

# Mariposa County

Mariposa County is one of 12 counties in California that had fewer births than deaths between 2000 and 2004. However, the population increased due to domestic migration into the county.

Mariposa County has the 4th lowest percentage in the state of foreign-born residents and ranks 2nd highest in the state for its percentage of households speaking English at home.

The percentage increase of women in the workforce is the 14th highest in the state.

Professional jobs account for 29% of employment; sales and office occupations, 25%; service occupations, 22%.<sup>1</sup>

The People	2000 <sup>1</sup>	2004 <sup>2</sup>	Change <sup>2</sup>
Total number of residents	17,130	17,856	4%
• Population foreign born residents	3%		
• Population change from natural increase			-17%
• Population change from domestic migration			112%
• Population change from foreign immigration			5%

The Children	2000 <sup>1</sup>	2004 <sup>2</sup>	Change
Children 0-13	2,704	2,467	-9%
• Under 2	275		
• 2 years	154		
• 3 years	168		
• 4 years	157		
• 5 years	156		
• 6 to 13 years	1,794		
Children 0-13 with parents in the labor force <sup>3</sup>	1,594	1,454 <sup>4</sup>	-9%
• Under 2	180		
• 2 years	115		
• 3 years	64		
• 4 years	80		
• 5 years	140		
• 6 to 13 years	1,015		
Children 0-5 living in poverty	13%		

The Labor Force	1990 <sup>5</sup>	2000 <sup>1</sup>	Change
• Number of employed residents	5,734	6,646	16%
• Workers with an hour or more commute	670	1,049	57%
• People working at home	265	362	37%
• People working non-traditional hours <sup>6</sup>	885	1,288	46%
• percent working non-traditional hours		19%	
• People working 35 hours or more	5,438	6,398	18%
• percent working 35 hours or more		74%	
• Men in the labor force	3,563	4,461	25%
• Women in the labor force	2,766	3,497	26%
• Women with a child under 6		662	
• percent in the labor force		64%	

The Households	2000 County <sup>1</sup>	2000 State <sup>1</sup>
• Number of households	6,592	11,512,020
• speaking English at home	93%	62%
• speaking Spanish at home	4%	22%
• speaking an Asian language at home	0%	9%
• speaking another language at home	3%	7%
• Number of families with children under 18	1,650	4,208,775
• percent of families with children under 18	37%	53%
• percent of single parent families	28%	26%
• Homeowners with children under 6	7%	14%
• Renters with children under 6	14%	20%
• Residents over 24 with BA or higher	20%	27%

## The 2005 California Child Care Portfolio

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1. U.S. Census Bureau, 2000.

2. California Department of Finance population projections.

3. This number reflects children with either two parents or a single head of household in the labor force.

4. Network estimate based on California Department of Finance (DOF) population projections.

5. U.S. Census Bureau, 1990.

6. Estimate using commute time. Might or might not include weekends.

# Child Care in Mariposa County

		Child Care Centers	Family Child Care Homes <sup>1</sup>
Facilities	Total number of sites	2	26
	Total number of slots (percent)	61 (17%)	292 (83%)
	Infant slots in centers	0 (0%)	
	Preschool slots in centers	40 (66%)	
	School-age slots in centers	21 (34%)	
Schedules <sup>2</sup>	Full-time and part-time slots	0%	85%
	Only full-time slots	0%	10%
	Only part-time slots	100%	5%
	Care available during non-traditional hours	0%	35%
Languages	English	100%	100%
	Spanish	0%	12%

1. A breakdown of slots by age is not available for family child care homes because their licenses are not specific to particular age groups.
2. Full-time (30 or more hours/week) and part-time are a % of total slots. Non-traditional (evenings, weekends, overnight) are a % of total sites.
3. Network estimate based on CA DOF Projections, 2004: either two parents or single head of household in labor force.
4. These types of care are not included in the supply of licensed care available.
5. Some parents find child care without using R&Rs. These requests do not necessarily represent total demand, but they do reflect trends.
6. U.S. HUD. Median rent for a 2-bedroom unit. 2004.
7. Cost estimates 2004/5; 2002 Regional Market Rates with CPI Inflation Factor. Full-time.
8. California Dept. of Education. 2003/4.

## Availability of Licensed Child Care

In Mariposa County, there are an estimated 1,454 children ages 0-13 with parents in the labor force<sup>3</sup> and 353 licensed child care slots.

Licensed child care is available for 24% of children with parents in the labor force.\*

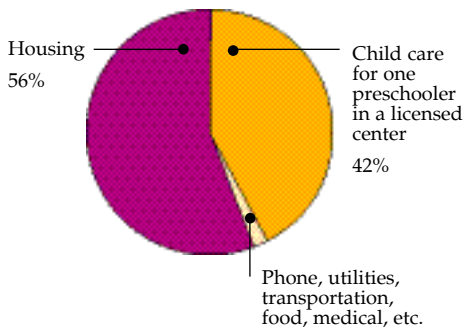
\* Some families choose friends and relatives (license-exempt caregivers) to care for their children, and programs for school age children are often not licensed by the state.<sup>4</sup>

## Parent Requests to the R&R<sup>5</sup>

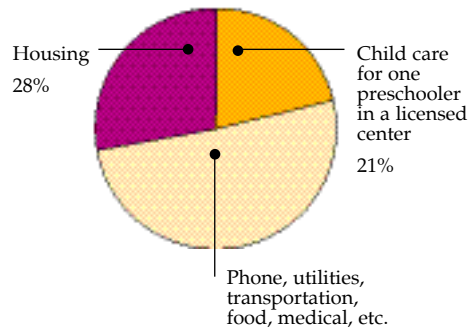
- Type of care requested: 25% infant/toddler; 49% preschool; 25% school-age
- Schedule requested: 71% full-time (0-5 years); 29% part time (0-5 years)
- Reasons for needing care: 86% employment; 9% school/training; 3% looking for work

## Child Care and Family Budgets

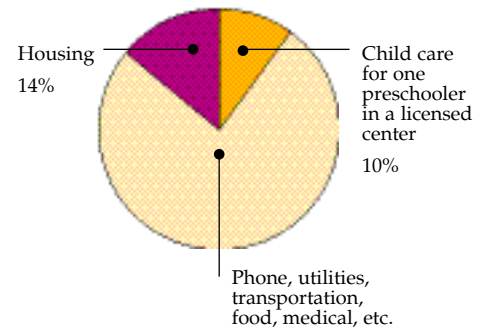
How child care fits into a Mariposa County family's annual budget (Housing<sup>6</sup>: \$7,836; Preschooler in licensed center<sup>7</sup>: \$5,852)



Annual Income: \$14,040  
Families with 1 minimum wage earner  
Care for one infant in a licensed family child care home: 39% of income



Annual Income: \$28,080  
Families with 2 minimum wage earners  
Care for one infant in a licensed family child care home: 19% of income



Annual Income: \$56,500  
Families with 2 entry level public school teachers working in the county<sup>8</sup>  
Care for one infant in a licensed family child care home: 10% of income