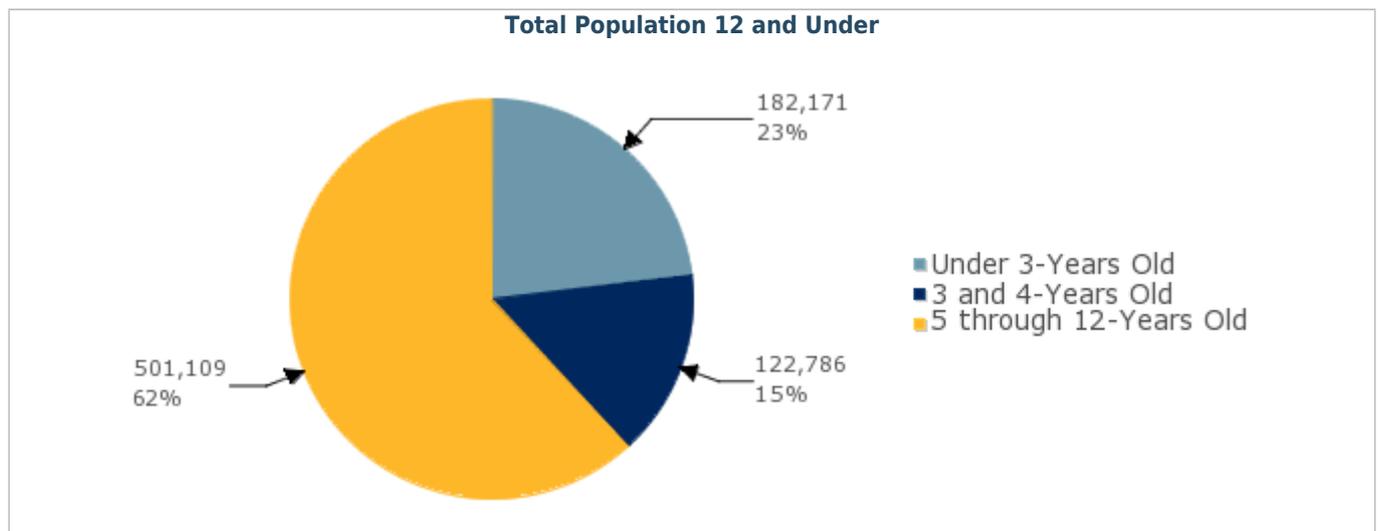




## STATE/TERRITORY PROFILE - ALABAMA

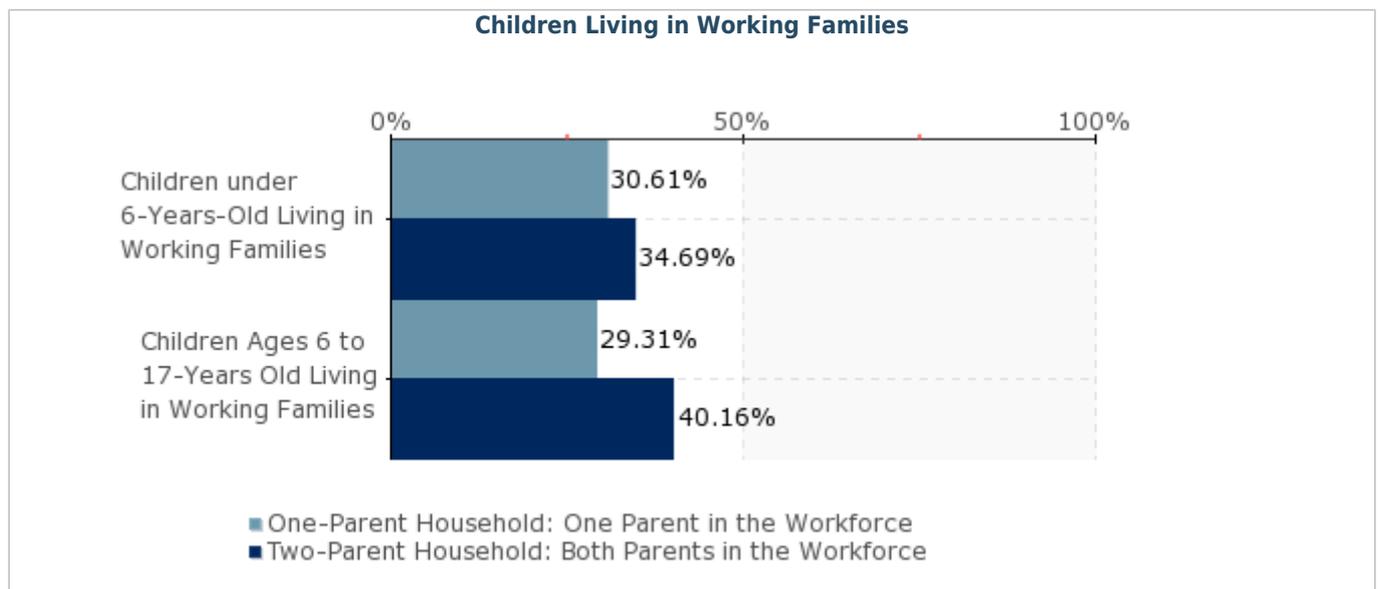
This profile highlights a current innovative effort to promote a subsidy system that is child-focused, family friendly, and fair to providers. It also provides demographic information, Early Care and Education (ECE) program participation and funding, subsidy innovation and program integrity information, program quality improvement activities, and professional development and workforce initiatives. Sources and links are provided at the end of the document

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Source(s): U.S. Census Bureau. (n.d.). In American Community Survey, 2010. QT-P2 Single Years of Age and Sex. Retrieved from American FactFinder:

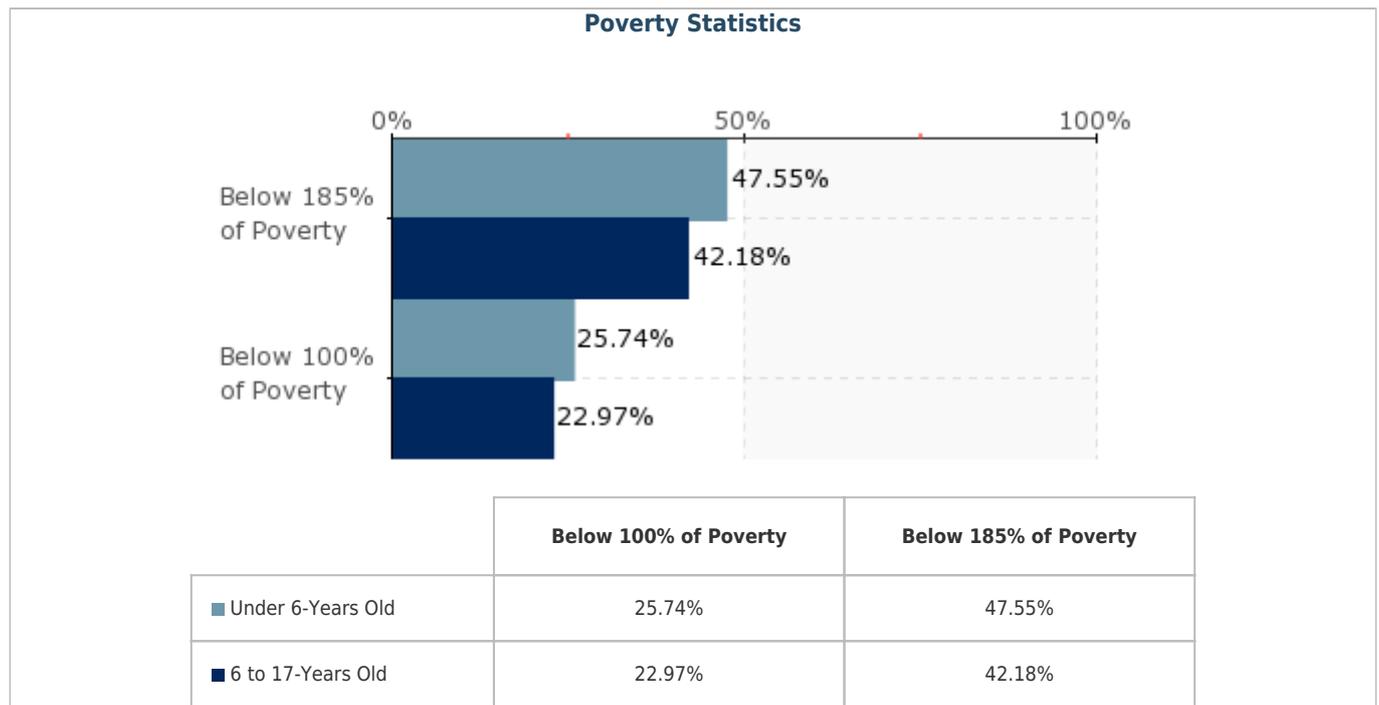
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Source(s): U.S. Census Bureau. (2019). In American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates, 2018. B17024: Age By Ratio Of Income To Poverty Level In The Past 12 Months - Universe: Population for whom poverty status is determined.

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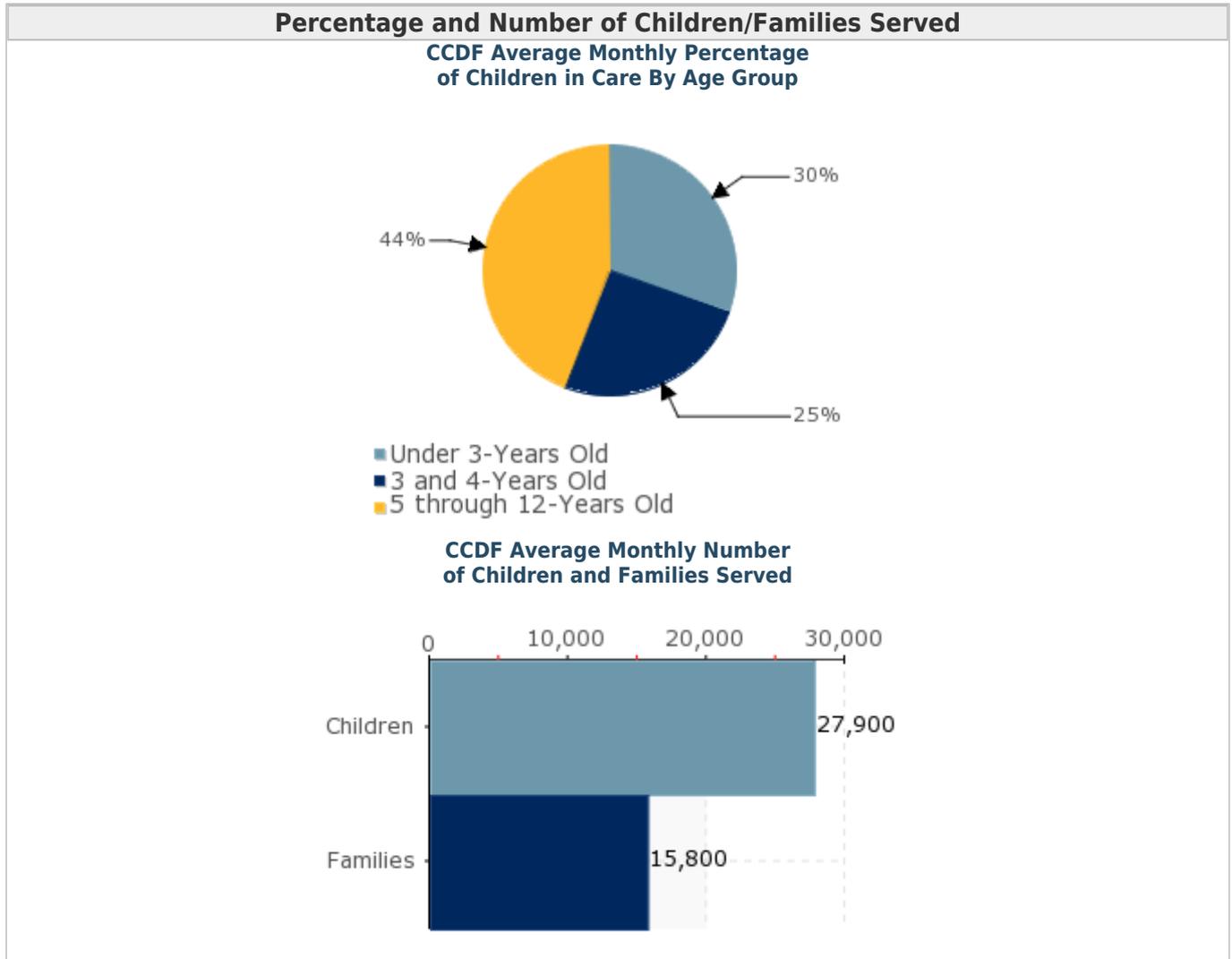
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Source(s): U.S. Census Bureau. (2019). In American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates, 2018. C23008 Age of own Children under 18 Years in Families and Subfamilies by Living Arrangements by Employment Status of Parents: Universe: Own children under 18 years in families and subfamilies.

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## ECE PROGRAM PARTICIPATION AND FUNDING

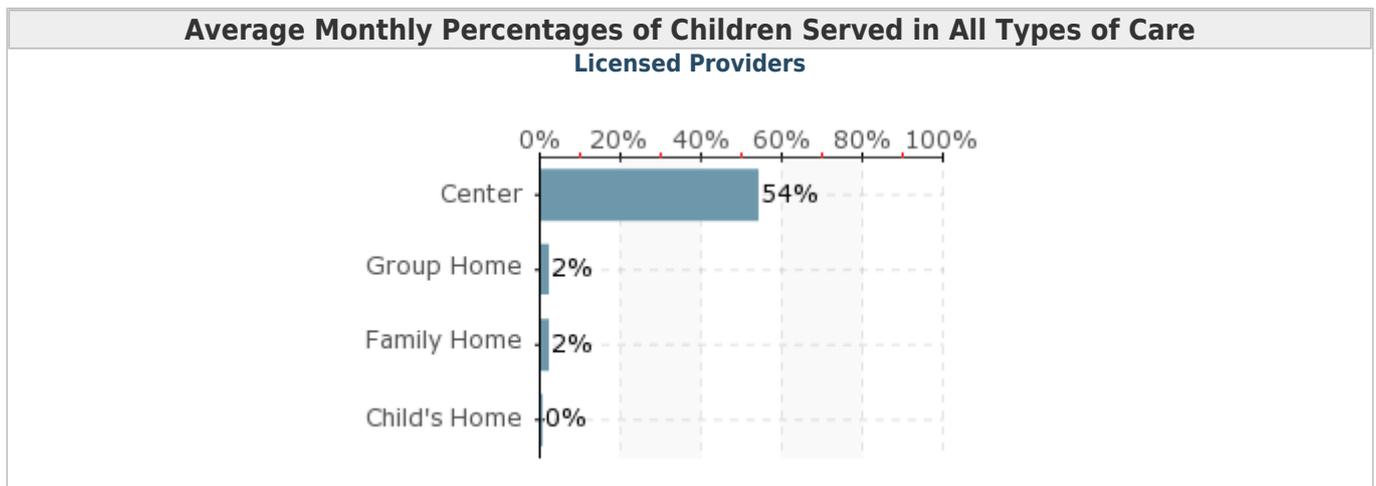


Source(s): U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Child Care. (2019). FFY 2018 CCDF data tables [Preliminary estimates]. Table 9 Average Monthly Percentages of Children In Care By Age Group

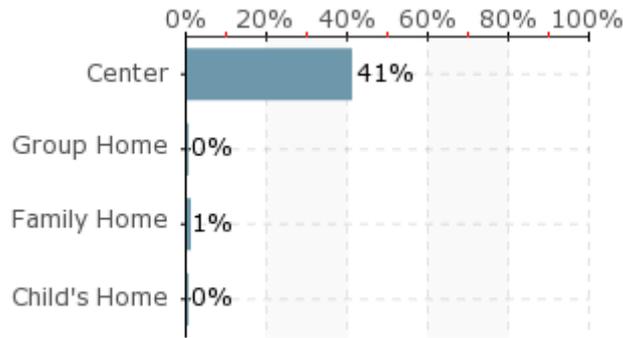
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**Non-Licensed Providers**



**Note:** Unregulated provider data includes relative and non-relative care.

Source(s): U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Child Care. (2019). FFY 2018 CCDF data tables [Preliminary estimates]. Table 6 Average Monthly Percentages of Children Served in All Types of Care.

<https://www.acf.hhs.gov/occ/resource/fy-2018-ccdf-data-tables-preliminary>

**Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF)**

◦ Total CCDF Expenditure (Including Quality):	\$128,838,662
◦ CCDF Federal Expenditure:	\$111,512,719
◦ CCDF State/Territory Expenditure:	\$17,325,943

Source(s): U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2020). CCDF Expenditures for FY 2018 (all appropriation years). Table 4a: All expenditures by State-Categorical Summary. <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/occ/resource/fy-2018-ccdf-table-4a>

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2020). CCDF Expenditures for FY 2018 (all appropriation years). Table 3a - All Expenditures by State - Detailed Summary. <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/occ/resource/fy-2018-ccdf-table-3a>

**CCDF Quality Expenditures**

◦ Total Quality Expenditure:	\$12,642,153
◦ Quality Activities (Set Aside Funds):	\$12,642,153
◦ Infant and Toddler (Targeted Funds):	
◦ Quality Expansion Funds (Targeted Funds):	
◦ School-Age/Resource and Referral (Targeted Funds):	

**Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) for Child Care**

◦ TANF - Total Child Care Expenditure:	\$90,024
◦ TANF - Direct Expenditure on Child Care:	\$90,024
◦ TANF - Transfer to CCDF:	Not available

#### ChildCare Tax Credits

◦ Tax Credit Federal Total Amount Claimed:	\$381,643,000
◦ Tax Credit Federal Number of Claims:	325,050
◦ State/Territory Tax Credit Available - 2015:	No
◦ State/Territory Tax Credit Refundable:	No

#### Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)

◦ CACFP Funding:	\$62,155,299
◦ Number of Family Child Care Homes Participating:	598
◦ Number of Child Care Centers (includes Head Start Programs) Participating:	1,057

Source(s): Food Research and Action Center. (2020). State of the States: Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) in FY 2019. [http://www.frac.org/maps/sos/tables/sos\\_tab\\_cacfp.html](http://www.frac.org/maps/sos/tables/sos_tab_cacfp.html)

#### Head Start

◦ Head Start Federal Allocation:	\$107,563,968
◦ Head Start State/Territory Allocation:	Not available
◦ Number of Children Participating:	11,785

Source(s): National Institute for Early Education Research. (2020). The 2019 state of preschool yearbook. <http://nieer.org/state-preschool-yearbooks/2019-2>

#### IDEA Part B, Section 619

◦ IDEA Part B Funding:	\$5,819,670
◦ Number of Children Served (Ages 3- through 5-Years-Old):	8,036

Source(s): U.S. Department of Education. (2019). Fiscal Years 2019-2021 State Tables for the U.S. Department of Education. <https://www2.ed.gov/about/overview/budget/statetables/index.html>

#### IDEA Part C

◦ IDEA Part C Funding:	\$6,568,165
◦ Number of Children Served (Ages Birth through 2-Years-Old):	3,623

Source(s): U.S. Department of Education. (2019). Fiscal Years 2019-2021 State Tables for the U.S. Department of Education. <https://www2.ed.gov/about/overview/budget/statetables/index.html>

#### Pre-kindergarten

◦ Pre-kindergarten Total Expenditure:	\$95,962,050
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◦ Enrollment (4-year-olds and under):	18,756
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**Note:** Total Expenditure includes all State/Territory, Local, and Federal dollars. In addition to 3 and 4-year-olds, some Pre-kindergarten programs enroll children of other ages.

*Source(s):* National Institute for Early Education Research. (2020). The 2019 state of preschool yearbook. <http://nieer.org/state-preschool-yearbooks/2019-2>

## CCDF SUBSIDY PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

### Income Eligibility at Determination

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	
<b>Family Size</b>	<b>100 % of SMI (\$/Month)</b>	<b>85% of SMI(\$/Month) [Multiply(a) by 0.85]</b>	<b>(IF APPLICABLE) (\$/Month) Maximum Initial or First Tier Income Limit (or Threshold) if Lower Than 85% of Current SMI</b>	<b>IF APPLICABLE ) (% of SMI) [Divide(c) by (a), multiply by 100] Income Level if Lower Than 85% of Current SMI</b>
3	\$4,783.00	\$4,066.00	\$2,598.00	1%

Source(s): U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Report 3.1.3 Family Size of 3: Eligible Children and Families - Income Eligibility at Determination. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.

### Approaches Used for Promoting Continuity of Care

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Coordinating with Head Start, prekindergarten, or other early learning programs to create a package of arrangements that accommodates parents' work schedules</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Inquiring about whether the child has an Individualized Education Program (IEP) or Individual Family Services Plan (IFSP)</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Establishing minimum eligibility periods greater than 12 months</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Using cross-enrollment or referrals to other public benefits</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Working with IDEA Part B, Section 619 and Part C staff to explore how services included in a child's IEP or IFSP can be supported and/or provided onsite and in collaboration with child care services</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Providing more intensive case management for families with children with multiple risk factors;</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Implementing policies and procedures that promote universal design to ensure that activities and environments are accessible to all children, including children with sensory, physical, or other disabilities</li> </ul>	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Other:</li> </ul>	<p>Through the Lead Agency's Early Head Start-Child Care Partnership, assistance is given to providers and families that participate in the program that promote child development. Examples of continuity of care for children include the allowance of children in mixed age classrooms to remain with the same teacher until the child ages out of the program. Children remain with the same teacher, in the same classroom, with the same classmates. Although new children may enter in the classroom as children ages out the program, this practice creates a stable environment for the child during its duration in the program. Another example is the transitioning from classroom while maintaining the same teacher. As the children transition to another class with age appropriate equipment, the teacher moves with the children.</p>
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Source(s): U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Reports 3.1.6 and 3.1.6-2: Eligible Children and Families - Approaches Used for Promoting Continuity of Care. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.

Increasing Access for Vulnerable Children and Families

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Children with Special Needs</b></p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Prioritize for enrollment</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: right;">Yes</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Serve without placing these populations on waiting lists</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: right;">Yes</p>

◦ Waive co-payments	
◦ Pay higher rates for access to higher quality care	
◦ Use grants or contracts to reserve slots for priority populations	
◦ Other:	The Lead Agency receives referrals for services from its county departments to serve children in protective service and foster care cases.
<b>Families with Very Low Incomes</b>	
◦ Prioritize for enrollment	
◦ Serve without placing these populations on waiting lists	
◦ Waive co-payments	Yes
◦ Pay higher rates for access to higher quality care	
◦ Use grants or contracts to reserve slots for priority populations	
◦ Other:	Families whose income falls at or below 100% of the federal poverty level will have copayments set at \$0.
<b>Children Experiencing Homelessness</b>	
◦ Prioritize for enrollment	Yes
◦ Serve without placing these populations on waiting lists	Yes
◦ Waive co-payments	
◦ Pay higher rates for access to higher quality care	
◦ Use grants or contracts to reserve slots for priority populations	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Other:</li> </ul>	<p>Families that are experiencing homelessness as given priority to avoid placement on the waiting list. Documentation of initial eligibility determination may be waived for up to 90 days. This flexibility will make it significantly easier for these vulnerable families to access child care services.</p>
<b>Families Receiving TANF*</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Prioritize for enrollment</li> </ul>	Yes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Serve without placing these populations on waiting lists</li> </ul>	Yes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Waive co-payments</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Pay higher rates for access to higher quality care</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Use grants or contracts to reserve slots for priority populations</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Other:</li> </ul>	<p>Families receiving TANF program funds, those transitioning off TANF, and those at risk of becoming dependent on TANF are given priority to avoid placement on the waiting list. Families must apply for services within six months of the effective end date of TANF funds.</p>

\* Includes families receiving TANF program funds, those transitioning off TANF through work activities, or those at risk of becoming dependent on TANF.

Source(s): U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Reports 3.2.2a, 3.2.2b, 3.2.2c, 3.2.2d, 3.2.2a-2, 3.2.2b-2, 3.2.2c-2, and 3.2.2d-2: Increasing Access for Vulnerable Children and Families. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.

Use of Grants or Contracts to Increase the Supply of Specific Types of Child Care

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Programs to serve children with disabilities</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Programs to serve infants and toddlers</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Programs to serve school-age children</li> </ul>	

◦ Programs to serve children needing non-traditional hour care	
◦ Programs to serve children experiencing homelessness	
◦ Programs to serve children in underserved areas	
◦ Programs that serve children with diverse linguistic or cultural backgrounds	
◦ Programs that serve specific geographic areas (urban)	
◦ Programs that serve specific geographic areas (rural)	
◦ Other:	Alabama does not use grants or contracts.

Use of Grants or Contracts to Increase the Quality of Specific Types of Child Care

◦ Programs to serve children with disabilities	
◦ Programs to serve infants and toddlers	
◦ Programs to serve school-age children	
◦ Programs to serve children needing non-traditional hour care	
◦ Programs to serve children experiencing homelessness	
◦ Programs to serve children in underserved areas	
◦ Programs that serve children with diverse linguistic or cultural backgrounds	
◦ Programs that serve specific geographic areas (urban)	
◦ Programs that serve specific geographic areas (rural)	
◦ Other:	Alabama does not use grants and contracts.

Base payment rates and percentiles

Age	Center	Percentile of most recent MRS	Family Child Care	Percentile of most recent MRS
Infant	\$ 118.00/ week	33rd	\$ 100.00/ week	38th
Toddler	\$ 118.00/ week	33rd	\$ 100.00/ week	38th
Preschool	\$ 108.00/ week	27th	\$ 95.00/ week	28th
School Age	\$ 100.00/ week	38th	\$ 91.00/ week	34th
Effective date of payment rates: 8/1/2016				

Age	Center	Percentile of most recent MRS	Family Child Care	Percentile of most recent MRS
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Market rate survey (MRS) date: 9/1/2017

Source(s): U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Report 4.3.1: Setting Payment Rates. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Report 4.2.5a: Setting Payment Rates. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.

Tiered Reimbursement or Differential Rates

◦ Differential rate for non-traditional hours. Describe	
◦ Differential rate for children with special needs, as defined by the state/territory.	
◦ Differential rate for infants and toddlers. Note: Do not check if the Lead Agency has a different base rate for infants/toddlers with no separate bonus or add-on	
◦ Differential rate for school-age programs. Note: Do not check if the Lead Agency has a different base rate for school-age children with no separate bonus or add-on.	
◦ Differential rate for higher quality, as defined by the state/territory.	Yes
◦ Other differential rates or tiered rates.	Yes
◦ Tiered or differential rates are not implemented.	

CCDF Co-Payments by Family Size

CCDF Co-Payments by Family Size

	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)
<b>Family Size</b>	<b>Lowest “Entry” Income Level Where Family Is First Charged Co-Pay (Greater Than \$0)</b>	<b>What Is the Monthly Co-Payment for a Family of This Size Based on the Income Level in (a)?</b>	<b>The Co-Payment in Column (b) is What Percentage of the Income in Column (a)?</b>	<b>Highest “Entry” Income Level Before a Family Is No Longer Eligible</b>	<b>What Is the Monthly Co-Payment for a Family of This Size Based on the Income Level in (d)?</b>	<b>The Co-Payment in Column (e) is What Percentage of the Income in Column (d)?</b>
3	\$1,702.00	\$144.00	8	\$2,251.00	\$184.00	8

Source(s): U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Report 3.4.1a Family Size of 3: Family Contribution to Payment - CCDF Co-Payments by Family Size. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.

Family Contribution to Payment

◦ No, the Lead Agency does not waive family contributions/co-payments.	
◦ Yes, the Lead Agency waives family contributions/co-payments for families with an income at or below the Federal poverty level for families of the same size.	Yes
◦ Yes, the Lead Agency waives family contributions/co-payments for families who are receiving or needing to receive protective services, as determined by the Lead Agency for purposes of CCDF eligibility. Describe the policy and provide the policy citation..	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Describe contributions/co-payments for families who are receiving or needing to receive protective services</li> </ul>	<p>The Lead Agency proposes in FY2019 to waive co-payments for families with an income at or below 100% of the federal poverty level. The poverty level for a family size of 3 is \$1,732.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Yes, the Lead Agency waives family contributions/co-payments for other criteria established by the Lead Agency. Describe the policy and provide the policy citation</li> </ul>	<p>Yes</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Describe:</li> </ul>	<p>The Foster Care and Early Head Start - Child Care Categories. Child Care Subsidy Program Policies and Procedures Manual, Chapter 5, Section 5.3 and 7.7.</p>

Source(s): U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Report 3.4.4: Family Contribution to Payment - Family Contribution to Payment. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.

## HEALTH AND SAFETY

Child-Staff Ratios by Group Size by Age of Children for Licensed Child Care Centers

Age of Children	Child-Staff Ratio	Group Size
Infant (11 months)	5:1	Group size not regulated
Toddler (35 months)	8:1	Group size not regulated
Preschool (59months)	8:1	Group size not regulated
School-age (6 years)	21:1	Group size not regulated
School-age (10 years and older)	22:1	Group size not regulated
If any of the responses above are different for exempt child care centers, describe which requirements apply:	The requirements are the same as above for all exempt programs participating in the child care subsidy program with the exception of the requirement of having 12 hours of Minimum Standards training within 30 days of employment.	

Source(s): National Center on Early Childhood Quality Assurance. (2020). 2017 Child Care Licensing Study: Analysis of child care licensing regulations. [Unpublished data].

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Report 5.2.1a-5\_6\_7: Standards on ratios, group sizes, and qualifications for CCDF providers.- exempt child care centers. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.

**QUALITY IMPROVEMENT**

## Use of Quality Funds

	Yes/No	CCDF Funds	Other Funds	Other (describe)
Supporting the training and professional development of the child care workforce	Yes	Yes		
Developing, maintaining, or implementing early learning and developmental guidelines	Yes	Yes		
Developing, implementing, or enhancing a tiered quality rating and improvement system	Yes	Yes		
Improving the supply and quality of child care services for infants and toddlers	Yes	Yes		
Establishing or expanding a statewide system of CCR&R services	Yes	Yes		
Facilitating compliance with state/territory requirements for inspection, monitoring, training, and health and safety standards	Yes	Yes		
Evaluating and assessing the quality and effectiveness of child care services within the state/territorys	Yes	Yes	Not available	Not available
Supporting accreditation	Yes	Yes		

	Yes/No	CCDF Funds	Other Funds	Other (describe)
Supporting state/territory or local efforts to develop high-quality program standards relating to health, mental health, nutrition, physical activity, and physical development	Yes	Yes		
Other activities determined by the state/territory to improve the quality of child care services and which measurement of outcomes related to improved provider preparedness, child safety, child well-being, or kindergarten entry is possible				

*Source(s):*

- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Reports 7.2.1 and 7.2.1-1: Use of Quality Funds - Supporting the training and professional development of the child care workforce. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.
- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Report 7.2.1 and 7.2.1-2: Use of Quality Funds - Developing, maintaining, or implementing early learning and developmental guidelines. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.
- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Report 7.2.1 and 7.2.1-3: Use of Quality Funds - Developing, implementing, or enhancing a tiered quality rating and improvement system. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.
- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Report 7.2.1 and 7.2.1-4: Use of Quality Funds - Improving the supply and quality of child care services for infants and toddlers. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.
- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Report 7.2.1 and 7.2.1-5: Use of Quality Funds - Establishing or expanding a statewide system of CCR&R services. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.
- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Report 7.2.1 and 7.2.1-6: Use of Quality Funds - Facilitating compliance with state/territory requirements for inspection, monitoring, training, and health and safety standards. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.
- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Report 7.2.1 and 7.2.1-7: Use of Quality Funds - Evaluating and assessing the quality and effectiveness of child care services within the state/territory. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.
- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Report 7.2.1 and 7.2.1-8: Use of Quality Funds - Supporting accreditation. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.

- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Report 7.2.1 and 7.2.1-9: Use of Quality Funds - Supporting state/territory or local efforts to develop high-quality program standards relating to health, mental health, nutrition, physical activity, and physical development. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.
- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Report 7.2.1 and 7.2.1-10: Use of Quality Funds - Other activities determined by the state/territory to improve the quality of child care services and which measurement of outcomes related to improved provider preparedness, child safety, child well-being, or kindergarten entry is possible. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.

Outreach to Families with Limited English Proficiency

Application in other languages (application document, brochures, provider notices)	Yes
Informational materials in non-English languages	Yes
Website in non-English languages	Yes
Lead Agency accepts applications at local community-based locations	Yes
Bilingual caseworkers or translators available	
Bilingual outreach workers	
Partnerships with community-based organizations	
Other	Yes
Describe Other:	The lead agency provides applications in other languages as well as informational material in non-English languages. The lead agency's website is also available in non-English languages. Local community-based locations are available to accept applications and assist non-English language families. The lead agency has the ability to have translation/interpretation in all primary and secondary languages. A Language line service is available for all eligibility agencies to assist in the translation for eligible families with limited English proficiency.

Source(s): U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Report 2.1.1-1 and 2.1.1-2: Outreach to Families with Limited English Proficiency - Strategies the Lead Agency or partners utilize to provide outreach and services to eligible families for whom English is not their first language. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.

Outreach to Families with a Person(s) with Disabilities

Applications and public informational materials available in Braille and other communication formats for access by individuals with disabilities	
Websites that are accessible (e.g., Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act)	
Caseworkers with specialized training/experience in working with individuals with disabilities	
Ensuring accessibility of environments and activities for all children	
Partnerships with state and local programs and associations focused on disability-related topics and issues	
Partnerships with parent associations, support groups, and parent-to-parent support groups, including the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) federally funded Parent Training and Information Centers	
Partnerships with state and local IDEA Part B, Section 619 and Part C providers and agencies	
Availability and/or access to specialized services (e.g., mental health, behavioral specialists, therapists) to address the needs of all children	
Other	Yes
Describe Other:	All persons with a disability have the option to receive additional supports through the State Department of Human Resources, the local County Department of Human Resources, or the local Child Management Agency office. Each office maintains a list of service providers to ensure that persons with disabilities have access to all services offered by the lead agency.

Source(s): U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Report 2.1.2-1 and 2.1.2-2: Outreach to Families with Limited English Proficiency - Strategies the Lead Agency or partners utilize to provide outreach and services to eligible families with a person(s) with a disability. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.

Consumer Education Website

<p>How the Lead Agency ensures that its website is consumer-friendly and easily accessible</p>	<p>The website is easily locatable as it is the same website for other social services. All child care functions are located within the Child Care Services tab on the websites. Families have the ability to search for providers by county, zip code, and legal status type. Information on how to become a child care facility is also found on the site. Information on how to contact agencies for eligibility services is located on the website. Consumers can contact the eligibility agencies by clicking on their county of residence - contact information for the agency will be displayed including a link to send an email directly to the local agency.</p>
<p>How the website ensures the widest possible access to services for families that speak languages other than English</p>	<p>The website is accessible in multiple languages. All information on the website can be translated into different languages by clicking on the translation option at the bottom of the webpage.</p>
<p>How the website ensures the widest possible access to services for persons with disabilities</p>	<p>The website is easily readable, in plain language, and is navigable with a minimum number of clicks. The website meets compliance with the America Disabilities Act (ADA) in ease of access.</p>

Source(s): U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Report 2.3.1, 2.3.1, and 2.3.3: Consumer Education Website. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.

## FOOTNOTES

### Source Footnotes:

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