

## 2004 DANE COUNTY FAMILY CHILD CARE SURVEY REPORT

In March, 2004, there were 656 family child care homes in Dane County (a decrease of 16 since 2003). 45% were state licensed. 36% were fully certified and 19% provisionally certified for Dane County by 4-C. 3% were both licensed and certified (included in the licensed totals on the tables). 9% were accredited by the City of Madison through Satellite (on the tables as Madison Accredited). There are also a few small group centers (centers in rented spaces staffed not by the homeowner but by staff hired by outside agencies) that are licensed as family child care homes. These are not included in this paper. This is the first year to have an increase in licensed family child care in Dane County since 1995.

### COMPARISON BY FAMILY CHILD CARE REGULATION 1996-2003

	1996		1998		2003		2004		Difference 2003-2004
State Licensed	379	49%	355	51%	268	40%	297	45%	29
Certified	387	51%	239	34%	267	40%	235	36%	-32
Provisional			107	15%	137	20%	124	19%	-13
Total	766		701		672		656		-16

### EDUCATION/TRAINING:

Whenever possible, as in the case with CDA and NAFCC certificates, data has been confirmed or obtained from certifying authorities. Most education and training data however has been obtained from the providers themselves. 3 licensed providers hold NAFCC accreditation and 8 hold public school elementary or preschool teaching certificates (with two more finishing courses to teach in the public schools).

<b>EDUCATION</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>4-C Certified</b>		<b>Madison</b>
	<b>Licensed</b>	<b>Regular</b>	<b>Provisional</b>	<b>Accredited</b>
Some High School	1%	9%	10%	9%
High School Diploma	24%	26%	28%	12%
Some College	36%	35%	39%	14%
Associate Degree	13%	13%	9%	24%
BA Degree	19%	12%	11%	26%
Some Graduate Work	4%	4%	2%	12%
MA or Ph.D.	3%	1%	1%	3%

<b>Child Care</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Certified</b>		<b>Madison</b>	
<b>Training</b>	<b>Licensed</b>	<b>Regular</b>	<b>Provisional</b>	<b>Accredited</b>	
None		0%	0%	70%	0%
Certification child care class	35%	100%	30%	69%	
Licensed Family child care class	100%	22%	5%	66%	
Associate ECE Degree	1%	0%	1%	2%	
Early Childhood Degree (BA/BS)	1%	1%	0%	0%	
ECE Graduate Study/degrees	6%	1%	0%	0%	
With CDA	9%	2%	1%	21%	
Group Center Classes & Experience	24%	21%	3%	24%	
Infant Toddler Class	77%	36%	7%	62%	
Nurse training	6%	8%	4%	9%	
CPR	83%	49%	35%	93%	
First Aid	63%	38%	29%	76%	
SIDS Prevention	93%	78%	63%	91%	

## MARCH 2004 AVERAGE RATES DANE COUNTY FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES

90% percent of the family child care homes in Dane County returned surveys. Percentages in brackets after the rates indicate rate of change since 2003. City accredited homes are those homes inside and outside of Madison accredited by Satellite. The highest weekly rates often reflect top rates on sliding fee scales or rates used by providers mainly doing part time care. The first line in each rate category is the number of homes using that rate. The first hourly rate is for full time care. The second hourly rate in the box marked PT is a part time rate. 8% of the homes only serve children on Wisconsin Shares subsidies and use the maximum payment rate from the state- their data is not included in the rates calculations since the providers really don't serve the wider market or set their own rates. 11% of the homes do not accept Wisconsin Shares subsidy payments. 17% offer discounts for siblings. 62 providers reported serving children evenings and 41 do weekend care.

	Dane		Madison		Outside Madison	City Accredited	
<b>Infants Under 1</b>							
# Homes Reporting	302(+3)		131(+15)		171(-12)	40 (+13)	
Weekly Range	\$75-\$320		\$75-\$320		\$95-\$285	\$135-\$320	
Weekly Average	\$178 (6%)		\$186(3%)		\$170 (6%)	\$224 (5%)	
# Homes Reporting	148(+24)		63(+16)		85 (+8)	20 (+6)	
Daily Average	\$40 (7%)		\$43 (3%)		\$38 (11%)	\$49.65(3%)	
# Homes Reporting	185	PT	92	PT	93	9	
Hourly Average	\$4.50 (3%)	\$4.88	\$4.87(3%)	\$5.05	\$4.09 (-1%)	\$4.71	\$5.64(3%)
<b>Toddlers (Age 1-2)</b>							
# Homes Reporting	314 (+14)		130(+14)		184(0)	28(+1)	
Weekly Range	\$75-\$320		\$75-\$320		\$95-\$280	\$135-\$320	
Weekly Average	\$174 (5%)		\$183 (4%)		\$167 (5%)	\$220 (4%)	
# Homes Reporting	147(20)		61(+11)		86 (+9)	20(+7)	
Daily Average	\$42 (+14%)		\$42 (3%)		\$38 (12%)	\$49.40(8%)	
# Homes Reporting	182	PT	90	PT	92	6(+2)	
Hourly Average	\$4.48(4%)	\$4.84	\$4.85 (5%)	\$5.00	\$4.06 (1%)	\$4.71	\$5.64 (7%)
<b>Two Year Olds</b>							
# Homes Reporting	284(-23)		123(+4)		161 (-27)	38(+10)	
Weekly Range	\$85-\$320		\$90-\$320		\$85-\$285	\$135-\$300	
Weekly Average	\$168 (5%)		\$172 (4%)		\$161 (6%)	\$208 (-1%)	
Daily Average	\$38(+6%)	PT	\$40(+3%)	PT	\$36(+9%)	PT	\$47.61 (6%)
Hourly Average	\$4.42(4%)	\$4.77	\$4.57(3%)	\$4.78	\$4.04(+1%)	\$4.64	\$5.60 (8%)
<b>Preschool Ages 3-5</b>							
# Homes Reporting	260 (-35)		99(-13)		161(-22)	31(+7)	
Weekly Range	\$75-\$260		\$100-\$260		\$75-\$250	\$135-\$260	
Weekly Average	\$160 (4%)		\$171 (3%)		\$153 (4%)	\$198 (0%)	
# Homes Reporting	133 (-1)		52 (-1)		81(0)	18(+5)	
Daily Average	\$37 (6%)		\$40 (3%)		\$34(+5%)	\$46.31 (2%)	
# Homes Reporting	165	PT	78(+28)	PT	75(-13)	6 (0%)	
Hourly Average	\$4.25 (0%)	\$4.73	\$4.60 (1%)	\$4.85	\$3.95 (-1%)	\$4.65	\$5.30 (2%)
<b>School Age</b>							
Hourly Average	147(7)		62(+2)		85(+5)	13(+2)	
Summer Weekly Range	\$4.71(3%)		\$4.80(2%)		\$4.72 (8%)	\$5.65 (1%)	
Summer Weekly Av.	\$75-\$250		\$75-\$250		\$80-\$225	\$140-\$220	
Summer Daily Av.	\$156 (7%)		\$165 (5%)		\$150 (8%)	\$183(2%)	
	\$34 (7%)		\$37 (2%)		\$32 (9%)	\$41 (0%)	

**MARCH 2004 AVERAGE RATES DANE COUNTY FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES  
BY TYPE OF REGULATION**

	<b>All Types</b>	<b>Licensed</b>	<b>Certified</b>	<b>Provisional</b>	<b>City Accredited</b>
<b>Infants Under 1</b>					
# Homes Reporting	302(+3)	185	91	26	40 (+13)
Weekly Range	\$75-\$320	\$100-\$320	\$75-\$269	\$120-\$225	\$135-\$320
Weekly Average	\$178 (6%)	\$180	\$179	\$157	\$224 (5%)
# Homes Reporting	148(+24)	95	35	18	20 (+6)
Daily Average	\$40 (7%)	\$42	\$38	\$36	\$49.65(3%)
# Homes Reporting	114	41	46	27	9
Hourly Average	\$4.50 (3%)	\$4.44	\$4.48	\$4.63	\$5.64(3%)
<b>Toddlers (Age 1-2)</b>					
# Homes Reporting	298 (-2)	183	89	26	28(+1)
Weekly Range	\$75-\$320	\$110-\$320	\$75-\$250	\$120-\$225	\$135-\$320
Weekly Average	\$174 (5%)	\$177	175	149	\$220 (4%)
# Homes Reporting	147(20)	94	34	19	20(+7)
Daily Average	\$42 (+14%)	\$46	\$38	\$32	\$49.40(8%)
# Homes Reporting	113	40	46	27	6(+2)
Hourly Average	\$4.48(4%)	\$4.48	\$4.48	\$4.45	\$5.64 (7%)
<b>Two Year Olds</b>					
# Homes Reporting	284(-23)	177	82	25	38(+10)
Weekly Range	\$85-\$320	\$100-\$300	\$85-\$250	\$100-\$200	\$135-\$300
Weekly Average	\$168 (5%)	\$171	\$170	\$144	\$208 (-1%)
Daily Average	\$38(+6%)	\$40	\$37.00	\$31.00	\$47.61 (6%)
Hourly Average	\$4.42(4%)	\$4.43	\$4.55	\$4.29	\$5.60 (8%)
<b>Preschool Ages 3-5</b>					
# Homes Reporting	260 (-35)	163	74	23	31(+7)
Weekly Range	\$75-\$260	\$100-\$260	\$85-\$250	\$75-\$200	\$135-\$260
Weekly Average	\$160 (4%)	\$163	\$160	146	\$198 (0%)
# Homes Reporting	133 (-1)	88	30	15	18(+5)
Daily Average	\$37 (6%)	\$38	\$36	\$31.00	\$46.31 (2%)
# Homes Reporting	110	39	44	27	6 (0%)
Hourly Average	\$4.25 (0%)	\$4.25	\$4.36	\$4.17	\$5.30 (2%)
<b>School Age</b>					
# Homes Reporting	147(7)	86	48	13	13(+2)
Hourly Average	\$4.71(3%)	\$4.90	\$4.55	\$4.14	\$5.65 (1%)
Summer Weekly Range	\$75-\$250	\$100-\$250	\$75-\$200	\$80-\$200	\$140-\$220
Summer Weekly Av.	\$156 (7%)	\$160	\$155.00	\$134.00	\$183(2%)
Summer Daily Av.	\$34 (7%)	\$35	\$33.00	\$28.00	\$41 (0%)

**COMPARISON OF WEEKLY RATES BY REGULATION AND ACCREDITATION**

Countywide Rates	Licensed			Difference		Not Accredited		Difference	
Infants Under 1	Licensed	Certified	Difference	Provisonal	w Licensed	Accredited	Accredited	Difference	
Weekly Average	\$180	\$179	1%	\$157	13%	\$224	\$170	24%	
<b>Preschool Age 3-5</b>									
Weekly Average	\$163	\$160	2%	\$146	10%	\$198	\$157	21%	

## AVERAGE WEEKLY RATES IN FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES

Average weekly rates in family child care homes have increased 6% for children under age 2 and 4% for preschoolers age 3-5 since March, 2003. The following chart shows increases in average rates during the past 15 years.

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
<b>Under 2</b>															
Avg. Rate	\$81	\$89	\$96	\$104	\$106	\$117	\$124	\$128	\$136	\$142	\$153	\$157	\$160	\$168	\$178
% increase	8%	10%	8%	8%	2%	10%	6%	3%	5%	4%	8%	3%	2%	5%	6%
median	\$80	\$85	\$95	\$100	\$102	\$115	\$125	\$125	\$133	\$140	\$150	\$150	\$160	\$165	\$175
<b>Age 3-5</b>															
Avg. Rate	\$75	\$82	\$88	\$95	\$99	\$106	\$115	\$119	\$125	\$128	\$140	\$142	\$148	\$154	\$160
% increase	9%	8%	8%	7%	4%	7%	8%	3%	5%	2%	9%	1%	5%	4%	4%
median	\$75	\$80	\$85	\$90	\$100	\$100	\$110	\$115	\$125	\$125	\$125	\$140	\$150	\$150	\$160

### RACIAL CATEGORIES

RACE	All	State	Dual	4-C Certified		Accredited	
	Types	Licensed	Regulated	Regular	Provisional		
Asian		3%	3%	0%	1%	6%	1%
Biracial		1%	1%	0%	2%	0%	0%
Black		18%	2%	13%	32%	30%	10%
Hispanic		8%	2%	7%	14%	11%	25%
Native Ameri		3%	1%	0%	1%	0%	0
White		67%	91%	80%	50%	53%	64%
Total Sample		653	268	30	227	128	69

### RETENTION

The chart below illustrates the length of time that providers have been in business.

Years	State		4-C		4-C		Madison	
	Licensed		Certified		Provisional		Accredited	
<1	5	2%	23	10%	13	11%	1	2%
1	21	7%	79	34%	48	39%	8	14%
2	26	9%	35	15%	21	17%	10	17%
3	17	6%	27	12%	15	12%	6	10%
4	21	7%	16	7%	9	7%	1	2%
5	11	4%	12	5%	7	6%	2	3%
6	16	6%	8	3%	2	1%	4	7%
7	11	4%	10	4%	2	1%	2	3%
8	11	4%	8	3%	2	1%	3	5%
9	16	6%	4	2%	1	1%	2	3%
10 to 20	108	38%	11	5%	4	4%	14	24%
21 to 35	20	7%	1	<1%	0	0%	5	9%
Total	283	100%	234	100%	124	100%	58	100%

## 2004 FAMILY CHILD CARE BENEFITS

Family child care providers receive benefits predominately through contractual arrangements with their customers. There was a large drop in the percentage of providers reporting having respite care arrangements. It is believed that this is related to a more stringent definition of respite care in this year's survey. The number of family child care homes without health insurance increased 5%. In an additional 3%, the provider's children are covered but the provider is not. 8% of the insured (a 6% increase) are on Medicaid and another 8% have insurance through a second job. Highest at risk are single women, since 70% of the providers with insurance receive their insurance coverage through their spouses. The percentage listed is the percent of the providers surveyed in a category reporting that benefit.

	Dane	Madison	Outside Madison	Madison Accredited
Use Contracts	96%	96%	97%	100%
Payment for holidays	87%	83%	88%	95%
Average # holidays	7.7	8.2	7.6	9.0
Payment when				
children are ill	83%	79%	87%	97%
children on vacation	60%	54%	65%	78%
provider is ill	46%	51%	44%	79%
(Average # days paid)	4.7	4.6	4.80	5.8
provider on vacation	59%	59%	59%	86%
( Average # days paid)	9.4	9.6	8.5	11.50
Provider has health insurance	84%	83%	88%	92%
Provider has respite care	27%	28%	24%	100%
Provider is in support group	43%	33%	39%	100%
Car Insurance	86%	86%	87%	100%
Liability Insurance	70%	66%	75%	100%

<b>Dane County Family Child Care Additional Fees</b>									
Listed on NACCRRWARE as of 8/26/04									
	<b>Licensed Home</b>			<b>Certified Home</b>			<b>Provisional Home</b>		
	Total Records: 304			Total Records: 244			Total Records: 133		
	Records with Responses 264			Responses 199			Responses 90		
	Response Rate 87%			Response Rate 83%			Response Rate 68%		
	% of	% of		% of	% of		% of	% of	
<b>Fee</b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Records</b>	<b>Responses</b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Records</b>	<b>Responses</b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Records</b>	<b>Responses</b>
Activity Field Trip	6	2%	2%	4	2%	2%	0	0%	0%
Holding Fee	48	16%	18%	20	8%	10%	12	9%	13%
Late Pick-Up	169	56%	64%	124	51%	62%	54	40%	60%
Meal Snack	4	1%	2%	0	0%	0%	1	1%	1%
One Time Enrollment	76	25%	29%	63	26%	32%	16	12%	18%
Yearly Registration	31	10%	12%	18	7%	9%	8	6%	9%
Security Deposit	49	16%	19%	28	11%	14%	8	6%	9%
Supply Fee	6	2%	2%	9	4%	5%	2	2%	2%
Transportation	3	1%	1%	10	4%	5%	4	3%	4%

Non Accredited Rates	Outside			Countywide		
Infants Under 1	Madison	Madison	Difference	Accredited	Non-Accredited	
Weekly Average	\$175	\$167	5%	\$224	\$170	24%
Preschool Ages 3-5						
Weekly Average	\$164	\$152	7%	\$198	\$157	21%