

Riverside County

Riverside is one of 10 counties with the most residents and the most children birth to 13 years.

The county had the 2nd highest percentage population increase in the state, one of just 13 counties where the percentage increase of residents was greater than 10%.

Riverside is one of the 5 largest counties in the state (7,207 sq. miles).

Riverside County's percentage increase of women in the workforce ranks 8th highest in the state.

Professional jobs account for 28% of employment; sales and office occupations, 27%; and service occupations, 17%.¹

The percentage of women in sales and office occupations is more than twice as high as men in those occupations (39% vs. 18%); the percentage of men in construction, production, and related activities is more than 4 times higher than women in those occupations (40% vs. 9%).¹

The People	2000 ¹	2004 ²	Change ²
Total number of residents	1,545,387	1,846,095	19%
• Population foreign born residents	19%		
• Population change from natural increase			21%
• Population change from domestic migration			67%
• Population change from foreign immigration			12%

The Children	2000 ¹	2004 ²	Change
Children 0-13	369,211	393,433	7%
• Under 2	46,653		
• 2 years	24,091		
• 3 years	24,851		
• 4 years	26,034		
• 5 years	27,014		
• 6 to 13 years	220,568		
Children 0-13 with parents in the labor force ³	191,455	204,015 ⁴	7%
• Under 2	20,555		
• 2 years	11,210		
• 3 years	12,025		
• 4 years	12,395		
• 5 years	13,855		
• 6 to 13 years	121,415		
Children 0-5 living in poverty	20%		

The Labor Force	1990 ⁵	2000 ¹	Change
• Number of employed residents	482,618	590,516	22%
• Workers with an hour or more commute	72,348	88,691	23%
• People working at home	14,482	22,768	57%
• People working non-traditional hours ⁶	109,221	144,112	32%
• percent working non-traditional hours		24%	
• People working 35 hours or more	454,428	557,550	23%
• percent working 35 hours or more		79%	
• Men in the labor force	309,599	363,788	18%
• Women in the labor force	221,565	290,599	31%
• Women with a child under 6		95,660	
• percent in the labor force		54%	

The Households	2000 county ¹	2000 state ¹
• Number of households	506,781	11,512,020
• speaking English at home	67%	62%
• speaking Spanish at home	26%	22%
• speaking an Asian language at home	3%	9%
• speaking another language at home	4%	7%
• Number of families with children under 18	201,599	4,208,775
• percent of families with children under 18	54%	53%
• percent of single parent families	25%	26%
• Homeowners with children under 6	16%	14%
• Renters with children under 6	24%	20%
• Residents over 24 with BA or higher	17%	27%

The 2005 California Child Care Portfolio

For more information about child care, call Riverside County Office of Education - Children's Services Unit at (800) 442-4927.

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 Riverside County

		Child Care Centers	Family Child Care Homes ¹
Facilities	Total number of sites	311	1,880
	Total number of slots (percent)	22,979 (56%)	17,728 (44%)
	Infant slots in centers	1,482 (6%)	
	Preschool slots in centers	16,401 (71%)	
	School-age slots in centers	5,096 (22%)	
Schedules ²	Full-time and part-time slots	55%	27%
	Only full-time slots	33%	73%
	Only part-time slots	12%	1%
	Care available during non-traditional hours	3%	37%
Languages	English	100%	99%
	Spanish	55%	30%
	Other Languages	6%	4%

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 Riverside County, there are an estimated 204,015 children ages 0-13 with parents in the labor force³ and 40,707 licensed child care slots.

Licensed child care is available for 20% of children with parents in the labor force.*

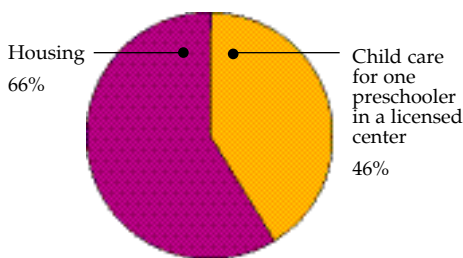
* Some families choose friends and relatives (license-exempt caregivers) to care for their children, and programs for school age children are often not licensed by the state.⁴

Parent Requests to the R&R⁵

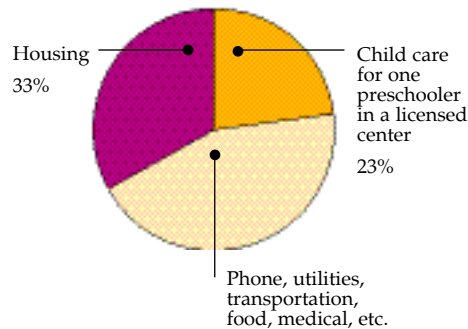
- Type of care requested: 27% infant/toddler; 47% preschool; 26% school-age
- Schedule requested: 90% full-time (0-5 years); 10% part time (0-5 years)
- Reasons for needing care: 82% employment; 8% school/training; 11% looking for work

Child Care and Family Budgets

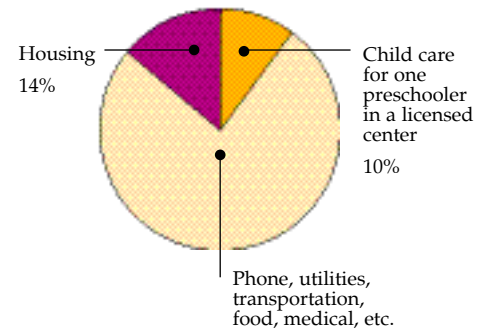
How child care fits into a Riverside County family's budget (Housing⁶: \$9,276; Preschooler in licensed child care center⁷: \$6,408)



Annual Income: \$14,040
Families with 1 minimum wage earner
 Care for one infant in a licensed family child care home: 48% of income



Annual Income: \$28,080
Families with 2 minimum wage earners
 Care for one infant in a licensed family child care home: 24% of income



Annual Income: \$66,664
Families with 2 entry level public school teachers working in the county⁸
 Care for one infant in a licensed family child care home: 10% of income