

MADISON COUNTY

Total Population: 258,951

- Children under age 5: 16,277
- Children ages 5 to 9: 17,901
- Children ages 10 to 14: 18,839

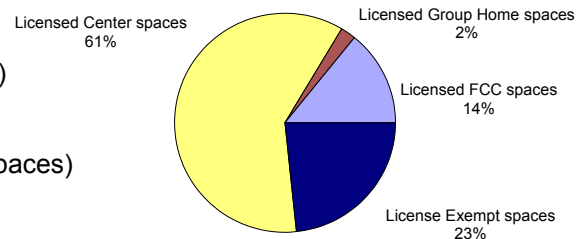
Madison County consists of a number of communities ranging from 5000-50,000 people and is considered part of the St. Louis Metropolitan Area. Madison County has a large percentage of government employees. While the county experienced an overall low population growth in the last decade, select communities grew at extremely high rates. Two of the county’s more densely populated areas have seen a loss or downsizing of a large number of its local businesses and industries including an army base. 42% of the families in those areas who called Children’s Home & Aid Society of Illinois’ (CHASI), Child Care Resource & Referral (CCR&R) Program for child care referrals requested services for evening, overnight and weekends in 2000 and rely heavily on IDHS child care assistance programs.

Child Care Capacity

There are a total of 333 child care facilities listed with the local CCR&R with a capacity to serve 9,309 children.

Of those facilities, there are a total of:

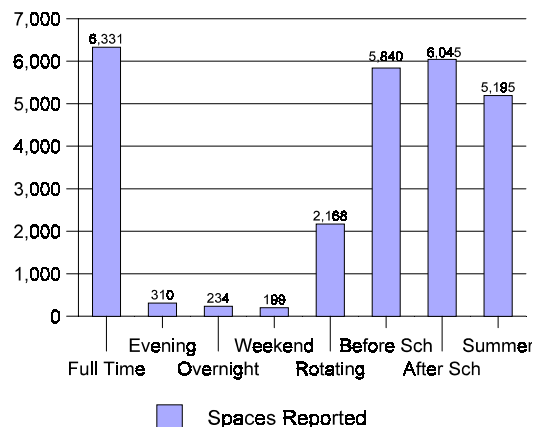
- 170 Licensed Family Child Care (1,332 spaces)
- 15 Licensed Group Homes (200 spaces)
- 83 Licensed Centers (5,627 spaces)
- 65 License Exempt Centers & Homes (2,150 spaces)



Child Care Capacity by Age Group and Schedule

Child care programs listed with the local CCR&R report the potential capacity by age group and schedule, as shown below. The actual enrollment or available spaces may vary.*

Age Group	Spaces Reported
Infants	456
Toddlers	525
2 Years	915
3 & 4 Years	3,384
5 & Ks	1,214
School-Age B/A School	2,907
School-Age Summer Care	1,599



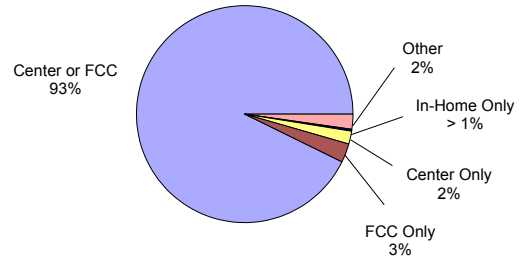
* For more information about these data, please refer to “Understanding The County Data Pages” at the beginning of this section.

Child Care Requests

In Madison County, 1,036 families called the CCR&R to request care for 1,627 children.

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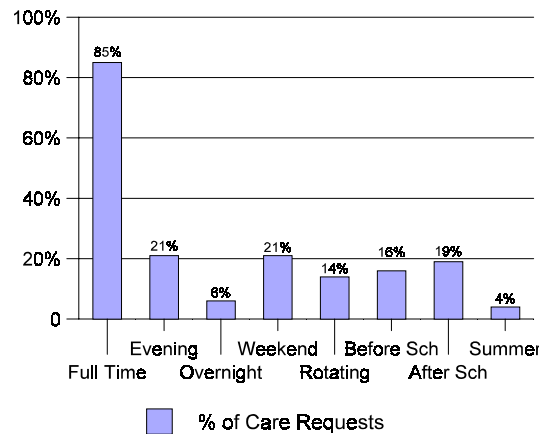
- 1,511 were for either Center or Family Child Care
- 46 were for Family Child Care Only
- 31 were for Center Only
- 4 were for In-Home Only
- 35 were for Other Types of Care



Requests by Age Group and Schedule

Individuals calling the local CCR&R requested the types of care by the ages and schedules shown below.

Age Group	% Requested
Infants	22%
Toddlers	15%
2 Years	14%
3 & 4 Years	19%
5 & Ks	6%
School-Age	24%

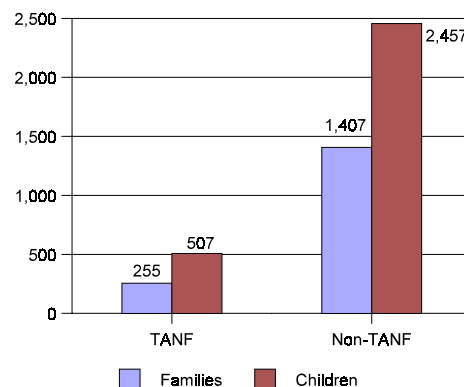


Assistance Paying for Care

The average provider rate for full-time care for an infant in Madison County is \$101.95 per week, which is about 10% of the state median weekly family income \$997.

Assistance in paying for child care is provided through subsidies by DHS. In June 2001, there were a total of 1,662 families receiving subsidies for 2,964 children in care. This figure includes both TANF and non-TANF recipients.

Out of the 333 child care facilities in Madison County, 276 (83%) report that they accept DHS child care subsidies.



For more information about child care in Madison County, contact the CHASI Child Care Resource & Referral office: 800-467-9200

Data is from Fiscal Year 2001 (July 1, 2000 through June 30, 2001)