

Placer County

Placer County ranked 1st in the state in percentage population increase between 2000 and 2004.

The county has the 5th highest median income for families with children under 18 (\$68,402 vs. CA \$48,836)¹, but median rent for a 2-bedroom apartment in Placer County is close to the state median.

Placer County's percentage increase in the number of workers with a one-way commute of one hour or more ranked 10th in the state.

Placer County's percentage increase of women in the workforce is the highest in the state.

The percentage of children living in poverty is the 2nd lowest in the state.

Professional jobs account for 40% of employment (one of just 9 counties where 40% or more workers are in management/professional occupations); sales and office occupations, 28%; and service occupations, 13%.¹

The People	2000 ¹	2004 ²	Change ²
Total number of residents	248,399	303,016	22%
• Population foreign born residents	7%		
• Population change from natural increase			11%
• Population change from domestic migration			86%
• Population change from foreign immigration			4%

The Children	2000 ¹	2004 ²	Change
Children 0-13	50,497	55,088	9%
• Under 2	5,954		
• 2 years	3,127		
• 3 years	3,278		
• 4 years	3,565		
• 5 years	3,570		
• 6 to 13 years	31,003		
Children 0-13 with parents in the labor force ³	29,950	32,673 ⁴	9%
• Under 2	3,510		
• 2 years	1,710		
• 3 years	1,740		
• 4 years	1,845		
• 5 years	1,960		
• 6 to 13 years	19,185		
Children 0-5 living in poverty	7%		

The Labor Force	1990 ⁵	2000 ¹	Change
• Number of employed residents	81,522	116,409	43%
• Workers with an hour or more commute	4,480	8,318	86%
• People working at home	3,429	6,891	101%
• People working non-traditional hours ⁶	13,579	18,913	39%
• percent working non-traditional hours		16%	
• People working 35 hours or more	71,391	102,715	44%
• percent working 35 hours or more		77%	
• Men in the labor force	48,932	67,815	39%
• Women in the labor force	38,518	56,060	46%
• Women with a child under 6		13,655	
• percent in the labor force		61%	

The Households	2000 County ¹	2000 State ¹
• Number of households	93,510	11,512,020
• speaking English at home	86%	62%
• speaking Spanish at home	7%	22%
• speaking an Asian language at home	2%	9%
• speaking another language at home	5%	7%
• Number of families with children under 18	33,668	4,208,775
• percent of families with children under 18	49%	53%
• percent of single parent families	22%	26%
• Homeowners with children under 6	14%	14%
• Renters with children under 6	17%	20%
• Residents over 24 with BA or higher	30%	27%

The 2005 California Child Care Portfolio

For more information about child care, call Placer County Office of Education - Child Development Services at (530) 885-3465.

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 Placer County

		Child Care Centers	Family Child Care Homes ¹
Facilities	Total number of sites	115	341
	Total number of slots (percent)	7,323 (69%)	3,338 (31%)
	Infant slots in centers	403 (6%)	
	Preschool slots in centers	3,755 (51%)	
	School-age slots in centers	3,165 (43%)	
Schedules ²	Full-time and part-time slots	14%	37%
	Only full-time slots	46%	63%
	Only part-time slots	41%	0%
	Care available during non-traditional hours	0%	20%
Languages	English	100%	100%
	Spanish	19%	8%
	Other Languages	4%	6%

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 Placer County, there are an estimated 32,673 children ages 0-13 with parents in the labor force³ and 10,661 licensed child care slots.

Licensed child care is available for 33% of children with parents in the labor force.*

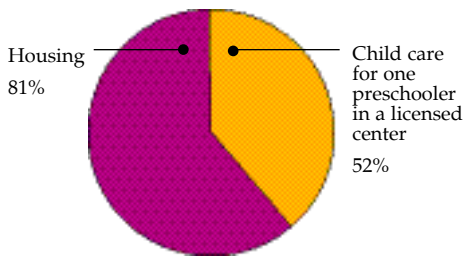
* Some families choose friends and relatives (license- exempt caregivers) to care for their children and programs for school age children are often not licensed by the state.⁴

Parent Requests to the R&R⁵

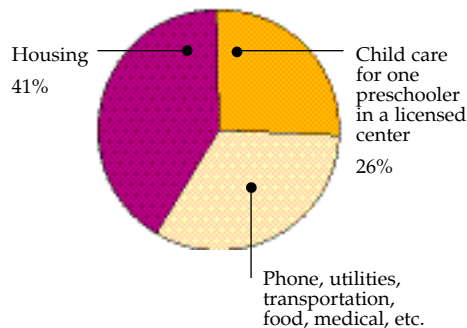
- Type of care requested: 40% infant/toddler; 35% preschool; 25% school-age
- Schedule requested: 63% full-time (0-5 years); 39% part time (0-5 years)
- Reasons for needing care: 93% employment; 2% school/training; 1% looking for work

Child Care and Family Budgets

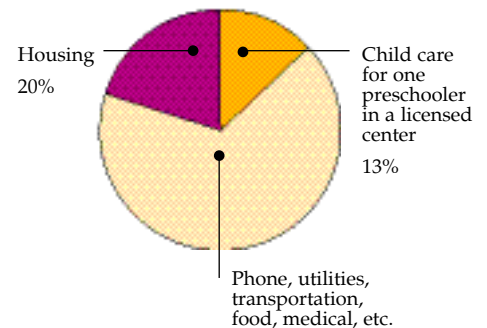
How child care fits into a Placer County family's budget (Housing⁶: \$11,400; Preschooler in licensed child care center⁷: \$7,351)



Annual Income: \$14,040
Families with 1 minimum wage earner
 Care for one infant in a licensed family child care home: 56% of income



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



Annual Income: \$57,952
Families with 2 entry level public school teachers working in the county⁸
 Care for one infant in a licensed family child care home: 14% of income