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## A Snapshot of Early Care and Education in South Carolina *What Does the Data Tell Us?*

Table 1 -- South Carolina County Profiles

- **South Carolina's "high-risk counties" have both *substantially fewer provider options* and a *smaller percentage of providers exceeding minimum standards*.**

South Carolina's "low-risk counties" (the 23 faring best on a composite of six important school readiness risk factors) share 1,212 regulated center-based programs - 49% (599) of which voluntarily exceed minimum licensing standards. The state's 23 "high-risk counties" share a mere 420 providers between them, with only 40% (168) of these exceeding minimum standards.

This means that South Carolina's neediest children and families are currently least likely to access to high-quality programs.

In launching a QBIS effort, the Task Force needs to think strategically about how to target resources so that programs in areas with large numbers of high-risk children receive the supports necessary to meet quality standards.

Table 2 - Program Auspices

- **Much of SC child care -- almost half of all centers and each of the family/group child care homes polled in a recent survey -- is proprietary.**
- **A large percentage of licensed child care centers (41%) have voluntarily attained Level 2 or higher within the tiered ABC Voucher System, which means they have participated in a regular classroom assessment process.**

To be effective, the QBIS will need to include incentives that are available – and appealing - to both proprietary and non-profit programs. One SC strength is that a significant percentage of programs already choose to participate in the state's existing quality monitoring system.

Table 3 - Child Care Teacher/Practitioner Qualifications

- **In 2000, the highest level of formal education attained by 47% of child care center staff was a high school diploma.**
- **Many child care directors, who lead the development of policy and program, do not have formal child care credentials.**
- **Most Head Start Program Directors have a Masters Degree, and more than half of Head Start staff have an Associates Degree.** This is largely due to federal requirements making educational attainment a priority, coupled with funding, support and monitoring provided by the Head Start Bureau.

In launching a QBIS effort, special attention must be paid to helping child care directors and teachers attain higher qualifications. It may be possible to create a more streamlined QBIS process for Head Start programs which have already made significant progress in this area.

Table 4 - SC Technical College ECE Courses and Degrees

Table 5 - Accredited 4 year institutions with EC major

Table 6 - TEACH scholarships by county

- **ECE courses are available in many parts of the state.** 27 accredited four-year institutions in South Carolina have an ECE major. Ten of these are public colleges. All of South Carolina's 16 Technical Colleges offer ECE coursework.
- **Given the size of the ECE workforce (approximately 15,000 individuals) a relatively small number of ECE degrees are conferred each year.**
- **South Carolina has made progress. In 2005-06 over 6,639 TEACH scholarships were awarded to individuals enrolled in ECE courses.**
- **Because wages are so low, additional incentives will be needed to encourage practitioners to attain degrees and remain employed within ECE programs.**

Ensuring that ECE practitioners increase their educational qualifications is a key to successful implementation of a QBIS. These data show that the need for increased training and education in early childhood care and education is enormous, and that scholarships alone cannot produce needed results. Additional supports -- such as leave time and substitutes to allow practitioners to attend school during work hours, increased compensation linked to increased training and education, and targeted incentives to remain in ECE -- could make a significant difference. While it appears that many colleges and universities offer ECE courses and degrees, more opportunities for distance learning, and articulation agreements, are needed.

Table 7 - Statewide Monitoring and Technical Assistance Capacity

- **Current staff to monitor quality in South Carolina ECE programs is very limited.**  
In launching a QBIS the Task Force needs to think strategically about how to measure and monitor compliance in a cost-effective manner.

Table 8- Funding for ECE in South Carolina

- **Head Start and school districts are major players in the state and are large sources of government subsidies for ECE in South Carolina (particularly by age four).**
- **Parent fees make a significant contribution to ECE revenues.**
- **Unlike most other states, South Carolina is not using any TANF funding for child care. (TANF is a block grant; these funds essentially operate as state general fund dollars.)**
- **Quality funds are currently very limited.**

To ensure that the QBIS is effective and statewide, it must engage programs that receive public funding and private, fee-paying families. Additional state general funds must be secured to support quality enhancement.

Table 9 - Types of Child Care (Bar Chart)

- **While there are almost as many family child care homes as centers, an overwhelming majority of children and employees are in centers.**  
If the QBIS needs to start more slowly, and/or target resources, it would be wise to focus on centers.

## **SC County Profiles: Early Care and Education**

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### **Purpose of the Table**

The following table summarizes available data relating to:

1. each South Carolina county's composite "risk ranking" (as derived from a set of six important school readiness indicators), and
2. early care and education programs in each county.

The table is based, in part, on data derived from a larger report, *SC County Profiles: Child Care & Early Education, January 2007*. The full report provides a one-page profile for each of the state's 46 counties.<sup>1</sup>

### **Explanation of Terms and Documentation of Data in the Table**

**Risk Ranking** – The county "risk ranking" (second column) is derived from data on six school readiness risk factors:

- *Child Poverty Rate (%)*
- *3<sup>rd</sup> Graders <Basic, PACT (%)*
- *Children in Single Parent Families (%)*
- *Births to Mothers w/o High School Diploma (%)*
- *Non-Graduation Rates (%)*
- *Low-Birth Weight (%)*

A low numerical ranking suggests comparatively positive conditions for children in the county, with higher numbers reflecting comparatively less desirable conditions. (e.g. 1 = best conditions, 46 = least desirable conditions)

*Source: 2005 SC Kids Count*

**Center-Based Care** – Center-based programs (those caring for 13 or more children), are separated into three types:<sup>2</sup>

- NAEYC Accredited – Centers accredited by National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) are recognized as meeting rigorous national quality standards. This figure does not include 70 Head Start Centers that are also accredited.

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<sup>1</sup> *SC County Profiles: Child Care and Early Education, January 2007*, was prepared by Janet Marsh, PhD, for the Division of Child Care Services, SC Department of Social Services.

<sup>2</sup> Most early care and education programs in SC must be regulated/licensed by the SC Department of Social Services, including Head Start and CDEPP 4K classrooms. These public programs may also be ABC Enhanced or NAEYC Accredited. 4K and Head Start are not included in these columns, however, but in separate columns on the table's second page.

- ABC Enhanced – These facilities exceed the minimum licensing standards required by DSS Licensing and Regulatory Services. For example, ABC Enhanced status requires an on-site environmental assessment designed to measure the center’s global quality. This figure does not include Head Start Centers, all of which are ABC Enhanced.
- Licensed/Regulated – These facilities are required to meet basic health and safety regulations based in state law.

*Source: NAEYC data from the NAEYC website. ABC Enhanced and DSS regulated data from the SC Department of Social Services (DSS).*

Home-Based Care – Home-based care includes both family child care homes (6 or fewer children) and group child care homes (7 through 12 children). See ‘Center-Based Care,’ above, for descriptions of these facility types and note that the accrediting organization for homes is the National Association for Family Child Care (NAFCC).

*Source: NAFCC data from NAFCC Office. Enhanced and DSS regulated data from SC Department of Social Services (DSS).*

School District-Based 4K – Includes both types of school district-based 4K (EIA and CDEPP). The ‘Programs’ and ‘Children’ columns represent programs (schools)<sup>3</sup> and children in 4K programs prior to and continuing after the 12/05 decision in Abbeville County School District, et al. vs. South Carolina.

The ‘Programs-CDEPP’ and ‘Children-CDEPP’ columns represent public school programs (schools) and children in the 37 plaintiff school districts that were part of Abbeville County School District, *et al. vs. South Carolina*. These programs were initiated by the SC Legislature in 2006.

*Source: Office of Early Childhood, SC Department of Education*

Publicly- Funded 4K in Private Settings – Depicts CDEPP classrooms operating in non-district settings. The ‘Programs-CDEPP’ and ‘Children-CDEPP’ columns represent programs (schools) and children in private programs in the 37 plaintiff school districts that were part of South Carolina vs. Abbeville. These programs were initiated by the SC Legislature in 2006.

*Source: SC Office of First Steps*

Head Start – Of the 192 Head Start centers, 70 are NAEYC Accredited and all are ABC Enhanced.

*Source: SC Head Start Collaboration Office*

ABC Vouchers – In 12/06, 16,946 children received child care vouchers administered through the Division of Child Care Services, DSS. While most children were age birth – 12, 150 were age 13 – 19 with a special need or disability. During 10/1/05 – 9/30/06, approximately 38,822 children received a child care voucher.

*Source: Division of Child Care Services, SC Department of Social Services*

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<sup>3</sup> Public school-based 4K program refers to the number of public schools housing 4K classrooms. Individual schools may house more than one 4K classroom.

## SC County Profiles: Child Care and Early Education

County	Risk Ranking	Center-Based Care			Centers Total	Home-Based Care			Homes Total
	(Based on 6 Risk Factors)	NAEYC Accredited	ABC Enhanced	Licensed/Regulated		NAFCC Accredited	ABC Enhanced	Licensed/Regulated	
Date	2005	12/2006	1/2007	1/2007	1/2007	5/2007	1/2007	1/2007	1/2007
ABBEVILLE	11	0	2	0	2	0	0	18	18
AIKEN	12	1	24	17	42	0	4	22	26
ALLENDALE	46	0	5	1	6	0	0	0	0
ANDERSON	7	3	19	36	58	0	8	66	74
BAMBERG	39	0	3	6	9	0	1	11	12
BARNWELL	29	0	3	5	8	0	2	5	7
BEAUFORT	9	4	28	31	63	0	15	51	66
BERKELEY	8	3	19	26	48	0	18	70	88
CALHOUN	15	0	1	3	4	0	0	3	3
CHARLESTON	17	7	79	66	152	0	19	113	132
CHEROKEE	33	0	7	7	14	0	5	17	22
CHESTER	34	1	2	8	11	0	0	11	11
CHESTERFIELD	26	0	1	13	14	0	2	16	18
CLARENDON	35	0	4	3	7	0	2	22	24
COLLETON	38	0	6	2	8	0	12	42	54
DARLINGTON	32	0	21	19	40	0	10	30	40
DILLON	41	0	3	8	11	0	10	31	41
DORCHESTER	2	1	15	18	34	0	9	41	50
EDGEFIELD	22	0	4	2	6	0	2	14	16
FAIRFIELD	36	1	4	5	10	0	3	8	11
FLORENCE	24	2	22	36	60	0	29	155	184
GEORGETOWN	18	0	8	22	30	0	13	27	40
GREENVILLE	4	5	42	16	63	0	4	103	107
GREENWOOD	20	0	6	85	91	0	0	17	17
HAMPTON	40	0	7	17	24	0	2	8	10
HORRY	10	1	42	5	48	0	17	42	60
JASPER	43	0	3	47	50	0	15	32	47
KERSHAW	6	0	6	12	18	0	0	17	17
LANCASTER	21	0	10	16	26	0	0	12	12
LAURENS	27	0	8	9	17	0	2	17	19
LEE	42	2	3	1	6	0	5	6	11
LEXINGTON	1	3	45	47	95	0	8	102	110
MARION	44	0	8	7	15	0	19	9	28
MARLBORO	45	0	4	5	9	0	1	4	6
MCCORMICK	23	0	4	0	4	0	1	6	7
NEWBERRY	31	0	5	7	12	0	1	3	4
OCONEE	13	1	8	10	19	0	1	24	25
ORANGEBURG	37	1	27	27	55	0	8	25	33
PICKENS	5	2	8	19	29	0	1	36	38
RICHLAND	14	15	95	79	189	1	23	116	139
SALUDA	25	0	3	4	7	0	0	9	9
SPARTANBURG	16	3	40	52	95	0	7	73	80
SUMTER	19	1	21	18	40	1	15	25	40
UNION	28	0	1	9	10	0	1	16	17
WILLIAMSBURG	30	0	11	6	17	0	18	91	109
YORK	3	3	20	33	56	0	7	57	64
<b>State Total</b>		<b>60</b>	<b>707</b>	<b>865</b>	<b>1632</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>320</b>	<b>1623</b>	<b>1946</b>

County	School District-Based 4K				Publicly-Funded 4K in Private Settings		Head Start		ABC Vouchers
	2005-2006		2006-2007 Pilot				Centers	Children (#)	Children (#)
	Programs	Children (#)	Programs CDEPP	Children CDEPP (#)	Programs CDEPP	Children CDEPP (#)			
Date	2005-06	2005-06	3/07	3/07	4/30/07	4/30/07	12/2006	12/2006	12/2006
ABBEVILLE	5	121	5	77	1	3	1	147	56
AIKEN	21	721	0	0	0	0	3	289	417
ALLENDALE	2	77	2	75	0	0	1	80	64
ANDERSON	16	696	0	0	0	0	7	477	710
BAMBERG	3	95	1	37	2	9	3	178	135
BARNWELL	3	149	1	20	1	16	3	145	80
BEAUFORT	16	657	0	0	1	1	9	329	298
BERKELEY	15	711	6	209	3	17	8	574	435
CALHOUN	2	92	0	0	0	0	1	37	29
CHARLESTON	43	1530	0	0	0	0	23	942	1875
CHEROKEE	11	342	0	0	0	0	1	148	303
CHESTER	4	190	0	0	0	0	2	181	161
CHESTERFIELD	7	279	0	0	0	0	4	278	81
CLARENDON	3	177	3	179	1	9	2	237	188
COLLETON	5	266	0	0	0	0	1	220	93
DARLINGTON	6	283	0	0	0	0	6	424	339
DILLON	4	271	5	244	2	30	2	221	327
DORCHESTER	11	500	0	0	0	0	4	139	377
EDGEFIELD	4	124	0	0	0	0	1	105	18
FAIRFIELD	5	164	0	0	0	0	2	63	18
FLORENCE	15	738	7	270	5	39	7	418	731
GEORGETOWN	9	358	0	0	1	13	4	199	223
GREENVILLE	31	1470	0	0	0	0	18	727	935
GREENWOOD	11	410	0	0	0	0	3	475	211
HAMPTON	5	220	3	122	1	1	1	100	78
HORRY	18	1331	0	0	0	0	3	307	855
JASPER	2	144	2	133	1	5	3	123	84
KERSHAW	8	233	0	0	0	0	1	134	35
LANCASTER	3	203	0	0	0	0	2	118	228
LAURENS	10	472	5	185	0	0	1	211	162
LEE	3	99	3	106	2	29	1	117	256
LEXINGTON	27	1074	2	132	1	1	3	257	921
MARION	4	265	3	129	5	44	6	260	11
MARLBORO	5	159	0	0	0	0	2	228	330
MCCORMICK	1	31	0	0	0	0	1	90	92
NEWBERRY	6	165	0	0	0	0	1	195	184
OCONEE	8	214	0	0	0	0	2	126	252
ORANGEBURG	15	665	15	513	6	27	8	433	370
PICKENS	15	412	0	0	0	0	5	212	292
RICHLAND	37	1241	0	0	0	0	5	554	2180
SALUDA	1	44	0	0	1	9	2	154	66
SPARTANBURG	34	1327	0	0	0	0	13	625	1094
SUMTER	13	593	0	0	0	0	9	533	471
UNION	4	169	0	0	0	0	2	134	80
WILLIAMSBURG	7	205	7	193	5	55	1	268	150
YORK	12	760	0	0	0	0	4	374	651
State Total	490	20447	70	2624	39	308	192	12586	16946

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**TABLE 2:  
AUSPICES AND STATUS OF DSS REGULATED CHILD CARE PROGRAMS\***

\*The following data are derived from interviews with 916 *DSS regulated* child care centers. The data represent 57% of the 1,605 regulated centers.

<b>Regulatory Status</b>					
Registered:				162	17.7%
Licensed:				754	82.3%
			<b>Total</b>	<b>916</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>ABC Status</b>					
ABC:				519	56.7%
Level 1:	113	21.8%			
Level 2:	337	64.9%			
Level 3:	40	7.7%			
Uncertain:	29	5.6%			
Non-ABC:				389	42.5%
Uncertain:				8	0.9%
			<b>Total</b>	<b>916</b>	<b>100.1%</b>
<b>Type of Program</b>					
For- Profit:				422	46.1%
Church:				206	22.5%
Head Start:				76	8.3%
School:				45	4.9%
Non-Profit:				157	17.1%
Uncertain:				10	1.1%
			<b>Total</b>	<b>916</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

*SOURCE:*

*South Carolina Child Care: Survey of the Workforce 2000  
Prepared April, 2001 for SC DHHS  
By Janet Marsh, PhD, Clemson University*

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<b>TABLE 3: Child Care Director/Staff/Practitioner Qualifications*</b>								
<b>Position</b>	<b>Total Est. # practitioners</b>	<b>Some High School</b>	<b>High School</b>	<b>Some College</b>	<b>No Child Care Credentials (self- reported)</b>	<b>Associates Degree</b>	<b>Bachelors Degree</b>	<b>Masters Degree +</b>
Center Director			18.40%	21.60%	50.60%	16.70%	28.60%	13.70%
Center Staff			46.70%	29.90%	47.50%	11.70%	11.50%	
Group & Family Home Providers		16.20%	41.70%	24.20%	76%	9.90%	5.80%	1.20%
<b>Total</b>	15,159**							
<b>Head Start Teacher Qualifications</b>								
<b>Position</b>								
Program Director	22						27.00%	73.00%
Center Manager***	199							
Lead Teacher	231				CDA 19.0%	42.00%	31.10%	1.50%
Teacher Assistant	680		65.00%		CDA 22.1%	10.60%	2.40%	
<p><i>SOURCES/NOTES:</i></p> <p><i>*Data from: Janet Marsh. 2001. SC Child Care: Survey of the Workforce 2000. Prepared for the ABC Child Care Program, SC Department of Health and Human Services.</i></p> <p><i>**Data from SC Economic Impact Study--only child care; does not include Head Start or 4K</i></p> <p><i>***Qualifications are not given because a center manager can be a lead teacher, child development supervisor, or other personnel. Of 67 child development supervisors, 11 have Masters Degree or higher, 38 have Bachelors Degree, and 18 have an Associates Degree.</i></p>								

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**Table 4:  
Technical Colleges w/ ECE Majors and Degrees Conferred**

<u>Technical College</u>	<u>Serviced Counties</u>	<u>Number of ECD Courses</u>	<u>Degrees 2002</u>	<u>Degrees 2003</u>	<u>Degrees 2004</u>	<u>Degrees 2005</u>	<u>Total Degrees 2002-2005</u>	<u>ECD Certificates 2002</u>	<u>ECD Certificates 2003</u>	<u>ECD Certificates 2004</u>	<u>ECD Certificates 2005</u>	<u>Total ECD Certificates 2002-2005</u>
Aiken	Aiken	22	16	23	18	23	80	8	1	8	1	18
Central Carolina	Kershaw, Lee, Sumter, Clarendon	17	4	15	19	18	56	10	6	13	17	46
Denmark	Barnwell, Bamberg, Allendale	13	31	46	43	45	165	28	24	24	12	88
Florence-Darlington	Florence, Darlington, Marion	16	0		0	0	0	9	5	11	19	44
Greenville	Greenville	24	0	2	8	8	18	12	10	14	15	51
Horry-Georgetown	Horry, Georgetown	16	0	2	8	26	36	15	17	21	9	62
Midlands	Richland, Fairfield, Lexington	21			0	1	1	0	3	11	0	14
Northeastern	Chesterfield, Marlboro, Dillon	9	1	3	0	5	9	5	6	11	12	34
Orangeburg-Calhoun	Orangeburg Calhoun	18	10	16	30	25	81	7	7	9	2	25
Piedmont	Laurens, Newberry, Abbeville, Greenwood, Saluda, McCormick, Edgefield	19	0	16	40	37	93	26	39	46	27	138
Spartanburg	Spartanburg, Cherokee, Union	20	13	16	22	23	74	9	7	10	4	30
Tech. of the Lowcountry	Hampton, Colleton, Jasper, Beaufort	20	0	4	4	12	20	6	7	7	9	29
Tri-County	Anderson, Oconee, Pickens	19	13	12	6	24	55	1	0	3	8	12
Trident	Charleston, Berkeley, Dorchester	30	32	20	27	27	106	10	9	14	10	43
Williamsburg	Williamsburg	11				0	0	18	18	13	7	56
York	York, Lancaster, and Chester	23	15	10	14	21	60	11	4	7	4	26
<b>TOTALS:</b>		<b>298</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>295</b>	<b>854</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>716</b>

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**TABLE 5:  
Accredited Four-Year Colleges w/ ECE Majors and Degrees Conferred**

<b>Institution Name</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>Public/Private</b>	<b>Articulation Agreements</b>	<b># BA's Conferred 2005-2006</b>	<b># MA's Conferred 2005-2006</b>
Allen University	Columbia	Richland	Private, NFP	No		
Anderson University	Anderson	Anderson	Private, NFP	Limited	24	0
Benedict College	Columbia	Richland	Private, NFP	No	1	0
Charleston Southern University	Charleston	Charleston	Private, NFP	No	14	0
Claflin University	Orangeburg	Orangeburg	Private, NFP	No	4	0
Clemson University	Clemson	Pickens	Public	Expected	55	0
Coastal Carolina University	Conway	Horry	Public	Expected	47	1
Coker College	Hartsville	Darlington	Private, NFP	No	3	0
College of Charleston	Charleston	Charleston	Public	No	43	17
Columbia College	Columbia	Richland	Private, NFP	Limited	7	0
Converse College	Spartanburg	Spartanburg	Private, NFP	No	10	18
Erskine College	Due West	Abbeville	Private, NFP	No	4	0
Francis Marion University	Florence	Florence	Public	Expected	20	1
Lander University	Greenwood	Greenwood	Public	Expected	28	0
Morris College	Sumter	Sumter	Private, NFP	No		
Newberry College	Newberry	Newberry	Private, NFP	No		
North Greenville College	Tigerville	Greenville	Private, NFP	No	25	0
South Carolina State University	Orangeburg	Orangeburg	Public	YES	14	16
University of South Carolina Aiken	Aiken	Aiken	Public	Expected	36	0
University of South Carolina-Beaufort	Beaufort	Beaufort	Public	Expected	18	0
University of South Carolina-Columbia	Columbia	Richland	Public	Expected	23	38
University of South Carolina-Spartanburg	Spartanburg	Spartanburg	Public	Expected	60	4
Voorhees College	Denmark	Bamberg	Private, NFP	No		
Winthrop University	Rock Hill	York	Public	Expected	40	0
Bob Jones University	Greenville	Greenville	Private	No	10	0
Southern Wesleyan University	Central		Private	No	3	0
Furman University	Greenville	Greenville	Private	No	0	7
<b>Totals</b>					<b>489</b>	<b>102</b>

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<b>TABLE 6: T.E.A.C.H. Scholarships Awarded by County (9/16/05 -- 9/15/06)</b>				
County	Associate's Degrees	Bachelor's Degrees	Credentials	AWARDED TOTAL
Abbeville	9		5	14
Aiken	102		118	220
Allendale	3		1	4
Anderson	81		120	201
Bamberg	4		1	5
Barnwell	3		11	14
Beaufort	36		115	151
Berkeley	80		125	205
Calhoun	3			3
Charleston	140		298	438
Cherokee	14		36	50
Chester	16		13	29
Chesterfield	18		2	20
Clarendon	27		43	70
Colleton	21	1	33	55
Darlington	24	1	56	81
Dillon	5	1	17	23
Dorchester	58		134	192
Edgefield	11		25	36
Fairfield	18		32	50
Florence	53	6	92	151
Georgetown	56		73	129
Greenville	216		600	816
Greenwood	26		53	79
Hampton	23		34	57
Horry	98		216	314
Jasper	12		21	33
Kershaw	18		45	63
Lancaster	18		96	114
Laurens	25		80	105
Lee	28		33	61
Lexington	92		232	324
Marion	50	1	54	105
Marlboro	21	1	10	32
McCormick	2		2	4
Newberry	52		29	81
Oconee	29		23	52
Orangeburg	17		44	61
Pickens	86		140	226
Richland	234		528	762
Saluda	10		36	46
Spartanburg	137		360	497
Sumter	73	1	262	336
Union	5		35	40
Williamsburg	36	5	40	81
York	57	1	149	207
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<b>Total</b>	<b>2149</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>4472</b>	<b>6639</b>

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<b>TABLE 7: Statewide Monitoring Capacity -- All Current Systems</b>					
	<b>DSS Licensing</b>	<b>ABC Monitors</b>	<b>First Steps Technical Assistance</b>	<b>Head Start RO PRISM Monitors</b>	<b>NAEYC Accreditation SC TA Support</b>
Total Staff	41	13	44 full time 21 part time 17 contract	2 regional staff, plus consultants	5
Case Load	80	79		N/A (200 Head Start sites in state)	
<p><i>NOTES:</i>  DSS licensing case load of 80 is 60 centers and 20 homes. 4 Regional offices - Greenville, Columbia, North Charleston, Florence  ABC Monitors case load is based on # of enhanced providers.</p>					

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**TABLE 8:  
Funding for Early Care and Education Services in South Carolina**

Funding for Direct Services (in millions)														Approximate Parent Spending*		Quality Funds (for professional development, program improvement, etc.)			
CCDF <sup>1</sup>		TANF		First Steps Child Care Vouchers <sup>2</sup>		First Steps 4K <sup>3</sup>		SDE 4K <sup>4</sup>		Head Start <sup>5</sup>		CDEPP 4K Expansion Pilot <sup>6</sup>				CCDF		First Steps	Head Start
\$\$	# kids	\$\$	# kids	\$\$	# kids	\$\$	# kids	\$\$	# kids	\$\$	# kids	SDE \$\$	FS \$\$	\$\$	# kids	TEACH Scholarships	Other Quality Initiatives		
\$65	18,000	\$0	0	\$1.5	611	\$4.6	1,658	\$21.8	20,000	\$82.0	12,586	\$17.2	\$7.85	\$41.50	108,000 families	\$1.00	\$8.2	\$4.4	n/a

\*Note: Approximate parent spending is a conservative estimate based on 2002 IRS tax claims data (Parent tax claims are limited by federal expenditure caps, as well as the number of taxpayers claiming a credit. It is, however, a benchmark for parent financial contributions to ECE.)

<sup>1</sup> CCDF 18,000 kids served is based on numbers of children served at any given point in time. Over the course of a year, however, many more children are served (e.g. in 2005-06 39,500 different children received CCDF child care subsidy.) CCDF \$ also includes some funding from SSBG, which serves approximately 2,000 of the children over the course of a year.

<sup>2</sup> Approximately one-half of First Steps voucher \$ is administered by DSS through the ABC child care subsidy system.

<sup>3</sup> First Steps 4K represents local partnership support of programs in public and private settings statewide during the 05-06 school year.

<sup>4</sup> SDE 4K figure (\$21.8M) represents state share 06-07 EIA only. Estimates place total 4k spending in public schools for 04-05 school year at \$56.2M.

<sup>5</sup> Head Start federal subsidy of \$82M includes some quality enhancement funding (some awarded directly to programs + Regional T/TA centers. State HS collaboration office receives \$218,000 for administration, some of which is used for quality enhancement.)

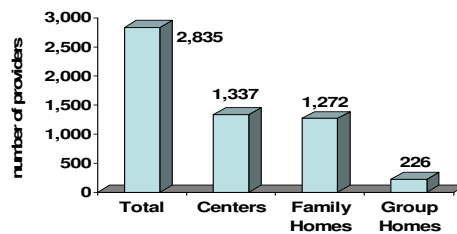
<sup>6</sup> \$23.45M total CDEPP allocation for expansion pilot in trial/plaintiff districts during 06-07 school year; all funds are not yet expended.

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**TABLE 9:  
Figures from “The Economic Impacts of the Child Care Industry in South Carolina,” prepared by Dr. Donald Schunk, USC Research Economist, July 2006**

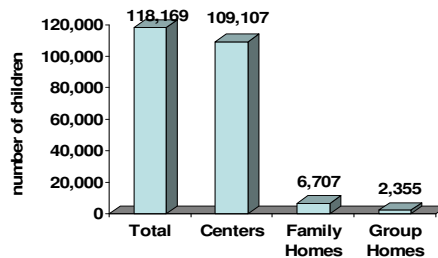
**Types of Child Care Facilities:  
Child Care Center = Capacity of 13 or more children  
Group Child Care Home = Capacity of 7-12 children  
Family Child Care Home = Capacity of up to 6 children**

**Figure 2.2, Estimated Facilities in Operation  
by Type**



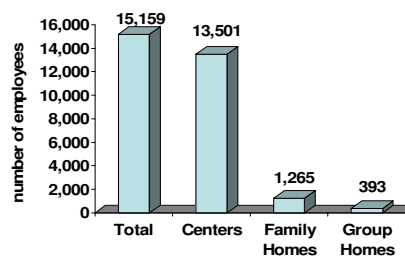
Source: Author's calculations

**Figure 2.3, Estimated Enrollment by Facility  
Type**



Source: Author's calculations

**Figure 2.4, Estimated Employees by Facility  
Type**



Source: Author's calculations

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**2006 CHILD CARE FACTS AT A GLANCE**

**Children < 6 with Mothers in Workforce**

	<b>% Moms Working</b>	<b>Total** Children &lt; 5</b>	<b>Child Care Spaces Needed</b>
	66.1%	281,299	185,939

*2005 South Carolina Kids Count; \*\*SC Community Profiles 2005*

**South Carolina Child Care Space Availability**

<b>Regulated spaces* in South Carolina</b>	<b>Regulated Spaces</b>	<b>Licensed Facilities</b>	<b>Registered Programs</b>
<b>Total "slots"</b>	11,273	126,200	11,273
<b>Percent of total</b>	8.2%	91.8%	8.2%

*\*Does not include registered church spaces (approximately 30,400)  
2005 South Carolina Kids Count*

**Distribution by Type of Facility**

	<b>Centers</b>	<b>Family Home</b>	<b>Group Home</b>	<b>Church</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Number of Spaces</b>	113,553	10,036	3,299	10,448	137,473
<b>% of Total Spaces</b>	82.6%	7.3%	2.4%	7.6%	100.0%

*2005 South Carolina Kids Count*

**2002 Average Childcare Costs in SC**

	<b>Centers</b>	<b>Homes</b>
<b>Average weekly charge</b>	\$80.40	\$68.41

*2005 South Carolina Kids Count*

**Child Care Affordability in SC**

	<b>Family Size</b>			
	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Income @ 100% of Poverty (2006 guidelines*)</b>	\$11,250	\$14,150	\$17,050	\$19,950
<b>Childcare @ \$80.40/wk X 52 weeks = \$4,108/year</b>	\$4,181	\$4,181	\$4,181	\$4,181
<b>% of income required for average cost of childcare</b>	37%	30%	25%	21%
<b>Money left after childcare for rent, utilities, food, etc</b>	\$7,069	\$9,969	\$12,869	\$15,769

*\*Federal Register, Vol. 71, No. 15, January 24, 2006, pp. 3848-3849*

**Hourly Wage of Childcare Staff in SC**

	<b>&lt;\$6/Hr</b>	<b>\$6-\$8/Hr</b>	<b>&gt;\$8/Hr</b>
<b>% of centers by lead staff hourly wage</b>	25.2%	57.7%	17.1%
<b>% of centers by assistant staff hourly wage</b>	36.3%	51.4%	12.3%

*SC Child Care: Survey of the Workforce 2000. J. Marsh (2001)*

**Education Levels of Center Staff and Child Care Home Lead Providers**

In 46.7% of centers, most lead teachers had only a high school degree.  
 In 51.4% of centers, most assistants had only a high school degree.  
 In 47.5% of centers, few to none of provider staff had early childhood credentials.  
 In child care homes, 57.4% of lead providers had no more education than a H.S. diploma or GED.  
 In child care homes, 15.7% of lead providers had less than a high school degree.

*SC Child Care: Survey of the Workforce 2000. J. Marsh (2001)*