

Washington's Workforce Today and Tomorrow The State of Child Care in Grant County Washington



Approximately 20.6% of children under age 18 are living in poverty ¹



Approximately 60% of children under age 6 live in homes where all adults work ¹



Are young children in Grant County ready for kindergarten when they enter?

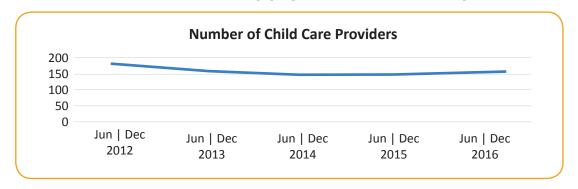


Only 35% of children in Grant County demonstrate characteristics of entering kindergartners in 6 of 6 domains. ²



Only 29% of low-income children in Grant County demonstrate characteristics of entering kindergartners in 6 of 6 domains. ² Nearly 95,000 people call Grant County home.
Almost 8,000 are children younger than 5 years old. 3

Child care supply in Grant County



In Grant County, the number of child care providers has dropped from 179 with capacity for 2,843 children in 2012, to 152 providers with capacity for 2,568 children in December 2016.*

Notes:

- * Licensed child care and exempt school-age programs only in Grant County
- 1. U.S. Census Bureau, 2015

- Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction, WA State Report Card, WaKIDS data, 2016-17 school year, Ephrata, Grand Coulee, Moses Lake, Quincy, Soap Lake school districts.
- WA State Office of Financial Management, 2016