



# KEY FACTS ABOUT

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

# Montana

2005 estimated population: 935,670

*U.S. Census 2005 Population Estimate*

2000 population: 902,195

*U.S. Census 2000*



## An average of 1,707 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 = \$279,287

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



## 221 children plus 145 American Indian children served by 7 grantees are in Early Head Start

*(2006 Early Head Start Funded Enrollment) (EHSNRC Database—September 2006) (Department of Public Health and Human Services)*

## 54% of all the requests for child care to the child care resource and referral programs were for infant and toddler care

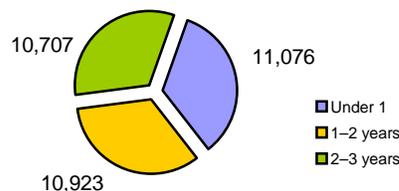
*(Child Care in America: 2006 State Fact Book, NACCRRA)*



## 724 children under 3 receive early intervention services under IDEA, Part C

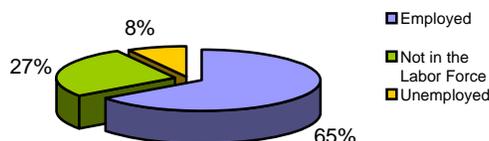
*(U.S. Dept. of Education, Office of Special Ed. Programs, Data Analysis System (DANS), 2005)*

## 32,706 Children Under the Age of 3 Live in Montana



*U.S. Census 2005 Population Estimate*

## 65% of Montana Women with Children Under the Age of 3 Are in the Labor Force



*Current Population Survey, March 2001*

Infant/Toddler Caregiver Credential:	Yes
Infant/Toddler Child Development Associate (CDA)*:	15 issued in 2005 22 issued in 2002 1 issued in 1998
Early Learning Guidelines for 0-3:	No
Infant/Toddler Specialist Network:	No

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

1:4 for 0 to 23 months; 1:8 for 24 to 36 months  
*(State Licensing Regulations)*

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

1:4 infants only (0–24 months)  
1:6 with no more than 3 under 2 years of age  
*(State Licensing Regulations)*

## In Group Home Child Care the staff-to-child ratios are

1:6 for infants only; 2:12 with only 6 under the age of 2  
*(State Licensing Regulations)*

**Average annual fee for full-time child care for an infant in center based care..... \$6,500**

**Cost of child care for an infant as percent of median income for two-parent families ..... 12%**

**Cost of child care for an infant as percent of median income for single parent families..... 38%**

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