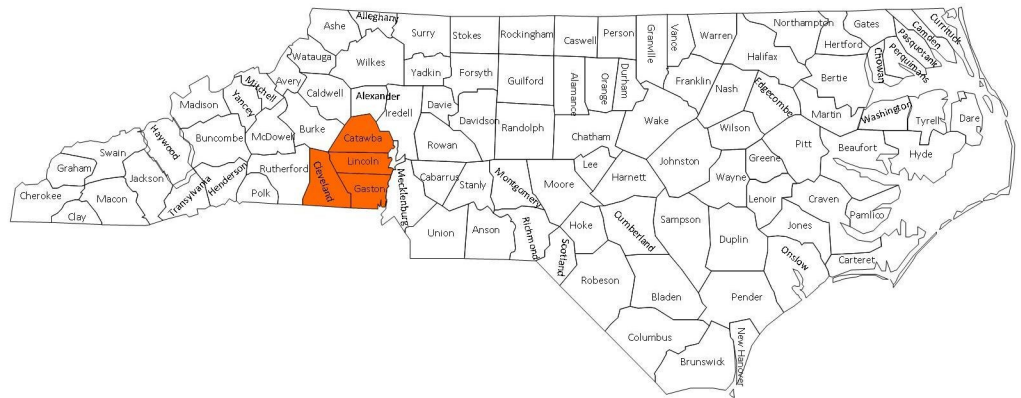


CCR&R Region 7 Fact Sheet

Counties in Region

Catawba
Cleveland
Gaston
Lincoln



CCR&R Regional Lead Agency

Child Care Connections of Cleveland Co.
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Regional Demographics

Total children ages 0-5	37,066
Total children ages 6-12	45,402
% of families with children 0-5 with all parents working	70%
% of families with children 6+ with all parents working	74%
Number of regulated early care & school age education programs	282
Number of 4-5 star early care & school age education programs	213
# of children enrolled in regulated early care & school age education programs	11,495
% of children enrolled in 4-5 star early care & school age education programs	73%
Size of early care & school age education workforce	1,906

Data sources: NC Office of Budget and Management, American Community Survey (2016-2020 est.), and NC Division of Child Development (2022).

Regional CCR&R Services (FY22)

Working families who received education and assistance finding child care (# of children served): **1,381**
Child care classrooms/homes that received technical assistance to improve/maintain their quality: **649**
Child care professionals who received training and professional development: **1,834**

Service Highlights:

Parent who received referral services, ***“Hope the program endures for a very long time. It was so helpful for me to be able to call one place and have knowledgeable staff assist me with finding child care. In addition, (they gave) me the tools to make a good decision and know what to look for in a child care facility.”***

Early Care and Education Provider, ***“I love the Technical Assistant from the CCR&R. I will always need and appreciate their services. They help take care of me and my business.”***

Early Care and Education Provider, ***“Trainings and workshops through the CCR&R are invaluable to child care teachers.”***

Family Child Care Home Provider, ***“The Children’s Resource Center was very helpful in helping me get my Family Child Care Home business up and running and have also helped me grow my business through their referral services.”***

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