

CHILD CARE SUBSIDY PROGRAM

The Child Care Subsidy Program helps pay for child care costs. It helps many types of families. These include the following:

- Families who receive Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) and are participating in work programs
- Low-income, working families
- Some families in education or training activities. This provides help for keeping a job or getting a better job.
- Teen parents completing high school or their GED

For further information on the Child Care Subsidy Program:

- Call 1-888-369-4777
- Pick up an application at any DCF office
- Go online to www.dcf.ks.gov to fill out an application

To qualify:

- Persons must apply and be able to act on their own behalf.
- The family and the child must live in Kansas.
- They must provide all income information.
- If parents are absent from the home, the one in the home must work with Child Support Services.

The child must be under age 13. If a child age 13-18 cannot provide self-care, he/she may qualify for assistance in certain cases. Staff consider both physical and mental self-care skills. If a court oversees the child, he/she may qualify for assistance.

MAXIMUM HOURLY CHILD CARE BENEFIT RATES

| County | Home | | | | Centers | | | | |
|-----------|-------------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------|--------------|--------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| | Relative | | Licensed/Group | | Infant | Older Infant | Toddler | Preschool | School-age |
| | 18 months & under | over 18 months | under 18 months | over 18 months | 12 months & under | 13-18 months | 19-30 months | 31 months - 5 years | 6 years & older |
| Shawnee | \$1.31 | \$1.30 | \$2.22 | \$2 | \$3.36 | \$2.88 | \$2.88 | \$2.20 | \$2.05 |
| Sedgwick | \$1.31 | \$1.30 | \$2.36 | \$2 | \$3.39 | \$2.88 | \$2.88 | \$2.28 | \$2.27 |
| Wyandotte | \$1.31 | \$1.30 | \$2.34 | \$2 | \$3.36 | \$2.88 | \$2.88 | \$2.20 | \$2.01 |
| Finney | \$1.31 | \$1.30 | \$2.22 | \$2 | \$3.36 | \$2.88 | \$2.88 | \$2.20 | \$2.01 |

Income Information

Staff will consider the monthly income for each family member. The income includes wages before taxes and child support. Staff do not count some income, such as SSI and student loans. Most families must pay part of the child care costs.

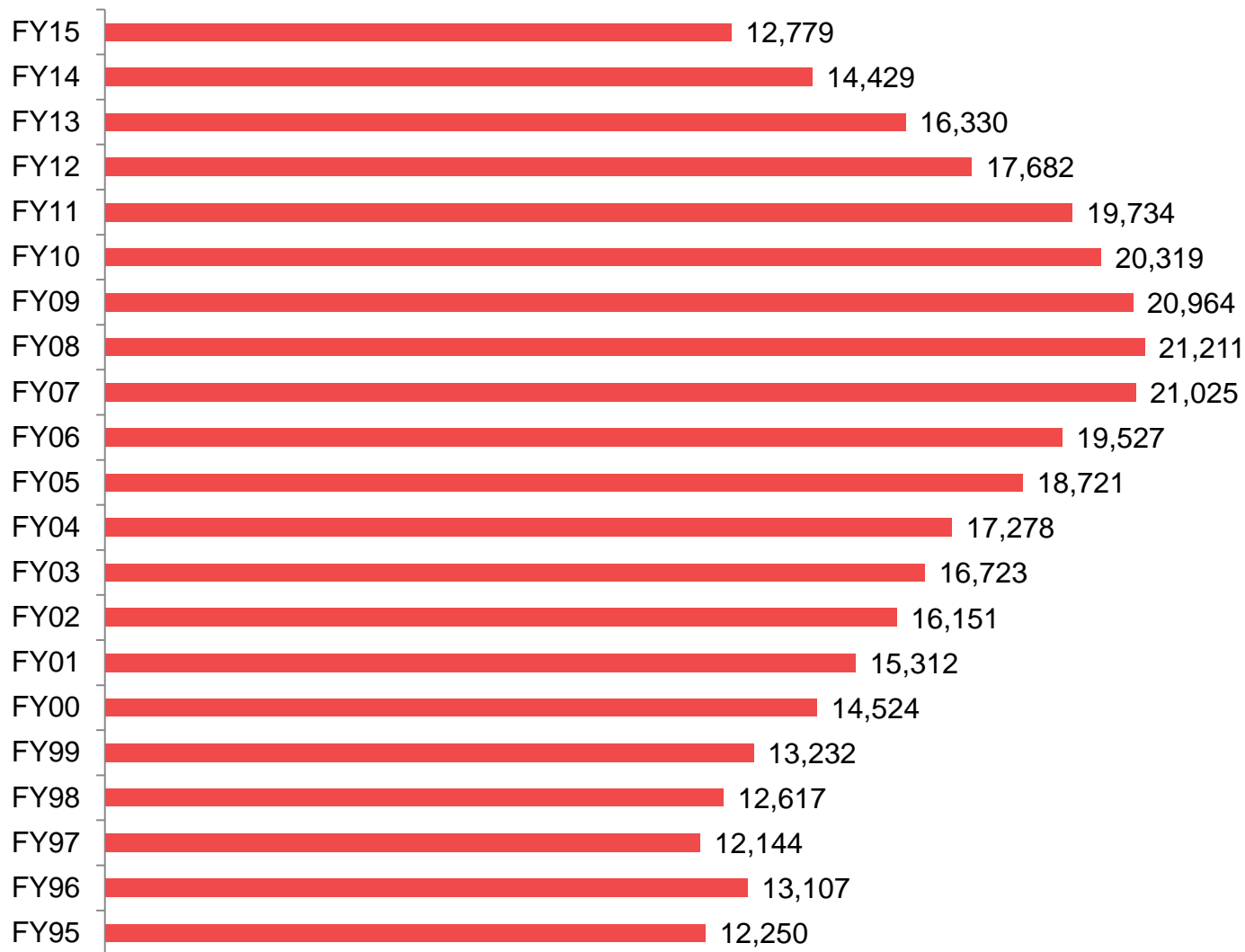
Assistance amounts vary by family, based on individual case circumstances. Example hourly rates are shown above.

For a complete list of rates, visit http://content.dcf.ks.gov/ees/KEESM/Appendix/C-18_ProviderRateCht.pdf

| Family size | Maximum monthly income |
|-------------|------------------------|
| 2 | \$2,457 |
| 3 | \$3,097 |
| 4 | \$3,739 |
| 5 | \$4,381 |
| 6 | \$5,021 |
| 7 | \$5,663 |
| 8 | \$6,305 |
| 9 | \$6,945 |
| 10 | \$7,587 |

MAXIMUM MONTHLY INCOME GUIDELINES





How Parents Pay

The Child Care Subsidy is issued to families using the Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) Kansas Benefits Card. It is similar to a debit card. Cash and Food Assistance are also issued through the Kansas Benefits Card. Assistance is put into a child care account on the Kansas Benefits Card on the first of every month. Families use this assistance to pay providers electronically during the month.



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| Cases | 6,276 |
| Children | 12,049 |
| Persons | 12,049 |
| Avg Cost Per Case | \$723.39 |
| Avg Cost Per Person | \$376.79 |
| Expenditures | \$4,539,986 |