

West Olentangy

The West Olentangy area of Franklin County is bound by Henderson Road to the north, Scioto River to the south and west, and the Olentangy River to the east. The area is home to 61,300 people of which 6.1% are children under age six. West Olentangy has the second highest proportion in the county of married couple families, at 89%. Of the children under age six, 18% are living in households below 125% the Federal Poverty Level—below 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. West Olentangy's ratio of potential demand to supply for children under age six of 1.3 to 1 is less than the countywide ratio of 2.1 to 1, after adjusting for parental labor force status.

The average weekly costs of center-based child care in West Olentangy are some of the highest in Franklin County. Of the fourteen child care centers, nine are accredited or quality rated—resulting in a favorable ratio of potential demand to supply (1.9 to 1) for this type of care.

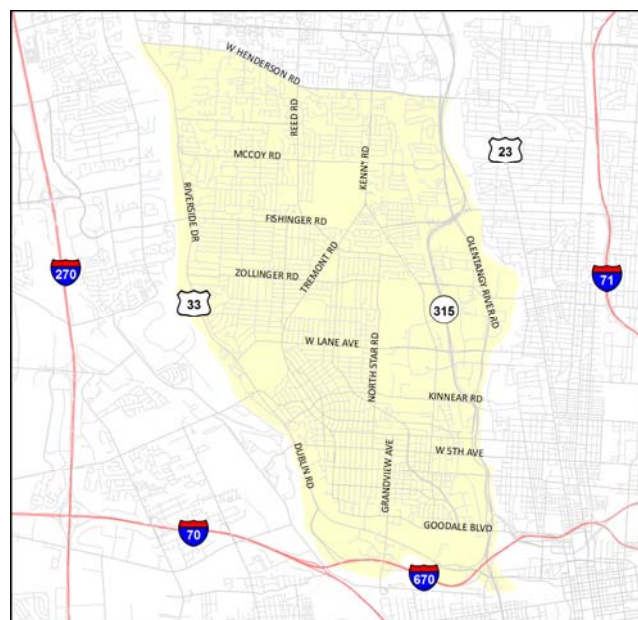


Potential demand for child care compared to area supply

Age level	Children	Slots	Child to slot ratio	County ratio
Infants*	953	271	3.5	5.2
Toddlers*	888	401	2.2	3.0
Preschoolers*	1,901	767	2.5	2.8
School-age**	4,667	1,230	3.8	5.7
Under age 6***	3,742	1,466	2.6	3.1
Under age 6 labor force adj.	1,920	1,466	1.3	2.1

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

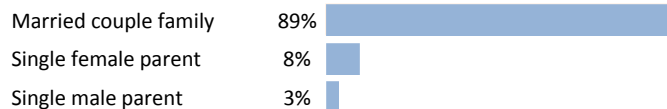
***Center and family child care (FCC) slots, with 3 slots per FCC provider



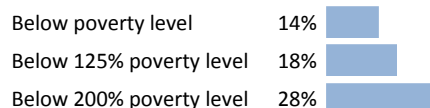
Characteristics of young children in the area

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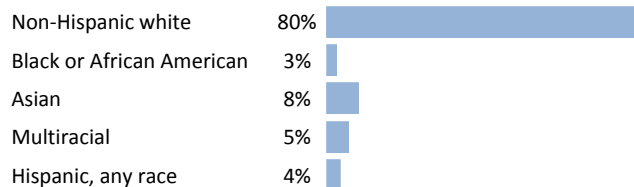
Family type for children under age 6



Household income for children under age 6

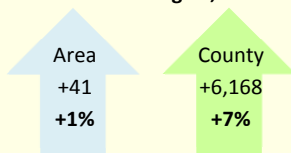


Race/ethnicity for children under age 5

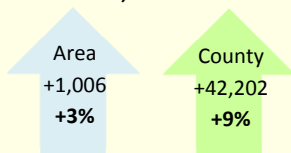


Population trend and household projection

Children under age 6, 2000-2010



Households, 2010-2020

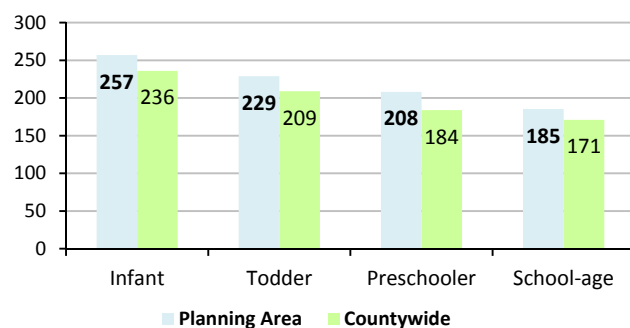


Data sources and notes

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	14	9	4
Accept infants	9	5	3
Accept toddlers	13	8	4
Accept preschoolers	14	9	4
Accept school-age	12	8	4
Preschools	10	4	4
After school providers	11	0	
Family child care	9	1	

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Elementary schools and child care centers in the area

Type	Name	District
School	Barrington Road	Upper Arlington City
School	Cranbrook	Columbus City
School	Ecole Kenwood Alternative	Columbus City
School	Educational Academy at Linden	Charter School
School	Educational Academy for Boys & Girls	Charter School
School	Greensview	Upper Arlington City
School	OSU Child Care Center	Nonpublic School
School	Robert Louis Stevenson	Grandview Heights City
School	St Agatha	Nonpublic School
School	St Andrew	Nonpublic School
School	St Timothy	Nonpublic School
School	Thomas A Edison Intermediate	Grandview Heights City
School	Tremont	Upper Arlington City
School	Trinity	Nonpublic School
School	W. C. Cupe College Prep	Charter School
School	Wickliffe Progressive Community	Charter School
School	Windermere	Upper Arlington City
Center	Arlington Childrens Center	
Center	Boulevard Presbyterian Preschool & Child Care	
Center	Burbank Early Childhood School	
Center	Fun-Damentals Learning Center	
Center	Holy Trinity Child Development Program	
Center	Kare-A-Lot (King Ave)	
Center	Kare-A-Lot (Riverside Dr)	
Center	LABC Child Nurturing Center	
Center	Little Dreamers Big Believers	
Center	Olentangy Church Child Care	
Center	OSU Child Care Center - Buckeye Village	
Center	OSU Child Care Program - Ackerman Rd	
Center	Riverside Children's Center (Bright Horizons)	
Center	Riverside Methodist Child Care	

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