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 **First Children's Finance**

CHILD CARE NEEDS SUMMARY

Northwest Minnesota

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Background Information

This report was prepared by First Children's Finance through generous funding from the Minnesota Department of Children, Youth, and Families.

This report covers the following geographic area:

MN Economic Development Regions 1 & 2 sorted by county

Northwest Minnesota Counties:

Beltrami	Lake of the Woods	Pennington
Clearwater	Mahnomen	Polk
Hubbard	Marshall	Red Lake
Kittson	Norman	Roseau

Data Sources:

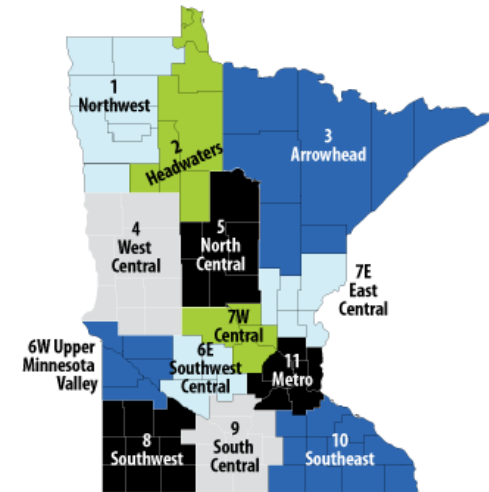
2019–2023 U.S. Census American Community Survey, 5-year estimates
Minnesota Department of Human Services
Minnesota Department of Health
Minnesota Department of Education
U.S. Postal Service

Assumptions

1. If a zip code falls in more than one city and/or county, data was placed in the primary city and/or county as determined by the U.S. Postal Service.
2. All programs offering less than all day, every-day child care were excluded.
3. Due to lack of publicly available capacity data, all certified and non-certified programs (generally school-based programs) were excluded.
4. Due to lack of publicly available Tribal licensing data, all tribally licensed child care programs are excluded

**Capacity is an internal calculation of First Children's Finance based upon historical data collection*

***Children under 5 is an adjusted calculation from 2019-2023 U.S. Census American Community Survey, 5-year estimates*



Northwest Minnesota Child Care Needs Summary by County

June 2025

Totals:

Child Care Centers	CCC Capacity	Family Child Care	FCC Capacity	Total Capacity	Capacity*	Under '6' Working	Children Under 5**	Child Care Need
23	1,388	348	4,214	5,602	4,762	8,773	7,457	(2,695)

Zip Code	City	County	CCC #	CCC Capacity	FCC #	FCC Capacity	Total Capacity	Capacity*	Under '6' Working	Children Under 5**	Child Care Need
56601	Bemidji	Beltrami	5	299	69	850	1149	977	1687	1434	-457
56630	Blackduck	Beltrami	0	0	4	48	48	41	75	64	-23
56647	Hines	Beltrami	0	0	1	12	12	10	29	25	-14
56650	Kelliher	Beltrami	1	66	0	0	66	56	40	34	22
56663	Pennington	Beltrami	0	0	0	0	0	0	54	46	-46
56666	Ponemah	Beltrami	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	20	-20
56667	Puposky	Beltrami	0	0	0	0	0	0	44	37	-37
56670	Redby	Beltrami	0	0	0	0	0	0	51	43	-43
56671	Redlake	Beltrami	0	0	0	0	0	0	269	229	-229
56678	Solway	Beltrami	0	0	0	0	0	0	141	120	-120
56683	Tenstrike	Beltrami	0	0	3	34	34	29	20	17	12
56685	Waskish	Beltrami	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
56621	Bagley	Clearwater	0	0	10	120	120	102	213	181	-79
56634	Clearbrook	Clearwater	0	0	2	22	22	19	63	54	-35
56644	Gonvick	Clearwater	0	0	1	12	12	10	17	14	-4

56652	Leonard	Clearwater	0	0	2	26	26	22	41	35	-13
56676	Shevlin	Clearwater	0	0	3	32	32	27	81	69	-42
56433	Akeley	Hubbard	0	0	2	24	24	20	64	54	-34
56458	Lake George	Hubbard	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	13	-13
56461	Laporte	Hubbard	0	0	4	44	44	37	146	124	-87
56467	Nevis	Hubbard	0	0	3	36	36	31	81	69	-38
56470	Park Rapids	Hubbard	2	78	28	342	420	357	520	442	-85
56720	Donaldson	Kittson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
56728	Hallock	Kittson	1	35	5	62	97	82	80	68	14
56729	Halma	Kittson	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	5	-5
56731	Humboldt	Kittson	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	5	-5
56732	Karlstad	Kittson	0	0	5	58	58	49	42	36	14
56733	Kennedy	Kittson	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	11	-11
56734	Lake Bronson	Kittson	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	5	-5
56735	Lancaster	Kittson	0	0	3	36	36	31	37	31	-1
56755	Saint Vincent	Kittson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
56711	Angle Inlet	Lake Of The Woods	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
56623	Baudette	Lake Of The Woods	0	0	9	106	106	90	122	104	-14
56686	Williams	Lake Of The Woods	0	0	0	0	0	0	109	93	-93
56516	Bejou	Mahnomen	0	0	0	0	0	0	26	22	-22
56651	Lengby	Mahnomen	0	0	1	12	12	10	57	48	-38
56557	Mahnomen	Mahnomen	0	0	1	12	12	10	177	150	-140
56566	Naytahwaush	Mahnomen	0	0	0	0	0	0	42	36	-36
56710	Alvarado	Marshall	0	0	1	10	10	9	35	30	-21

56713	Argyle	Marshall	0	0	3	36	36	31	33	28	3
56724	Gatzke	Marshall	0	0	1	10	10	9	12	10	-2
56727	Grygla	Marshall	0	0	2	22	22	19	48	41	-22
56737	Middle River	Marshall	0	0	1	12	12	10	42	36	-26
56738	Newfolden	Marshall	0	0	2	22	22	19	88	75	-56
56744	Oslo	Marshall	0	0	0	0	0	0	60	51	-51
56757	Stephen	Marshall	0	0	1	10	10	9	37	31	-23
56758	Strandquist	Marshall	0	0	1	10	10	9	4	3	5
56760	Viking	Marshall	0	0	2	24	24	20	23	20	1
56762	Warren	Marshall	1	92	5	52	144	122	141	120	3
56510	Ada	Norman	2	57	6	72	129	110	84	71	38
56519	Borup	Norman	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	9	-9
56541	Flom	Norman	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
56545	Gary	Norman	0	0	1	14	14	12	52	44	-32
56548	Halstad	Norman	1	50	1	10	60	51	55	47	4
56550	Hendrum	Norman	0	0	1	10	10	9	10	9	0
56574	Perley	Norman	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	7	-7
56581	Shelly	Norman	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
56584	Twin Valley	Norman	0	0	3	36	36	31	53	45	-14
56725	Goodridge	Pennington	0	0	1	12	12	10	65	55	-45
56754	Saint Hilaire	Pennington	0	0	2	24	24	20	6	5	15
56701	Thief River Falls	Pennington	1	91	37	450	541	460	709	603	-143
56517	Beltrami	Polk	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	19	-19
56523	Climax	Polk	0	0	0	0	0	0	38	32	-32
56716	Crookston	Polk	2	119	19	250	369	314	298	253	60
56721	East Grand Forks	Polk	3	182	34	418	600	510	883	751	-241

56535	Erskine	Polk	0	0	5	62	62	53	91	77	-25
56722	Euclid	Polk	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	14	-14
56540	Fertile	Polk	0	0	7	94	94	80	98	83	-3
56723	Fisher	Polk	0	0	1	12	12	10	58	49	-39
56542	Fosston	Polk	1	72	5	64	136	116	88	75	41
56646	Gully	Polk	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	14	-14
56556	Mcintosh	Polk	1	94	0	0	94	80	129	110	-30
56736	Mentor	Polk	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	18	-18
56568	Nielsville	Polk	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
56684	Trail	Polk	0	0	2	24	24	20	20	17	3
56592	Winger	Polk	0	0	1	12	12	10	8	7	3
56715	Brooks	Red Lake	0	0	0	0	0	0	28	24	-24
56742	Oklee	Red Lake	0	0	2	24	24	20	50	43	-22
56748	Plummer	Red Lake	0	0	1	12	12	10	13	11	-1
56750	Red Lake Falls	Red Lake	1	39	7	84	123	105	132	112	-8
56714	Badger	Roseau	0	0	1	10	10	9	48	41	-32
56726	Greenbush	Roseau	0	0	6	68	68	58	89	76	-18
56673	Roosevelt	Roseau	0	0	0	0	0	0	49	42	-42
56751	Roseau	Roseau	0	0	18	212	212	180	348	296	-116
56756	Salol	Roseau	0	0	2	26	26	22	30	26	-3
56759	Strathcona	Roseau	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	-3
56761	Wannaska	Roseau	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	13	-13
56763	Warroad	Roseau	1	114	10	118	232	197	209	178	20
Totals			23	1,388	348	4,214	5,602	4,762	8,773	7,457	(2,695)