



Child Care Provider Rate Schedule

OKDHS contracts with licensed child care facilities to provide child care for families through the child care subsidy program. This appendix provides information regarding the rates paid to child care facilities and how these rates are determined.

Child care rates: The rates paid by OKDHS are determined by the:

1. **star status of the facility.** The star status of a facility is determined by Oklahoma Child Care Services (OCCS) Licensing staff based on certain quality indicators. The higher the star status, the higher the reimbursement rate given by OKDHS. Increases in star status are effective the month after Licensing approval. Decreases in star status are effective four months after the provider is notified of the reduction.
2. **settings in which child care is provided.** Child care rates vary depending on whether care is given in a child care center, a child care home, or in the child's own home. The in-home child care rate is 90% of the rate paid to a one star child care home for a child of the same age. See page 3 of this chart for the one star child care home rates.
3. **child's age.** Age breakdowns are different for child care centers and homes. Age-driven rate changes are made effective the first of the month following the child's birth date. A child care authorization for a child attaining age 13 is closed effective the day before the child turns age 13. A child between the age of 13 and 19 who meets the OKDHS definition of a child with disabilities (OAC 340:40-7-3.1) or who is in the custody of OKDHS can receive child care benefits, if needed. OKDHS pays the same rate for the child's care as for a child between the ages of 73 months and 13 years.
4. **county in which the provider is located.** The charts show standard and enhanced area rates. Counties in the enhanced area are listed at the top of pages 3 through 6. Enhanced counties are determined by the market rate survey that is completed every two years by OCCS.
5. **unit type that is approved:**
 - **Full-time.** The full-time daily unit type is approved when the child needs care **more** than four hours per day and **less than 15 days** or **more than 23 days** per month.
 - **Part-time.** The part-time daily unit type is approved when the child needs four hours or fewer per day.
 - **Blended.** The blended unit types are approved when the child needs care four hours or fewer per day Monday through Friday when school is in session and more than four hours per day Monday through Friday on school holidays. The traditional blended unit type is effective from August 16th through May 15th of each year and payment reverts to the weekly unit type beginning May 16th through August 15th. The extended school year blended unit type is effective for the entire calendar year. The blended unit type is **not** approved if the:
 - facility is not open on school holidays;

- child requires more full-time days in addition to school holidays;
 - child does not need care on school holidays;
 - child uses a different facility for school holidays;
 - child only needs part-time care;
 - child uses more than one provider; or
 - child requires special needs or is using an in-home provider (provider comes to child's home).
- **Weekly.** The weekly unit type may be approved when care is needed **more** than four hours per day and at **least 15 days** and **no more than 23 days** per month. A weekly unit type is paid at the full-time daily rate for the number of days the child attends more than four hours. Absent day payments are made with the payment received after the tenth of the following month. A weekly unit type is **not** approved if the child:
 - requires any part-time care;
 - uses two different providers; or
 - is using an in-home provider (provider comes to child's home).
 - **Special needs (ages 0 to 19 years of age).** A special needs unit type, if approved, is paid in addition to the rate paid for a typical child of the same age. The child is not eligible for a special needs rate if the child does not meet the OKDHS definition of a child with disabilities (OAC 340:40-7-3.1). Form 08AD006E (ADM-123), Certification for Special Needs Child Care Rate, is completed. If the child qualifies, a special needs unit type is effective the month following the month eligibility is established. Child care authorizations for a child attaining age 19 are closed effective the day before the child turns age 19. If the parent qualifies, a weekly unit type may be approved for both the severe and moderate special needs categories. The two special needs categories are:
 - **moderate special needs rate:** Child care providers receive an additional \$8 for a full-time day and an additional \$6 for a part-time day for a child approved for the moderate special needs rate; and
 - **severe special needs rate:** Child care providers receive an additional \$14 for a full-time day and an additional \$10 for a part-time day for a child approved for the severe special needs rate.

Enhanced area counties: Caddo, Canadian, Cherokee, Cleveland, Comanche, Creek, Garfield, Kay, Logan, McCurtain, Oklahoma, Ottawa, Payne, Pittsburg, Pottawatomie, Tulsa, Wagoner, Washington, and Woods.

See pages 4, 5, and 6 for more information on rates.

One star child care centers

Age of child	Standard area				Enhanced area			
	Daily rates		Blended rates		Daily rates		Blended rates	
	Full	Part	Traditional	Extended	Full	Part	Traditional	Extended
0 - 12 months	\$15.50	\$11	NA	NA	\$15.50	\$11	NA	NA
13 - 24 months	\$15.50	\$11	NA	NA	\$15.50	\$11	NA	NA
25 - 48 months	\$13.25	\$ 9	NA	NA	\$13.50	\$ 9	NA	NA
49 - 72 months	\$13.50	\$ 9	\$10	\$11	\$13.50	\$ 9	\$10	\$11
73 months - 13 years	\$11.25	\$ 7	\$ 8	\$ 9	\$11.25	\$ 7	\$ 8	\$ 9

One star child care homes

Age of child	Standard area				Enhanced area			
	Daily rates		Blended rates		Daily rates		Blended rates	
	Full	Part	Traditional	Extended	Full	Part	Traditional	Extended
0 - 24 months	\$14.50	\$10	NA	NA	\$14.50	\$10	NA	NA
25 - 48 months	\$12.25	\$ 8	NA	NA	\$12.25	\$ 8	NA	NA
49 - 72 months	\$12.25	\$ 8	\$ 9	\$10	\$12.25	\$ 8	\$ 9	\$ 10
73 months - 13 years	\$10.25	\$ 6	\$ 7	\$ 8	\$10.25	\$ 6	\$ 7	\$ 8

Enhanced area counties: Caddo, Canadian, Cherokee, Cleveland, Comanche, Creek, Garfield, Kay, Logan, McCurtain, Oklahoma, Ottawa, Payne, Pittsburg, Pottawatomie, Tulsa, Wagoner, Washington, and Woods.

See pages 3, 5, and 6 for more information on rates.

One star plus child care centers

Age of child	Standard area				Enhanced area			
	Daily rates		Blended rates		Daily rates		Blended rates	
	Full	Part	Traditional	Extended	Full	Part	Traditional	Extended
0 - 12 months	\$18.25	\$12	NA	NA	\$21.25	\$14	NA	NA
13 - 24 months	\$18.25	\$12	NA	NA	\$20.25	\$14	NA	NA
25 - 48 months	\$16.00	\$11	NA	NA	\$18.25	\$12	NA	NA
49 - 72 months	\$15.00	\$10	\$11.75	\$12.75	\$17.25	\$12	\$13.75	\$14.75
73 months - 13 years	\$12.75	\$ 9	\$10.00	\$11.00	\$15.00	\$10	\$11.75	\$12.75

One star plus child care homes

Age of child	Standard area				Enhanced area			
	Daily rates		Blended rates		Daily rates		Blended rates	
	Full	Part	Traditional	Extended	Full	Part	Traditional	Extended
0 - 24 months	\$17.25	\$12	NA	NA	\$19.25	\$13	NA	NA
25 - 48 months	\$15.00	\$10	NA	NA	\$17.25	\$12	NA	NA
49 - 72 months	\$15.00	\$10	\$11.75	\$12.75	\$17.25	\$12	\$13.75	\$14.75
73 months - 13 years	\$12.75	\$ 9	\$10.25	\$11.25	\$12.75	\$ 9	\$10.25	\$11.25

Enhanced area counties: Caddo, Canadian, Cherokee, Cleveland, Comanche, Creek, Garfield, Kay, Logan, McCurtain, Oklahoma, Ottawa, Payne, Pittsburg, Pottawatomie, Tulsa, Wagoner, Washington, and Woods.

See pages 3, 4, and 6 for more information on rates.

Two star child care centers

Age of child	Standard area				Enhanced area			
	Daily rates		Blended rates		Daily rates		Blended rates	
	Full	Part	Traditional	Extended	Full	Part	Traditional	Extended
0 - 12 months	\$24.00	\$14	NA	NA	\$30.00	\$19	NA	NA
13 - 24 months	\$23.00	\$14	NA	NA	\$27.75	\$17	NA	NA
25 - 48 months	\$20.50	\$12	NA	NA	\$24.75	\$15	NA	NA
49 - 72 months	\$18.00	\$11	\$13.25	\$14.25	\$20.25	\$14	\$16.00	\$17.00
73 months - 13 years	\$14.00	\$10	\$11.25	\$12.25	\$16.50	\$12	\$13.50	\$14.50

Two star child care homes

Age of child	Standard area				Enhanced area			
	Daily rates		Blended rates		Daily rates		Blended rates	
	Full	Part	Traditional	Extended	Full	Part	Traditional	Extended
0 - 24 months	\$20.00	\$13	NA	NA	\$25.75	\$17	NA	NA
25 - 48 months	\$19.00	\$11	NA	NA	\$21.25	\$14	NA	NA
49 - 72 months	\$19.00	\$11	\$13.50	\$14.50	\$20.25	\$14	\$16.00	\$17.00
73 months - 13 years	\$16.00	\$10	\$12.00	\$13.00	\$16.00	\$11	\$12.75	\$13.75

Enhanced area counties: Caddo, Canadian, Cherokee, Cleveland, Comanche, Creek, Garfield, Kay, Logan, McCurtain, Oklahoma, Ottawa, Payne, Pittsburg, Pottawatomie, Tulsa, Wagoner, Washington, and Woods.

See pages 3, 4, and 5 for more information on rates.

Three star child care centers

Age of child	Standard area				Enhanced area			
	Daily rates		Blended rates		Daily rates		Blended rates	
	Full	Part	Traditional	Extended	Full	Part	Traditional	Extended
0 - 12 months	\$35.00	\$21	NA	NA	\$35.00	\$21	NA	NA
13 - 24 months	\$32.75	\$19	NA	NA	\$32.75	\$19	NA	NA
25 - 48 months	\$27.75	\$17	NA	NA	\$27.75	\$17	NA	NA
49 - 72 months	\$22.50	\$15	\$17.50	\$18.50	\$22.50	\$15	\$17.50	\$18.50
73 months - 13 years	\$18.25	\$12	\$14.00	\$15.00	\$18.25	\$12	\$14.00	\$15.00

Three star child care homes

Age of child	Standard area				Enhanced area			
	Daily rates		Blended rates		Daily rates		Blended rates	
	Full	Part	Traditional	Extended	Full	Part	Traditional	Extended
0 - 24 months	\$27.75	\$19	NA	NA	\$27.75	\$19	NA	NA
25 - 48 months	\$23.75	\$16	NA	NA	\$23.75	\$16	NA	NA
49 - 72 months	\$23.75	\$16	\$18.50	\$19.50	\$23.75	\$16	\$18.50	\$19.50
73 months - 13 years	\$18.25	\$12	\$14.00	\$15.00	\$18.25	\$12	\$14.00	\$15.00

When a child qualifies for the weekly unit type for child care, it is possible for OKDHS to pay for some days the child is absent from care. To qualify for the weekly unit type the parent’s schedule must require more than four hours of care each day and at least 15 days and no more than 23 days per month **AND** the child **MUST** attend the minimum number of full-time days for that calendar month before an absent day payment can be made. If the child does not attend the minimum number of full-time days for that calendar month, the facility will only be paid for the days the child attended and **NO** payment will be made for absent days.

If the child is approved for child care at two different facilities for the same calendar month, the weekly unit type is **not** approved for either facility. **Parents/caretakers who need child care four hours or fewer per day or who use an in-home child care provider ARE NOT eligible for the weekly unit type.**

The chart below shows the minimum number of full-time days a child must attend the child care facility before qualifying for an absent day payment and the maximum days that will be paid. The weekly unit type is paid at the full-time daily rate for the number of days the child attends more than four hours. Absent day payments are made with the payment received after the tenth of the following month.

The maximum number of days paid is based upon the number of days in the month minus eight.

Month		
31 day month (January, March, May, July, August, October, December)	Minimum days attended	16 full-time days
	Maximum days paid	23 full-time days
30 day month (April, June, September, November)	Minimum days attended	15 full-time days
	Maximum days paid	22 full-time days
28 day month (February)	Minimum days attended	15 full-time days
	Maximum days paid	20 full-time days
29 day month (February – leap year)	Minimum days attended	15 full-time days
	Maximum days paid	21 full-time days