

Update on Child Care in Iowa and the impact of COVID-19

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Iowa Child Care Guidance in Response to Covid-19



- Face Coverings are encouraged for adults and school age children.
- Physical Distancing
 - Room capacity should be based on the ability physically distance
 - Ensure children and staff groupings are as static as possible.
- Hygiene and Cleaning
 - Frequent handwashing and cleaning
 - Minimize the sharing of high touch materials or items that are difficult to clean or disinfect
- Screen and Testing
 - Daily Health Checks
 - Reporting process if illness occurs for children or staff

Information from Iowa DHS website.
Guidance dated August 13, 2020.

School Age Programs

- Varied Schedules
- Remote Learning
- Online Supervision
- Teaching of lessons/ Curriculum



Families Searching For Child Care:

- Free Child Care Referrals based on families needs.
- Parent Specialists complete a basic intake of information.
- Choosing Quality Child Care Guidance and Parenting Education
- Questions to ask when looking for care.

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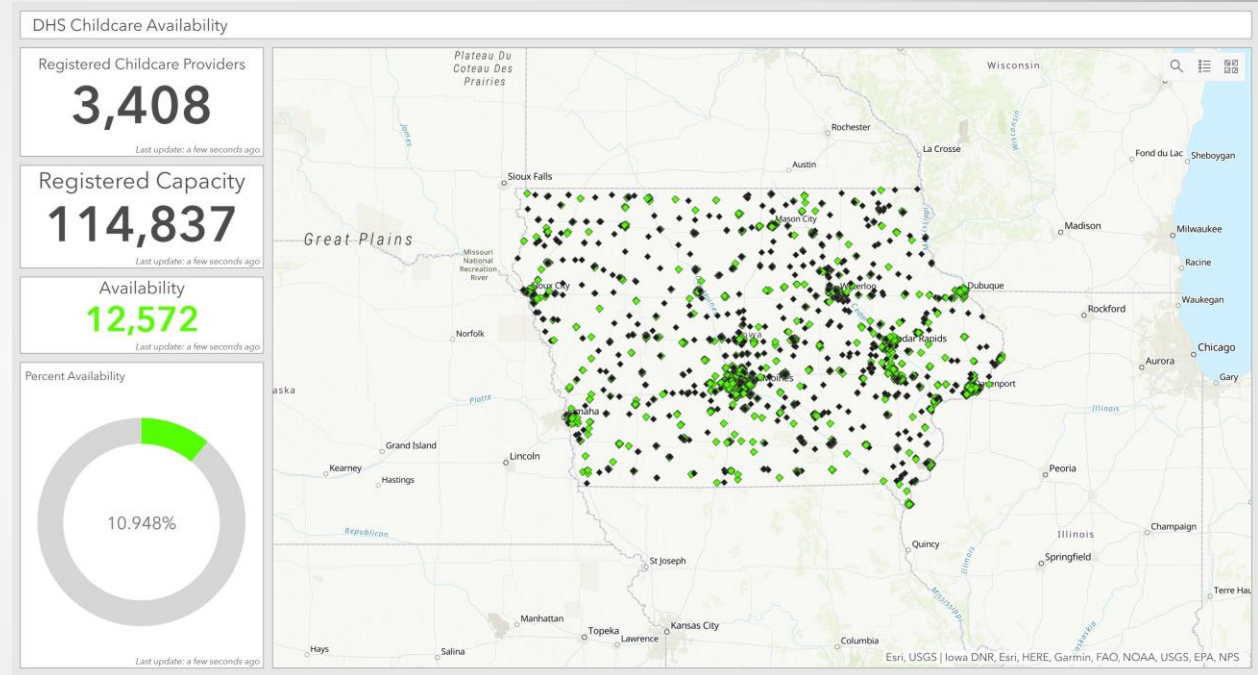
Connecting Families with Child Care Services

Iowa Current Vacancies

Iowa created a map showing open programs and vacancies. This is being updated twice per week.

Other data:

- Scott County had 297 total programs listed with Child Care Resource and Referral in July 2020. (312 in July 2019)
- This includes 200+ that remained closed in August 2020. Some of the temp programs were planning to open with the school district. Others are unsure if they will be able reopen.



<https://iowa.maps.arcgis.com/apps/opsdas/hboard/index.html#/cabe69b5e2494259ab6c820c249e0f19>

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