

Child Care Affordability in MISSOURI

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

In Missouri, the median income for a single-parent family is \$27,055, which means center-based child care for an infant would use **37%** of family median income.

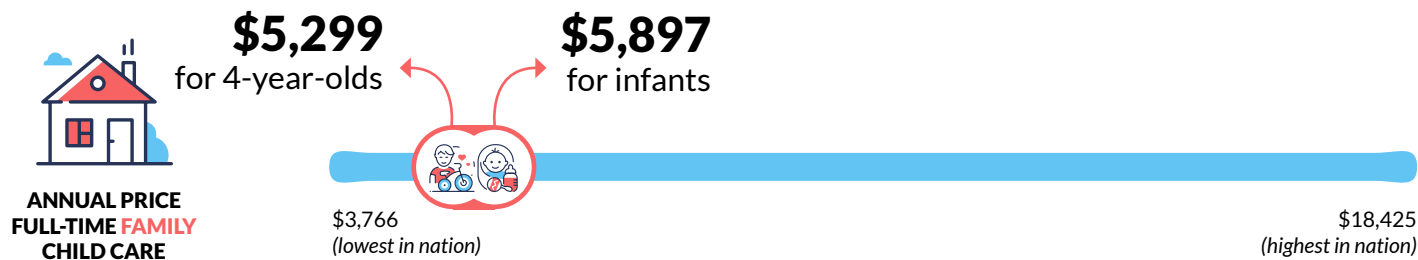
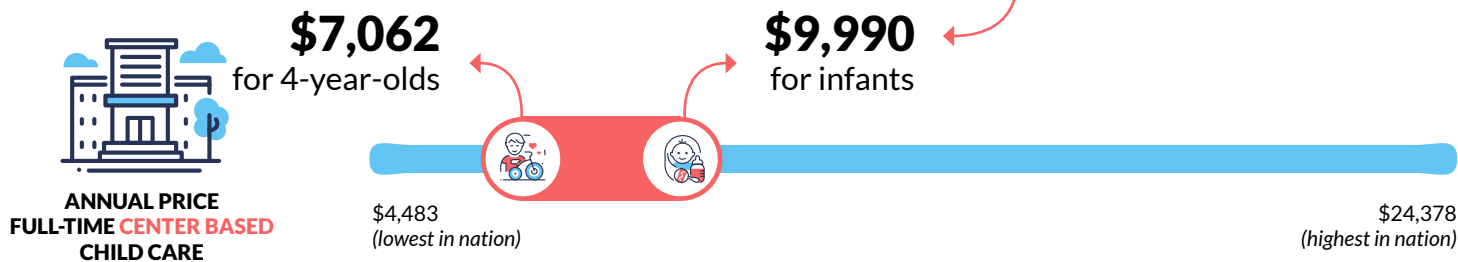


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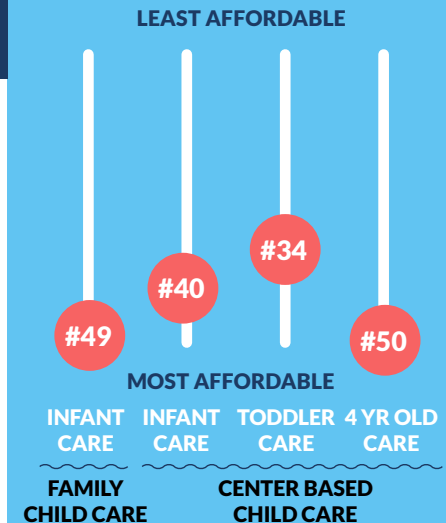
In Missouri, the median income for a married couple is \$92,711, which means center-based child care for an infant would use **11%** of family median income.



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dual income



When ranked among other states on the affordability of care:



Compared to tuition and housing...



In Missouri, the average price of infant care in a center-based program is **8.12% more** than the average tuition and fees at an in-state, four-year public university.



In Missouri, the average price for two children in center-based child care is **71.20% more** than the average annualized rent cost and **11.28% more** than the average annualized mortgage cost.