

CCR&R Region 9 Fact Sheet

Counties in Region

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Regional Demographics

Total children ages 0-5	31,809
Total children ages 6-14	54,744
% of families with children 0-5 with all parents working	65%
% of families with children 6+ with all parents working	69%
Number of regulated early care & school age education programs	322
Number of 4-5 star early care & school age education programs	231
# of children enrolled in regulated early care & school age education programs	11,318
% of children enrolled in 4-5 star early care & school age education programs	76%
Size of early care & school age education workforce	1,669

Data sources: NC Office of Budget and Management, American Community Survey (2015-17), and NC Division of Child Development (May 2019)

Regional CCR&R Services (FY19)

Working families who received education and assistance finding child care (# of children served): 721
Child care classrooms/homes that received technical assistance to improve/maintain their quality: 384
Child care professionals who received training and professional development: 1,670

Service Highlights:

Parent after receiving referral services: ***"I learned so much during the call from the referral specialist today. I never thought about all the questions you could ask the centers and what to look for. I feel more confident about finding care for my first child."***

Professional development participant: ***"I feel wonderful about what I have learned. I took this class so I could learn more about Early Childhood Education. This has given me a lot of information that I can use right away to make positive changes in how I interact with children. I learned how important it is to play with kids, not just be present. So often we get busy with things and distractions that it is hard to truly be engaged. I will strive to be more involved and interact with the children, not just being a caregiver, but to be more involved in everything they do."***

Child Care Provider who received technical assistance: ***"She is always bringing new, fun & innovative ideas to our child care center. She is very informative on updates as well as a refreshing reminder of local and state requirements."***

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