

# South Linden

The South Linden area of Franklin County is bound by East Hudson Street and Mock Road to the north, Alum Creek to the east, and the Conrail Railroad and I-670 to the south and west. The area is home to 21,100 people, and has the highest proportion of black or African American inhabitants in Franklin County. An estimated 9.7% of the population are children under age six and, of these, 71% are living in households below 125% of the Federal Poverty Level—more than double the countywide estimate of 30%.

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. South Linden's ratio of potential demand to supply for children under age six of 1.2 to 1 is less than the countywide ratio of 2.1 to 1, after adjusting for parental labor force status.

The average weekly costs for center-based child care in South Linden are some of the lowest in the county, and of the 21 child care centers in the area, five of them are accredited or quality rated.

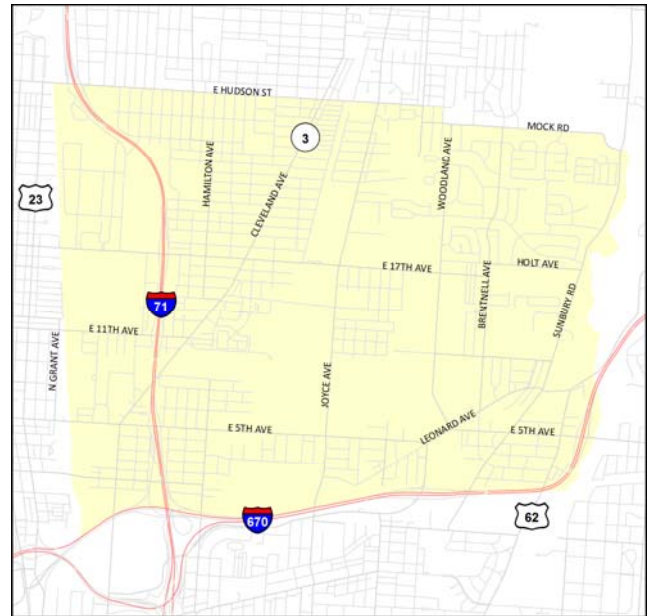


## Potential demand for child care compared to area supply

Age level	Children	Slots	Child to slot ratio	County ratio
Infants*	504	166	3.0	5.2
Toddlers*	538	341	1.6	3.0
Preschoolers*	1,010	723	1.4	2.8
School-age**	2,405	451	5.3	5.7
Under age 6***	2,052	1,317	1.6	3.1
Under age 6 labor force adj.	1,573	1,317	1.2	2.1

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

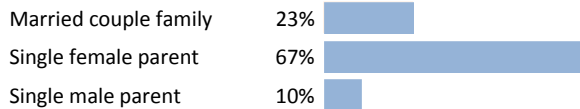
\*\*\*Center and family child care (FCC) slots, with 3 slots per FCC provider



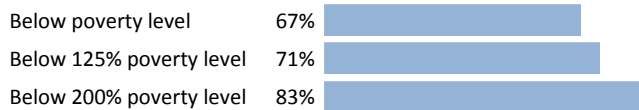
## Characteristics of young children in the area

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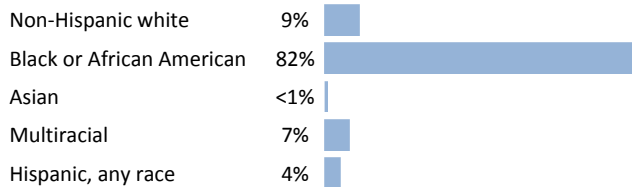
### Family type for children under age 6



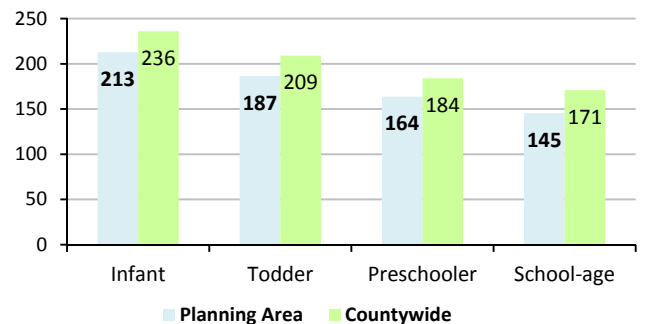
### Household income for children under age 6



### Race/ethnicity for children under age 5

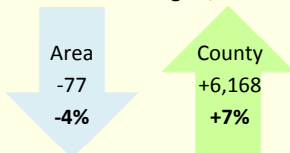


## Average weekly cost of center-based child care (in \$)

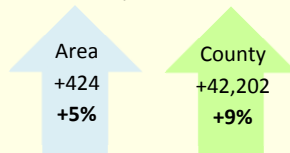


## Population trend and household projection

### 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)

## 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	21	5	2
Accept infants	11	3	1
Accept toddlers	19	5	2
Accept preschoolers	21	5	2
Accept school-age	17	3	1
Preschools	4	0	0
After school providers	1	0	
Family child care	29	0	

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## Elementary schools and child care centers in the area

Type	Name	District
School	C.M. Grant Leadership Academy	Charter School
School	Cesar Chavez College Prep	Charter School
School	Duxberry Park Alternative	Columbus City
School	Hamilton	Columbus City
School	Harambee Christian	Nonpublic School
School	Sonshine Christian Academy	Nonpublic School
School	South Mifflin	Columbus City
School	Windsor	Columbus City
Center	Brightside Academy Early Care and Education	
Center	Destinee and Friends Learning Center	
Center	F.C.I. Too! Early Learning Academy	
Center	G. Tyree Learning Center CDCFC Head Start	
Center	Global Child Care Center	
Center	Hebron Academy	
Center	I am a Miracle	
Center	Iqra Learning Center	
Center	Joyful Beginnings Children's Learning Academy	
Center	Lending Hand Daycare and Learning Center	
Center	Let The Children Come	
Center	Little Gems Learning Place	
Center	Mother's Helper Child Care Services III	
Center	Mother's Helper, Inc.	
Center	Rosewind CDCFC Head Start	
Center	Royal Child Day Care Center	
Center	Safe Haven Day Care & Learning Center	
Center	Safe Haven Day Care & Learning Center - Phase II	
Center	St. Stephen's Community House-Christ Child, Child Care Center	
Center	Unitee Child Care Center	
Center	YWCA Family 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.

**Action for Children is the source for child care and early learning services in central Ohio.**

A private, not-for-profit organization founded in 1972 and headquartered in Columbus, Action for Children works to provide parents, child care professionals, employers, and community stakeholders with information, referrals, resources and development opportunities.

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The full report by Community Research Partners and additional profiles are available at [www.actionforchildren.org](http://www.actionforchildren.org)