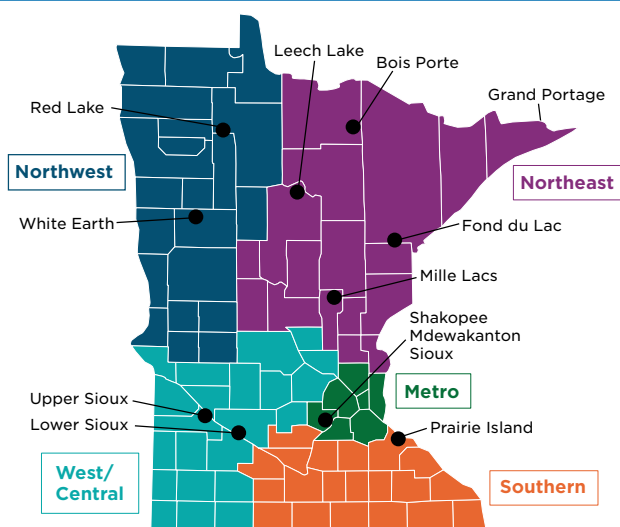


Characteristics of family child care applicants and non-applicants

Results from a 2020 study of the Peacetime Emergency Child Care Grant Program

The COVID-19 pandemic has dramatically changed child care services in Minnesota and across the nation. To help providers withstand the financial burden caused by the pandemic, Minnesota created the Peacetime Emergency Child Care Grant program (PECC) and distributed the first round of funds in April through June 2020. More information about eligibility requirements and a summary of the applicants and awards by round can be found at <https://www.childcareawaremn.org/providers/emergency-child-care-grants/>. This fact sheet presents initial findings on characteristics of family child care applicants and family child care non-applicants to the Peacetime Emergency Child Care Grant.

Note: The providers invited to participate were applicants to the Peacetime Emergency Child Care Grant Program, and thus, were a subsample of licensed and certified center-based programs and family child care providers throughout Minnesota. These findings are from all providers that applied and responded to the survey, regardless of whether or not they received the grant.



Among family child care providers in Minnesota, 68 percent applied for the Peacetime Emergency Grant Program (5,082 providers). **Family child care providers in greater Minnesota were more likely to apply compared to family child care providers in the metro area.***

Child Care Aware Districts	% of providers who applied
Northeast (N=803)	77%
Northwest (N=932)	77%
West/Central (N=1595)	71%
Southern (N=1476)	67%
Metro (N=2647)	62%

Source: [Child Care Aware of Minnesota](#).

Family child care providers with higher license capacity were more likely to apply than those with lower license capacity.*

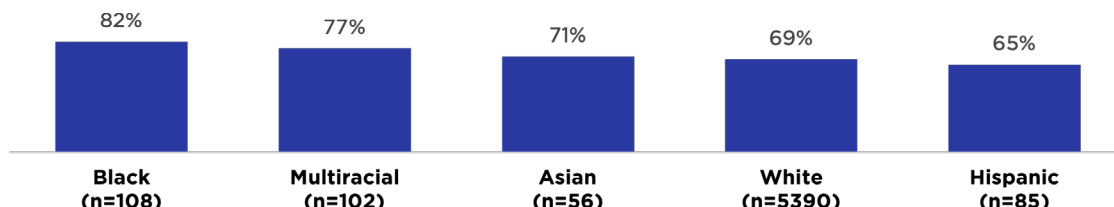
License type	Max no. of children	% of providers who applied
A	10	59%
C1	10	57%
C2	12	71%
C3	14	76%

Source: [Ratio and Group Size Standards for Licensed Child Care](#), DHS, Child Trends analysis of the Peacetime Emergency Child Care Grant Applications & Child Care Licensing, 2020

Family child care providers willing to serve children enrolled in the Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP) were more likely to apply than those who were not (74 and 61 percent applied, respectively).*

Note: CCAP provides financial support to help low-income, working families pay for child care. More information can be found here: <https://mn.gov/dhs/partners-and-providers/policies-procedures/child-care-and-early-education/child-care-assistance-program/>

Black family child care providers were more likely than White family child care providers to apply for a grant.*



Note: Distribution by race is a proportion of all providers who applied. Hispanic providers could be of any race. Source: Peacetime Emergency Child Care Grant Applications & Child Care Licensing, 2020

Note: * indicates a statistically significant difference (p < .05)

This is one in a series of fact sheets from a study of Minnesota's Peacetime Emergency Child Care Grant program. For more information, visit: <https://www.childtrends.org/project/minnesota-child-care-policy-research-partnership>