

Capacity, Serious Injuries, Substantiated Instances of Child Abuse, and Child Fatalities by Child Care Type¹
FFY 2023
October 01, 2022—September 30, 2023

Program Type	Licensed Child Care Providers				License-Exempt Child Care Providers ²		
	Centers	Drop-In Centers	Family Homes	Group Homes	Authorize Child Care Professionals	Boys & Girls Clubs	TDOE Centers
Total Capacity ³	169,635	1,002	1,443	4,071	12	350	39,281
Total Serious Injury Incidents ⁴	710	4	2	5	0	0	85
Substantiated Instances of Child Abuse ⁵	5	0	0	1	0	0	0
Child Fatalities ⁶	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

¹ This report has been posted to the website of the Tennessee Lead Agency for Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF), the Tennessee Department of Human Services (TDHS) as required at [45 CFR § 98.33\(a\)\(5\)](#).

² Only license-exempt child care providers participating in Child Care Payment Assistance/Certificate Program.

³ As of September 30, 2023.

⁴ Child care providers are required to report any incidents involving a child in its care, including on- and off-site activities, where treatment by a medical professional was necessary. Figures are self-reported by child care providers to TDHS and do not include instances where a medical professional examines a child but determines that either no injury occurred, or treatment was not necessary.

⁵ During the reporting period, the Tennessee Department of Children’s Services (TDCS) substantiated 11 allegations of child abuse: six (6) at child care providers licensed by the Lead Agency and five (5) at unlicensed child care providers determined to be operating illegally. Six (6) cases are pending a final determination by TDCS upon completion of due process. This report may be revised depending on the final outcome of these cases.

⁶ During the reporting period, TDHS investigated three (3) child fatalities at unlicensed child care providers determined to be operating illegally.