information was also gathered on the provider's geographical region (both county and postal code), provider's hours of operation (both days of the week and start/end times), whether the provider accepted federal Head Start funding, the type of financial assistance available (e.g., state child care subsidy [CCAP], employer assistance, or part-week payment), and whether the provider provided drop-in care.

Using the 2005 Census estimate, Kentucky Partnership staff collected additional information on the total county population, the total population under 6 in the county, the median household income, the number of persons in the county eligible for Medicaid, and the number of persons in the county at 150% of the Federal Poverty level.

Urbanicity factors supplied through the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Division of Child Care (DCC) was also included, specifically state definitions of rural and urban counties and regional definitions of east, central and west. DCC also provided information on child care subsidy in the state, including the number of children who received a subsidy payment per provider, and the total number of children who received a subsidy payment per county in January 2007.

Participants

The original sample for the MRS consisted of 3,042 child care providers. Subsequently, 353 cases were removed due to incomplete or no update in the 2007 annual provider update (resulting N = 2,689). Next, provider population and rate data were cross-referenced in each of the seven age groups to ensure both population and rate data were available for each age group. Cases were coded based on whether all, no, or partial data was available. Partial data was defined as having either population or rate data for the age group, but not both. Likewise, providers (N = 22) were removed because there was no data available in all age groups (resulting

N = 2,667). No providers had partial data for all age groups. Additional cases (N = 16) were removed due to exemption from state child care licensing. A final sample of 2,651 was used for analyses and reporting (see Table 1).

Table 1. MRS Data Sample

	N of Providers
Original data submitted	3042
Incomplete or no update for 2007	353
No population or rate data	22
Exempt providers	16
Final MRS Sample	2651

Data Entry Procedures

The primary data source, NACCRRAware is not structured to maintain population and rate data in separate fields. In addition, the selection of the defined age groups may vary by provider. Therefore, creating a delimited file would not allow for data to be consistently imported into the database for analyses. Additionally, license ID (the unique ID for each case) was not entered in a consistent format with the child subsidy list, thus making an automatic data update of child care subsidy data unreliable. To address these issues, the provider, rate and subsidy data were manually re-keyed by Kentucky Partnership staff.

To ensure the accuracy of this data, reliability analysis was conducted on ten (10) percent of the cases. Reliability of data entry was established by utilizing a systematic sampling procedure with a random start. Each case was checked for errors by a staff member who was not involved in data entry. Data entry reliability for office staff was 89.1%. There was no viable procedure to document or establish reliability levels for data entry at the regional level.

Descriptive statistics and frequency tables were generated on all variables to identify inconsistencies within the data (i.e., outliers, typos, and extreme skewness). Items deemed outliers were investigated. Extreme outliers (greater than 3 SD above or below the mean for the state) were excluded from the analyses (N = 6).

Data Analyses

All data were analyzed using the Statistical Package for the Social Sciences (SPSS®) Version 15. Data from the NACCRRAware system that had been re-keyed and determined clean were included in the analyses.

In order to conduct a comprehensive examination of the variables that may affect the market rate, preliminary analyses were conducted on all providers at the following levels; (a) statewide, (b) urbanicity, (c) ADD region and (d) county locale. Descriptive statistics were employed at each stage to provide an overall picture of child care services, accessibility and funding throughout Kentucky. Results are illustrated in Table A1 and Table A2 in the appendix.

Comparative Analyses. Due to similarity in licensing requirements and the relatively small number of Type II providers (approximately 125 across Kentucky, and 75 in the sample) it was determined that combining Type I and Type II providers for the analyses was warranted. To establish the feasibility of analysis among different types of providers, initial ANOVA procedures were conducted to investigate the

differences in full-time and part-time rates between Type I, Type II and Certified providers statewide, as well as within ADD districts. Significant differences were found between Type I and Certified providers with regard to daily and weekly full-time rates with Type I providers reporting higher rates than Certified Home providers in all age groups except school aged. There were no significant differences between Type I and Type II providers' reporting of rates; therefore the provider category was consolidated into *Licensed* and *Certified* provider categories. Table A3 provides the results of the comparison.

As subsidy is calculated using consolidated age groupings of *infant/ toddler, preschool and school age*, additional correlation procedures were employed to determine the feasibility of analyzing consolidated groups. Each proposed consolidated group was significantly correlated to the other. Subsequently analysis continued with consolidated age groupings. The results for full and part time rate comparison are presented in Table A4 and A5, respectively, in the appendix.

Population Analyses. Additional population variables were collected from census data in order to ensure the analysis included community variables that were supplementary to the NACCRRAware system variables. Descriptive statistics were completed to establish the number of inhabitants in the state and ADD region who were living at or below 150 percent of poverty, as well as household income statistics. Table A6 in the appendix provides the 2005 census estimate figures used in this report.

In order to better understand the need for subsidy, the proportion of children under six years of age who were being served through subsidy payments was investigated. Proportions were calculated statewide and by urbanicity, region and ADD region by combining the census population estimates with current subsidy usage by county. These results are presented in Table A7 in the appendix.

Rate Analyses. All rate data was analyzed to reflect percentiles and results show the 75th percentile, the present structure used by the Cabinet for Families and Children to determine subsidy payment rates.

Results

Regional Rates. Using the county designations provided by the DCC, statewide data were broken into three regions (East, West, Central). Table 2 presents regions and county designations.

Table 2. Regional County Designation

Region	Counties
East	Bath, Bell, Boyd, Bracken, Breathitt, Carter, Clay, Elliott, Fleming, Floyd, Greenup, Harlan, Jackson, Johnson, Knott, Knox, Lawrence, Laurel, Lee, Leslie, Letcher, Lewis, Magoffin, Mason, Martin, Menifee, Montgomery, Morgan, Perry, Pike, Owsley, Robertson, Rockcastle, Rowan, Whitley, and Wolfe
Central	Adair, Anderson, Boone, Bourbon, Boyle, Bullitt, Campbell, Carroll, Casey, Clark, Clinton, Cumberland, Estill, Fayette, Gallatin, Garrard, Grant, Green, Harrison, Henry, Jefferson, Jessamine, Kenton, Lincoln, Madison, McCreary, Mercer, Nicholas, Oldham, Owen, Pendleton, Powell, Pulaski, Russell, Scott, Spencer, Shelby, Taylor, Trimble, Wayne, and Woodford.
West	Allen, Ballard, Barren, Breckinridge, Butler, Caldwell, Calloway, Carlisle, Christian, Crittenden, Daviess, Edmonson, Fulton, Graves, Grayson, Hancock, Hardin, Hart, Henderson, Hickman, Hopkins, Laure, Livingston, Logan, Lyon, Marion, Marshall, McLean, McCracken, Meade, Metcalfe, Monroe, Muhlenberg, Nelson, Ohio, Simpson, Todd, Trigg, Union, Warren, Washington and Webster

Urban and Rural Rates. Using the urban and rural designations provided by DCC, statewide data were designated urban or rural. Table 3 illustrates these urban/ rural county designations.

Table 3. Urban/ Rural County Designation

	Counties
Urban	Barren, Bell, Boone, Bourbon, Boyd, Boyle, Calloway, Campbell, Christian, Clark, Daviess, Fayette, Franklin, Graves, Greenup, Hardin, Henderson, Jefferson, Jessamine, Kenton, Madison, Mason, McCracken, Perry, Pike, Pulaski, Taylor, and Warren
Rural	Adair, Allen, Anderson, Ballard, Bath, Bracken, Breathitt, Breckinridge, Bullitt, Butler, Caldwell, Carlisle, Carroll, Carter, Casey, Clay, Clinton, Crittenden, Cumberland, Edmonson, Elliott, Estill, Fleming, Floyd, Fulton, Gallatin, Garrard, Grant, Grayson, Green, Hancock, Harlan, Harrison, Hart, Henry, Hickman, Hopkins, Jackson, Johnson, Knott, Knox, Laure, Laurel, Lawrence, Lee, Leslie, Letcher, Lewis, Lincoln, Livingston, Logan, Lyon, Magoffin, Marion, Marshall, Martin, McCreary, Mclean, Meade, Menifee, Mercer, Metcalfe, Monroe, Montgomery, Morgan, Muhlenberg, Nelson, Nicholas, Ohio, Oldham, Owen, Owsley, Pendleton, Powell, Robertson, Rockcastle, Rowan, Russell, Scott, Shelby, Simpson, Spencer, Todd, Trigg, Trimble, Union, Washington, Wayne, Webster, Whitley, Wolfe, and Woodford

2007 Child Care Rates. The 2007 child care rates for both licensed and certified providers are presented in Table 4. Expanded age groups represent categories of data collected. Consolidated age groups are the broader age categories used by the DCC. Rates presented are calculated at the 75th percentile.

Table 4. 2007 Statewide Child Care Rates (75th Percentile)

Full Time, Expanded Age Groups	0 – 12 mos	12 – 24 mos	2 – 3 yrs	3 – 4 yrs	4 – 5 yrs	5 – 6 yrs	6 yrs +
Licensed	25.00	25.00	24.00	22.00	22.00	21.00	20.00
Certified	22.00	22.00	21.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	19.00
Part Time, Expanded Age Groups	0 – 12 mos	12 – 24 mos	2 – 3 yrs	3 – 4 yrs	4 – 5 yrs	5 – 6 yrs	6 yrs +
Licensed	18.00	18.00	17.00	15.00	15.00	13.00	13.00
Certified	16.00	16.00	16.00	15.00	15.00	13.00	13.00
Full-Time, Consolidated Age Categories	0 – 24 mos		2 – 4 yrs		5 yrs +		
Licensed	24.00		16.00		15.00		
Certified	23.00		20.60		20.00		
Part-Time, Consolidated Age Categories	0 – 24 mos		2 – 4 yrs		5 yrs +		
Licensed	17.00		15.00		13.00		
Certified	17.00		15.00		13.00		

Statewide Child Care Rate Trend. The 2007 market rate study was modeled after the study conducted in 2005 to allow for comparable data to examine differences in the two study years. Table 5 provides the actual full time and part time rates and the difference between the two data points (2005 and 2007).

Differences were mixed among provider types: Type I full time rates increased slightly among preschool providers (2 – 4 year); Type II daily full-time rates increased significantly by \$4.00 for both Infants/ Toddlers (0-24 months) and Preschool (2 – 4 years), and by \$2.00 for school age (5 years and older).

Child Care Rates by Region. Table 6 provides child care rates by region. Rates were calculated at the 75th percentile. The central region, where there is a larger portion of urban areas, has higher rates than both the east and west region.

Table 5. Statewide Child Care Rate Trend, 2005 – 2007 (75th Percentile)

Full-Time	Type I			Type II			Certified Home		
	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +
2005	24.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	18.00	18.00	20.00	19.00	18.00
2007	24.00	22.00	20.00	24.00	22.00	20.00	22.00	20.00	19.00
Part-Time	Type I			Type II			Certified Home		
	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +
2005	20.00	15.60	13.00	15.00	15.00	14.00	17.00	15.00	14.00
2007	18.00	15.00	13.00	17.00	15.95	14.00	16.00	15.00	13.00
2005 – 2007 Difference	Type I			Type II			Certified Home		
	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +
FT	0.00	2.00	0.00	4.00	4.00	2.00	2.00	1.00	1.00
PT	2.00	-0.60	0.00	1.00	0.95	0.00	-1.00	0.00	-1.00

Table 6. Child Care Rates by Region (75th Percentile)

Full-Time	Licensed			Certified Home		
	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +
East	18.00	17.00	17.00	18.00	17.00	17.00
Central	25.00	23.00	21.00	25.00	24.00	21.00
West	17.00	18.00	17.00	17.00	18.00	17.00
Part-Time	Licensed			Certified Home		
	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +
East	14.00	13.00	12.00	15.00	14.00	13.00
Central	18.28	16.54	13.60	18.00	16.00	14.00
West	14.00	13.00	12.00	15.00	13.79	12.00

Child Care Rates Trend by Region. Comparisons between 2005 and 2007 market rate studies by region are presented in Table 7.

Child Care Rates by Urban/ Rural Designation. Using the urban/ rural designations provided by DCC, child care rates were examined. Child care rates are consistently higher in urban versus non-urban areas. Rates are presented in Table 8.

Table 7. Child Care Rates Trend by Region (75th Percentile)

East, Full-Time	Type I			Type II			Certified Home		
	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +
2005	19.00	16.00	16.00	19.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	16.00	16.00
2007	18.00	17.00	17.00	18.00	17.00	17.00	18.00	18.00	17.00
Difference	-1.00	1.00	1.00	-1.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	2.00	1.00
Central, Full-Time	Type I			Type II			Certified Home		
	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +
2005	25.00	22.25	21.00	24.00	20.25	20.00	22.00	20.00	20.00
2007	25.00	24.00	21.00	25.00	24.00	21.00	25.00	23.00	21.00
Difference	0.00	1.75	0.00	1.00	3.75	1.00	3.00	3.00	1.00
West, Full-Time	Type I			Type II			Certified Home		
	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +
2005	19.00	18.00	17.00	18.00	16.00	15.00	17.00	17.00	16.00
2007	19.00	18.00	17.00	19.00	18.00	17.00	19.00	18.00	17.00
Difference	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	1.00	1.00
East, Part-Time	Type I			Type II			Certified Home		
	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +
2005	15.00	12.00	11.15	13.00	12.00	12.00	14.00	12.00	12.00
2007	14.00	13.00	12.00	14.00	13.00	12.00	15.00	14.00	13.00
Difference	-1.00	1.00	0.85	1.00	1.00	0.00	1.00	2.00	1.00
Central, Part-Time	Type I			Type II			Certified Home		
	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +
2005	23.18	17.00	13.00	18.50	15.00	15.00	19.00	17.00	15.00
2007	18.28	16.54	13.60	18.28	16.54	13.60	18.00	16.00	14.00
Difference	-4.90	-0.46	0.60	-0.22	1.54	-1.40	-1.00	-1.00	-1.00
West, Part-Time	Type I			Type II			Certified Home		
	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +
2005	20.00	16.60	14.00	15.00	15.00	14.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
2007	14.00	13.00	12.00	14.00	13.00	12.00	15.00	13.79	12.00
Difference	-6.00	-3.60	-2.00	-1.00	-2.00	-2.00	0.00	-1.21	-3.00

Table 8. Child Care Rates by Urban/ Rural Designation (75th Percentile)

Full-Time, Consolidated Age Groups	Licensed			Certified Home		
	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +
Urban	37.50	33.00	31.50	34.00	30.00	30.00
Rural	30.00	27.00	25.50	27.00	27.00	25.50
Part-Time, Consolidated Age Groups	Licensed			Certified Home		
	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +
Urban	18.00	16.00	13.00	16.00	15.00	11.00
Rural	14.60	13.00	9.00	14.00	13.00	7.50

Child Care Rates Trend by Urban/ Rural Designation. Table 9 compares 2005 and 2007 market rate studies by urban/ rural designation. The difference between the survey years is also included.

Table 9. Child Care Rates Trend by Urban/ Rural Designation (75th Percentile)

Urban, Full-Time	Type I			Type II			Certified Home		
	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +
2005	26.00	23.00	21.80	25.00	22.00	20.00	22.00	20.00	20.00
2007	37.50	33.00	31.50	37.50	33.00	31.50	34.00	30.00	30.00
Diff.	11.50	10.00	9.70	12.50	11.00	11.50	12.00	10.00	10.00
Rural, Full-Time	Type I			Type II			Certified Home		
	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +
2005	19.00	17.00	16.00	18.00	16.00	16.00	17.00	17.00	16.00
2007	30.00	27.00	25.50	30.00	27.00	25.50	27.00	27.00	25.50
Diff.	11.00	10.00	9.50	12.00	11.00	9.50	10.00	10.00	9.50
Urban, Part-Time	Type I			Type II			Certified Home		
	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +
2005	23.00	18.00	14.00	20.00	16.00	15.00	19.00	17.00	15.00
2007	18.00	16.00	13.00	18.00	16.00	13.00	16.00	15.00	11.00
Diff.	-5.00	-2.00	-1.00	-2.00	0.00	-2.00	-3.00	-2.00	-4.00
Rural, Part-Time	Type I			Type II			Certified Home		
	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +
2005	18.00	15.00	12.00	15.00	14.00	14.00	17.00	13.00	12.00
2007	14.60	13.00	9.00	14.60	13.00	9.00	14.00	13.00	7.50
Diff.	-3.40	-2.00	-3.00	-0.40	-1.00	-3.00	-3.00	0.00	-4.50

Conclusions

Findings from this MRS confirm findings from earlier analyses conducted in Kentucky. Given the diversity both geographically and within its municipalities of Kentucky, the results document differences in child care rates among urban and rural communities, and within the three designated regions of the state. Child care providers in the central region of the state, where urban counties are primarily located, charge higher child care rates than those in the eastern and western regions. Interestingly, no differences were found in Type I and Type II provider rates statewide.

Limitations

The 2007 market rate study used data collected by Child Care Resource and Referral (CCR&R) agencies using a standardized instrument and entered into a standard database, NACCRRAware. However, as NACCRRAware is not structured to hold the data needed for analysis in separate fields, data was re-keyed by hand for analysis. This additional step, though unexpected, is a limitation of the NACCRRAware database, as it is designed to provide parent referrals and not provide data for advanced analysis. Future data collection for market rate analysis should allow data to be entered in a uniform, table-based file where data can easily be extrapolated and manipulated.

Additionally, as the MRS questions were a supplement to a larger annual provider update, some providers chose not to complete the MRS questions. Providers may have hesitated to complete the survey questions related to capacity, as it is difficult to measure enrollment and desired capacity for the year. Additional investigations into defining capacity may help strengthen both the data collection process, as well as supporting providers in providing this information. In addition, simplifying definitions may help future MRS yield higher responses to questions related to capacity.

Child care rate information in this study is presented in the collapsed age categories determined by the DCC and also the expanded age categories provided in NACCRRAware. As discrepancies existed between the collapsed and expanded age categories, the combination of infant (0 – 12 months) and toddler (12 – 24 mos) results in a lower rate than when the age categories were examined separately. This validates the same finding from the 2005 Kentucky MRS.

Implications

Urban and rural comparisons of the 2005-2007 trends in full-time child care daily rates displays an increase in urban rates among all age groups and provider types as high as \$12.50. This is alarming, as the part time rates for the same groups actually fell between survey years. It is unknown as to the capacity of child care providers for full-time and part time care at the two survey points, and conclusions cannot be determined with the present information. Additional study should examine the workforce in these areas, to ensure wages are increasing at the same or similar rates.

Recommendations

It is recommended that the Cabinet for Health and Family Services consider an update of the state child care subsidy reimbursement rate to reflect the 75th percentile of the current cost of child care throughout Kentucky.

Appendix: Child Care Rate Tables

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Table A1. Percent of Provider Services, Statewide and by ADD

	Urban	Rural	Weekend Care Available	Drop-in care Available	Accepts State Child Care Subsidy	Allows Part-Week Payment	Allows Employer Financial Assistance	Accepts Head Start Funding
Statewide	66.3	33.7	6.9	33.3	85.0	15.3	6.4	6.0
Buffalo Trace	93.5	60.5	14.0	23.3	72.1	7.0	4.7	16.3
Big Sandy	31.9	68.1	8.5	42.6	95.7	0.0	6.4	2.1
Bluegrass	72.5	27.5	4.4	29.6	88.0	0.0	12.4	5.6
Cumberland Valley	13.7	86.3	30.6	41.9	85.5	4.0	4.0	11.3
Fivco	79.6	20.4	14.3	36.7	93.9	2.0	40.8	2.0
Barren River	63.6	36.4	1.4	31.5	82.5	0.7	2.1	9.8
Gateway	0.0	100.0	11.8	17.6	78.4	15.7	5.9	84.3
Green River	74.4	25.6	1.6	24.0	85.6	8.8	20.8	8.0
KIPDA	82.6	17.4	10.3	41.0	88.0	40.1	0.0	2.1
Kentucky River	29.2	70.8	4.2	10.4	60.4	0.0	0.0	37.5
Lake Cumberland	41.7	58.3	7.9	21.6	75.5	12.2	0.0	10.1
Lincoln Trail	52.7	47.3	10.1	38.8	96.3	34.0	0.0	0.0
Northern Kentucky	87.6	12.4	5.3	24.4	82.7	14.3	4.5	3.0
Purchase	82.6	17.4	1.7	43.0	71.1	0.0	9.1	5.8
Pennyrile	47.8	52.2	4.3	43.5	89.9	9.4	13.8	10.1

Table A2. Percent of Providers Offering Child Care Services by Urban/ Rural, Statewide and ADD

	Urban/ Rural	Number of Cases	Weekend Care Available	Drop-In Care Available	Accepts State Child Care Subsidy	Allows Part-Week Payment	Allows Employer Financial Assistance	Accepts Head Start Funding
Statewide	Urban	1752	7.3	34.2	87.0	17.2	7.0	3.8
	Rural	899	6.1	31.8	82.6	12.0	5.5	10.5
Buffalo Trace	Urban	17	17.6	23.5	76.5	5.9	0.0	5.9
	Rural	26	11.5	23.1	69.2	7.7	7.7	23.1
Big Sandy	Urban	15	6.7	73.3	93.3	0.0	0.0	6.7
	Rural	32	9.4	28.1	96.9	0.0	9.4	0.0
Bluegrass	Urban	399	4.8	28.6	89.0	0.0	13.0	5.3
	Rural	151	3.3	32.5	85.4	0.0	10.6	6.6
Cumberland Valley	Urban	17	35.3	41.2	94.1	0.0	0.0	11.8
	Rural	107	29.9	42.1	84.1	4.7	4.7	11.2
Fivco	Urban	39	10.3	33.3	92.3	0.0	46.2	2.6
	Rural	10	30.0	50.0	100.0	10.0	20.0	0.0
Barren River	Urban	91	2.2	25.3	84.6	0.0	3.3	5.5
	Rural	52	0.0	42.3	78.8	1.9	0.0	17.3
Gateway	Urban	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Rural	51	11.8	17.6	78.4	15.7	5.9	15.7
Green River	Urban	93	2.2	22.6	87.1	6.5	20.4	8.6
	Rural	32	0.0	28.1	81.3	15.6	21.9	93.8
KIPDA	Urban	511	12.5	42.9	87.7	42.5	-	1.2
	Rural	108	0.0	32.4	89.8	28.7	-	6.5
Kentucky River	Urban	14	7.1	7.1	78.6	0.0	0.0	21.4
	Rural	34	2.9	11.8	52.9	0.0	0.0	44.1
Lake Cumberland	Urban	58	15.5	24.1	79.3	12.1	0.0	8.6
	Rural	81	2.5	19.8	72.8	12.3	0.0	11.1
Lincoln Trail	Urban	99	17.2	40.4	98.0	31.3	0.0	0.0
	Rural	89	2.2	37.1	94.4	37.1	0.0	0.0
Northern Kentucky	Urban	233	5.6	26.2	83.7	14.6	5.2	1.7
	Rural	33	3.0	12.1	75.8	12.1	0.0	12.1
Purchase	Urban	100	2.0	44.0	70.0	0.0	8.0	5.0
	Rural	21	0.0	38.1	76.2	0.0	14.3	9.5
Pennyrile	Urban	66	6.1	42.4	98.5	7.6	16.7	6.1
	Rural	72	2.8	44.4	81.9	11.1	11.1	13.9

Table A3. Differences in daily rate by type: Statewide

Age Group	F	Significance level	Type I Mean	Type II Mean	Certified Home Mean
<i>Full Time Rates</i>					
Infant	42.57	<.0001	22.24	20.15	19.68
Toddler 1	42.66	<.0001	21.75	19.80	19.47
Toddler 2	29.51	<.0001	20.94	19.09	19.08
Preschool 1	2.36	.09	19.36	18.39	18.75
Preschool 2	8.98	<.0001	19.15	18.26	18.19
School Age 1	.05	.95	17.48	17.66	17.50
School Age 2	.72	.48	16.84	17.13	17.14
<i>Part Time Rates</i>					
Infant	5.48	<.01	15.10	15.07	13.67
Toddler 1	7.97	<.0001	15.12	14.28	13.48
Toddler 2	1.44	.23	13.80	13.90	13.15
Preschool 1	.57	.56	12.34	13.10	12.55
Preschool 2	.92	.39	12.13	13.10	12.34
School Age 1	7.73	<.0001	10.45	11.51	11.41
School Age 2	1.50	.22	10.60	10.93	11.03

Table A4. Age group comparison for consolidated age categories, Full time daily rate

	Infant Rate	Toddler 1 Rate	Toddler 2 Rate	Preschool 1 Rate	Preschool 2 Rate	School- Age 1 Rate	School - Age 2 Rate
Infant Rate							
Toddler 1 Rate	.97**						
Toddler 2 Rate	.96**	.96**					
Preschool 1 Rate	.92**	.92**	.65**				
Preschool 2 Rate	.90**	.90**	.94**	.98**			
School Age 1 Rate	.75**	.78**	.81**	.86**	.88**		
School Age 2 Rate	.65**	.68**	.72**	.76**	.79**	.95**	

** p<.0001

Table A5. Age group comparison for consolidated age categories, Part time daily rate

	Infant Rate	Toddler 1 Rate	Toddler 2 Rate	Preschool 1 Rate	Preschool 2 Rate	School- Age 1 Rate	School - Age 2 Rate
Infant Rate							
Toddler 1 Rate	.98**						
Toddler 2 Rate	.96**	.98**					
Preschool 1 Rate	.92**	.94**	.95**				
Preschool 2 Rate	.92**	.93**	.94**	.98**			
School Age 1 Rate	.61**	.64**	.67**	.74**	.77**		
School Age 2 Rate	.23**	.29**	.34**	.35**	.39**	.59**	

** p<.0001

Table A6. 2005 Census Estimate, Statewide and by ADD

	Total Population	Mean Average Household Income	# Living 150% under Poverty Level	Population Under 5
Statewide	4,054,100	36,350.33	668,472	266,751
Buffalo Trace	55,229	34,531.20	10,646	3,555
Big Sandy	160,532	25,953.20	39,652	9,944
Bluegrass	690,643	43,390.65	99,721	43,963
Cumberland Valley	245,960	25,841.38	63,723	16,247
Fivco	135,849	31,691.60	25,989	7,935
Barren River	255,225	35,621.60	44,549	16,622
Gateway	76,217	31,099.00	15,049	4,646
Green River	207,378	40,672.00	30,481	13,553
KIPDA	869,306	51,553.29	122,056	58,782
Kentucky River	120,676	23,593.50	31,933	7,051
Lake Cumberland	193,452	28,443.20	42,046	11,736
Lincoln Trail	243,202	38,891.38	35,077	17,194
Northern Kentucky	391,417	46,844.88	44,868	28,729
Purchase	193,495	38,350.88	29,771	11,244
Pennyrile	215,519	37,069.11	32,911	15,550

Table A7. Proportion of Children under 6 served through Subsidy Payments for Child Care, Statewide, by Region, Urban/ Rural and ADD

	N Cases	Average	Median	Std. Deviation	Minimum	Maximum
Statewide	118	.0951	.0924	.06029	.00	.26
East Region	35	.0737	.0571	.05740	.00	.24
Central Region	42	.1217	.1181	.05661	.01	.26
West Region	41	.0862	.0848	.05763	.01	.25
Rural	90	.0797	.0717	.05407	.00	.26
Urban	28	.1448	.1530	.05255	.04	.25
Buffalo Trace	5	.0960	.1144	.07438	.00	.18
Big Sandy	5	.0427	.0298	.03675	.00	.10
Bluegrass	17	.1352	.1475	.04727	.04	.20
Cumberland Valley	8	.0951	.0949	.05398	.01	.20
Fivco	5	.0528	.0303	.04639	.01	.13
Barren River	10	.0473	.0406	.02819	.02	.09
Gateway	5	.1127	.0900	.07806	.05	.24
Green River	7	.0733	.0577	.05897	.01	.17
KIPDA	7	.1057	.0984	.06022	.01	.20
Kentucky River	7	.0426	.0383	.02446	.01	.09
Lake Cumberland	10	.1422	.1262	.06254	.06	.26
Lincoln Trail	8	.1136	.1081	.04897	.05	.19
Northern Kentucky	8	.0815	.0815	.04878	.01	.15
Purchase	8	.1176	.0975	.07555	.01	.25
Pennyrile	8	.0874	.0962	.05057	.01	.16

Table A8. 2007 Statewide Child Care Rates (75th Percentile)

Full Time, Expanded Age Groups							
	0 – 12 mos	12 – 24 mos	2 – 3 yrs	3 – 4 yrs	4 – 5 yrs	5 – 6 yrs	6 yrs +
Licensed	25.00	25.00	24.00	22.00	22.00	21.00	20.00
Certified	22.00	22.00	21.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	19.00
Part Time, Expanded Age Groups							
	0 – 12 mos	12 – 24 mos	2 – 3 yrs	3 – 4 yrs	4 – 5 yrs	5 – 6 yrs	6 yrs +
Licensed	18.00	18.00	17.00	15.00	15.00	13.00	13.00
Certified	16.00	16.00	16.00	15.00	15.00	13.00	13.00
Full-Time, Consolidated Age Categories							
	0 – 24 mos		2 – 4 yrs		5 yrs +		
Licensed	24.00		16.00		15.00		
Certified	23.00		20.60		20.00		
Part-Time, Consolidated Age Categories							
	0 – 24 mos		2 – 4 yrs		5 yrs +		
Licensed	17.00		15.00		13.00		
Certified	17.00		15.00		13.00		

Table A9. Statewide Child Care Rate Trend, 2005 – 2007 (75th Percentile)

Full-Time									
	Type I			Type II			Certified Home		
	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +
2005	24.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	18.00	18.00	20.00	19.00	18.00
2007	24.00	22.00	20.00	24.00	22.00	20.00	22.00	20.00	19.00
Part-Time									
	Type I			Type II			Certified Home		
	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +
2005	20.00	15.60	13.00	15.00	15.00	14.00	17.00	15.00	14.00
2007	18.00	15.00	13.00	17.00	15.95	14.00	16.00	15.00	13.00
2005 – 2007 Difference									
	Type I			Type II			Certified Home		
	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +
FT	0.00	2.00	0.00	4.00	4.00	2.00	2.00	1.00	1.00
PT	2.00	-0.60	0.00	1.00	0.95	0.00	-1.00	0.00	-1.00

Figure A1. Type I, Full-Time Child Care Rates, Trend 2005-2007 (75th Percentile)

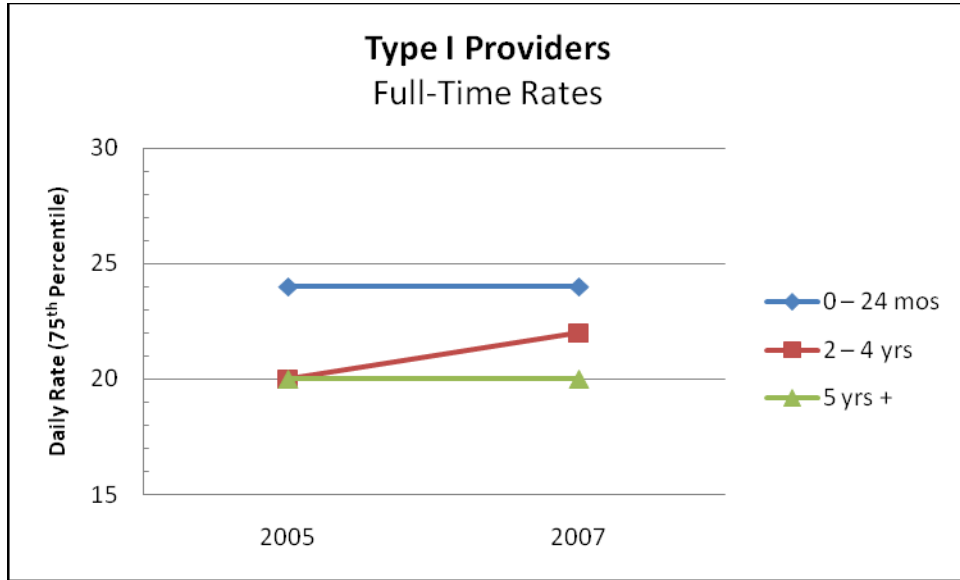


Figure A2. Type I, Part-Time Child Care Rates, Trend 2005-2007 (75th Percentile)

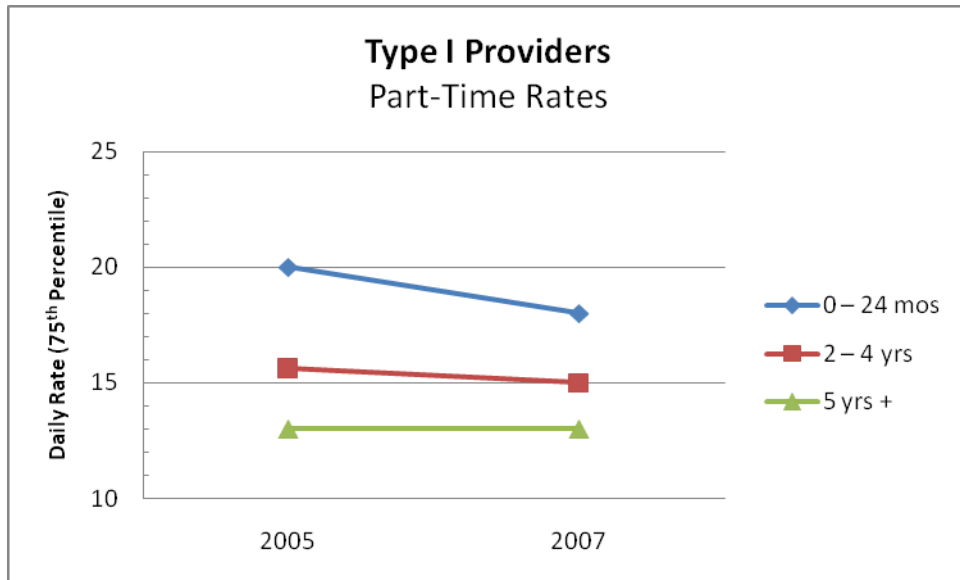


Figure A3. Type II, Full-Time Child Care Rates, Trend 2005-2007 (75th Percentile)

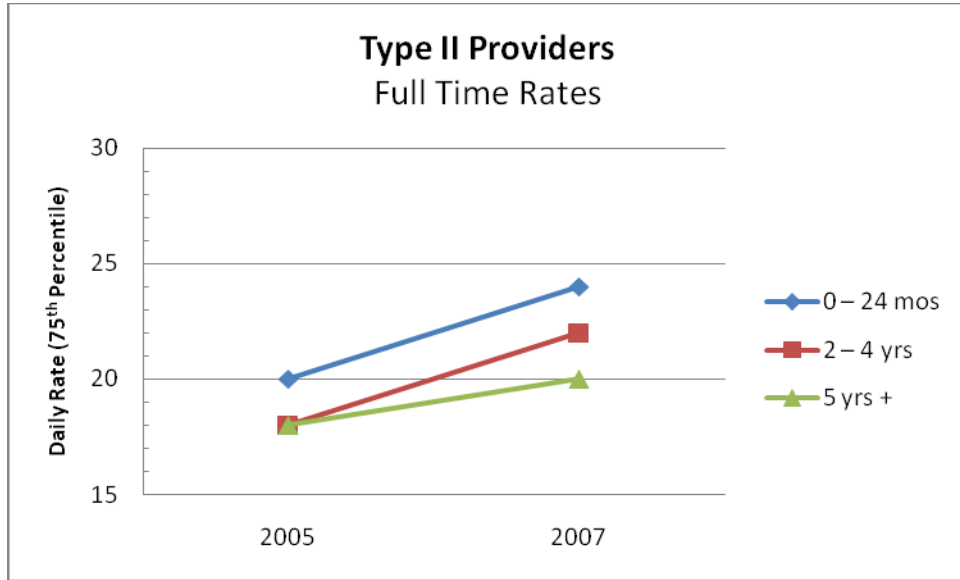


Figure A4. Type II, Part-Time Child Care Rates, Trend 2005-2007 (75th Percentile)

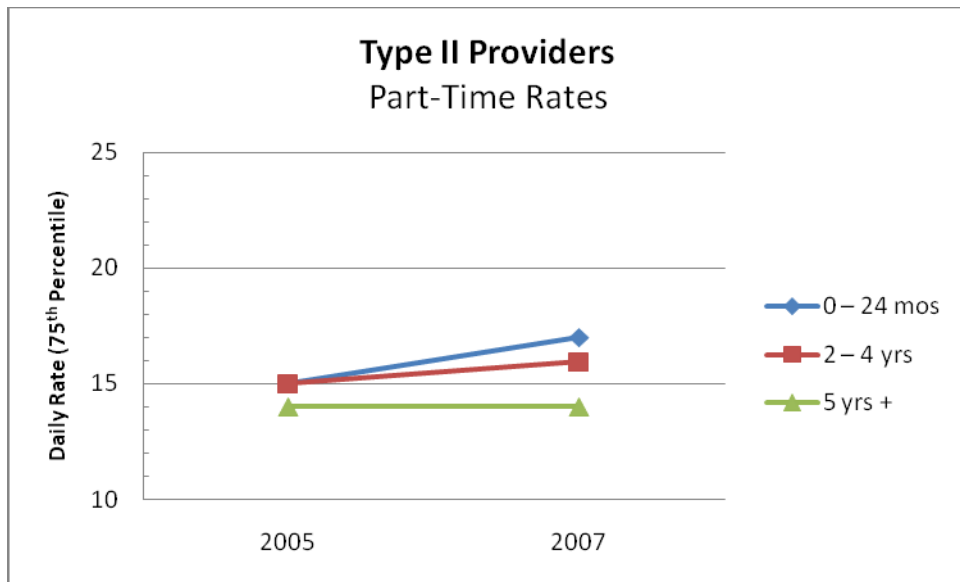


Figure A5. Certified Homes, Full-Time Child Care Rates, Trend 2005-2007 (75th Percentile)

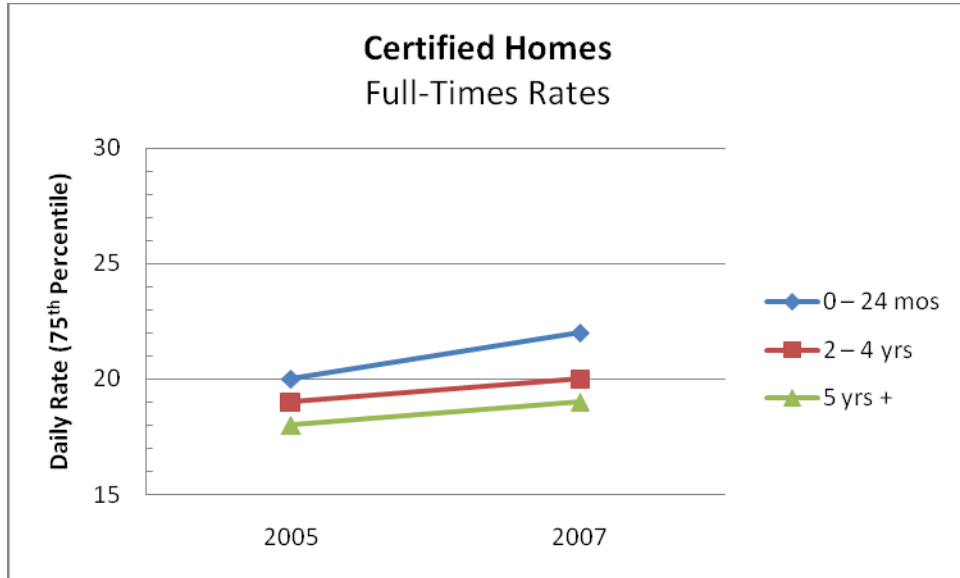


Figure A6. Certified, Part-Time Child Care Rates, Trend 2005-2007 (75th Percentile)

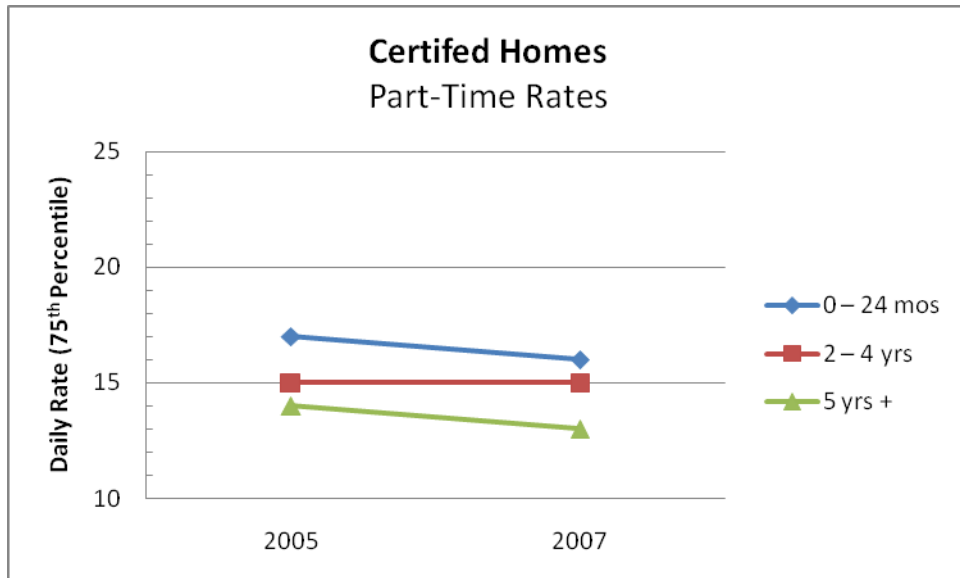


Table A10. 2007 Statewide Child Care Rates (75th Percentile)

Full Time, Expanded Age Groups							
	0 – 12 mos	12 – 24 mos	2 – 3 yrs	3 – 4 yrs	4 – 5 yrs	5 – 6 yrs	6 yrs +
Licensed	25.00	25.00	24.00	22.00	22.00	21.00	20.00
Certified	22.00	22.00	21.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	19.00
Part Time, Expanded Age Groups							
	0 – 12 mos	12 – 24 mos	2 – 3 yrs	3 – 4 yrs	4 – 5 yrs	5 – 6 yrs	6 yrs +
Licensed	18.00	18.00	17.00	15.00	15.00	13.00	13.00
Certified	16.00	16.00	16.00	15.00	15.00	13.00	13.00
Full-Time, Consolidated Age Categories							
	0 – 24 mos		2 – 4 yrs		5 yrs +		
Licensed	24.00		16.00		15.00		
Certified	23.00		20.60		20.00		
Part-Time, Consolidated Age Categories							
	0 – 24 mos		2 – 4 yrs		5 yrs +		
Licensed	17.00		15.00		13.00		
Certified	17.00		15.00		13.00		

Table A11. Statewide Child Care Rate Trend, 2005 – 2007 (75th Percentile)

Full-Time									
	Type I			Type II			Certified Home		
	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +
2005	24.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	18.00	18.00	20.00	19.00	18.00
2007	24.00	22.00	20.00	24.00	22.00	20.00	22.00	20.00	19.00
Part-Time									
	Type I			Type II			Certified Home		
	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +
2005	20.00	15.60	13.00	15.00	15.00	14.00	17.00	15.00	14.00
2007	18.00	15.00	13.00	17.00	15.95	14.00	16.00	15.00	13.00
2005 – 2007 Difference									
	Type I			Type II			Certified Home		
	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +
FT	0.00	2.00	0.00	4.00	4.00	2.00	2.00	1.00	1.00
PT	2.00	-0.60	0.00	1.00	0.95	0.00	-1.00	0.00	-1.00

Table A12. Child Care Rates by Urban/ Rural Designation (75th Percentile)

Full-Time, Consolidated Age Groups						
	Licensed			Certified Home		
	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +
Urban	37.50	33.00	31.50	34.00	30.00	30.00
Rural	30.00	27.00	25.50	27.00	27.00	25.50
Part-Time, Consolidated Age Groups						
	Licensed			Certified Home		
	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +
Urban	18.00	16.00	13.00	16.00	15.00	11.00
Rural	14.60	13.00	9.00	14.00	13.00	7.50

Table A13. Child Care Rates Trend by Urban/ Rural Designation (75th Percentile)

Urban, Full-Time									
	Type I			Type II			Certified Home		
	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +
2005	26.00	23.00	21.80	25.00	22.00	20.00	22.00	20.00	20.00
2007	37.50	33.00	31.50	37.50	33.00	31.50	34.00	30.00	30.00
Difference	11.50	10.00	9.70	12.50	11.00	11.50	12.00	10.00	10.00
Rural, Full-Time									
	Type I			Type II			Certified Home		
	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +
2005	19.00	17.00	16.00	18.00	16.00	16.00	17.00	17.00	16.00
2007	30.00	27.00	25.50	30.00	27.00	25.50	27.00	27.00	25.50
Difference	11.00	10.00	9.50	12.00	11.00	9.50	10.00	10.00	9.50
Urban, Part-Time									
	Type I			Type II			Certified Home		
	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +
2005	23.00	18.00	14.00	20.00	16.00	15.00	19.00	17.00	15.00
2007	18.00	16.00	13.00	18.00	16.00	13.00	16.00	15.00	11.00
Difference	-5.00	-2.00	-1.00	-2.00	0.00	-2.00	-3.00	-2.00	-4.00
Rural, Part-Time									
	Type I			Type II			Certified Home		
	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +	0 – 24 mos	2 – 4 yrs	5 yrs +
2005	18.00	15.00	12.00	15.00	14.00	14.00	17.00	13.00	12.00
2007	14.60	13.00	9.00	14.60	13.00	9.00	14.00	13.00	7.50
Difference	-3.40	-2.00	-3.00	-0.40	-1.00	-3.00	-3.00	0.00	-4.50

Figure A7. Infant/ Toddler (0-24 mos) Type I Child Care Rates Trend by Urban/ Rural Designation (75th Percentile)

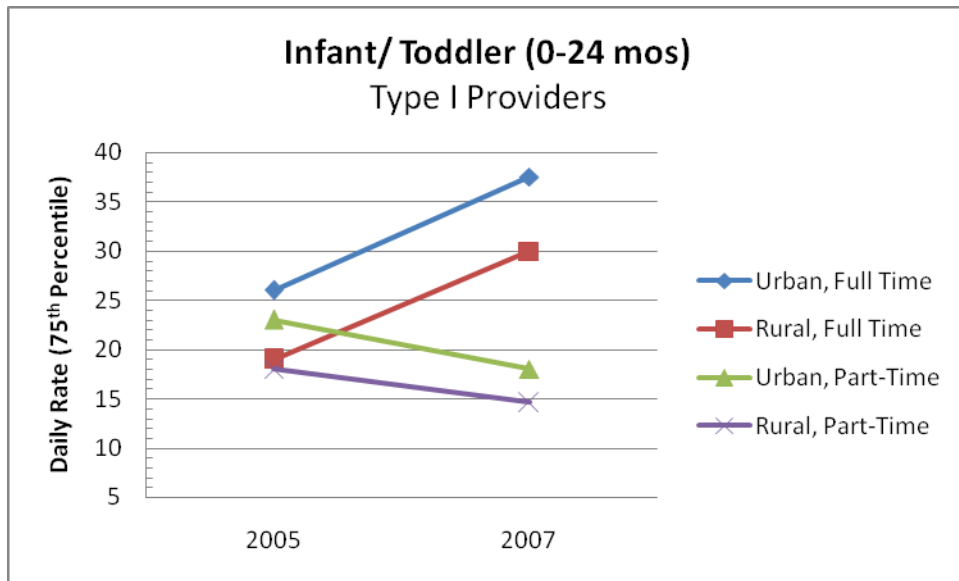


Figure A8. Preschool (2-4 yrs) Type I Child Care Rates Trend by Urban/ Rural Designation (75th Percentile)

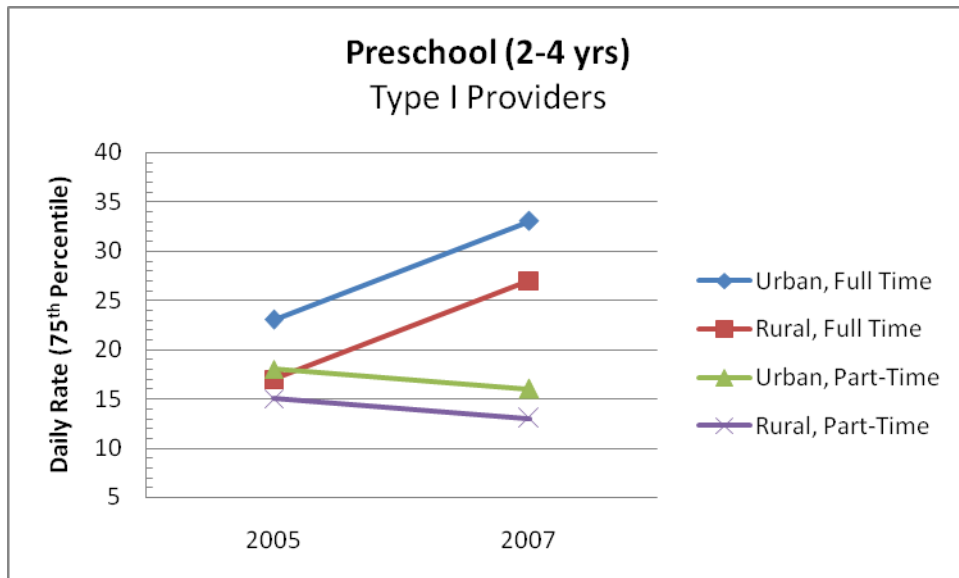


Figure A9. School-Age (5+ yrs) Type I Child Care Rates Trend by Urban/ Rural Designation (75th Percentile)

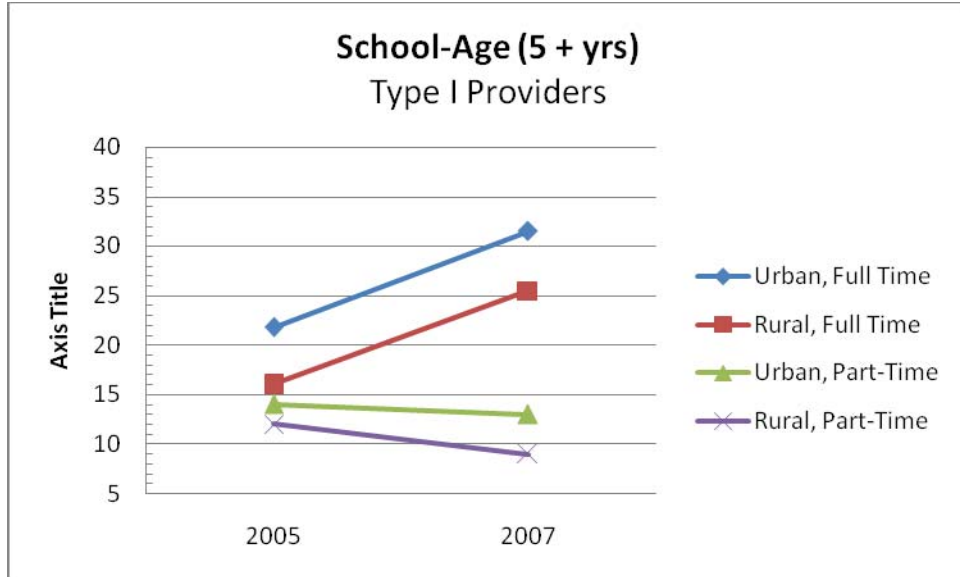


Figure A10. Infant/ Toddler (0-24 mos) Type II Child Care Rates Trend by Urban/ Rural Designation (75th Percentile)

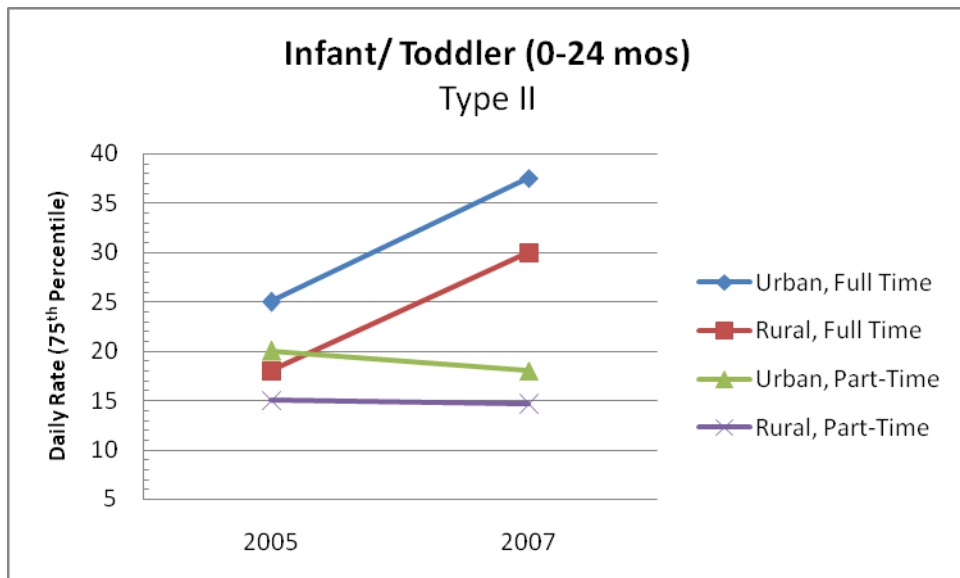


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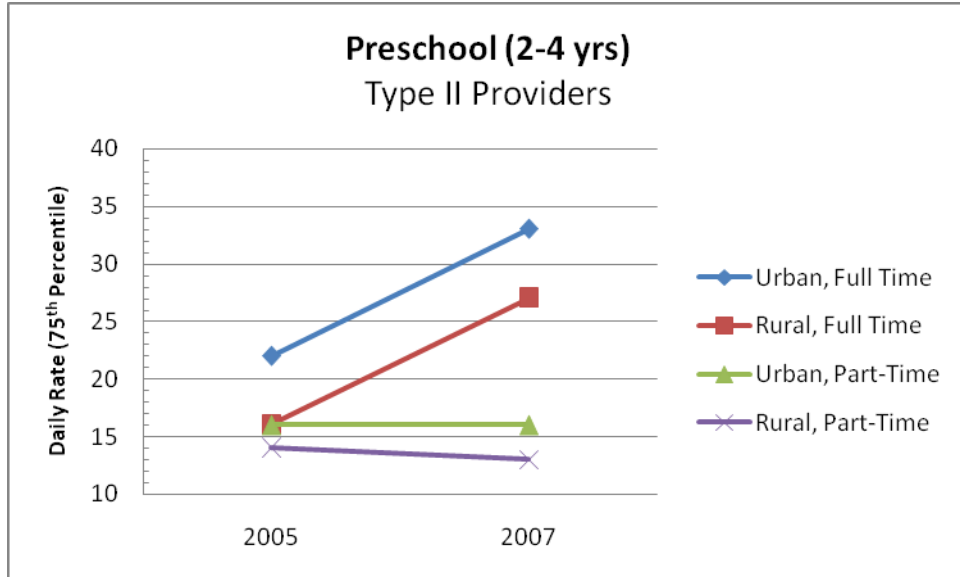


Figure A12. School-Age (5+ yrs) Type II Child Care Rates Trend by Urban/ Rural Designation (75th Percentile)

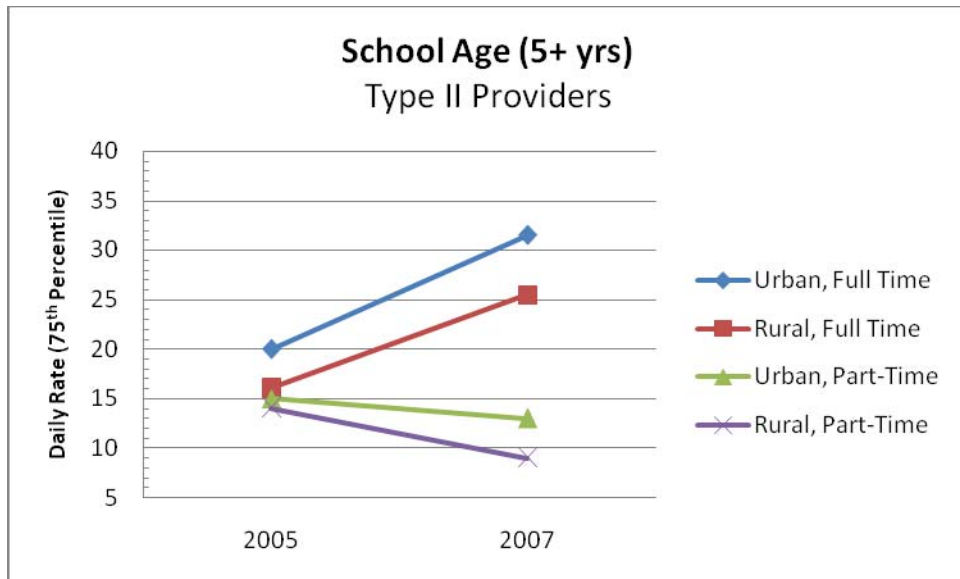


Figure A13. Infant/ Toddler (0-24 mos) Certified Home Child Care Rates Trend by Urban/ Rural Designation (75th Percentile)

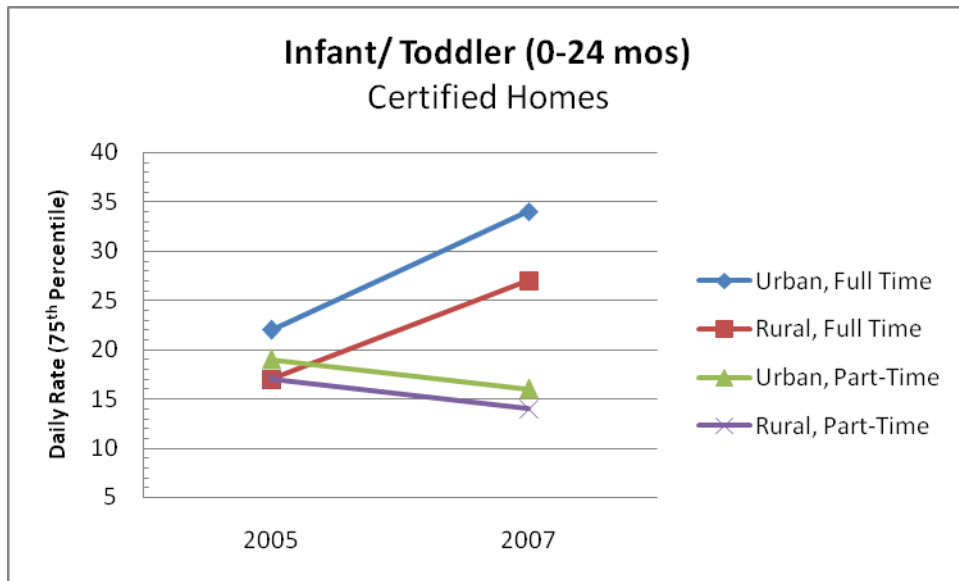


Figure A14. Preschool (2-4 yrs) Certified Homes Child Care Rates Trend by Urban/ Rural Designation (75th Percentile)

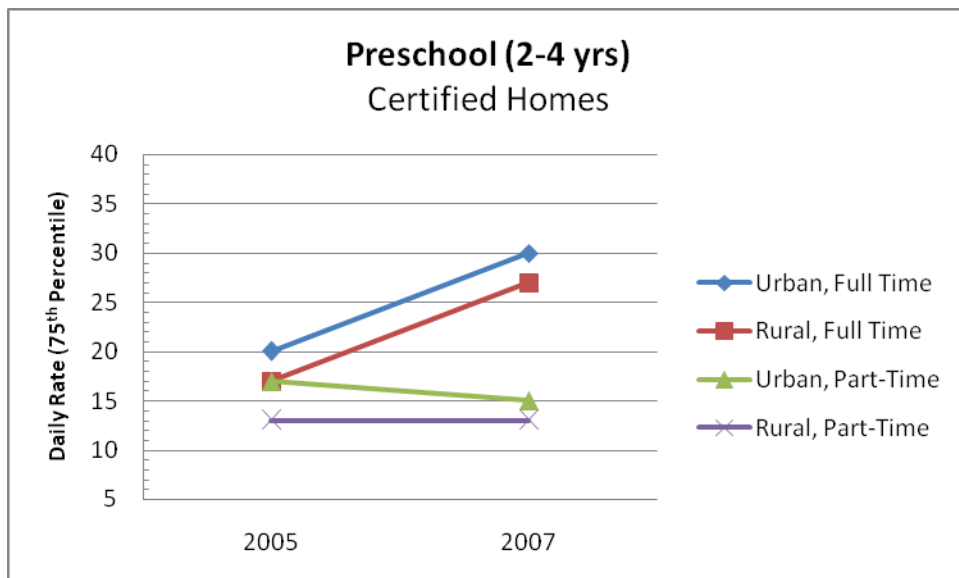


Figure A15. School-Age (5+ yrs) Certified Homes Child Care Rates Trend by Urban/ Rural Designation (75th Percentile)

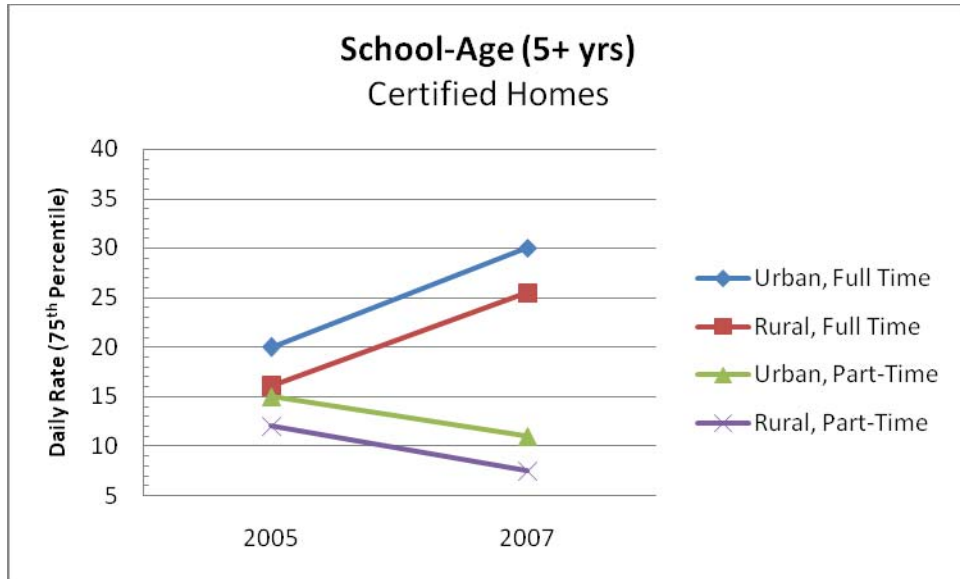


Table A14. Licensed Child Care Rates, Statewide

Full-Time Rates, Expanded Age Groups							
	0 – 12 mos	12 – 24 mos	2 – 3 yrs	3 – 4 yrs	4 – 5 yrs	5 – 6 yrs	6 yrs +
Minimum Rate	0.40	0.20	1.00	1.40	3.00	2.50	2.50
Maximum Rate	96.00	46.20	96.00	62.65	62.65	62.65	52.89
25 th Percentile	18.00	18.00	17.00	16.00	16.00	15.00	15.00
Median (50 th Percentile)	21.00	20.00	20.00	19.00	18.00	17.00	17.00
75 th Percentile	25.00	25.00	24.00	22.00	22.00	21.00	20.00
Part-Time Rates, Expanded Age Groups							
	0 – 12 mos	12 – 24 mos	2 – 3 yrs	3 – 4 yrs	4 – 5 yrs	5 – 6 yrs	6 yrs +
Minimum Rate	0.00	3.40	3.20	2.50	2.40	0.00	0.00
Maximum Rate	40.95	35.70	33.00	28.00	28.00	23.60	23.60
25 th Percentile	11.45	11.48	10.20	9.60	9.00	8.00	8.00
Median (50 th Percentile)	15.00	15.00	14.00	12.00	12.00	10.00	10.00
75 th Percentile	18.00	18.00	17.00	15.00	15.00	13.00	13.00
Full-Time, Consolidated Age Categories							
	0 – 24 mos		2 – 4 yrs		5 yrs +		
Minimum Rate	0.20		2.60		2.50		
Maximum Rate	96.00		62.65		62.65		
25 th Percentile	17.00		16.00		15.00		
Median (50 th Percentile)	20.00		18.00		17.00		
75 th Percentile	24.00		21.00		20.00		
Part-Time, Consolidated Age Categories							
	0 – 24 mos		2 – 4 yrs		5 yrs +		
Minimum Rate	1.00		1.00		0.00		
Maximum Rate	36.00		28.00		24.00		
25 th Percentile	10.80		9.60		8.40		
Median (50 th Percentile)	14.00		12.00		11.00		
75 th Percentile	17.00		15.00		13.00		

Table A15. Certified Child Care Rates, Statewide

Full-Time Rates, Expanded Age Groups							
	0 – 12 mos	12 – 24 mos	2 – 3 yrs	3 – 4 yrs	4 – 5 yrs	5 – 6 yrs	6 yrs +
Minimum Rate	10.00	9.00	2.80	2.80	2.80	5.00	5.00
Maximum Rate	38.40	38.40	40.00	22.00	40.00	30.00	30.00
25 th Percentile	17.00	17.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	15.00	15.00
Median (50 th Percentile)	20.00	20.00	19.00	18.00	18.00	17.00	17.00
75 th Percentile	22.00	22.00	21.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	19.00
Part-Time Rates, Expanded Age Groups							
	0 – 12 mos	12 – 24 mos	2 – 3 yrs	3 – 4 yrs	4 – 5 yrs	5 – 6 yrs	6 yrs +
Minimum Rate	0.85	0.85	0.85	0.80	0.80	2.00	2.00
Maximum Rate	29.40	26.60	25.00	23.00	21.00	21.00	21.00
25 th Percentile	11.00	11.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.00	9.00
Median (50 th Percentile)	13.20	13.00	13.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.00
75 th Percentile	16.00	16.00	16.00	15.00	15.00	13.00	13.00
Full-Time, Consolidated Age Categories							
	0 – 24 mos		2 – 4 yrs		5 yrs +		
Minimum Rate	1.40		1.40		3.00		
Maximum Rate	40.85		22.00		52.89		
25 th Percentile	17.00		16.00		15.00		
Median (50 th Percentile)	20.00		18.00		17.00		
75 th Percentile	23.00		20.60		20.00		
Part-Time, Consolidated Age Categories							
	0 – 24 mos		2 – 4 yrs		5 yrs +		
Minimum Rate	3.00		3.00		0.00		
Maximum Rate	31.00		28.00		24.00		
25 th Percentile	10.90		10.00		8.00		
Median (50 th Percentile)	14.00		12.20		10.00		
75 th Percentile	17.00		15.00		13.00		

Table A16. Full-Time Child Care Rates by Region (75th Percentile)

East, Expanded Age Groups							
	0 – 12 mos	12 – 24 mos	2 – 3 yrs	3 – 4 yrs	4 – 5 yrs	5 – 6 yrs	6 yrs +
All Types	19.00	19.00	18.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00
Licensed	19.00	19.00	18.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00
Certified	18.00	18.00	18.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00
Central, Expanded Age Groups							
	0 – 12 mos	12 – 24 mos	2 – 3 yrs	3 – 4 yrs	4 – 5 yrs	5 – 6 yrs	6 yrs +
All Types	26.00	25.00	25.00	24.00	23.00	21.50	21.00
Licensed	27.00	27.00	26.00	24.00	24.00	22.00	21.00
Certified	24.00	24.00	23.00	22.00	21.00	20.00	20.00
West, Expanded Age Groups							
	0 – 12 mos	12 – 24 mos	2 – 3 yrs	3 – 4 yrs	4 – 5 yrs	5 – 6 yrs	6 yrs +
All Types	19.40	19.00	19.00	18.00	18.00	17.00	17.00
Licensed	20.00	19.00	19.00	18.00	18.00	17.00	17.00
Certified	19.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	17.00	17.00	17.00
East, Consolidated Age Categories							
	0 – 24 mos		2 – 4 yrs		5 yrs +		
All Types	18.00		17.00		17.00		
Licensed	18.00		17.00		17.00		
Certified	18.00		18.00		17.00		
Central, Consolidated Age Categories							
	0 – 24 mos		2 – 4 yrs		5 yrs +		
All Types	25.00		23.00		21.00		
Licensed	25.00		24.00		21.00		
Certified	25.00		23.00		21.00		
West, Consolidated Age Categories							
	0 – 24 mos		2 – 4 yrs		5 yrs +		
All Types	19.00		18.00		17.00		
Licensed	19.00		18.00		17.00		
Certified	19.00		18.00		17.00		

Table A17. Part-Time Child Care Rates by Region (75th Percentile)

East, Expanded Age Groups							
	0 – 12 mos	12 – 24 mos	2 – 3 yrs	3 – 4 yrs	4 – 5 yrs	5 – 6 yrs	6 yrs +
All Types	15.00	14.70	14.00	13.00	13.00	12.00	12.00
Licensed	14.80	14.30	14.00	12.76	12.00	11.75	12.00
Certified	15.00	15.00	15.00	14.00	14.00	13.00	13.00
Central, Expanded Age Groups							
	0 – 12 mos	12 – 24 mos	2 – 3 yrs	3 – 4 yrs	4 – 5 yrs	5 – 6 yrs	6 yrs +
All Types	19.00	19.00	18.00	17.00	16.00	13.60	14.00
Licensed	20.50	20.00	19.00	17.00	16.75	13.05	13.60
Certified	17.00	17.00	17.00	16.00	16.00	14.00	14.00
West, Expanded Age Groups							
	0 – 12 mos	12 – 24 mos	2 – 3 yrs	3 – 4 yrs	4 – 5 yrs	5 – 6 yrs	6 yrs +
All Types	15.00	15.00	14.00	13.00	13.00	12.00	12.00
Licensed	15.00	15.00	15.00	14.00	14.00	12.00	12.00
Certified	14.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00
East, Consolidated Age Categories							
	0 – 24 mos		2 – 4 yrs		5 yrs +		
All Types	14.00		13.00		12.00		
Licensed	14.00		13.00		12.00		
Certified	15.00		14.00		13.00		
Central, Consolidated Age Categories							
	0 – 24 mos		2 – 4 yrs		5 yrs +		
All Types	18.05		16.35		13.60		
Licensed	18.28		16.54		13.60		
Certified	18.00		16.00		14.00		
West, Consolidated Age Categories							
	0 – 24 mos		2 – 4 yrs		5 yrs +		
All Types	14.40		13.00		12.00		
Licensed	14.00		13.00		12.00		
Certified	15.00		13.79		12.00		

Table A18. Licensed, Full-Time Child Care Rates by Region

East Region, Expanded Age Groups							
	0 – 12 mos	12 – 24 mos	2 – 3 yrs	3 – 4 yrs	4 – 5 yrs	5 – 6 yrs	6 yrs +
Minimum	0.40	0.20	1.00	3.40	5.00	2.50	2.50
Maximum	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	27.00	27.00
25 th Percentile	17.00	16.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
Median (50 th Percentile)	18.00	18.00	17.00	16.00	16.00	15.00	15.00
75 th Percentile	19.00	19.00	18.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00
Central Region, Expanded Age Groups							
	0 – 12 mos	12 – 24 mos	2 – 3 yrs	3 – 4 yrs	4 – 5 yrs	5 – 6 yrs	6 yrs +
Minimum	4.00	2.60	4.00	3.00	5.00	6.00	6.00
Maximum	96.00	46.20	96.00	22.00	62.65	62.65	52.89
25 th Percentile	20.00	20.00	19.00	18.00	18.00	16.00	16.00
Median (50 th Percentile)	23.00	23.00	22.00	20.00	20.00	19.40	19.00
75 th Percentile	26.00	25.00	25.00	24.00	23.00	21.50	21.00
West Region, Expanded Age Groups							
	0 – 12 mos	12 – 24 mos	2 – 3 yrs	3 – 4 yrs	4 – 5 yrs	5 – 6 yrs	6 yrs +
Minimum	1.40	1.40	1.40	1.40	2.80	3.00	3.00
Maximum	36.60	30.00	29.00	28.75	28.75	26.00	26.00
25 th Percentile	16.00	16.00	16.00	15.00	15.00	13.00	13.00
Median (50 th Percentile)	18.00	18.00	17.00	16.40	16.00	15.85	15.00
75 th Percentile	19.40	19.00	19.00	18.00	18.00	17.00	17.00
East, Consolidated Age Categories							
	0 – 24 mos		2 – 4 yrs		5 yrs +		
Minimum	0.20		3.40		2.50		
Maximum	25.00		25.00		27.00		
25 th Percentile	16.00		15.00		15.00		
Median (50 th Percentile)	17.00		16.00		15.00		
75 th Percentile	18.00		17.00		17.00		
Central, Consolidated Age Categories							
	0 – 24 mos		2 – 4 yrs		5 yrs +		
Minimum	2.60		4.00		6.00		
Maximum	96.00		62.65		62.65		
25 th Percentile	19.00		18.00		16.00		
Median (50 th Percentile)	23.00		20.00		19.00		
75 th Percentile	25.00		24.00		21.00		
West, Consolidated Age Categories							
	0 – 24 mos		2 – 4 yrs		5 yrs +		
Minimum	1.40		2.60		3.00		
Maximum	30.00		28.75		26.00		
25 th Percentile	16.00		15.00		13.00		
Median (50 th Percentile)	17.70		16.00		15.00		
75 th Percentile	19.00		18.00		17.00		

Table A19. Certified, Full-Time Child Care Rates by Region

East Region, Expanded Age Groups							
	0 – 12 mos	12 – 24 mos	2 – 3 yrs	3 – 4 yrs	4 – 5 yrs	5 – 6 yrs	6 yrs +
Minimum	14.00	14.00	14.00	12.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
Maximum	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00
25 th Percentile	16.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
Median (50 th Percentile)	17.00	17.00	17.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00
75 th Percentile	18.00	18.00	18.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00
Central Region, Expanded Age Groups							
	0 – 12 mos	12 – 24 mos	2 – 3 yrs	3 – 4 yrs	4 – 5 yrs	5 – 6 yrs	6 yrs +
Minimum	10.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Maximum	38.40	38.40	40.00	22.00	40.00	30.00	30.00
25 th Percentile	19.00	18.00	18.00	17.00	17.00	16.00	16.00
Median (50 th Percentile)	21.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	19.00	18.00	18.00
75 th Percentile	24.00	24.00	23.00	22.00	21.00	20.00	20.00
West Region, Expanded Age Groups							
	0 – 12 mos	12 – 24 mos	2 – 3 yrs	3 – 4 yrs	4 – 5 yrs	5 – 6 yrs	6 yrs +
Minimum	10.00	12.00	2.80	2.80	2.80	6.00	6.00
Maximum	23.00	23.00	23.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
25 th Percentile	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
Median (50 th Percentile)	17.00	17.00	16.50	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00
75 th Percentile	19.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	17.00	17.00	17.00
East, Consolidated Age Categories							
	0 – 24 mos		2 – 4 yrs		5 yrs +		
Minimum	13.00		8.33		5.00		
Maximum	25.00		25.00		25.00		
25 th Percentile	16.00		15.00		15.00		
Median (50 th Percentile)	17.00		16.00		16.00		
75 th Percentile	18.00		18.00		17.00		
Central, Consolidated Age Categories							
	0 – 24 mos		2 – 4 yrs		5 yrs +		
Minimum	9.00		3.00		6.00		
Maximum	40.85		22.00		52.89		
25 th Percentile	20.00		17.40		16.00		
Median (50 th Percentile)	22.00		20.00		19.00		
75 th Percentile	25.00		23.00		21.00		
West, Consolidated Age Categories							
	0 – 24 mos		2 – 4 yrs		5 yrs +		
Minimum	1.40		1.40		3.00		
Maximum	25.00		25.00		25.00		
25 th Percentile	16.00		15.00		13.00		
Median (50 th Percentile)	18.00		16.00		15.00		
75 th Percentile	19.00		18.00		17.00		

Table A20. Licensed, Part-Time Child Care Rates by Region

East Region, Expanded Age Groups							
	0 – 12 mos	12 – 24 mos	2 – 3 yrs	3 – 4 yrs	4 – 5 yrs	5 – 6 yrs	6 yrs +
Minimum	5.00	5.00	4.80	3.00	4.40	1.80	1.80
Maximum	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00
25 th Percentile	10.32	10.30	10.00	8.56	8.00	7.00	7.00
Median (50 th Percentile)	12.80	12.20	12.00	10.90	10.60	10.00	10.00
75 th Percentile	14.80	14.30	14.00	12.76	12.00	11.75	12.00
Central Region, Expanded Age Groups							
	0 – 12 mos	12 – 24 mos	2 – 3 yrs	3 – 4 yrs	4 – 5 yrs	5 – 6 yrs	6 yrs +
Minimum	0.00	3.40	3.20	3.00	3.00	0.00	0.00
Maximum	40.95	35.70	33.00	28.00	28.00	23.60	23.60
25 th Percentile	13.50	14.00	11.43	15.00	9.75	8.60	9.00
Median (50 th Percentile)	18.00	18.00	16.00	10.00	14.00	11.55	12.00
75 th Percentile	20.50	20.00	19.00	17.00	16.75	13.05	13.60
West Region, Expanded Age Groups							
	0 – 12 mos	12 – 24 mos	2 – 3 yrs	3 – 4 yrs	4 – 5 yrs	5 – 6 yrs	6 yrs +
Minimum	12.00	3.75	3.25	2.50	2.40	2.40	2.40
Maximum	30.00	22.00	20.40	20.00	20.00	17.00	17.00
25 th Percentile	10.80	10.80	10.00	9.60	9.54	6.10	6.00
Median (50 th Percentile)	13.00	13.00	12.00	11.60	11.40	9.00	9.00
75 th Percentile	15.00	15.00	15.00	14.00	14.00	12.00	12.00
East, Consolidated Age Categories							
	0 – 24 mos		2 – 4 yrs		5 yrs +		
Minimum	5.00		3.00		2.00		
Maximum	19.00		19.00		19.00		
25 th Percentile	10.40		8.76		7.00		
Median (50 th Percentile)	12.00		11.00		10.00		
75 th Percentile	14.00		13.00		12.00		
Central, Consolidated Age Categories							
	0 – 24 mos		2 – 4 yrs		5 yrs +		
Minimum	1.00		1.00		0.00		
Maximum	36.00		28.00		24.00		
25 th Percentile	12.00		10.00		9.00		
Median (50 th Percentile)	16.00		14.00		12.00		
75 th Percentile	18.28		16.54		13.60		
West, Consolidated Age Categories							
	0 – 24 mos		2 – 4 yrs		5 yrs +		
Minimum	3.00		2.00		2.00		
Maximum	20.00		20.00		17.00		
25 th Percentile	10.00		9.00		7.00		
Median (50 th Percentile)	12.00		11.40		9.00		
75 th Percentile	14.00		13.00		12.00		

Table A21. Certified, Part-Time Child Care Rates by Region

East Region, Expanded Age Groups							
	0 – 12 mos	12 – 24 mos	2 – 3 yrs	3 – 4 yrs	4 – 5 yrs	5 – 6 yrs	6 yrs +
Minimum	11.00	8.80	8.80	7.00	7.00	5.00	4.80
Maximum	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00
25 th Percentile	13.00	12.25	12.00	11.00	11.00	10.00	7.00
Median (50 th Percentile)	13.50	13.00	13.00	13.00	12.00	11.00	11.00
75 th Percentile	15.00	15.00	15.00	14.00	14.00	13.00	13.00
Central Region, Expanded Age Groups							
	0 – 12 mos	12 – 24 mos	2 – 3 yrs	3 – 4 yrs	4 – 5 yrs	5 – 6 yrs	6 yrs +
Minimum	0.85	0.85	0.85	0.80	0.80	2.00	2.00
Maximum	29.40	26.60	25.00	23.00	21.00	21.00	21.00
25 th Percentile	12.00	11.00	11.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.00
Median (50 th Percentile)	15.00	15.00	14.00	14.00	10.20	13.00	12.00
75 th Percentile	17.00	17.00	17.00	16.00	16.00	14.00	14.00
West Region, Expanded Age Groups							
	0 – 12 mos	12 – 24 mos	2 – 3 yrs	3 – 4 yrs	4 – 5 yrs	5 – 6 yrs	6 yrs +
Minimum	4.00	3.00	2.75	2.75	2.75	3.00	3.00
Maximum	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	15.00	15.00
25 th Percentile	9.60	9.25	9.00	9.00	9.00	7.50	7.00
Median (50 th Percentile)	12.00	12.00	11.20	11.40	11.00	10.00	10.80
75 th Percentile	14.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00
East, Consolidated Age Categories							
	0 – 24 mos		2 – 4 yrs		5 yrs +		
Minimum	10.00		6.00		5.00		
Maximum	17.00		16.00		15.00		
25 th Percentile	12.00		11.00		10.00		
Median (50 th Percentile)	13.00		12.50		11.50		
75 th Percentile	15.00		14.00		13.00		
Central, Consolidated Age Categories							
	0 – 24 mos		2 – 4 yrs		5 yrs +		
Minimum	3.00		3.00		0.00		
Maximum	31.00		28.00		24.00		
25 th Percentile	12.00		10.00		8.60		
Median (50 th Percentile)	16.00		14.00		11.00		
75 th Percentile	18.00		16.00		14.00		
West, Consolidated Age Categories							
	0 – 24 mos		2 – 4 yrs		5 yrs +		
Minimum	3.00		3.00		2.00		
Maximum	22.00		20.00		17.00		
25 th Percentile	10.00		9.60		6.15		
Median (50 th Percentile)	12.00		12.00		9.00		
75 th Percentile	15.00		13.79		12.00		

Table A22. Full- and Part-Time Child Care Rates, by ADD (75th Percentile)

Barren River						
	FT 0 – 24 mos	FT 2 – 4 yrs	FT 5 yrs +	PT 0 – 24 mos	PT 2 – 4 yrs	PT 5 yrs +
All Types	19.00	18.00	17.00	15.00	14.00	13.50
Licensed	20.00	19.00	17.00	15.00	15.00	14.00
Certified	18.00	17.00	16.00	16.00	14.00	11.10
Big Sandy						
	FT 0 – 24 mos	FT 2 – 4 yrs	FT 5 yrs +	PT 0 – 24 mos	PT 2 – 4 yrs	PT 5 yrs +
All Types	20.00	18.00	18.00	15.00	13.00	11.00
Licensed	20.00	18.00	18.00	15.00	13.00	10.80
Certified	22.00	22.00	22.75	15.00	15.00	12.50
Bluegrass						
	FT 0 – 24 mos	FT 2 – 4 yrs	FT 5 yrs +	PT 0 – 24 mos	PT 2 – 4 yrs	PT 5 yrs +
All Types	25.00	23.00	22.00	18.00	16.00	13.00
Licensed	25.00	23.80	22.00	18.00	16.00	13.00
Certified	24.00	22.00	21.00	18.00	15.00	13.00
Buffalo Trace						
	FT 0 – 24 mos	FT 2 – 4 yrs	FT 5 yrs +	PT 0 – 24 mos	PT 2 – 4 yrs	PT 5 yrs +
All Types	18.00	15.60	15.00	13.00	11.00	11.00
Licensed	18.00	15.70	15.00	13.00	11.00	11.00
Certified	17.00	15.50	16.00	13.00	13.00	13.00
Cumberland Valley						
	FT 0 – 24 mos	FT 2 – 4 yrs	FT 5 yrs +	PT 0 – 24 mos	PT 2 – 4 yrs	PT 5 yrs +
All Types	18.00	17.00	17.00	15.00	13.00	13.00
Licensed	18.00	17.00	17.00	15.00	13.00	13.00
Certified	19.00	17.00	17.00	14.50	13.50	13.00
Fivco						
	FT 0 – 24 mos	FT 2 – 4 yrs	FT 5 yrs +	PT 0 – 24 mos	PT 2 – 4 yrs	PT 5 yrs +
All Types	20.00	18.00	18.00	14.00	14.00	12.00
Licensed	20.00	18.00	18.00	14.00	14.00	12.00
Certified	18.00	18.00	18.25	15.00	15.00	14.50
Gateway						
	FT 0 – 24 mos	FT 2 – 4 yrs	FT 5 yrs +	PT 0 – 24 mos	PT 2 – 4 yrs	PT 5 yrs +
All Types	18.00	15.50	15.00	12.00	11.00	10.50
Licensed	18.00	15.00	15.00	12.00	11.00	10.00
Certified	17.00	16.00	16.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
Green River						
	FT 0 – 24 mos	FT 2 – 4 yrs	FT 5 yrs +	PT 0 – 24 mos	PT 2 – 4 yrs	PT 5 yrs +
All Types	20.00	18.00	17.00	15.00	12.00	9.00
Licensed	20.00	18.00	17.25	15.00	12.00	10.00
Certified	20.00	18.00	17.00	16.25	14.25	7.25

Table A23. Full- and Part-Time Child Care Rates, by ADD (75th Percentile) (Continued)

KIPDA						
	FT 0 – 24 mos	FT 2 – 4 yrs	FT 5 yrs +	PT 0 – 24 mos	PT 2 – 4 yrs	PT 5 yrs +
All Types	25.00	23.00	21.00	19.00	17.00	14.00
Licensed	25.00	23.00	21.00	19.00	17.00	14.00
Certified	26.00	24.00	21.53	19.50	17.00	15.00
Kentucky River						
	FT 0 – 24 mos	FT 2 – 4 yrs	FT 5 yrs +	PT 0 – 24 mos	PT 2 – 4 yrs	PT 5 yrs +
All Types	18.00	18.00	16.25	10.50	11.50	10.50
Licensed	18.00	18.00	16.00	10.50	11.50	10.50
Certified	19.00	18.00	18.00	-	-	-
Lake Cumberland						
	FT 0 – 24 mos	FT 2 – 4 yrs	FT 5 yrs +	PT 0 – 24 mos	PT 2 – 4 yrs	PT 5 yrs +
All Types	19.00	17.00	17.00	15.00	13.00	12.00
Licensed	19.00	17.00	16.00	15.00	13.00	12.00
Certified	20.00	17.00	17.00	15.00	13.00	11.55
Lincoln Trail						
	FT 0 – 24 mos	FT 2 – 4 yrs	FT 5 yrs +	PT 0 – 24 mos	PT 2 – 4 yrs	PT 5 yrs +
All Types	19.00	17.00	17.00	15.00	14.00	12.00
Licensed	19.00	17.00	17.00	15.00	14.00	12.00
Certified	19.00	18.00	17.00	15.00	14.00	12.25
Northern Kentucky						
	FT 0 – 24 mos	FT 2 – 4 yrs	FT 5 yrs +	PT 0 – 24 mos	PT 2 – 4 yrs	PT 5 yrs +
All Types	28.00	25.00	25.00	22.25	19.05	13.60
Licensed	28.00	25.00	24.60	21.88	19.00	13.60
Certified	29.50	27.10	25.55	24.00	21.25	11.00
Pennyrile						
	FT 0 – 24 mos	FT 2 – 4 yrs	FT 5 yrs +	PT 0 – 24 mos	PT 2 – 4 yrs	PT 5 yrs +
All Types	18.00	17.00	16.00	14.00	14.00	13.00
Licensed	18.00	17.00	16.00	14.00	14.00	13.00
Certified	19.00	18.00	17.00	15.00	14.25	13.00
Purchase						
	FT 0 – 24 mos	FT 2 – 4 yrs	FT 5 yrs +	PT 0 – 24 mos	PT 2 – 4 yrs	PT 5 yrs +
All Types	20.00	19.00	18.00	12.60	12.00	10.40
Licensed	20.00	20.00	19.00	12.60	12.00	10.80
Certified	19.00	18.00	17.00	12.00	12.00	10.00