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Executive Statistical Summary Licensing Data

Data as of March 31, 2026

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Licensing Data

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Statewide

LICENSING AGENT	FACILITY TYPE	LICENSED	EXPIRED / RENEWAL*	CAPACITY**	EXPIRED	PENDING***
DCFS	CHILD CARE INSTITUTIONS	53	7	2,460	10	1
	AGENCIES	118	16	0	48	6
	DAY CARE AGENCIES	0	0	0	0	0
	DAY CARE CENTERS	2,220	579	244,996	91	82
	DAY CARE HOMES	4,560	400	37,283	345	153
	FOSTER HOMES	1,744	61	3,866	232	201
	GROUP DAY CARE HOMES	627	93	8,419	13	25
	GROUP HOMES	81	6	655	23	1
	EMERGENCY SHELTERS	6	1	57	2	1
	YOUTH TRANSITIONAL HOUSING	0	0	0	0	0
	DCFS Total:	9,409	1,163	297,736	764	470
PRIVATE	CHILD CARE INSTITUTIONS	0	0	0	0	0
	AGENCIES	0	0	0	0	0
	DAY CARE AGENCIES	0	0	0	0	0
	DAY CARE CENTERS	0	0	0	0	0
	DAY CARE HOMES	0	0	0	0	0
	FOSTER HOMES	4,608	211	12,486	1,386	1,100
	GROUP DAY CARE HOMES	0	0	0	0	0
	GROUP HOMES	0	0	0	0	0
	EMERGENCY SHELTERS	0	0	0	0	0
	YOUTH TRANSITIONAL HOUSING	0	0	0	0	0
	PRIVATE Total:	4,608	211	12,486	1,386	1,100
TOTAL	CHILD CARE INSTITUTIONS	53	7	2,460	10	1
	AGENCIES	118	16	0	48	6
	DAY CARE AGENCIES	0	0	0	0	0
	DAY CARE CENTERS	2,220	579	244,996	91	82
	DAY CARE HOMES	4,560	400	37,283	345	153
	FOSTER HOMES	6,352	272	16,352	1,618	1,301
	GROUP DAY CARE HOMES	627	93	8,419	13	25
	GROUP HOMES	81	6	655	23	1
	EMERGENCY SHELTERS	6	1	57	2	1
	YOUTH TRANSITIONAL HOUSING	0	0	0	0	0
	Total:	14,017	1,374	310,222	2,150	1,570

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Cook Region

LICENSING AGENT	FACILITY TYPE	LICENSED	EXPIRED / RENEWAL*	CAPACITY**	EXPIRED	PENDING***
DCFS	CHILD CARE INSTITUTIONS	24	3	1,134	8	0
	AGENCIES	53	7	0	29	3
	DAY CARE AGENCIES	0	0	0	0	0
	DAY CARE CENTERS	948	430	111,371	41	58
	DAY CARE HOMES	1,776	328	15,743	116	100
	FOSTER HOMES	437	19	924	128	50
	GROUP DAY CARE HOMES	270	62	3,889	4	18
	GROUP HOMES	24	2	200	15	1
	EMERGENCY SHELTERS	3	0	23	2	0
	YOUTH TRANSITIONAL HOUSING	0	0	0	0	0
DCFS Total:		3,535	851	133,284	343	230
PRIVATE	CHILD CARE INSTITUTIONS	0	0	0	0	0
	AGENCIES	0	0	0	0	0
	DAY CARE AGENCIES	0	0	0	0	0
	DAY CARE CENTERS	0	0	0	0	0
	DAY CARE HOMES	0	0	0	0	0
	FOSTER HOMES	1,425	104	3,837	885	424
	GROUP DAY CARE HOMES	0	0	0	0	0
	GROUP HOMES	0	0	0	0	0
	EMERGENCY SHELTERS	0	0	0	0	0
	YOUTH TRANSITIONAL HOUSING	0	0	0	0	0
PRIVATE Total:		1,425	104	3,837	885	424
TOTAL	CHILD CARE INSTITUTIONS	24	3	1,134	8	0
	AGENCIES	53	7	0	29	3
	DAY CARE AGENCIES	0	0	0	0	0
	DAY CARE CENTERS	948	430	111,371	41	58
	DAY CARE HOMES	1,776	328	15,743	116	100
	FOSTER HOMES	1,862	123	4,761	1,013	474
	GROUP DAY CARE HOMES	270	62	3,889	4	18
	GROUP HOMES	24	2	200	15	1
	EMERGENCY SHELTERS	3	0	23	2	0
	YOUTH TRANSITIONAL HOUSING	0	0	0	0	0
Total:		4,960	955	137,121	1,228	654

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Central Region

LICENSING AGENT	FACILITY TYPE	LICENSED	EXPIRED / RENEWAL*	CAPACITY**	EXPIRED	PENDING***
DCFS	CHILD CARE INSTITUTIONS	9	3	428	2	0
	AGENCIES	21	6	0	6	1
	DAY CARE AGENCIES	0	0	0	0	0
	DAY CARE CENTERS	377	16	34,344	13	8
	DAY CARE HOMES	1,179	25	9,120	89	13
	FOSTER HOMES	595	17	1,432	32	69
	GROUP DAY CARE HOMES	78	0	914	3	0
	GROUP HOMES	25	2	181	3	0
	EMERGENCY SHELTERS	0	1	6	0	0
	YOUTH TRANSITIONAL HOUSING	0	0	0	0	0
DCFS Total:		2,284	70	46,425	148	91
PRIVATE	CHILD CARE INSTITUTIONS	0	0	0	0	0
	AGENCIES	0	0	0	0	0
	DAY CARE AGENCIES	0	0	0	0	0
	DAY CARE CENTERS	0	0	0	0	0
	DAY CARE HOMES	0	0	0	0	0
	FOSTER HOMES	1,463	46	4,062	227	283
	GROUP DAY CARE HOMES	0	0	0	0	0
	GROUP HOMES	0	0	0	0	0
	EMERGENCY SHELTERS	0	0	0	0	0
	YOUTH TRANSITIONAL HOUSING	0	0	0	0	0
PRIVATE Total:		1,463	46	4,062	227	283
TOTAL	CHILD CARE INSTITUTIONS	9	3	428	2	0
	AGENCIES	21	6	0	6	1
	DAY CARE AGENCIES	0	0	0	0	0
	DAY CARE CENTERS	377	16	34,344	13	8
	DAY CARE HOMES	1,179	25	9,120	89	13
	FOSTER HOMES	2,058	63	5,494	259	352
	GROUP DAY CARE HOMES	78	0	914	3	0
	GROUP HOMES	25	2	181	3	0
	EMERGENCY SHELTERS	0	1	6	0	0
	YOUTH TRANSITIONAL HOUSING	0	0	0	0	0
Total:		3,747	116	50,487	375	374

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Northern Region

LICENSING AGENT	FACILITY TYPE	LICENSED	EXPIRED / RENEWAL*	CAPACITY**	EXPIRED	PENDING***
DCFS	CHILD CARE INSTITUTIONS	9	0	598	0	0
	AGENCIES	27	2	0	8	1
	DAY CARE AGENCIES	0	0	0	0	0
	DAY CARE CENTERS	646	129	78,866	36	15
	DAY CARE HOMES	1,194	42	9,285	134	35
	FOSTER HOMES	347	15	764	49	52
	GROUP DAY CARE HOMES	228	31	3,016	6	7
	GROUP HOMES	15	0	103	5	0
	EMERGENCY SHELTERS	3	0	28	0	0
	YOUTH TRANSITIONAL HOUSING	0	0	0	0	0
DCFS Total:		2,469	219	92,660	238	110
PRIVATE	CHILD CARE INSTITUTIONS	0	0	0	0	0
	AGENCIES	0	0	0	0	0
	DAY CARE AGENCIES	0	0	0	0	0
	DAY CARE CENTERS	0	0	0	0	0
	DAY CARE HOMES	0	0	0	0	0
	FOSTER HOMES	1,028	36	2,780	198	225
	GROUP DAY CARE HOMES	0	0	0	0	0
	GROUP HOMES	0	0	0	0	0
	EMERGENCY SHELTERS	0	0	0	0	0
	YOUTH TRANSITIONAL HOUSING	0	0	0	0	0
PRIVATE Total:		1,028	36	2,780	198	225
TOTAL	CHILD CARE INSTITUTIONS	9	0	598	0	0
	AGENCIES	27	2	0	8	1
	DAY CARE AGENCIES	0	0	0	0	0
	DAY CARE CENTERS	646	129	78,866	36	15
	DAY CARE HOMES	1,194	42	9,285	134	35
	FOSTER HOMES	1,375	51	3,544	247	277
	GROUP DAY CARE HOMES	228	31	3,016	6	7
	GROUP HOMES	15	0	103	5	0
	EMERGENCY SHELTERS	3	0	28	0	0
	YOUTH TRANSITIONAL HOUSING	0	0	0	0	0
Total:		3,497	255	95,440	436	335

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Southern Region

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DCFS	CHILD CARE INSTITUTIONS	11	1	300	0	1
	AGENCIES	16	0	0	4	1
	DAY CARE AGENCIES	0	0	0	0	0
	DAY CARE CENTERS	249	4	20,415	1	1
	DAY CARE HOMES	411	5	3,135	6	5
	FOSTER HOMES	365	10	746	15	30
	GROUP DAY CARE HOMES	51	0	600	0	0
	GROUP HOMES	17	2	171	0	0
	EMERGENCY SHELTERS	0	0	0	0	1
	YOUTH TRANSITIONAL HOUSING	0	0	0	0	0
DCFS Total:		1,120	22	25,367	26	39
PRIVATE	CHILD CARE INSTITUTIONS	0	0	0	0	0
	AGENCIES	0	0	0	0	0
	DAY CARE AGENCIES	0	0	0	0	0
	DAY CARE CENTERS	0	0	0	0	0
	DAY CARE HOMES	0	0	0	0	0
	FOSTER HOMES	691	25	1,803	65	167
	GROUP DAY CARE HOMES	0	0	0	0	0
	GROUP HOMES	0	0	0	0	0
	EMERGENCY SHELTERS	0	0	0	0	0
	YOUTH TRANSITIONAL HOUSING	0	0	0	0	0
PRIVATE Total:		691	25	1,803	65	167
TOTAL	CHILD CARE INSTITUTIONS	11	1	300	0	1
	AGENCIES	16	0	0	4	1
	DAY CARE AGENCIES	0	0	0	0	0
	DAY CARE CENTERS	249	4	20,415	1	1
	DAY CARE HOMES	411	5	3,135	6	5
	FOSTER HOMES	1,056	35	2,549	80	197
	GROUP DAY CARE HOMES	51	0	600	0	0
	GROUP HOMES	17	2	171	0	0
	EMERGENCY SHELTERS	0	0	0	0	1
	YOUTH TRANSITIONAL HOUSING	0	0	0	0	0
Total:		1,811	47	27,170	91	206

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Out of State

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DCFS	CHILD CARE INSTITUTIONS	0	0	0	0	0
	AGENCIES	1	1	0	1	0
	DAY CARE AGENCIES	0	0	0	0	0
	DAY CARE CENTERS	0	0	0	0	0
	DAY CARE HOMES	0	0	0	0	0
	FOSTER HOMES	0	0	0	8	0
	GROUP DAY CARE HOMES	0	0	0	0	0
	GROUP HOMES	0	0	0	0	0
	EMERGENCY SHELTERS	0	0	0	0	0
	YOUTH TRANSITIONAL HOUSING	0	0	0	0	0
DCFS Total:		1	1	0	9	0
PRIVATE	CHILD CARE INSTITUTIONS	0	0	0	0	0
	AGENCIES	0	0	0	0	0
	DAY CARE AGENCIES	0	0	0	0	0
	DAY CARE CENTERS	0	0	0	0	0
	DAY CARE HOMES	0	0	0	0	0
	FOSTER HOMES	1	0	4	11	1
	GROUP DAY CARE HOMES	0	0	0	0	0
	GROUP HOMES	0	0	0	0	0
	EMERGENCY SHELTERS	0	0	0	0	0
	YOUTH TRANSITIONAL HOUSING	0	0	0	0	0
PRIVATE Total:		1	0	4	11	1
TOTAL	CHILD CARE INSTITUTIONS	0	0	0	0	0
	AGENCIES	1	1	0	1	0
	DAY CARE AGENCIES	0	0	0	0	0
	DAY CARE CENTERS	0	0	0	0	0
	DAY CARE HOMES	0	0	0	0	0
	FOSTER HOMES	1	0	4	19	1
	GROUP DAY CARE HOMES	0	0	0	0	0
	GROUP HOMES	0	0	0	0	0
	EMERGENCY SHELTERS	0	0	0	0	0
	YOUTH TRANSITIONAL HOUSING	0	0	0	0	0
Total:		2	1	4	20	1

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Understanding the Licensing Data report:

LICENSING AGENT - A department or private agency licensing worker who is responsible for making a particular licensing recommendation/decision.

LICENSED - The number of facilities that have a current license. In most cases, licenses are valid for a four-year period, after which a renewal of the license is required.

EXPIRED / RENEWAL - The number of facilities where the current license has expired and the renewal is in process.

CAPACITY - The number of children a facility is entitled to serve as determined by the licensing worker.

EXPIRED - The number of facilities where the current license has expired and a renewal license has not been yet issued.

PENDING - The number of new facilities currently under study for a license. The count does not include facilities requesting a renewal of an existing license.

Note: Licensing information provided is non-duplicated, point-in-time data based on information available on the last day of the reporting period.