

City of Berkeley Child Care Profile

Families and Children

Based on the 2000 U.S. Census, the City of Berkeley has just over 10,500 children aged 12 years old and younger, accounting for just over ten percent of the city's total population. Berkeley has a higher proportion of White and African American children (66 percent) than the county overall (46 percent). Berkeley children are more likely to use English at home, accounting for 77 percent of total of children aged five to 17 compared to 63 percent countywide.

Berkeley children under six years are more likely to be in households where both parents or a single-parent work than Alameda County children overall, with approximately 64 percent of children in households where both parents or a single-parent works. This is compared to 55 percent countywide. The same is true among older children, as 72 percent of Berkeley children aged six to 17 years are in households where both parents or a single-parent works compared to 63 percent countywide.

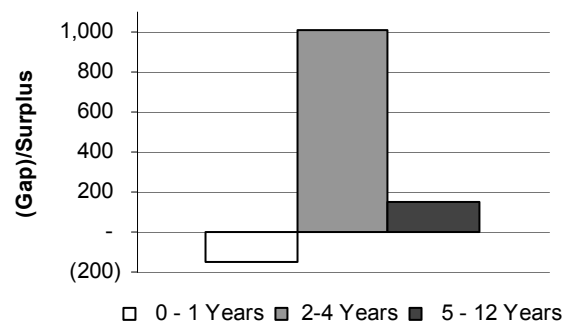
Child Care Demand and Supply

Compared to parents throughout the county, Berkeley parents with children aged two to four years old are more likely to demand licensed family child care or center-based care. Parents of approximately 55 percent of children two to four years old demand center-based or family child care which is similar to countywide demand (52 percent). Along with the higher demand for this age cohort, a significant proportion of the city's supply serves two to four year olds. Fifty-eight percent of Berkeley's child care supply is for preschool-age children, resulting in a surplus of over 1,000 slots. Berkeley has a deficit of about 150 slots for children birth to 24 months, and a surplus of almost 150 slots for school-age children.

Children living neighboring Emeryville and Albany are likely to access many Berkeley child care programs thereby reducing the overall estimated surplus of child care slots for school-age children and preschoolers. Also, a large number of children are served on the UC Berkeley campus, in centers specifically for children of faculty, staff and/or students. Many of these families often do not live in the Berkeley city limits. Slots on campus are generally open only to children of families affiliated with the University, so they do not meet the demand created by city residents who are not affiliated with the University.

In addition, these estimates of the supply of school-age care do not include a number of licensed-exempt facilities such as 21st Century Community Learning Centers (21st CCLC), After School Education and Safety (ASES) Programs, programs operated by the public libraries and some programs operated by city departments of parks and recreation. ASES and 21st CCLC serve at least 1,000 school-age children in the Berkeley Unified School District.

Berkeley ECE Supply, 2006



Special Populations

Similar to the county as a whole, just over ten percent of school-age children residing in Berkeley Unified School District are enrolled in special education. About one-fifth of school-age children are English Learners (EL), meaning that their family speaks a primary language other than English at home, and they are not yet considered to have the requisite English skills to succeed in the school's regular instructional programs. This is somewhat lower than the county-wide EL rate, which is 27 percent.

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Age by Race

Age Cohort	Non-Hispanic or Latino						Total
	Hispanic or Latino	White	Black or African American	Asian and Pacific Islander	Other Race (a)	Two or More Races	
Percent of All Children 0-12	16%	46%	20%	7%	2%	9%	100%
0 - 1 Years	312	844	230	127	20	153	1,686
2 - 4 Years	404	1,123	436	176	40	244	2,423
5 - 12 Years	994	2,859	1,484	478	120	533	6,468
13 Years +	8,291	51,865	11,557	16,080	711	3,662	92,166
Total 0-12 Years	1,710	4,826	2,150	781	180	930	10,577
Total Population	10,001	56,691	13,707	16,861	891	4,592	102,743

Age by Poverty Status, Children 17 Years and Younger

Age Cohort	Below 200% of Poverty		Above 200% of Poverty	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Under 5 years	895	24%	2,909	76%
5 years	156	21%	572	79%
6 to 11 years	1,318	27%	3,537	73%
12 to 17 years	1,222	26%	3,564	74%
Total	3,591	25%	10,582	75%

Language Spoken at Home, Children 5 to 17 Years

Language Spoken at Home	Number	Percent
English	8,127	77%
Spanish or Spanish Creole	1,203	11%
French (incl. Patois, Cajun)	241	2%
Chinese	217	2%
All Other Languages	737	7%
Total	10,525	100%

Workforce Status by Presence of Children in Families

Workforce Status by Age Cohort	Number	Percent
Under 6 years:		
Single working parent or both parents working	2,794	64%
One or more parents not working	1,588	36%
6 to 17 years:		
Single working parent or both parents working	6,648	73%
One or more parents not working	2,442	27%

Notes: (a) Other includes the category American Indian and Alaska Native
Sources: U.S. Census 2000 SF-1, SF-3; Bay Area Economics, 2006.

City of Berkeley Projections and Gap Analysis

Projections by Age Cohort

Age Cohort	2005	2006	2010	2015	% Children 0-12, 2006
Infants and Toddlers	2,306	2,283	2,195	2,018	19%
Preschoolers	3,313	3,281	3,155	2,901	28%
School-Age Children	6,259	6,351	6,733	7,321	53%

Licensed Child Care Demand by Age

	2006	2010	2015
Infant and Toddler	552	530	488
Preschool	1,813	1,744	1,603
School-Age	1,721	1,824	1,984

Licensed Child Care Supply by Age, 2006 (c)

	Full Time (a)	Part Time Only (b)	Total Full and Part Time
Infant and Toddler			
Family Child Care	124	10	134
Center-Based	262	9	271
<i>Subtotal</i>	386	19	405
Preschool			
Family Child Care	392	32	424
Center-Based	2,277	123	2,400
<i>Subtotal</i>	2,669	155	2,824
School-Age			
Family Child Care	130	10	140
Center-(After/Before School)	50	1,679	1,729
<i>Subtotal</i>	180	1,689	1,869

Licensed Child Care Gap Analysis by Age

	Surplus/(Gap)			
	Full Time (a)		Total Full and Part Time	
	2006	2010	2006	2010
Infant and Toddler	(166)	(102)	(147)	(125)
Preschool	856	925	1,011	1,080
School-Age	(1,541)	(1,644)	148	45
Total	(851)	(821)	1,012	1,000

Notes: (a) Includes full time centers that also offer part time care.

(b) Represents centers only offering part time care. Part time care is 30 hours or less per week.

(c) Assumes supply remains constant from 2006 to 2010

(d) Numbers in parentheses denote additional supply or surplus.

Sources: Association of Bay Area Governments Census Tract Projections 2005; U.S. Census 2000 SF-1 and SF-3; BANANAS; 4Cs of Alameda County; Child Care Links; National Survey of American Families, 2002; Bay Area Economics, 2006.

City of Berkeley & Berkeley Unified School District Special Populations Profile

Special Education Enrollment (2004-05)¹

Age Cohort	Number
0 - 1 Years	11
2 - 4 Years	48
5 - 12 Years	582
Total 0-12 Years	641

Sources: Regional Center of the East Bay (birth through two years); plus DataQuest (birth through 12 years).

Notes: RCEB information (most of the birth through two) is based on family's address. DataQuest information (all of three-year old and above) reflects the number of students in special education residing in the school district and not those served by the school district.

¹ RCEB data is from March 2006; DataQuest information is from the 2004-05 school year.

California Children's Services Clients (May, 2006)

Age Cohort	General Caseload	Medical Therapy Program
0 - 1 Years	34	4
2 - 4 Years	23	2
5 - 12 Years	72	25
Total 0-12 Years	129	31

¹ RCEB data is from March 2006; DataQuest information is from the 2004-05 school year.

Source: California Children's Services;

Notes: City is based on family address. Children in the medical therapy program are a subset of the general caseload.

Children Receiving County Mental Health Services (July 2004 to June 2005)

Age Cohort	Number
0 - 1 Years	6
2 - 4 Years	17
5 - 12 Years	181
Total 0-12 Years	204

Source: Alameda County Behavioral Health Care Services;

Note: City based on family address.

English Learners in the School District (2004-05)

	Number	Percent of Enrollment
Grades K-6	827	19%

Source: Data Quest

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Children from Migrant Families in the School District (Fall, 2005)

There is no migrant program in Berkeley USD.

Children from Families Receiving Public Assistance (March, 2006)

Age Cohort	Cash Assistance					Total
	Cal-WORKS	Adoption Assistance/ KinGAP	Foster Care	Food Stamps	Medi-CAL	
0 - 1 Years	118	2	18	15	152	305
2 - 4 Years	187	6	17	39	222	471
5 - 12 Years	487	37	25	82	416	1,047
Total 0-12 Years	792	45	60	136	790	1,823

Source: Alameda County Social Services

Notes: These are unduplicated counts. Adoption Assistance, KinGAP, and Foster Care numbers refer only to children who were living in Alameda County when they were removed from their family and whose foster/adoptive arrangement is in Alameda County.

Children with Substantiated Maltreatment Reports (January to December, 2005)

Age Cohort	Number
0 - 1 Years	2
2 - 4 Years	7
5 - 12 Years	27
Total 0-12 Years	36

Source: Alameda County Social Services