

Westland

The Westland area is in the south and west portion of the county and is bound by I-70 to the north, I-270 and I-71 to the east and the county border to the south and west. Westland has the largest population of any planning area in Franklin County and is home to 90,400 people, of which 9.7% are children under the age of six. Of those children, 30% are living in households below 125% of the Federal Poverty Level.

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. For children under age six, after adjusting for parental labor force status, Westland is one of six planning areas (of 27) to have a child care demand to supply ratio (4.1 to 1) which exceeds 3 to 1. The area leads the county in the total number of children under age six who are underserved by child care supply of their home area.

Of the 16 child care centers in the area, five are accredited or quality rated. For children under age six, Westland is one of four areas in Franklin County which has a ratio of demand to supply which exceeds 11 to 1 for this type of care.

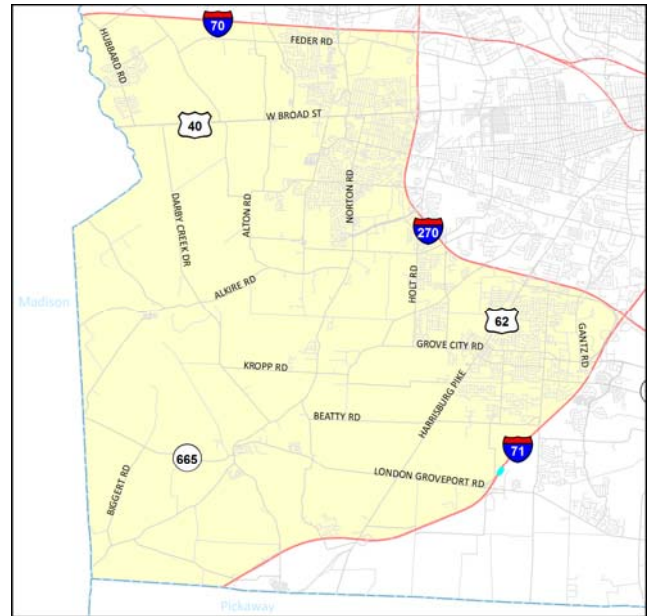


Potential demand for child care compared to area supply

Age level	Children	Slots	Child to slot ratio	County ratio
Infants*	2,287	167	13.7	5.2
Toddlers*	2,236	351	6.4	3.0
Preschoolers*	4,252	830	5.1	2.8
School-age**	8,939	1,189	7.5	5.7
Under age 6***	8,775	1,414	6.2	3.1
Under age 6 labor force adj.	5,731	1,414	4.1	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

100%

Family type for children under age 6

Married couple family	67%
Single female parent	24%
Single male parent	9%

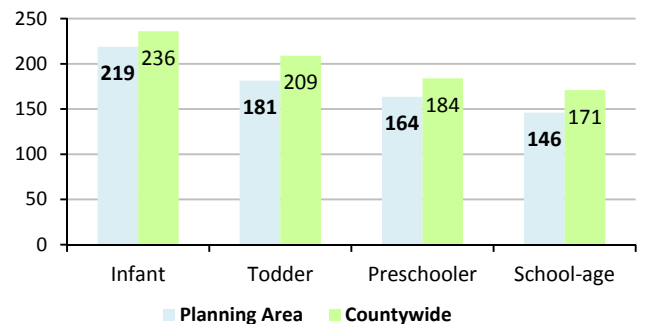
Household income for children under age 6

Below poverty level	23%
Below 125% poverty level	30%
Below 200% poverty level	46%

Race/ethnicity for children under age 5

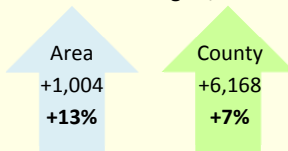
Non-Hispanic white	65%
Black or African American	9%
Asian	2%
Multiracial	8%
Hispanic, any race	16%

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

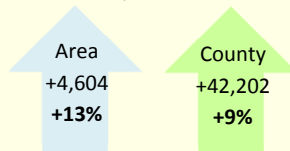


Population trend and household projection

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	16	5	0
Accept infants	13	3	0
Accept toddlers	16	5	0
Accept preschoolers	16	5	0
Accept school-age	16	5	0
Preschools	13	1	1
After school providers	11	0	
Family child care	22	0	

Elementary schools and child care centers in the area

Type	Name	District
School	Alton Hall	South-Western City
School	Beautiful Savior	Nonpublic School
School	Cypress Christian	Nonpublic School
School	Darby Woods	South-Western City
School	Darbydale	South-Western City
School	Galloway Ridge Intermediate	South-Western City
School	Grove City Christian	Nonpublic School
School	Hayes Intermediate	South-Western City
School	Highland Park	South-Western City
School	Holt Crossing Intermediate	South-Western City
School	JC Sommer	South-Western City
School	Monterey	South-Western City
School	Our Lady Of Perpetual Help	Nonpublic School
School	Park Street Intermediate	South-Western City
School	Prairie Lincoln	South-Western City
School	Prairie Norton	South-Western City
School	Richard Avenue	South-Western City
School	St Cecilia	Nonpublic School
School	Stiles	South-Western City
Center	A Child's Garden	
Center	Aminata's Day Care	
Center	Creative Child Care - West Broad	
Center	Cypress Christian Preschool & Daycare	
Center	Grove City Christian Child Care Center	
Center	Kiddy Grove Day Care	
Center	Kinder Care Learning Center (Fox Ridge St)	
Center	Kinder Care Learning Center (Norton Rd)	
Center	Kinder Care Learning Center (W Broad St)	
Center	Kinder Care Learning Center - Grove City	
Center	King's Kids Day Care Inc	
Center	Pollywogs Childcare	
Center	Purple Door Christian Child Care Center	
Center	Sunny Day Academy	
Center	The Enrichment Center-Grove City	
Center	The Sunshine House	

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