

Child Care In America Handout 2.6





More than 11 million children under age 5 in the United States are in some type of child care arrangement every week.

Child Care in America, Fact Sheets, 2010

On average, the children of working mothers spend 36 hours a week in child care.

About one-third of these children are in multiple child care arrangements so that parents can meet the demands for child care during traditional and nontraditional working hours.



Child Care in America, Fact
Sheets, 2010



Children who received high-quality care in the first few years of life scored higher in measures of academic and cognitive achievement when they were 15 years old.

NICHD Early Child Care Research Network, 2010

A child's development of social and emotional skills is related to the closeness of their relationship with their caregiver.

Hart & Risley, 1995



58% of mothers with children under age 1
are in the workforce.

Child Care in America, Fact Sheets, 2010





Babies and toddlers in child care need access to warm, responsive, child care providers and safe and stimulating environments that meet the full range of their developmental needs.

Shonkoff & Phillips, 2000