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

In New Mexico, the median income for a single-parent family is $24,293, which means center-based child care for an infant would use 39% of family median income.

In New Mexico, the median income for a married couple is $78,803, which means center-based child care for an infant would use 12% of family median income.

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

- $8,766 for 4-year-olds
- $9,587 for infants
- $4,483 (lowest in nation)
- $24,378 (highest in nation)

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

- $7,865 for 4-year-olds
- $8,330 for infants
- $3,766 (lowest in nation)
- $18,425 (highest in nation)

**Compared to tuition and housing...**

- 18.07% increase compared to the average tuition and fees at an in-state, four-year public university.

- 81.21% increase compared to the average annualized rent cost and 19.49% 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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