

# Oklahoma

## State Description

Population of state: **3,450,654**  
 Number of children under 13 years of age: **681,243**  
 Regulation of any child care facilities who are located on an Indian Reservation or in a tribal service area: **Yes, some non-exempt tribal providers**  
 Date of market rate survey on which profile is based: **5/15/2005**

## Organization with Primary Responsibility for Following Tasks

Determined which facilities to survey:	<b>Lead Agency</b>
Created survey questions:	<b>Lead Agency</b>
Assisted facilities to complete survey:	<b>University</b>
Collected price data from facilities:	<b>University</b>
Cleaned the collected data:	<b>University</b>
Analyzed price data:	<b>University</b>
Interpreted findings:	<b>University</b>
Wrote reports on findings:	<b>University</b>
Published results:	<b>University</b>

## Facilities Surveyed

*Database used to identify facilities:*

Facilities regulated by child care licensing agency: **Yes**  
 Facilities receiving child care subsidies: **No**  
 Facilities enrolled with R&R agency: **No**

**Comments:** One system includes both subsidy and licensing database. Metro counties are a statistically valid sample, rural counties seek full collection.

## Data Collection

Method(s): **Phone**  
 Strategies to encourage facilities to participate: **Financial incentives (3 \$100 US Savings Bonds randomly selected); Follow-up letters or calls; Training/technical assistance on how to complete the survey**  
 Number of facilities tried to reach: **4,249**  
 # of facilities who refused to participate: **180**  
 # of facilities dropped from the sample: **0**  
 # of facilities who completed the survey: **2,891**  
 Date data collection was completed: **4/01/2005**  
 Time needed for a single facility to give information: **11-15 minutes**  
 How facilities reported price information: **Into pre-determined modes provided on the survey**  
 Asked about the # of children in care that receive subsidy: **No**

## Data Analysis

Facilities excluded from analysis: **Head Start programs, State-funded pre-kindergarten programs, Migrant Head Start, Part-day, Part-week programs**  
 Unit of analysis: **Slot; Actual current enrollment of children served by age group**  
 Were prices converted to some standard mode such as to monthly or hourly price? **Yes; Daily**  
 Did state measure amount of accessibility maximum rate provides? **Yes**

## Rate Setting

Date current payment rates were set: **10/01/2001**  
 Rates adjusted based on recent survey: **No, not yet**  
 Are payment rates set at or above the 75<sup>th</sup> percentile of prices? **Yes, for some categories**  
*Important factors in setting current rates:*  
 1 – **Findings of recently completed market rate survey**  
 2 – **Demand for subsidies**  
 3 – **Provider concerns**

<i>Facilities included in the dataset</i>	Included	Number	Type of sample
Licensed facilities	Most	4,249	Stratified random
Family child care facilities who are legally exempt from licensing	No		
Family, friends, or neighbors who are legally exempt from licensing	No		
Centers that are legally exempt from licensing	No centers are exempt from licensing		
After-school education (non-licensed)	No		
Providers located on military facilities	No		
Facilities located on tribal reservations or in tribal service areas and licensed by the STATE.	Yes, some	Unknown	Stratified random
Facilities located on tribal reservations or in tribal service areas and licensed by the TRIBE.	Yes, some	Unknown	Stratified random
<b>TOTAL</b> facilities in final dataset		<b>4,249+</b>	

	Ways Price Data was Analyzed	Current Rates Set By
<b>Geography</b>		
County	Yes	No
Zip-Code	No	No
Region	Yes	Yes
State	Yes	No
Other geographic area	-	No
<b>Age Group</b>		
Infant care	Yes	Yes
Toddler care	Yes	Yes
Preschool-age care	Yes	Yes
School-age care	Yes	Yes
<b>Type of Care</b>		
Center	Yes	Yes
Family	Yes	Yes
Group home	Yes	Yes
In-home	No	Yes
Family, friends, neighbors	No	No
School-age centers	Yes	Yes
School-age enrichment activities	No	No
Special needs care	This project did not ask this question on the questionnaire.	Yes
<b>Pricing Mode</b>		
Hourly	No	This project did not ask this question on the questionnaire.
Daily	Yes	
Weekly	No	
Monthly	No	

Total Cost of Market Rate Survey: \$80,000

Lead Agency: **\$10,000**

Other agency:

State R&R Network:

University/College: **\$70,000**

Research or survey firm:

Other contractor:

**Comments:** Agency staff is sunk cost and would not change if market rate survey was not completed. \$56,931 was spent on the collection of data and an additional \$13,000 is expected for reports and table builds.

Report is Available for Download at: **Not available**