Child Care Affordability in Vermont

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

In Vermont, the median income for a single-parent family is $30,866, which means center-based child care for an infant would use 45% of family median income.

In Vermont, the median income for a married couple is $99,985, which means center-based child for an infant would use 14% of family median income.

- **$12,835** for 4-year-olds
- **$13,915** for infants
- **$8,885** for 4-year-olds
- **$9,428** for infants

When ranked among other states on the affordability of care:

- **#17** for Infant Care
- **#10** for Family Child Care
- **#3** for Toddler Care
- **#1** for 4 Year Old Care

Compared to tuition and housing...

- **91.93%**

  In Vermont, the average price of infant care in a center-based program is **91.93% more** than the average tuition and fees at an in-state, four-year public university.

- **126.31%**

  In Vermont, the average price for two children in center-based child care is **126.31% more** than the average annualized rent cost and **37.52% more** than the average annualized mortgage cost.

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