Child Care Affordability in Puerto Rico

Child Care Aware of America’s recent report, Demanding Change: Repairing our Child Care System, found that in 2020 in Puerto Rico:

- In Puerto Rico, the median income for a single-parent family is $9,217, which means center-based child care for an infant would use 50% of family median income.
- In Puerto Rico, the median income for a married couple is $41,466, which means center-based child care for an infant would use 11% of family median income.

$4,483 for 4-year-olds
$4,604 for infants
$3,766 for infants

Compared to tuition and housing...

- In Puerto Rico, the average price of infant care in a center-based program is 14.99% more than the average tuition and fees at an in-state, four-year public university.
- In Puerto Rico, the average price for two children in center-based child care is 58.42% more than the average annualized rent cost and 13.95% less 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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