



# KEY FACTS ABOUT

Children birth to 3 years, their families, and the child care system that serves them

# Florida

2005 estimated population: 17,789,864

*U.S. Census 2005 Population Estimate*

2000 population: 15,982,378

*U.S. Census 2000*



**An average of 34,021 children 0–3 are served per month by the Child Care and Development Fund**

*(FY 2005 ACF-801 data)*

**In Federal Fiscal Year 2006 the Infant/Toddler Child Care and Development Fund Set-Aside = \$5,627,128**

*(FY 2006 CCDF Allocations and Earmarks, U.S. Dept. of HHS, ACF)*



**1,962 children served by 25 grantees are in Early Head Start**

*(2003 Early Head Start Funded Enrollment) (EHSNRC Database—September 2006)*

**43% of all the requests for child care to the child care resource and referral programs were for infant and toddler care**

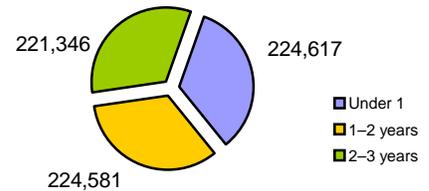
*(Child Care in America: 2006 State Fact Book, NACCRRA)*



**12,037 children under 3 receive early intervention services under IDEA, Part C**

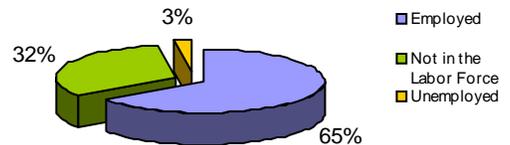
*(U.S. Dept. of Education, Office of Special Ed. Programs, Data Analysis System (DANS), 2005)*

**670,544 Children Under the Age of 3 Live in Florida**



*U.S. Census 2005 Population Estimate*

**65% of Florida Women with Children Under the Age of 3 Are in the Labor Force**



*Current Population Survey, March 2001*

Infant/Toddler Caregiver Credential:	No
Infant/Toddler Child Development Associate (CDA)*:	233 issued in 2005 130 issued in 2002 139 issued in 1998
Early Learning Guidelines for 0-3:	<i>Florida Birth to Three Learning and Developmental Standards</i>
Infant/Toddler Specialist Network:	Yes

**Average annual fee for full-time child care for an infant in center based care..... \$6,396**

**Cost of child care for an infant as percent of median income for two-parent families ..... 10%**

**Cost of child care for an infant as percent of median income for single parent families..... 28%**

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**In Center-Based Care the staff-to-child ratios are**

1:4 for birth-12 months; 1:6 for 1- to 2-year-olds; 1:11 for 2- to 3-year-olds; 1:15 for 3- to 4-year-olds  
*(State Licensing Regulations)*

**In Family Child Care the staff-to-child ratios are**

1:10 (with no more than 5 pre-school age children, and of these, no more than 2 children under 1 year) OR  
1:6 (preschool-age children only with none under 1 year) OR  
1:6 (with no more than 3 children under 1 year) OR  
1:4 (if all children are under 1 year)  
*(State Licensing Regulations)*

**In Group Family Child Care the staff-to-child ratios are**

2:8 (if all children are birth to 24 months) OR  
2:12 (with no more than 4 children under 24 months)  
*(State Licensing Regulations)*

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