

By childcare we mean any kind of regular arrangement where anyone other than the parents or legal guardians takes care of your child. Please include preschool, daycare, Head Start and in-home care by relatives or friends as childcare.

(Q39) Does your child attend preschool now? Preschool is a structured program run by trained adults.

	%	95% CI*	
No	73.3	68.1	77.9
Yes	26.7	22.1	31.9

(Q44) During the past 6 months, did you or anyone in your family not take a job, quit a job or change a job to meet the childcare needs of your 3-year-old?

	%	95% CI*	
No	84.3	79.7	88.1
Yes	15.7	11.9	20.3

(Q45) Have you ever had childcare arrangements on a routine or regular basis for your 3-year-old child?

	%	95% CI*	
No	45.7	40.0	51.5
Yes	54.3	48.5	60.0

(Q46) Have you ever been asked to remove your child from childcare OR needed to seek another childcare place due to your child’s difficult behavior(s)? (Among those who have ever had childcare arrangements on a routine or regular basis for their 3-year-old.)

	%	95% CI*	
No	98.6	95.7	99.5
Yes	1.4	0.5	4.3

(Q47) Do you now have childcare arrangements on a routine or regular basis for your child?

	%	95% CI*	
No	55.3	49.5	60.9
Yes	44.7	39.1	50.5

What is CUBS?

CUBS stands for the Childhood Understanding Behaviors Survey and is a three-year follow-up to the Alaska Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System (PRAMS). PRAMS sends a survey to approximately one of every six mothers of newborns in Alaska. CUBS sends a follow-up survey to all mothers living in Alaska who completed PRAMS and whose infant was living with them at that time. The purpose of CUBS is to collect information about health, behaviors, and experiences of young children and families in Alaska.

Among 721 mothers who were sent the CUBS survey in 2015, 65% responded (472 women). Their answers were weighted to represent all mothers of 3-year-old children born in Alaska in 2012. The average child age at the time mothers responded was 38 months (range 37-41 months). 2.4% of mothers said their 3-year-old child was not living with them at the time.

For more information about CUBS, visit the [CUBS website](#).

For questions or for specific data requests, contact Margaret Young, CUBS Program Coordinator, at 907-269-5657 or margaret.young@alaska.gov.

*95% Confidence Interval

(Q48) What type(s) of childcare do you regularly use for your 3-year-old child *now*? Check all that apply. (Among those who *now* have childcare arrangements on a routine or regular basis.)

	% Yes	95% CI*	
Childcare center, preschool or Head Start	53.5	45.1	61.6
Care in a relative's home	26.2	19.7	34.0
Care in my home by a relative	23.8	18.0	30.7
Care in a non-relative's home	23.5	16.9	31.8
Care in my home by a non-relative	11.4	7.4	17.1
Other arrangements	5.8	2.9	11.5

(Q49) Would you prefer to use a type or place of childcare for your child other than what you are doing *now*? (Among all mothers.)

	%	95% CI*	
No	78.4	73.2	82.8
Yes	21.6	17.2	26.8

(Q50) I am not using my preferred type or place of childcare for my child *now* because... Check all that apply. (Among mothers who would prefer to use a type or place of childcare for their child other than what they are doing now.)

	% Yes	95% CI*	
The cost is too high	42.2	30.2	55.2
It doesn't fit my schedule	34.1	22.9	47.3
I can't afford to stay home	31.6	20.7	44.9
The waiting list is too long	26.7	17.2	39.1
It isn't available in my community	8.4	4.3	15.7
It can't accommodate children with special needs	5.2	1.5	16.6
Other reasons	28.5	18.6	41.1

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