

Child Care Affordability in

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Child Care Aware of America's recent report Demanding Change: Repairing our Child Care System found that in 2020 in Mississippi:

In Mississippi, the median income for a single-parent family is \$21,304, which means center-based child care for an infant would use **28%** of family median income.

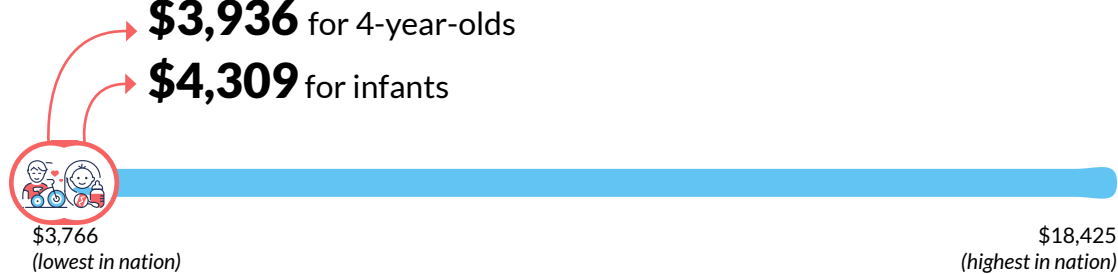
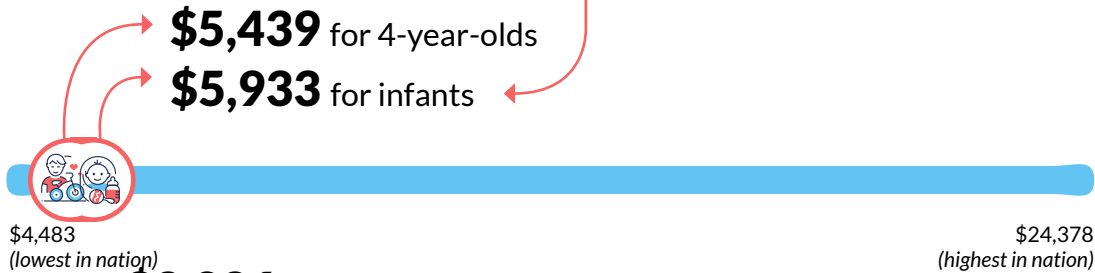


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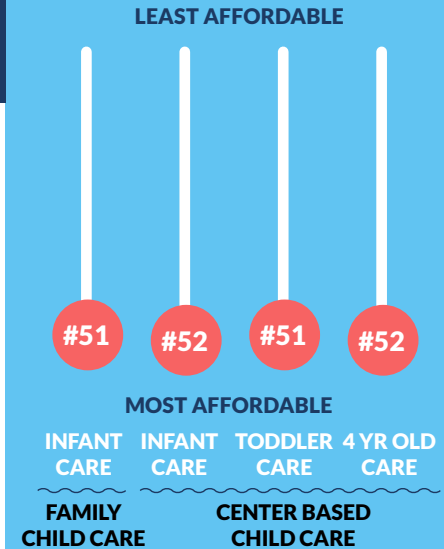
In Mississippi, the median income for a married couple is \$81,552, which means center-based child for an infant would use **7%** of family median income.



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When ranked among other states on the affordability of care:



Compared to tuition and housing...



In Mississippi, the average price of infant care in a center-based program is **31.33% less** than the average tuition and fees at an in-state, four-year public university.



In Mississippi, the average price for two children in center-based child care is **21.50% more** than the average annualized rent cost and 17.38% less than the average annualized mortgage cost.