

## Annual Price of Child Care

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

In Rhode Island the average price of child care is:

**\$14,618 per year**

For an infant in family child care

**\$14,618 per year**

For a toddler in family child care

**\$16,899 per year**

For an infant in center-based child care

**\$15,967 per year**

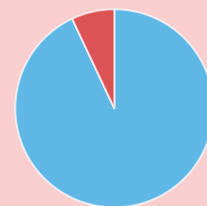
For a toddler in center-based child care

## 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.

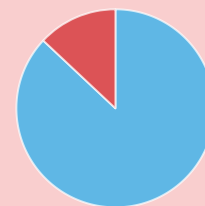
In Rhode Island:

- The median income for a married couple is **\$128,469**, which means center-based child care for an infant would use **13.2%** of family income.
- The median income for a single parent family is **\$39,573**, which means center-based child care for an infant would use **42.7%** of family income.



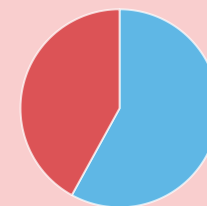
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**13.2%**

OF MEDIAN INCOME FOR A MARRIED COUPLE FAMILY

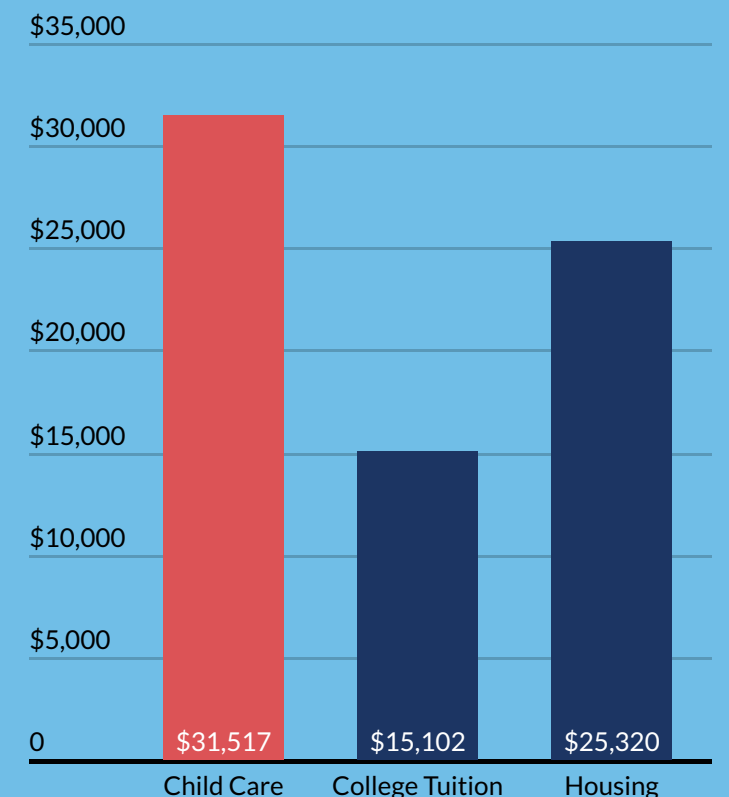


**42.7%**

OF MEDIAN INCOME FOR A SINGLE PARENT 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