

Trinity County

Trinity County is one of 10 counties with the fewest residents and the fewest children birth to 13.

Trinity County is one of 12 counties in California that experienced more deaths than births between 2000 and 2004. This was offset by an increase in population due to domestic migration.

Trinity has the lowest percentage of foreign-born residents and the highest percentage of households who speak English at home in the state.

The percentage of residents 25 or older with at least a 4-year college degree (16%) is well below the state (27%). The percentage of children living in poverty is the 6th highest in the state.

Professional jobs account for 28% of employment; sales and office occupations, 23%; and service occupations, 21%.¹

The People	2000 ¹	2004 ²	Change ²
Total number of residents	13,022	13,732	5%
• Population foreign born residents	2%		
• Population change from natural increase			-29%
• Population change from domestic migration			126%
• Population change from foreign immigration			2%

The Children	2000 ¹	2004 ²	Change
Children 0-13	2,119	1,864	-12%
• Under 2	203		
• 2 years	82		
• 3 years	132		
• 4 years	135		
• 5 years	144		
• 6 to 13 years	1,423		
Children 0-13 with parents in the labor force ³	1,189	1,046 ⁴	-12%
• Under 2	105		
• 2 years	50		
• 3 years	59		
• 4 years	85		
• 5 years	80		
• 6 to 13 years	810		
Children 0-5 living in poverty	32%		

The Labor Force	1990 ⁵	2000 ¹	Change
• Number of employed residents	4,440	4,401	-1%
• Workers with an hour or more commute	323	387	20%
• People working at home	178	368	107%
• People working non-traditional hours ⁶	821	811	-1%
• percent working non-traditional hours		18%	
• People working 35 hours or more	4,241	4,245	0%
• percent working 35 hours or more		72%	
• Men in the labor force	2,845	2,810	-1%
• Women in the labor force	2,106	2,453	16%
• Women with a child under 6		442	
• percent in the labor force		60%	

The Households	2000 County ¹	2000 State ¹
• Number of households	5,582	11,512,020
• speaking English at home	94%	62%
• speaking Spanish at home	3%	22%
• speaking an Asian language at home	0%	9%
• speaking another language at home	3%	7%
• Number of families with children under 18	1,442	4,208,775
• percent of families with children under 18	40%	53%
• percent of single parent families	35%	26%
• Homeowners with children under 6	5%	14%
• Renters with children under 6	18%	20%
• Residents over 24 with BA or higher	16%	27%

The 2005 California Child Care Portfolio

For more information about child care, call Human Response Network at (530) 623-2024.

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 Trinity County

		Child Care Centers	Family Child Care Homes ¹
Facilities	Total number of sites	7	21
	Total number of slots (percent)	129 (39%)	198 (61%)
	Infant slots in centers	0 (0%)	
	Preschool slots in centers	94 (73%)	
	School-age slots in centers	35 (27%)	
Schedules ²	Full-time and part-time slots	33%	96%
	Only full-time slots	0%	0%
	Only part-time slots	67%	4%
	Care available during non-traditional hours	0%	24%
Languages	English	100%	100%
	Spanish	0%	0%
	Other Languages	0%	5%

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 Trinity County, there are an estimated 1,046 children ages 0-13 with parents in the labor force³ and 327 licensed child care slots.

Licensed child care is available for 31% of children with parents in the labor force.*

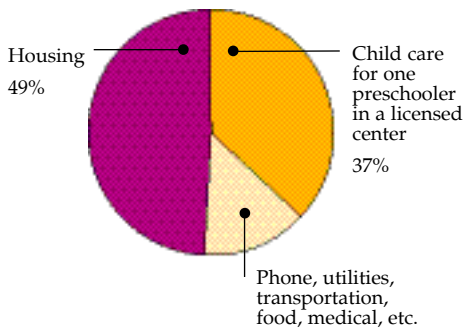
* Some families choose friends and relatives (license-exempt caregivers) to care for their children, and programs for school age children are often not licensed by the state.⁴

Parent Requests to the R&R⁵

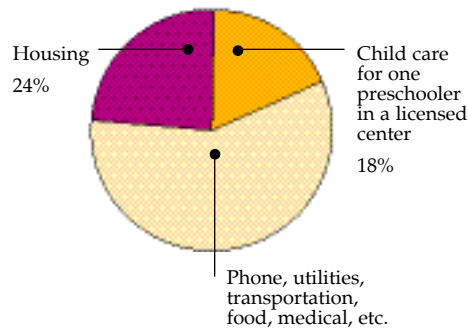
- Type of care requested: 14% infant/toddler; 57% preschool; 29% school-age
- Schedule requested: 100% full-time (0-5 years); 60% part time (0-5 years)
- Reasons for needing care: 75% employment; 13% school/training

Child Care and Family Budgets

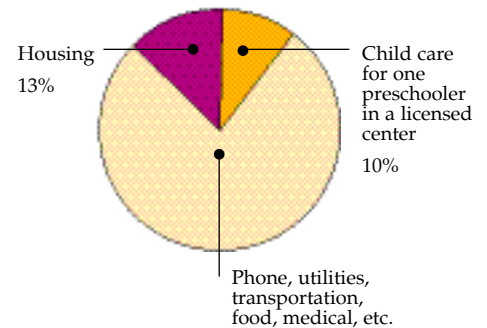
How child care fits into a Trinity County family's budget (Housing⁶: \$6,864; Preschooler in licensed child care center⁷: \$5,195)



Annual Income: \$14,040
Families with 1 minimum wage earner
 Care for one infant in a licensed family child care home: 54% of income



Annual Income: \$28,080
Families with 2 minimum wage earners
 Care for one infant in a licensed family child care home: 27% of income



Annual Income: \$53,946
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