

# The 2007 Child Care Licensing Study

## Ohio State Profile

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### NUMBER OF LICENSED FACILITIES AND LICENSED CAPACITY

Facility Type	Number of Licensed Facilities	Licensed Capacity
Child care centers	3,921	See note*
Small FCC homes	NL	NL
Large/group FCC homes	192	See note*
Other types of licensed facilities	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,113</b>	<b>312,086</b>

### NUMBER OF LICENSING SUPERVISORS, STAFF, AND CASELOADS

Total number of full-time equivalent licensing supervisors	8
Total number of full-time equivalent line staff	53
Estimated caseload ratio (i.e., number of facilities per line staff)	78:1

**Note:** NCCIC/NARA calculated the estimated caseload by dividing the total number of licensed facilities (i.e., centers and FCC homes) by the total number of licensing line staff.

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FREQUENCY OF INSPECTIONS BY TYPE			
Type	Child Care Centers	Small FCC Homes	Large/Group FCC Homes
<b>Prior to issuing a license</b>	✓	NL	✓
• Announced	✓		✓
• Unannounced			
<b>License renewal</b>	✓	NL	✓
• Announced	✓		✓
• Unannounced	✓		
<b>Routine compliance</b>	✓	NL	✓
• Announced	✓		✓
• Unannounced	✓		✓
FREQUENCY OF REQUIRED INSPECTION VISITS BY FACILITY TYPE			
Type	Frequency		
Child care centers	Twice a year for full-time programs; once a year for part-time programs		
Small FCC homes	NL		
Large/group FCC homes	Twice a year for full-time programs; once a year for part-time programs		
FREQUENCY OF LICENSE RENEWAL BY FACILITY TYPE			
Type	Frequency		
Child care centers	Once every 2 years		
Small FCC homes	NL		
Large/group FCC homes	Once every 2 years		
REGULATIONS SUMMARY			
Regulations Title			Date
<b>Child care center regulations</b>			
Child Care Manual 6 – Child Care Provider Licensing Regulations			10/25/2007
<b>Small FCC home regulations</b>			
NL			

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REGULATIONS SUMMARY, CON.		
Regulations Title	Date	
<b>Large/group FCC home regulations</b>		
Child Care Manual 6 – Child Care Provider Licensing Regulations	10/25/2007	
<p><b>Note:</b> NCCIC/NARA used child care licensing regulations that were posted on the National Resource Center for Health and Safety in Child Care and Early Education Web site between January 1, 2006, to December 31, 2007. Regulations titles were also copied directly from this site.</p>		
DEFINITION OF LICENSED FCC HOMES		
<b>Small FCC homes</b>		
Number of children allowed	NL	
Maximum number of children to 1 provider	NL	
Provider's own children counted	NL	
Maximum number of infants and toddlers to 1 provider	NL	
<b>Large/Group FCC homes</b>		
Number of children allowed	7–12	
Ratio of children to 1 provider	6:1	
Provider's own children counted	Yes	
CHILD-STAFF RATIOS AND GROUP SIZE BY AGE OF CHILDREN FOR CHILD CARE CENTERS		
Age of Children	Child-Staff Ratio	Group Size
6 weeks	5:1 or 12:2	10
9 months	5:1 or 12:2	10
18 months	7:1	14
27 months	7:1	14
3 years	12:1	24
4 years	14:1	28
5 years	14:1	28
6 years	18:1	36
7 years	18:1	36
8–9 years	18:1	36
10 years and older	18:1	36

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CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS REQUIRED BY TYPE			
Type	Child Care Centers	Small FCC Homes	Large/Group FCC Homes
Criminal history records	✓	NL	✓
Fingerprints	✓	NL	✓
Child abuse and neglect registry		NL	
Sex offender registry		NL	
Signed statement about criminal status	✓	NL	✓
MINIMUM PRESERVICE QUALIFICATIONS AND ONGOING TRAINING REQUIREMENTS			
Role	Minimum Preservice Qualifications	Ongoing Training Hours	
<b>Child care center staff</b>			
Director	CDA credential	0	
Master teacher	NR	NR	
Teacher	None	15	
Assistant teacher	NR	NR	
Aide	NR	NR	
<b>Small FCC home providers</b>			
Provider	NL	NL	
Assistant provider	NL	NL	
<b>Large/Group FCC home providers</b>			
Provider	Experience	15 each year until 45 are completed	
Assistant provider	None	15 each year until 45 are completed	

**Key:**

CCP = Certified Child Care Professional Credential awarded by the National Child Care Association  
 CDA = Child Development Associate Credential awarded by the Council for Professional Recognition  
 ECE = Early childhood education  
 FCC = Family child care  
 GED = General Educational Development Test  
 NA = Not applicable/not addressed  
 NAC = National Administrators Credential awarded by the National Child Care Association

NARA = National Association for Regulatory Administration  
 NC = No category of facility  
 NCCIC = National Child Care Information and Technical Assistance Center  
 NL = Not licensed  
 NR = Not regulated  
 SAC = School-age children

**\*Note:**

The state reported the total licensed capacity for all licensed facilities.