**Child Care Affordability in NEBRASKA**

**Child Care Aware of America’s recent report Demanding Change: Repairing our Child Care System found that in 2020 in Nebraska:**

In Nebraska, the median income for a single-parent family is $29,170, which means center-based child care for an infant would use 41% of family median income.

In Nebraska, the median income for a married couple is $96,217, which means center-based child care for an infant would use 12% of family median income.

- **$11,440** for 4-year-olds
- **$11,960** for infants
- **$10,140** for 4-year-olds
- **$10,660** for infants

**ANNUAL PRICE FULL-TIME CENTER BASED CHILD CARE**

- $4,483 (lowest in nation)
- $24,378 (highest in nation)

**ANNUAL PRICE FULL-TIME FAMILY CHILD CARE**

- $3,766 (lowest in nation)
- $18,425 (highest in nation)

When ranked among other states on the affordability of care:

- LEAST AFFORDABLE: #3
- MOST AFFORDABLE: #19

Compared to tuition and housing...

- **31.72%**
  - In Nebraska, the average price of infant care in a center-based program is **31.72% more** than the average tuition and fees at an in-state, four-year public university.

- **134.09%**
  - In Nebraska, the average price for two children in center-based child care is **134.09% more** than the average annualized rent cost and **40.69% more** than the average annualized mortgage cost.

Source: Child Care Aware® of America’s Demanding Change: Repairing our Child Care System Report

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