SKAGIT COUNTY STATE OF EARLY LEARNING

8,216 CHILDREN UNDER SIX

60%

HAVE ALL PARENTS IN THE WORKFORCE

47%

DO NOT HAVE ACCESS TO EARLY LEARNING

60%

LIVING IN POVERTY*



AFFORDABILITY OF CHILD CARE PERCENT OF INCOME PAID

36% OF INCOME PAID TO CHILD CARE BY FAMILIES OF COLOR (MEDIAN INCOME OF \$62,865)

COMPARED TO 29% PAID BY WHITE FAMILIES (MEDIAN INCOME OF \$77,617)



A FAMILY OF FOUR WOULD NEED TO MAKE \$379,643 IN ORDER FOR CHILD CARE TO BE 7% OF THEIR INCOME.

THE WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE STATES CHILD CARE SHOULD COST NO MORE THAN 7% OF INCOME.

PRICE BY AGE GROUP

\$13,200 INFANTS: <1 YR

\$11,340 TODDLERS: 1 - 2 YRS

\$9,480 PRESCHOOLERS: 3 - 5 YRS

3 - 5 YRS

1 - 2 YRS

<1 YR 20%

37%

PERCENT OF CHILDREN WITH **ACCESS TO QUALITY CARE**



COVID IMPACTS

Child care programs temporarily closed

Estimated capacity loss of 580 slots

25 CHILD CARE PROGRAMS (175 JOBS) RECEIVED A PAYCHECK PROTECTION LOAN.

CHILD CARE PROGRAMS AS SMALL BUSINESS

ECONOMIC IMPACT

\$24,000

COST OF QUALITY CHILD CARE

\$9,988

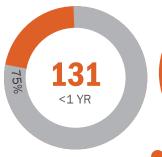
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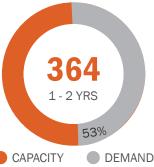
MAX SUBSIDY ALLOWED FOR AT HOME CHILD CARE **75%**

CHARGE LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO \$10,226

CAPACITY OF LICENSED CHILD CARE

Capacity does not meet the demand.







TO MEET GROWING WORKFORCE

CHILD CARE EDUCATORS NEEDED

*We define children in poverty as those in households at 200 percent of the federal poverty line, which is \$52,400