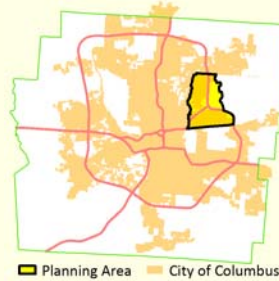


Northeast

The Northeast planning area spans both I-270 and I-670 and is bound by Morse Road to the north, Big Walnut Creek and I-270 to the east, Conrail Railroad to the south and Alum Creek to the west. The area is home to 29,800 people, and 10.4% are under age six. Of those children, 40% are living in households that are below 125% of the Federal Poverty Level, compared to 30% countywide.

The availability of proximal and affordable child care is critical to the local economy as it enables parents and caregivers to work or further their education. The potential demand for child care exceeds the area supply. Among the 27 planning areas in the county, the Northeast area was one of six areas to have a demand to supply ratio (4.8 to 1) that exceeds 3 to 1, after adjusting for parental labor force status.

Northeast and Greenlawn/Frank Road areas have the highest ratios in the county of jobs to under age six child care slots—indicating the most underserved employment areas. Northeast has the second highest ratio at 111.3 jobs for each slot. The area’s average weekly costs for center-based child care are some of the lowest in the county. There are seven child care centers, and four of them are accredited or quality rated.

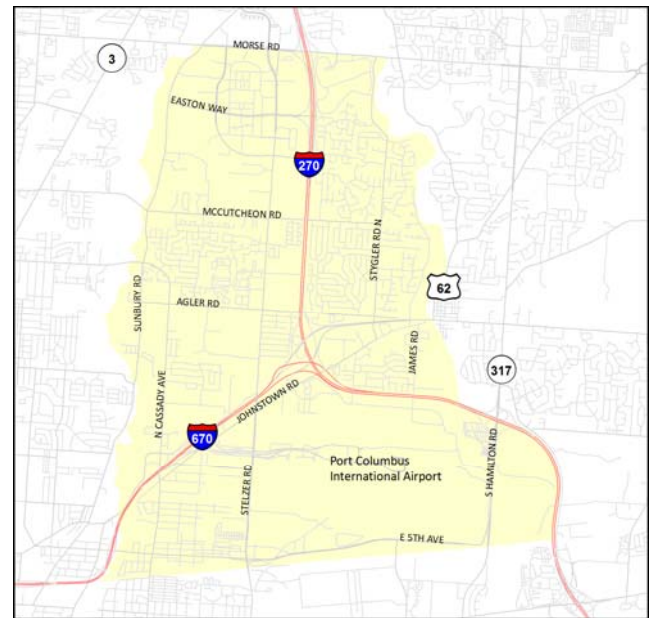


Potential demand for child care compared to area supply

Age level	Children	Slots	Child to slot ratio	County ratio
Infants*	850	79	10.8	5.2
Toddlers*	782	102	7.7	3.0
Preschoolers*	1,475	230	6.4	2.8
School-age**	2,921	341	8.6	5.7
Under age 6***	3,107	450	6.9	3.1
Under age 6 labor force adj.	2,146	450	4.8	2.1

*Center-based slots **Center and after school provider slots

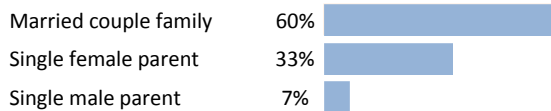
***Center and family child care (FCC) slots, with 3 slots per FCC provider



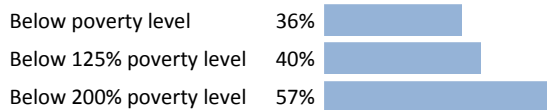
Characteristics of young children in the area

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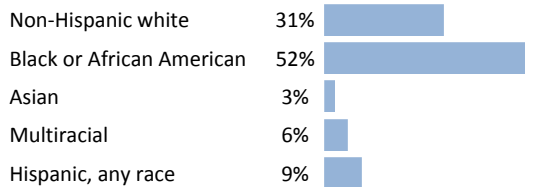
Family type for children under age 6



Household income for children under age 6

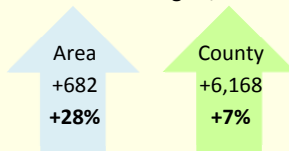


Race/ethnicity for children under age 5

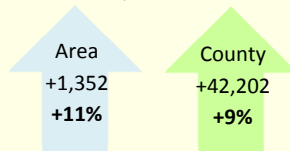


Population trend and household projection

Children under age 6, 2000-2010



Households, 2010-2020

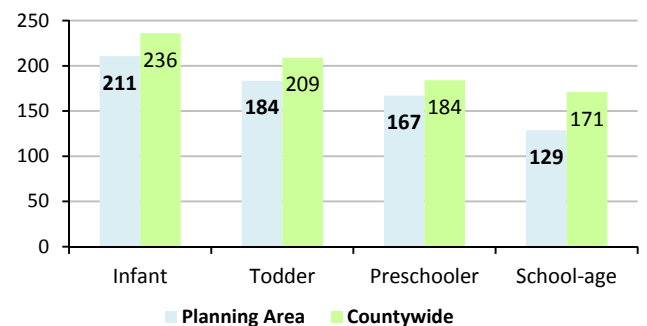


Data sources and notes

Capacity data in this brief refer to child care providers registered with Action for Children or certified through Franklin County Job and Family Services.

- Action for Children NACCRRRA database – capacity (August 2011) and slot-weighted average cost for center-based full-day, full-week care (2010)
- U.S. Census 2010 – potential demand by age level, family type, and race/ethnicity
- American Community Survey, 2005-2009 – income and parental labor force adjustment factor (children assumed in need of care only if all present parents in labor force)
- MORPC – household projections, 2010-2035 (extrapolated for 2020 by CRP)
- Ohio Department of Education – active public and private elementary schools (2012)

Average weekly cost of center-based child care (in \$)



Providers in the area by accreditation or quality rating

Provider type	Total	Accredited or quality rated	2 or 3 stars in Step Up to Quality
Centers	7	4	1
Accept infants	5	3	1
Accept toddlers	6	3	1
Accept preschoolers	7	4	1
Accept school-age	6	4	1
Preschools	4	1	0
After school providers	3	0	
Family child care	13	2	

Elementary schools and child care centers in the area

Type	Name	District
School	Cassady Alternative	Columbus City
School	Chapelfield	Gahanna-Jefferson City
School	Columbus Adventist Academy	Nonpublic School
School	Columbus Performance Academy	Charter School
School	East Columbus	Columbus City
School	Goshen Lane	Gahanna-Jefferson City
School	Royal Manor	Gahanna-Jefferson City
Center	Chase Back-Up Child Care Center	
Center	Come 'N Play	
Center	Gahanna Children's College	
Center	Kinder Care Learning Center	
Center	Precious Jewels Early Learning Center	
Center	The Learning Resource Center	
Center	YMCA Early Learning Center	

This list reflects child care centers as of August 2011 and elementary schools as of March 2012. Elementary schools are included here as a reference for the community and are not a component of the supply and demand analysis.

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