

## Annual Price of Child Care

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

In Arkansas the average price of child care is:



**\$8,704 per year**

*for an infant in family child care*

**\$8,499 per year**

*for a toddler in family child care*



**\$9,727 per year**

*for an infant in center-based child care*

**\$8,933 per year**

*for a toddler in center-based child care*

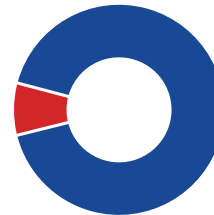
## Affordability of Child Care for Families

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

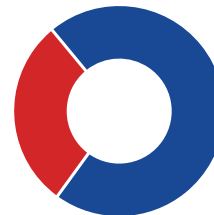
In Arkansas:

- The median income for a married couple is **\$102,488**, which means center-based child care for an infant would use **9%** of family income.
- The median income for a single parent family is **\$32,837**, which means center-based child care for an infant would use **30%** of family income.

**9%**  
*of median income for a married couple family*

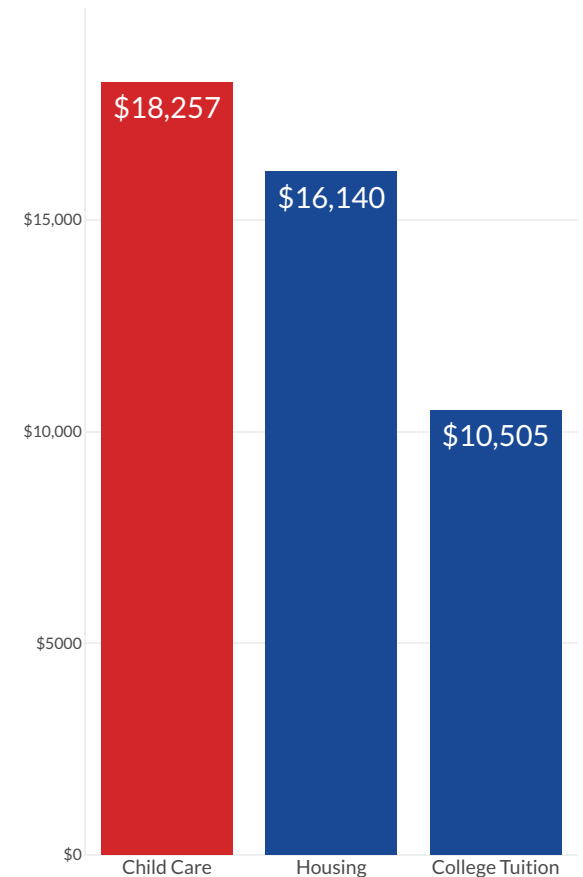


**30%**  
*of median income for a single parent family*



## 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