Child Care Affordability in Wyoming

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

- In Wyoming, the median income for a single-parent family is $31,486, which means center-based child care for an infant would use 31% of family median income.
- In Wyoming, the median income for a married couple is $94,600, which means center-based child care for an infant would use 10% of family median income.

When ranked among other states on the affordability of care:

- INFANT CARE:
  - LEAST AFFORDABLE: #21
  - MOST AFFORDABLE: #44

- TODDLER CARE:
  - LEAST AFFORDABLE: #36
  - MOST AFFORDABLE: #40

- 4 YR OLD CARE:
  - LEAST AFFORDABLE: #38
  - MOST AFFORDABLE: #42

Compared to tuition and housing...

- In Wyoming, the average price of infant care in a center-based program is 5.35% more than the average tuition and fees at an in-state, four-year public university.
- In Wyoming, the average price for two children in center-based child care is 73.92% more than the average annualized rent cost and 1.92% 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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