



State of Nevada Child Care Ratios

Please note that these are **general guidelines**. For more information, contact the licensing agency in your area: Washoe County (775) 337-4470 • Elko, Esmeralda, Eureka, Humboldt, Lander, Lincoln, Nye, Pershing, or White Pine County (775) 753-1237 • Carson, Churchill, Douglas, Lyon, Mineral, or Storey County (775) 684-4463.

Child care provider qualifications: At least 18 yrs of age, have current CPR certification, training in first aid, communicable disease prevention, and child abuse and neglect. In addition, all staff members and volunteers are required to have current, negative TB tests on file and pass a fingerprint background check. Child care providers in centers can be between 16-18 years old if they meet additional educational requirements.

Centers		
Operating from: 6:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.		
Age of <u>ALL</u> Children in Room	# Caregivers	# Children
Under 9 mos.	1	4
9 mos.-18 mos.	1	6
18 mos.-3 yrs.	1	8
<i>Note to above ratios: If nursery contains children from different age groups (e.g., birth to 2 years), the ratio is determined by taking the average age of the children in the room. In addition, if there are more than 6 children in the facility, there must be at least 2 caregivers on duty in the facility.</i>		
Older than 2 years, but less than 3 years	1	10
2 years and older (beyond 3 years old) 	1	1-6
	2	7-20
	3	21-35
	4	36-50
	5	51-65
	6	66-80
	7	81-93
<i>For every 13 children in excess of 93, one (1) additional caregiver.</i>		
Operating from: 9:00 p.m. to 6:30 a.m.		
All Ages 	1	1-15
	2	16-31
	3	32-46
	4	47-61
	<i>For every 15 children in excess of 61 one (1) additional caregiver.</i>	

Family Child Care Homes	
A private residence where the licensee resides and provides care to between 2-6 children.	
Age of Children	Maximum # of Children
Birth-1 year	2
Birth-2 years	4 (only 2 can be under 1 year-old)
All Ages	6*
<i>*Can care for 3 additional school-age children (ages 6-16) part-time with written permission from licensing. Provider's own children under the age of 10 must also be counted as additional children.</i>	

Group Child Care Homes		
Usually an occupied private residence wherein the licensee regularly provides care to 7-12 children.		
Ages of Children	# Caregivers	# Children
Birth-1 year (4 maximum)	1	1-2
	2	3-4
Birth-2 years (8 maximum)	1	1-4
	2	5-8
All Ages (12 maximum)	2	1-6
	2	7-12*
<i>*Can care for 3 additional school-age children (ages 6-16) part-time with written permission from licensing. Provider's own children under the age of 10 must also be counted as additional children.</i>		





Average Cost of Child Care for Nevada

Below are the average rates for licensed child care providers in northern Nevada. These numbers are based on The Children's Cabinet 2008 Market Rate Survey. Please keep in mind these are average rates. Information on The Children's Cabinet subsidy program and other financial assistance options are available on the financial assistance options sheet.

Average Weekly Rates

Washoe County	Center	Family	Group
Infant (0-11months)	\$193.73	\$155.70	\$150.00
Toddler (12-35 months)	\$166.90	\$148.03	\$145.00
Preschool (3-5 years)	\$166.90	\$148.03	\$145.00
School Age (6+ years)	\$132.69	\$134.27	\$135.00

Carson / Douglas Counties	Center	Family	Group
Infant (0-11months)	\$146.11	\$131.25	\$150.00
Toddler (12-35 months)	\$133.40	\$130.00	\$150.00
Preschool (3-5 years)	\$118.94	\$130.00	\$150.00
School Age (6+ years)	\$107.73	\$135.00	\$150.00

Rural Nevada	Center	Family	Group
Infant (0-11months)	\$129.35	\$126.25	\$175.00
Toddler (12-35 months)	\$122.36	\$124.06	\$175.00
Preschool (3-5 years)	\$112.76	\$121.25	\$175.00
School Age (6+ years)	\$104.88	\$112.50	\$100.00

