

2025 Child Care Needs Assessments for: IRON



Demographics of County	IRON County	Missouri
Total residents ¹	9,606	6,141,534
Total Children Under 6 ¹	561	423,996
Children under 6 with working parents ¹	579	393,775
Percent of people below poverty level ¹	21.7%	12.7%
Median Household Income ¹	\$44,717	\$61,043
Unemployment rate - population 16 and older ¹	5.2%	2.8%
Number of children in child care receiving state assistance ²		22,576

Child Care Supply as of 4/1/2025	County Data
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Child Care Programs(all regulation types: licensed, license exempt and exempt from regulation)	
Centers	1
Group Homes	0
Family Child Care	0
Total Child Care Programs	1
Total Programs Accepting MO DSS Subsidy	0

Licensed Child Care Programs	
Centers	1
Group Homes	0
Family Child Care Programs	0
Total Licensed Child Care Programs	1
Total Licensed Child Care Programs Accepting MO DSS Subsidy	0

License Exempt/Inspected Child Care Programs	
Centers	0
Group Homes	0
Family Child Care Programs	0
Total License Exempt/Inspected Child Care Programs	0
Total License-Exempt Programs Accepting MO DSS Subsidy	0

Known Exempt/Not Subject to Child Care Program Regulations	
Centers	0
Group Homes	0
Family Child Care Programs	0
Total Known Exempt/Not Subject to Child Care Program Regulations	0

Disclaimer: Information included in this report is maintained by Child Care Aware® of Missouri along with reports from the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, Office of Childhood and other sources. Child Care Aware® of Missouri recognizes that there are groups of preschool, child care, and after-school programs that may not be captured in these totals including: 1) unlicensed family child care programs that serve six or less children, 2) preschool or child care provided by public or private K-12 education, and 3) early childhood programs designated as a private school, such as Montessori schools.



Licensed Capacity	
Centers	40
Group Homes	no data
Family Child Care Programs	no data
Total Licensed Capacity	40
License Exempt Capacity	
Centers	no data
Group Homes	no data
Family Child Care Programs	no data
Total License Exempt Capacity	0
Exempt Capacity	
Centers	no data
Group Homes	no data
Family Child Care Programs	no data
Total Exempt Capacity	0

Disclaimer: The capacities captured on this report represent what the maximum supply is for a county, based on what the child care programs are licensed for. Child Care Aware® of Missouri recognizes that some programs may operate below their licensed capacity and that a portion of these slots may be used for school-age children.

Data Sources:

1. 2017-2021 American Community Survey 5-year Estimate
2. Missouri Department of Social Services - Children's Division Early Childhood and Prevention Services Section - Block Grant Child Care Monthly Management Report - July 2023

If you need additional detailed data, including further supply and demand data, heat mapping, data trends over time, etc., please visit our Data Request Form page at <https://mochildcareaware.org/data-and-community/data-request-form/>.