

Child Care Affordability in Michigan



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Annual Price of Child Care

The price of child care remains too high for many families.

In Michigan the average price of child care is:



\$9,044 per year

For an infant in family child care

\$8,862 per year

For a toddler in family child care

\$12,667 per year

For an infant in center-based child care

\$12,089 per year

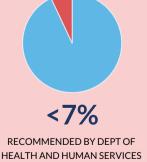
For a toddler in center-based child care

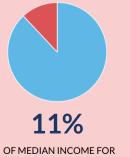
Affordability of Child Care for Families

In all states, the price of child care in most settings, for most age groups, remains higher than what is considered affordable.

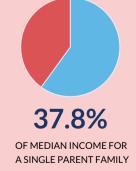
In Michigan:

- The median income for a married couple is \$115,437, which means center-based child care for an infant would use 11% of family income.
- The median income for a single parent family is \$33,493. which means center-based child care for an infant would use 37.8% of family income.





A MARRIED COUPLE FAMILY



Child Care vs. Household Expenses

When compared to other household expenses. child care often has the highest price.



Annual child care price for 2 children (an infant and 4 year old) in a center

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