

Staff-to-child ratio is the number of children that an individual teacher is responsible for. To reflect the actual ratio, the “Teachers in Classroom” column should always be 1. For example, if you have 2 teachers with one class of 20, you should list 1 “Teacher in Classroom” with 10 “Children in Classroom” and a “Group Size” of 20. If you follow the state mandated ratios for a center or facility, please see the example below. You can omit the age groups you do not serve.

Group size is the maximum number of children, by age, that can be in a single classroom at any given time. If you follow the state mandated group sizes for a center or facility, please see the example below. You can omit the age groups you do not serve.

Child Care Center Example

This example uses the state mandated minimum staff-to-child ratios and maximum group sizes permitted for centers.

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Staffing and Capacity

1. Staff-to-Child Ratio in Your Program ?

Care Level	Teachers in Classroom	:	Children in Classroom	Group Size ?
< 12 Months	1	:	4	12
12 < 24 Months	1	:	6	12
24 < 36 Months	1	:	11	22
36 < 48 Months	1	:	15	30
48 < 60 Months	1	:	20	40
60 < 72 Months	1	:	25	40
In School	1	:		50
Special Needs	0	:	0	0
VPK Class	1	:	11	0

This example uses more stringent staff-to-child ratios and group sizes that are smaller than the state mandate for centers.

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1. Staff-to-Child Ratio in Your Program ?

Care Level	Teachers in Classroom	:	Children in Classroom	Group Size ?
< 12 Months	<input type="text" value="1"/>	:	<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="6"/>
12 < 24 Months	<input type="text" value="1"/>	:	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="10"/>
24 < 36 Months	<input type="text" value="1"/>	:	<input type="text" value="10"/>	<input type="text" value="10"/>
36 < 48 Months	<input type="text" value="1"/>	:	<input type="text" value="12"/>	<input type="text" value="12"/>
48 < 60 Months	<input type="text" value="1"/>	:	<input type="text" value="20"/>	<input type="text" value="20"/>
60 < 72 Months	<input type="text" value="1"/>	:	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
In School	<input type="text" value="1"/>	:	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Special Needs	<input type="text" value="1"/>	:	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
VPK Class	<input type="text" value="1"/>	:	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

For more information on staff-to-child ratios and group sizes for facilities, please visit the School Readiness Health and Safety Standards Handbook by clicking [here](#).

Family Child Care Homes

A family day care home is allowed to provide care for one of the following groups of children, which includes household children under 13 years of age. Below are examples of how to fill out this table using the state mandated minimum ratios.

**The group size column should never exceed 10 for a family child care home.

This example uses the maximum of four children from birth to 12 months of age.

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1. Staff-to-Child Ratio in Your Program ⓘ

Care Level	Teachers in Classroom	Children in Classroom	Group Size ⓘ
< 12 Months	1	4	4
12 < 24 Months	1		
24 < 36 Months	1		
36 < 48 Months	1		
48 < 60 Months	1		
60 < 72 Months	1		
In School	1		
Special Needs	0		
VPK Class	1		

This example uses the maximum of three children from birth to 12 months of age, and other children, for a maximum total of six children.

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1. Staff-to-Child Ratio in Your Program ⓘ

Care Level	Teachers in Classroom	Children in Classroom	Group Size ⓘ
< 12 Months	1	3	3
12 < 24 Months	1	3	3
24 < 36 Months	0	0	0
36 < 48 Months	0	0	0
48 < 60 Months	0	0	0
60 < 72 Months	0	0	0
In School	0	0	0
Special Needs	0	0	0
VPK Class	0	0	0

This example uses the maximum of six preschool children if all are older than 12 months of age.

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1. Staff-to-Child Ratio in Your Program ⓘ

Care Level	Teachers in Classroom	Children in Classroom	Group Size ⓘ
< 12 Months	<input type="text" value="0"/>	:	<input type="text" value="0"/>
12 < 24 Months	<input type="text" value="1"/>	:	<input type="text" value="2"/>
24 < 36 Months	<input type="text" value="1"/>	:	<input type="text" value="2"/>
36 < 48 Months	<input type="text" value="1"/>	:	<input type="text" value="2"/>
48 < 60 Months	<input type="text" value="0"/>	:	<input type="text" value="0"/>
60 < 72 Months	<input type="text" value="0"/>	:	<input type="text" value="0"/>
In School	<input type="text" value="0"/>	:	<input type="text" value="0"/>
Special Needs	<input type="text" value="0"/>	:	<input type="text" value="0"/>
VPK Class	<input type="text" value="0"/>	:	<input type="text" value="0"/>

This example uses the maximum of 10 children if no more than 5 are preschool age and, of those 5, no more than 2 are under 12 months of age.

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1. Staff-to-Child Ratio in Your Program ⓘ

Care Level	Teachers in Classroom	Children in Classroom	Group Size ⓘ
< 12 Months	<input type="text" value="1"/>	:	<input type="text" value="2"/>
12 < 24 Months	<input type="text" value="1"/>	:	<input type="text" value="2"/>
24 < 36 Months	<input type="text" value="1"/>	:	<input type="text" value="1"/>
36 < 48 Months	<input type="text" value="0"/>	:	<input type="text" value="0"/>
48 < 60 Months	<input type="text" value="0"/>	:	<input type="text" value="0"/>
60 < 72 Months	<input type="text" value="0"/>	:	<input type="text" value="0"/>
In School	<input type="text" value="1"/>	:	<input type="text" value="5"/>
Special Needs	<input type="text" value="0"/>	:	<input type="text" value="0"/>
VPK Class	<input type="text" value="0"/>	:	<input type="text" value="0"/>

Large Family Child Care Homes

A large family child care home is allowed to provide care for one of the following groups of children, which includes household children under 13 years of age.

**The group size column should never exceed 12 for a large family child care home.

This example uses the maximum of 8 children from birth to 24 months of age.

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1. Staff-to-Child Ratio in Your Program ⓘ

Care Level	Teachers in Classroom	Children in Classroom	Group Size ⓘ
< 12 Months	<input type="text" value="1"/>	: <input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="text" value="3"/>
12 < 24 Months	<input type="text" value="1"/>	: <input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="5"/>
24 < 36 Months	<input type="text" value="0"/>	: <input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>
36 < 48 Months	<input type="text" value="0"/>	: <input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>
48 < 60 Months	<input type="text" value="0"/>	: <input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>
60 < 72 Months	<input type="text" value="0"/>	: <input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>
In School	<input type="text" value="0"/>	: <input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>
Special Needs	<input type="text" value="0"/>	: <input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>
VPK Class	<input type="text" value="0"/>	: <input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>

This example uses the maximum of 12 children, with no more than 4 children under 24 months of age.

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1. Staff-to-Child Ratio in Your Program ⓘ

Care Level	Teachers in Classroom	Children in Classroom	Group Size ⓘ
< 12 Months	<input type="text" value="1"/>	: <input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="1"/>
12 < 24 Months	<input type="text" value="1"/>	: <input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="1"/>
24 < 36 Months	<input type="text" value="1"/>	: <input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="text" value="2"/>
36 < 48 Months	<input type="text" value="1"/>	: <input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>
48 < 60 Months	<input type="text" value="1"/>	: <input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="text" value="4"/>
60 < 72 Months	<input type="text" value="0"/>	: <input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>
In School	<input type="text" value="0"/>	: <input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>
Special Needs	<input type="text" value="0"/>	: <input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>
VPK Class	<input type="text" value="0"/>	: <input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>

For more information on staff-to-child ratios and group sizes for family child care homes please visit the School Readiness Health and Safety Standards Handbook by clicking [here](#).