

State Family Child Care Home Rankings

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State	Final Score*	Percent of Total Score	Rank	Number of children when regulation begins**	Visit Before Licensing
Michigan***	0 (98)	0%(70%)	38	1	No
Delaware***	0 (75)	0%(54%)	39	1	No
Montana***	0 (62)	0%(44%)	40	3	No
Florida**	0 (59)	0%(42%)	41	3	No
Kansas***	0 (48)	0%(34%)	42	1	No
Georgia***	0 (47)	0%(33%)	43	4	No
West Virginia***	0 (46)	0%(33%)	44	5	No
Pennsylvania***	0 (38)	0%(27%)	45	4	No
Iowa***	0 (27)	0%(19%)	46	6	No
Idaho^	0	0%	52	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Louisiana	0	0%	52	7	Not Applicable
New Jersey	0	0%	52	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Ohio	0	0%	52	7	Not Applicable
South Dakota	0	0%	52	13	Not Applicable
Virginia	0	0%	52	7	Not Applicable
Total Maximum Points: 140					

*Final scores reflect an adjustment based on the number of children paid providers could care for before being licensed. States where that number was 7 or higher received zero points. In addition, states that do not inspect or visit family child care homes prior to issuing a license also received zero points.

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***These states received a zero because they do not inspect or visit family child care homes prior to issuing a license. The score these states otherwise would have received is listed to the right of the zero. They are ranked at the bottom of the chart after the 37th state in an order reflecting their total points. For example, Michigan is ranked #38 because of the states receiving zero, Michigan would have received the highest total of points. Delaware is ranked #39 because of the remaining states receiving zero, Delaware would have received the next highest total of points.

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alphabetical listing of states					
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Alabama	93	66%	5	1	Yes
Alaska	53	38%	20	5	Yes
Arizona	47	33%	26	6	Yes
Arkansas	33	24%	36	6	Yes
California	58	42%	15	2	Yes
Colorado	78	56%	9	2	Yes
Connecticut	69	50%	10	1	Yes
Delaware***	0 (75)	0 (54%)	39	1	No
Department of Defense	95	68%	4	1	Yes
District of Columbia	87	62%	6	1	Yes
Florida***	0 (59)	0% (42%)	41	3	No
Georgia***	0 (47)	0% (33%)	43	4	No
Hawaii	58	42%	15	3	Yes
Idaho	0	0%	52	Not Applicable	No
Illinois	67	48%	11	4	Yes
Indiana	34	25%	35	6	Yes
Iowa***	0 (27)	0% (19%)	46	6	No
Kansas***	0 (48)	0% (34%)	42	1	No
Kentucky	40	29%	30	5	Yes
Louisiana	0	0%	52	7	No
Maine	54	39%	19	4	Yes
Maryland	85	61%	7	1	Yes
Massachusetts	101	72%	3	1	Yes
Michigan***	0 (98)	0% (70%)	38	1	No
Minnesota	65	46%	12	3	Yes
Mississippi	46	33%	27	6	Yes
Missouri	36	26%	33	6	Yes
Montana***	0 (62)	0% (44%)	40	3	No
Nebraska	38	27%	31	5	Yes

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New Hampshire	62	44%	13	3	Yes
New Jersey	0	0%	52	Not Applicable	No
New Mexico	45	32%	28	5	Yes
New York***	52	37%	21	3	Yes
North Carolina	58	42%	15	4	Yes
North Dakota	36	26%	33	6	Yes
Ohio	0	0%	52	7	No
Oklahoma	105	75%	1	1	Yes
Oregon	48	34%	23	4	Yes
Pennsylvania***	0 (38)	0% (27%)	45	4	No
Rhode Island	62	44%	13	5	Yes
South Carolina	80	57%	8	1	Yes
South Dakota	0	0%	52	13	No
Tennessee	48	34%	23	5	Yes
Texas	57	41%	18	5	Yes
Utah	37	26%	32	6	Yes
Vermont	50	36%	22	3	Yes
Virginia	0	0%	52	7	No
Washington	103	74%	2	1	Yes
West Virginia***	0 (46)	0% (33%)	44	5	No
Wisconsin	48	34%	23	5	Yes
Wyoming	42	30%	29	4	Yes

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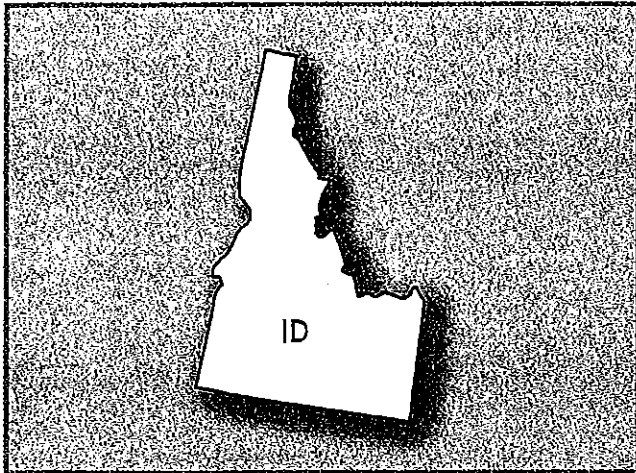
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State of Small Family Child Care Homes in Idaho

0% of total points	Score: 0/140 Rank: 52
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Number of children in care when state licensing begins:	Not Applicable
Inspection or visit before being licensed:	No



Strengths

- None, as Idaho does not license family child care providers at the state level.

Weaknesses

- Does not license at state level.

Average Price of Child Care in FCC Homes in 2006

For an infant*	\$5,009
For a 4-year-old	\$4,573

Supply of FCC Homes in 2006

Number of FCC homes	1,920
Number of spaces/slots in FCC homes	8,869

State of Small Family Child Care Homes in Idaho

Small Family Child Care Standards	
Standards for Ranking	Scores
1. Requires FCC homes to be inspected/visited before being licensed, at least quarterly, and when there is a complaint.*	<input type="radio"/>
2. Requires FCC home inspections/visits (quarterly and when there are complaints) to be unannounced.*	<input type="radio"/>
3. Requires licensed FCC providers; their substitutes and assistants; family members over 12 years of age; and exempt providers receiving subsidies to have a background check.	<input type="radio"/>
4. Background checks are based on fingerprints and include checks of state and federal criminal records, juvenile records, child abuse registries, and sex offender registries.	<input type="radio"/>
5. Requires FCC providers to have a high school diploma or GED, and have the CDA**, college courses in ECE*** or an Associate's degree within 3 years of starting to provide child care.	<input type="radio"/>
6. Requires FCC providers to have at least 40 hours of pre-service training (including CPR and first aid).	<input type="radio"/>
7. Requires FCC providers to have pre-service training in 8 specific areas.†	<input type="radio"/>
8. Requires FCC providers to have at least 24 hours of annual training (including CPR and first aid).	<input type="radio"/>

Small Family Child Care Standards	
Standards for Ranking	Scores
9. Requires FCC providers to communicate with parents, have contracts with parents, allow parents access to the home, inform parents on use of substitutes, and have written policies for parents.	<input type="radio"/>
10. Requires FCC providers to have toys and materials available in 8 different developmental areas.††	<input type="radio"/>
11. Requires FCC providers to plan a variety of learning activities, read to children; introduce mathematical concepts; offer creative activities, dramatic play and active play; encourage self-help skills; and limit use of television.	<input type="radio"/>
12. Limits the total number of children that can be cared for in a small FCC home based on the ages of children in care.	<input type="radio"/>
13. Addresses 10 critical health areas.****	<input type="radio"/>
14. Addresses 10 critical safety issues.*****	<input type="radio"/>

Key:



† Total points available is 140. Scores were adjusted based on the number of children the provider could care for for pay before being licensed – states where that # is 7 or higher receive 0. Additionally, states that do not inspect or visit before licensing receive 0. * Out of 50 states, the District of Columbia and the U.S. Department of Defense. † Using NACCRR's system of adding one child if the state does not include the provider's own children in establishing the licensing threshold and one for each family exempted before licensing begins. For example, if a state does not require licensing until children from a second unrelated family are in care, the state was given a threshold of 2.

** Credit is given for licensing, fire, safety and health inspections; †† Child Development Associate credential; ††† Early Childhood Education; † The 8 areas of pre-service training are child development, child abuse prevention, learning activities, health and safety, child guidance, business practice, CPR and first aid. ††† The 8 different types of toys and materials include those for motor development, language and literacy, art, math, science, dramatic play, books for all ages and materials that are culturally sensitive. †††† The 10 health areas are: handwashing, meals and snacks, immunizations, exclusion of ill children, universal health requirements, administration of medications, toxic substances, diapering/toileting, home sanitation, and weekend/evening care. ††††† The 10 safety areas are: SIDS prevention, discipline/prohibiting corporal punishment, crib safety, electrical hazards, protection from swimming pools and other water sources, fire drills/emergency plans, outdoor playground surfaces, supervision, door locks/safety gates, and transportation.

Source for regulatory information: State regulations reviewed by staff at the National Association of Child Care Resource & Referral Agencies in Fall 2007 and by state resource and referral and/or state licensing staff.

Source for capacity and price information: National Association of Child Care Resource & Referral Agencies and its members. All capacity and price information reported are 2006 data.

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