

Senator Michael Testa, Jr. **Assemblyman Antwan McClellan** Assemblyman Erik Simonsen

## Data Snapshot of Legislative District 1

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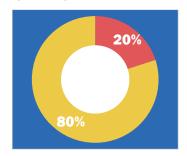
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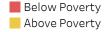
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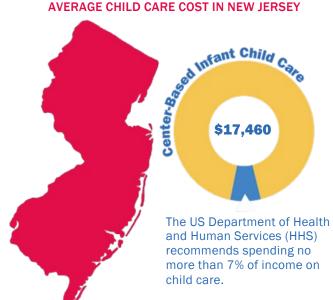
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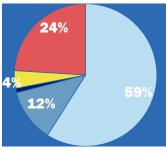
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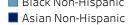
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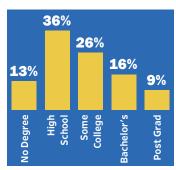
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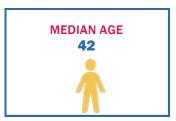
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## **HIGHEST LEVEL OF EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT**







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## State of Early Learning in New Jersey Legislative District



## Even if a family can afford \$17,460, center-based child care for babies is hard to find.

#### **INFANT AND TODDLER CHILD CARE, 2022**

Number of Children Under Age 3	7,372
Estimated Number of Infants and Toddlers in Need of Care	5,264
Number of Infants and Toddlers Centers Typically Serve	1,292

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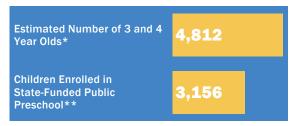
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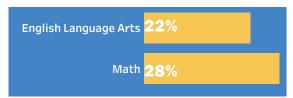


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**Senator Vincent Polistina Assemblywoman Claire Swift Assemblyman Donald Guardian** 

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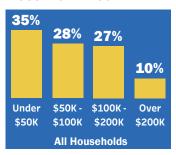
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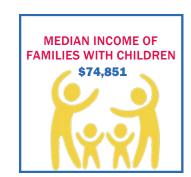
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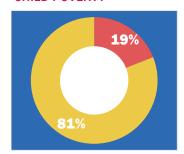
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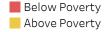
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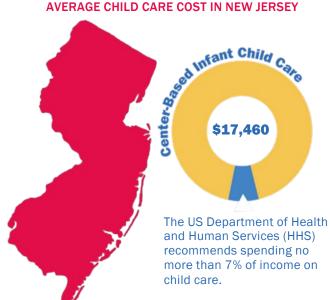
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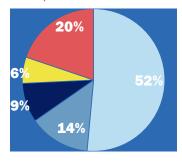
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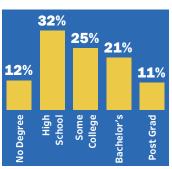
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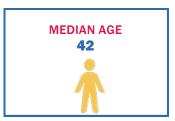




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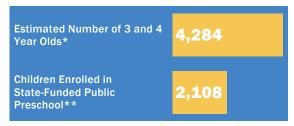
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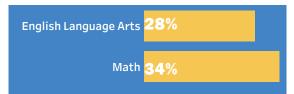


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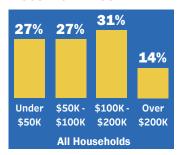
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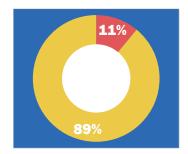
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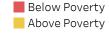
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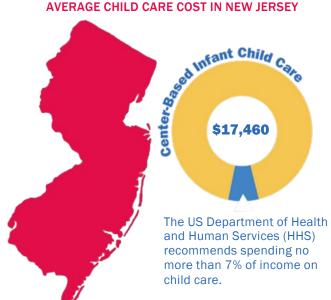
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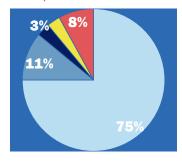
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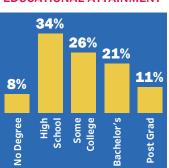
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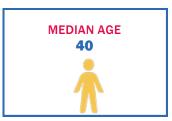
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# MARRIED COUPLES WITH **CHILDREN** 68%



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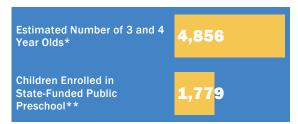
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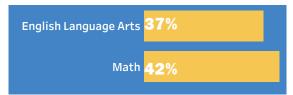


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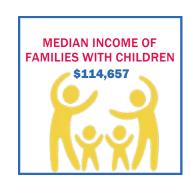
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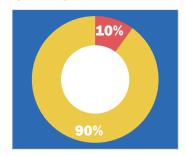
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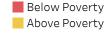
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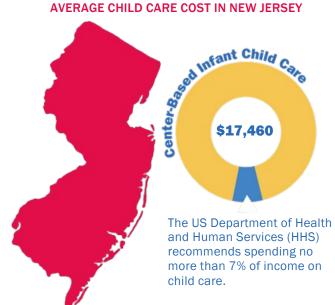
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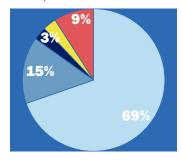
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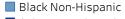
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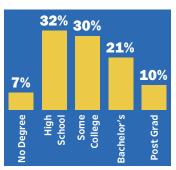
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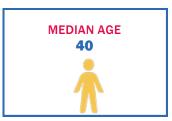
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#### **INFANT AND TODDLER CHILD CARE. 2022**

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Estimated Number of Infants and Toddlers in Need of Care	5,031
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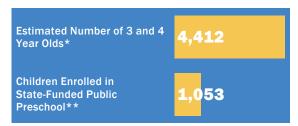
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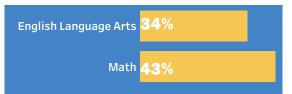


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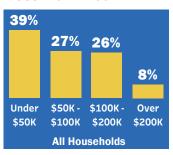
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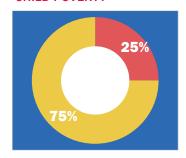
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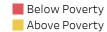
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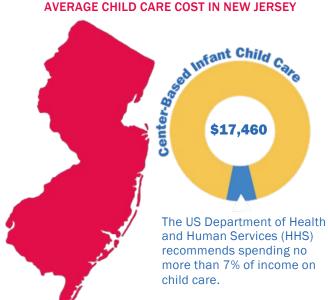
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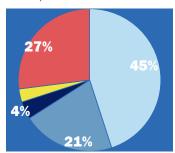
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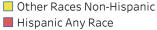
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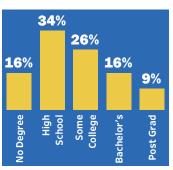


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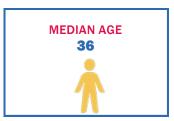
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Number of Infants and Toddlers Centers Typically Serve	1,234

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Estimated Number of 3 and 4 Year Olds*	5,758
Children Enrolled in State-Funded Public Preschool**	2,976

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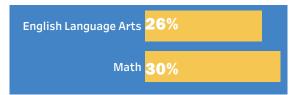


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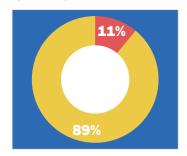
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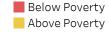
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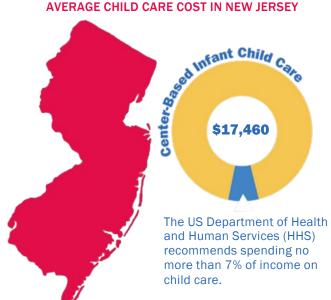
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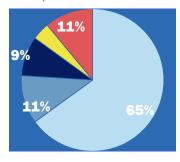
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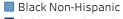
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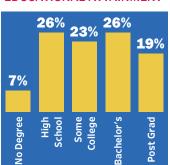


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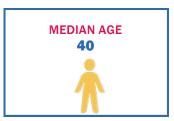


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## **HIGHEST LEVEL OF EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT**







Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2022 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates. January, 2024.

#### **INFANT AND TODDLER CHILD CARE, 2022**

Number of Children Under Age 3	7,698
Estimated Number of Infants and Toddlers in Need of Care	5,756
Number of Infants and Toddlers Centers Typically Serve	1,799

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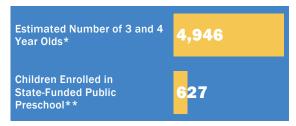
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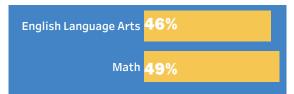


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**Senator Troy Singleton Assemblywoman Carol Murphy** Assemblyman Herb Conaway, Jr.

## Data Snapshot of Legislative District 7

**FEBRUARY 2024** 

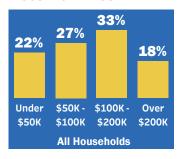
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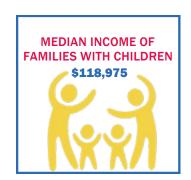
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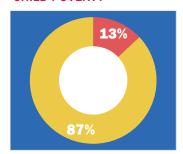
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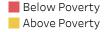
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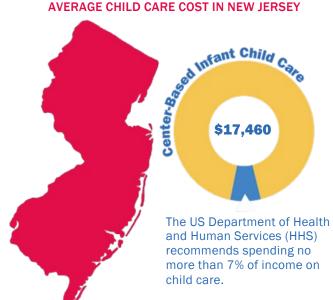
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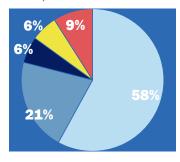
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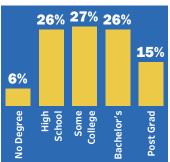
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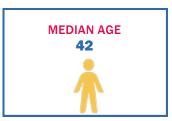
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Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2022 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates. January, 2024.

#### **INFANT AND TODDLER CHILD CARE, 2022**

Number of Children Under Age 3	6,581
Estimated Number of Infants and Toddlers in Need of Care	4,719
Number of Infants and Toddlers Centers Typically Serve	1,353

Source: Advocates for Children of New Jersey, "Still No Room for Babies: Child Care Staffing Crisis Impacts Supply of Infant-Toddler Child Care", March 2023.



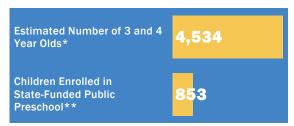
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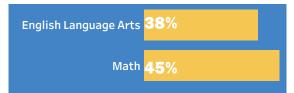


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**FEBRUARY 2024** 

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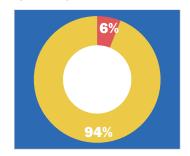
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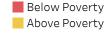
#### HOUSEHOLD INCOME





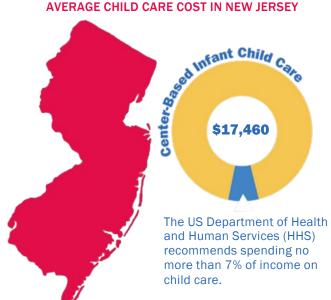
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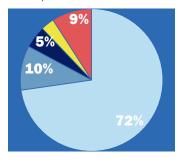
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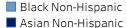
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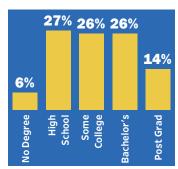


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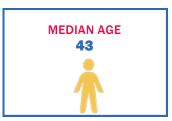


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#### **INFANT AND TODDLER CHILD CARE, 2022**

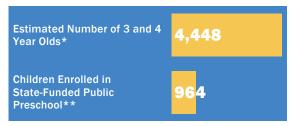
Number of Children Under Age 3	7,472
Estimated Number of Infants and Toddlers in Need of Care	5,382
Number of Infants and Toddlers Centers Typically Serve	1,531

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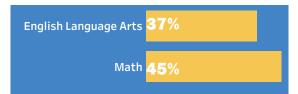


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## Data Snapshot of Legislative District 9

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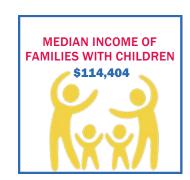
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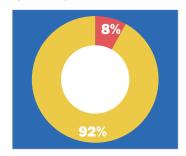
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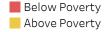
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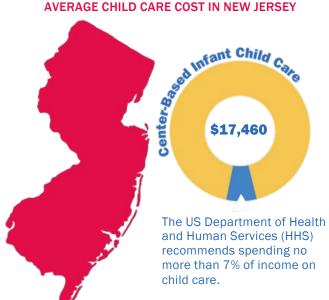
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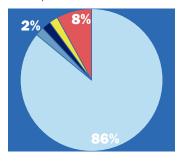
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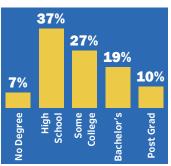


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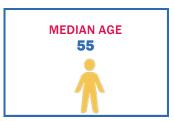
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#### **INFANT AND TODDLER CHILD CARE, 2022**

Number of Children Under Age 3	4,802
Estimated Number of Infants and Toddlers in Need of Care	2,732
Number of Infants and Toddlers Centers Typically Serve	678

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#### FREE PUBLIC PRESCHOOL, 2022-23

Estimated Number of 3 and 4 Year Olds*	3,236
Children Enrolled in State-Funded Public Preschool**	1,492

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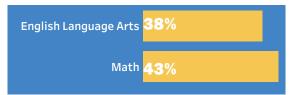


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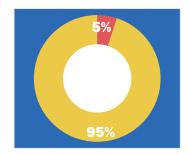
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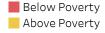
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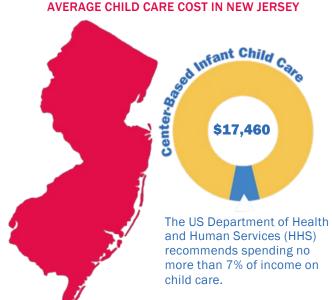
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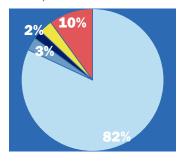
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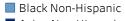
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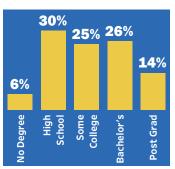
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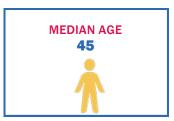
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Hispanic Any Race

#### **INFANT AND TODDLER CHILD CARE. 2022**

Number of Children Under Age 3	6,062
Estimated Number of Infants and Toddlers in Need of Care	3,483
Number of Infants and Toddlers Centers Typically Serve	1,347

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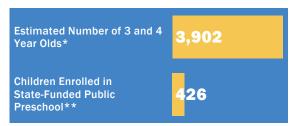
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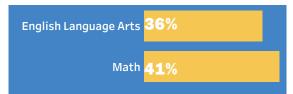


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Senator Vin Gopal
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## **Data Snapshot of Legislative District 11**

**FEBRUARY 2024** 

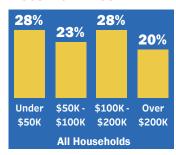
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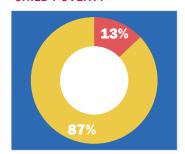
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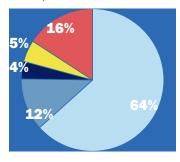
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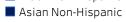
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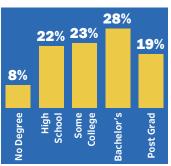


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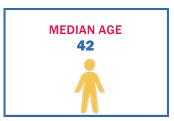


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#### **INFANT AND TODDLER CHILD CARE. 2022**

Number of Children Under Age 3	7,076
Estimated Number of Infants and Toddlers in Need of Care	4,700
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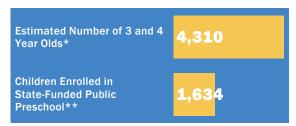
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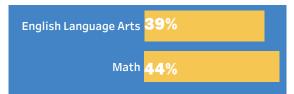


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**Senator Owen Henry Assemblyman Alex Sauickie Assemblyman Robert Clifton** 

## Data Snapshot of Legislative District 12

**FEBRUARY 2024** 

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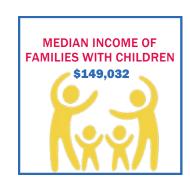
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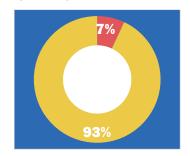
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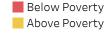
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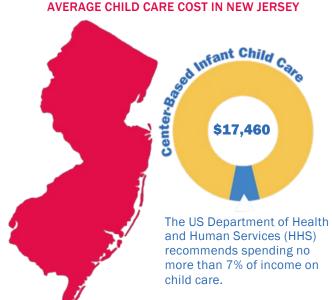
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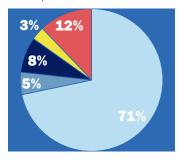
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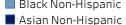
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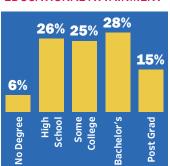


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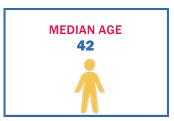


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HIGHEST LEVEL OF **EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT** 







Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2022 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates. January, 2024.

#### **INFANT AND TODDLER CHILD CARE. 2022**

Number of Children Under Age 3	6,144
Estimated Number of Infants and Toddlers in Need of Care	3,798
Number of Infants and Toddlers Centers Typically Serve	1,232

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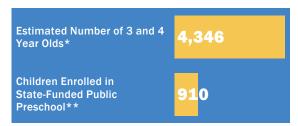
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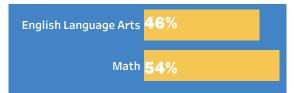


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Senator Declan O'Scanlon, Jr.
Assemblywoman Victoria Flynn
Assemblyman Gerry Scharfenberger

## **Data Snapshot of Legislative District 13**

**FEBRUARY 2024** 

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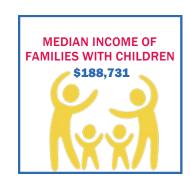
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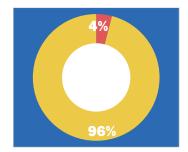
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#### HOUSEHOLD INCOME





#### **CHILD POVERTY**





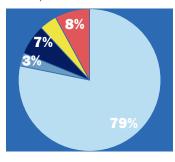
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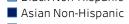
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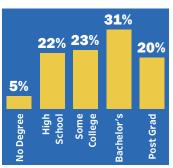


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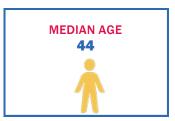


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Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2022 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates. January, 2024.

#### **INFANT AND TODDLER CHILD CARE. 2022**

Number of Children Under Age 3	5,787
Estimated Number of Infants and Toddlers in Need of Care	3,842
Number of Infants and Toddlers Centers Typically Serve	1,366

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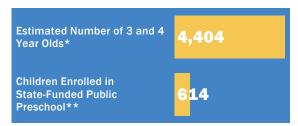
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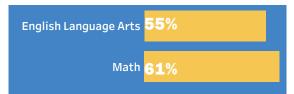


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Senator Linda Greenstein Assemblywoman Tennille McCoy Assemblyman Wayne DeAngelo

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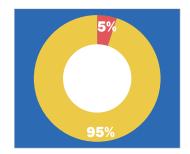
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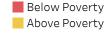
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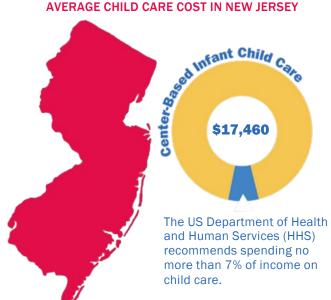
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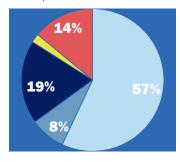
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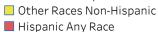
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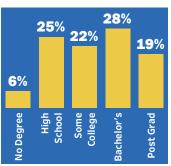
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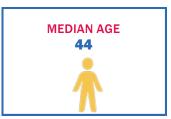
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#### **INFANT AND TODDLER CHILD CARE. 2022**

Number of Children Under Age 3	5,800
Estimated Number of Infants and Toddlers in Need of Care	3,900
Number of Infants and Toddlers Centers Typically Serve	1,115

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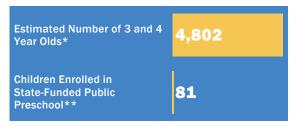
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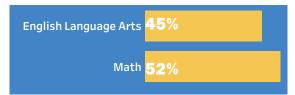


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Senator Shirley K. Turner Assemblywoman Verlina Reynolds-Jackson **Assemblyman Anthony Verrelli** 

## Data Snapshot of Legislative District 15

**FEBRUARY 2024** 

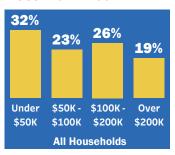
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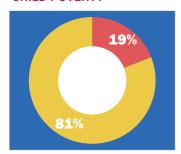
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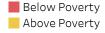
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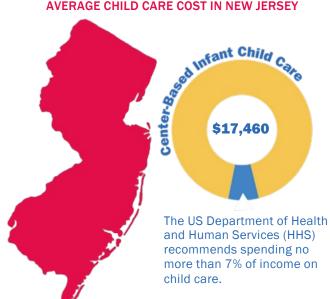
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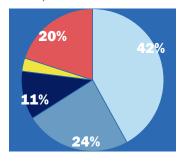
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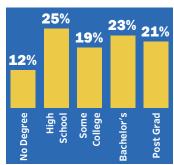


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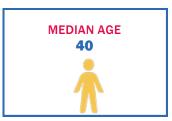


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#### **INFANT AND TODDLER CHILD CARE. 2022**

Number of Children Under Age 3	7,551
Estimated Number of Infants and Toddlers in Need of Care	5,259
Number of Infants and Toddlers Centers Typically Serve	1,149

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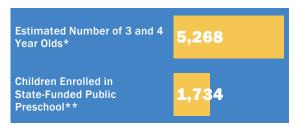
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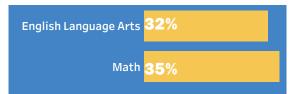


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Senator Andrew Zwicker
Assemblywoman Mitchelle Drulis
Assemblyman Roy Freiman

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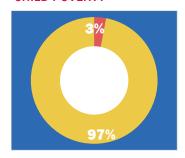
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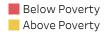
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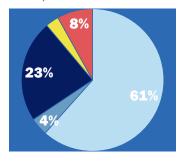
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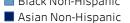
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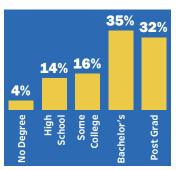


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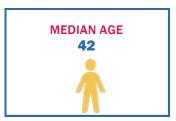


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## HIGHEST LEVEL OF EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT







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#### **INFANT AND TODDLER CHILD CARE. 2022**

Number of Children Under Age 3	4,971
Estimated Number of Infants and Toddlers in Need of Care	3,469
Number of Infants and Toddlers Centers Typically Serve	2,021

Source: Advocates for Children of New Jersey, "Still No Room for Babies: Child Care Staffing Crisis Impacts Supply of Infant-Toddler Child Care", March 2023.



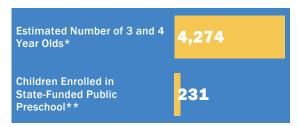
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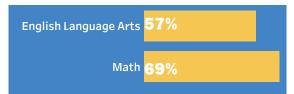


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Senator Bob Smith **Assemblyman Joe Danielsen** Assemblyman Kevin Egan

## Data Snapshot of Legislative District 17

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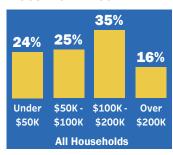
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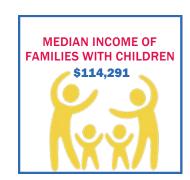
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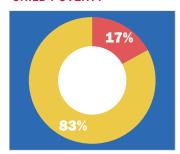
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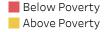
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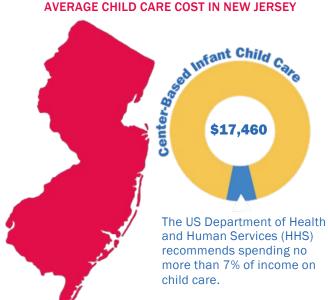
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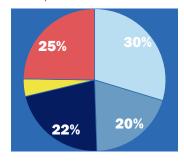
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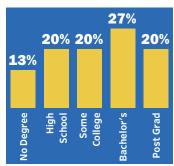
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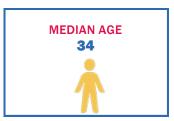
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# MARRIED COUPLES WITH **CHILDREN** 69%



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2022 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates. January, 2024.

## State of Early Learning in New Jersey Legislative District 1

## Even if a family can afford \$17,460, center-based child care for babies is hard to find.

#### **INFANT AND TODDLER CHILD CARE. 2022**

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Estimated Number of 3 and 4 Year Olds*	4,402
Children Enrolled in State-Funded Public Preschool**	2,052

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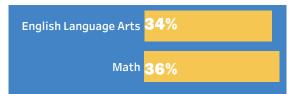


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Senator Patrick Diegnan, Jr. **Assemblyman Robert Karabinchak** Assemblyman Sterley Stanley

## Data Snapshot of Legislative District 18

**FEBRUARY 2024** 

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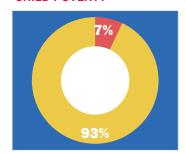


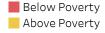
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33%

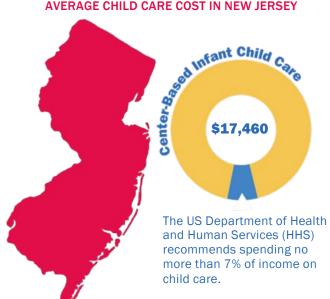
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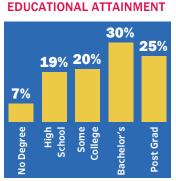


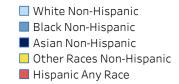
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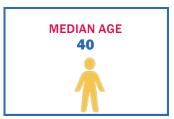
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Estimated Number of Infants and Toddlers in Need of Care	4,272
Number of Infants and Toddlers Centers Typically Serve	1,449

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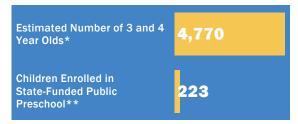
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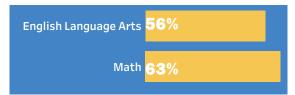


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**Senator Joseph Vitale Assemblywoman Yvonne Lopez Assemblyman Craig Coughlin** 

### Data Snapshot of Legislative District 19

**FEBRUARY 2024** 

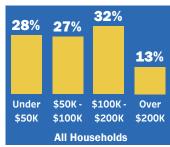
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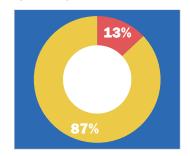
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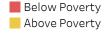
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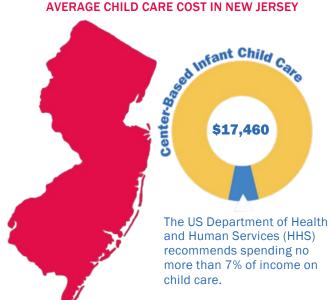
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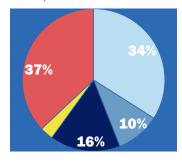
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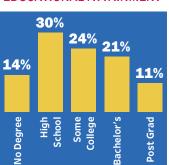
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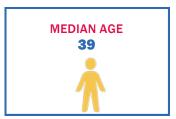
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## **MARRIED COUPLES WITH CHILDREN** 66%



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### **INFANT AND TODDLER CHILD CARE, 2022**

Number of Children Under Age 3	8,471
Estimated Number of Infants and Toddlers in Need of Care	5,235
Number of Infants and Toddlers Centers Typically Serve	683

Source: Advocates for Children of New Jersey, "Still No Room for Babies: Child Care Staffing Crisis Impacts Supply of Infant-Toddler Child Care", March 2023.



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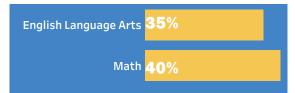


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Senator Joseph Cryan Assemblywoman Annette Quijano **Assemblyman Reginald Atkins** 

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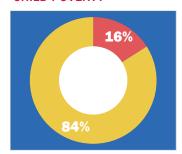
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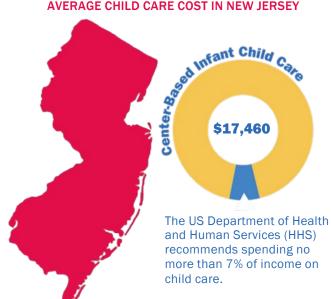
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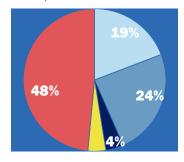
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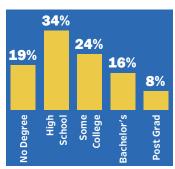
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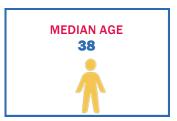
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### HIGHEST LEVEL OF **EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT**







Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2022 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates. January, 2024.

### **INFANT AND TODDLER CHILD CARE. 2022**

Number of Children Under Age 3	8,275
Estimated Number of Infants and Toddlers in Need of Care	6,057
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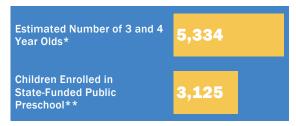
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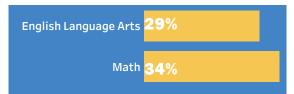


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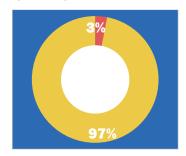
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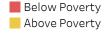
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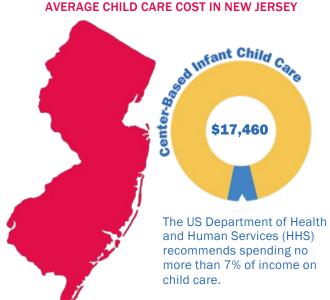
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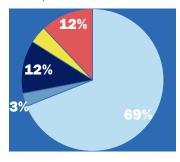
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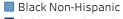
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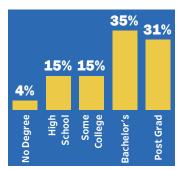


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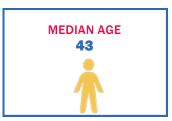


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### **HIGHEST LEVEL OF EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT**







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### **INFANT AND TODDLER CHILD CARE. 2022**

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Estimated Number of Infants and Toddlers in Need of Care	4,149
Number of Infants and Toddlers Centers Typically Serve	2,133

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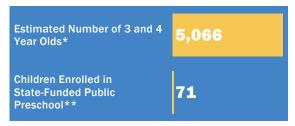
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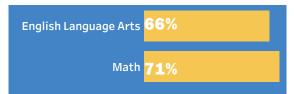


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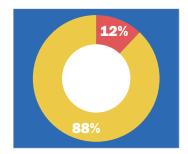
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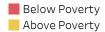
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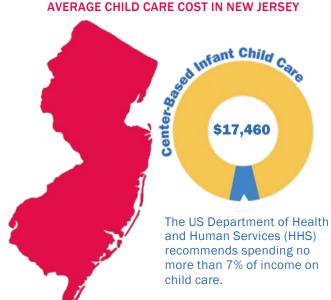
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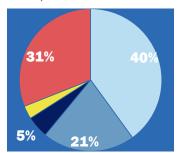
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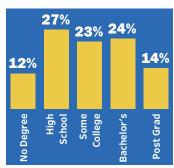
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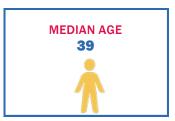
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### HIGHEST LEVEL OF **EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT**



### MARRIED COUPLES WITH **CHILDREN 70**%



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### **INFANT AND TODDLER CHILD CARE. 2022**

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Number of Infants and Toddlers Centers Typically Serve	1,390

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### FREE PUBLIC PRESCHOOL, 2022-23

Estimated Number of 3 and 4 Year Olds*	5,786
Children Enrolled in State-Funded Public Preschool**	2,529

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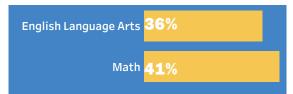


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**Senator Douglas Steinhardt Assemblyman Erik Peterson** Assemblyman John DiMaio

### Data Snapshot of Legislative District 23

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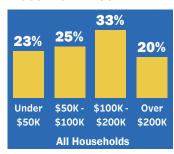
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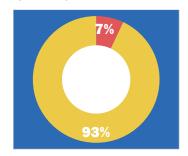
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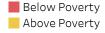
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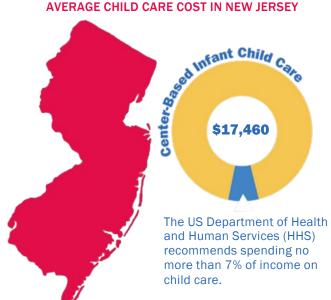
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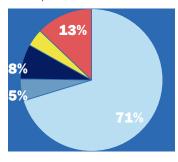
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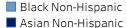
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### RACE/ETHNICITY



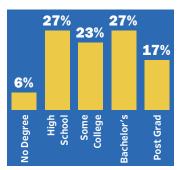
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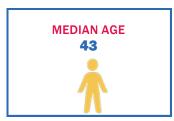
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### HIGHEST LEVEL OF **EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT**







Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2022 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates. January, 2024.

### **INFANT AND TODDLER CHILD CARE. 2022**

Number of Children Under Age 3	6,297
Estimated Number of Infants and Toddlers in Need of Care	4,408
Number of Infants and Toddlers Centers Typically Serve	1,096

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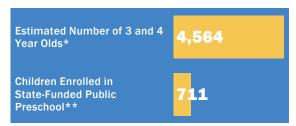
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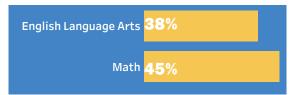


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**FEBRUARY 2024** 

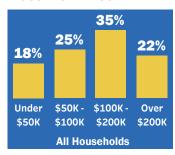
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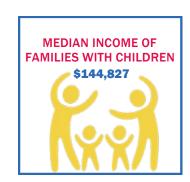
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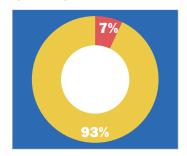
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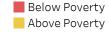
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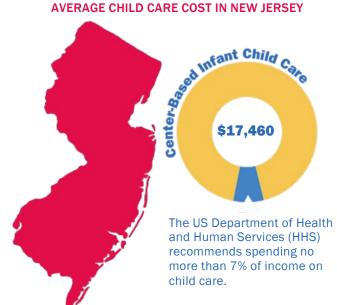


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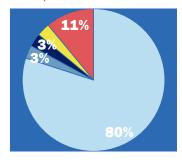
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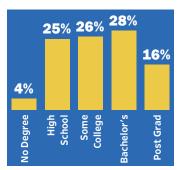
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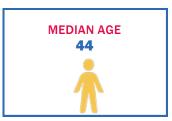
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Hispanic Any Race





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### **INFANT AND TODDLER CHILD CARE. 2022**

Number of Children Under Age 3	5,984
Estimated Number of Infants and Toddlers in Need of Care	4,041
Number of Infants and Toddlers Centers Typically Serve	1,036

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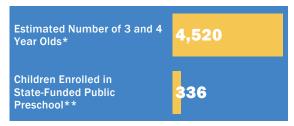
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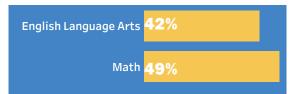


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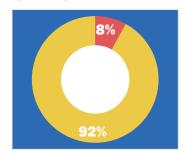
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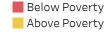
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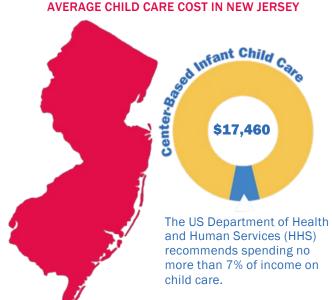
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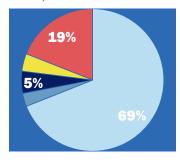
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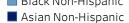
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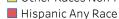
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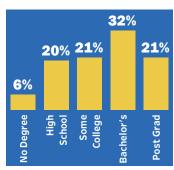
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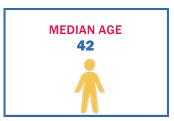
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### **HIGHEST LEVEL OF EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT**



### MARRIED COUPLES WITH **CHILDREN** 83%



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2022 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates. January, 2024.

### **INFANT AND TODDLER CHILD CARE. 2022**

Number of Children Under Age 3	6,962
Estimated Number of Infants and Toddlers in Need of Care	4,941
Number of Infants and Toddlers Centers Typically Serve	1,282

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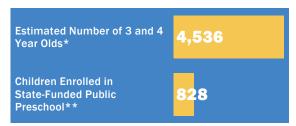
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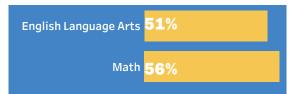


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**Senator Joseph Pennacchio Assemblyman Brian Bergen** Assemblyman Jay Webber

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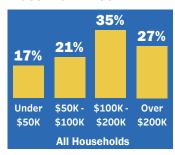
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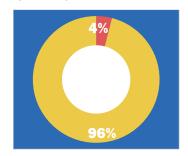
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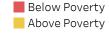
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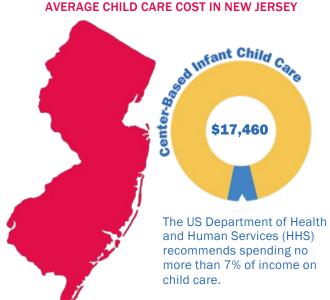
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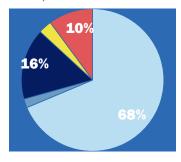
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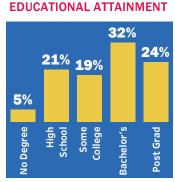
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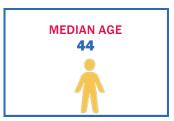
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# MARRIED COUPLES WITH **CHILDREN** 86%



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### **INFANT AND TODDLER CHILD CARE. 2022**

Number of Children Under Age 3	5,998
Estimated Number of Infants and Toddlers in Need of Care	4,199
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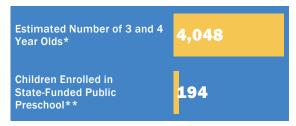
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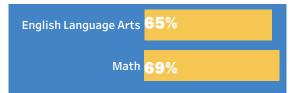


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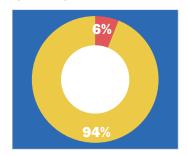
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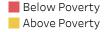
#### HOUSEHOLD INCOME



# **MEDIAN INCOME OF FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN** \$179,875

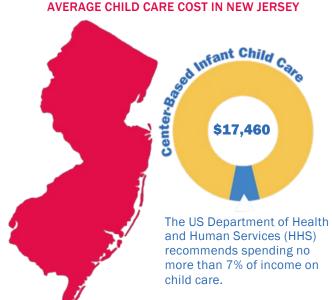
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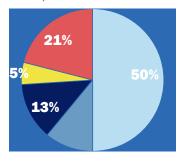
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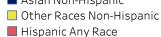
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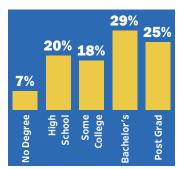
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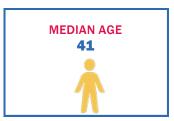
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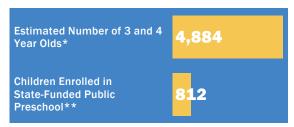
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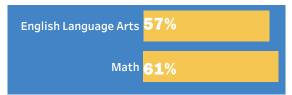


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**Senator Renee Burgess Assemblywoman Cleopatra Tucker** Assemblywoman Garnett Hall

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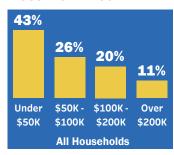
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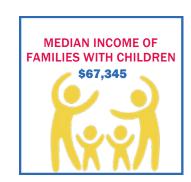
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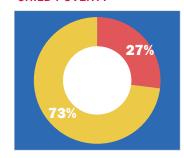
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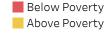
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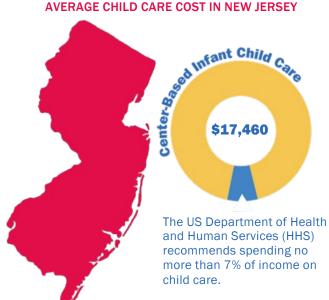
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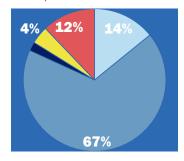
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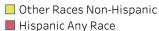
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### RACE/ETHNICITY

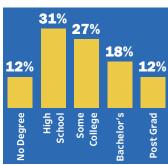


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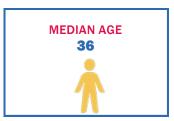
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Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2022 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates. January, 2024.

### **INFANT AND TODDLER CHILD CARE. 2022**

Number of Children Under Age 3	16,754
Estimated Number of Infants and Toddlers in Need of Care	12,280
Number of Infants and Toddlers Centers Typically Serve	2,688

Source: Advocates for Children of New Jersey, "Still No Room for Babies: Child Care Staffing Crisis Impacts Supply of Infant-Toddler Child Care", March 2023.



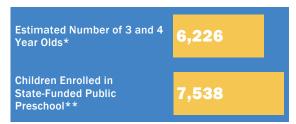
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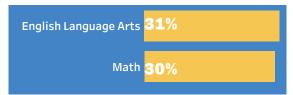


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**Senator Teresa Ruiz Assemblywoman Eliana Pintor Marin** Assemblywoman Shanique Speight

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**FEBRUARY 2024** 

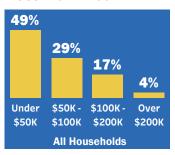
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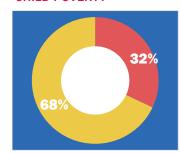
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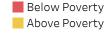
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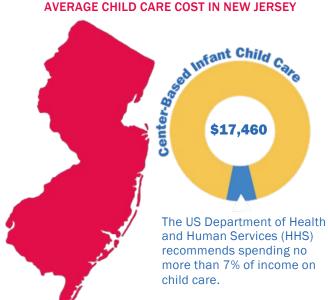
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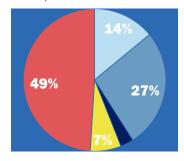
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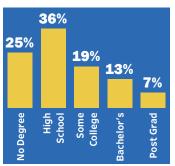
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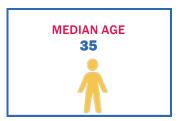
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Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2022 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates. January, 2024.

### **INFANT AND TODDLER CHILD CARE. 2022**

Number of Children Under Age 3	12,112
Estimated Number of Infants and Toddlers in Need of Care	8,878
Number of Infants and Toddlers Centers Typically Serve	1,632

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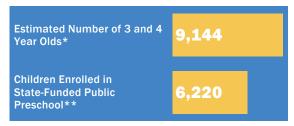
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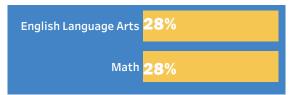


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**Senator Robert Singer Assemblyman Alexander Schnall** Assemblyman Sean Kean

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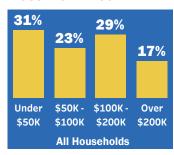
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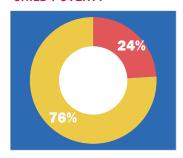
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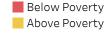




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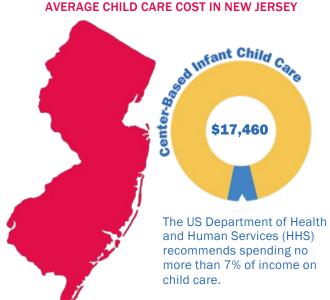
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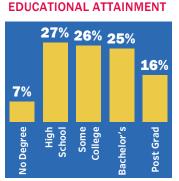


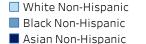
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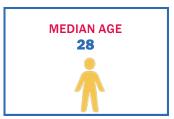




Other Races Non-Hispanic

Hispanic Any Race





Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2022 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates. January, 2024.

#### **INFANT AND TODDLER CHILD CARE. 2022**

Number of Children Under Age 3	16,923
Estimated Number of Infants and Toddlers in Need of Care	9,849
Number of Infants and Toddlers Centers Typically Serve	1,764

Source: Advocates for Children of New Jersey, "Still No Room for Babies: Child Care Staffing Crisis Impacts Supply of Infant-Toddler Child Care", March 2023.



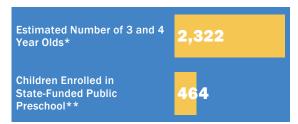
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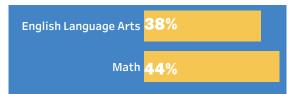


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Senator Angela McKnight
Assemblywoman Barbara McCann Stamato
Assemblyman William Sampson IV

### **Data Snapshot of Legislative District 31**

**FEBRUARY 2024** 

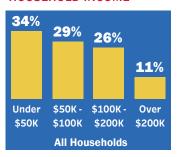
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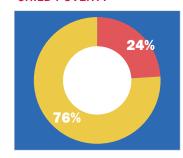
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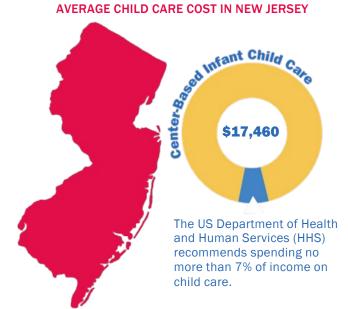


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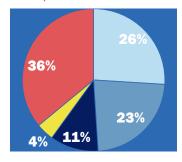
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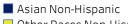
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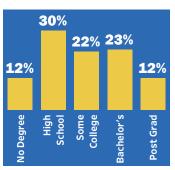


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HIGHEST LEVEL OF EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT







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### **INFANT AND TODDLER CHILD CARE. 2022**

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Estimated Number of Infants and Toddlers in Need of Care	11,103
Number of Infants and Toddlers Centers Typically Serve	2,735

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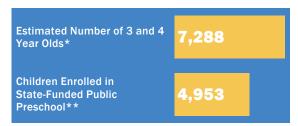
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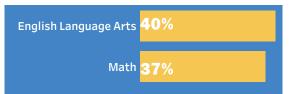


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Senator Raj Mukherji
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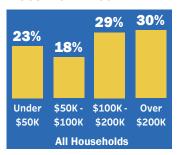
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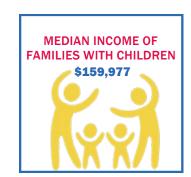
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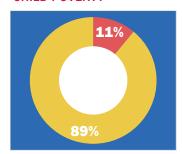
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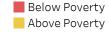
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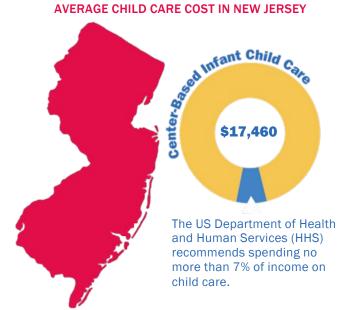


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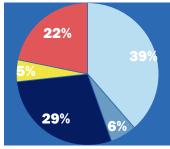


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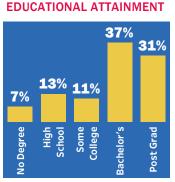
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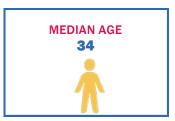
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### **INFANT AND TODDLER CHILD CARE. 2022**

Number of Children Under Age 3	16,284
Estimated Number of Infants and Toddlers in Need of Care	10,829
Number of Infants and Toddlers Centers Typically Serve	3,340

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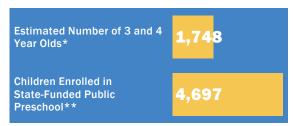
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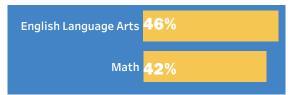


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**Senator Brian Stack Assemblyman Gabriel Rodriguez Assemblyman Julio Marenco** 

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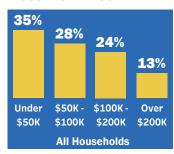
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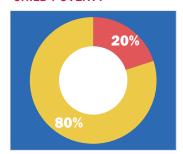
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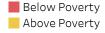
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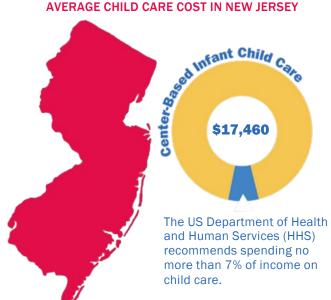
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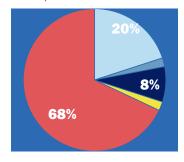
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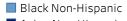
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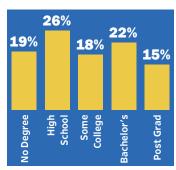


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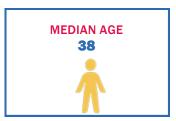


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### **HIGHEST LEVEL OF EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT**







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#### **INFANT AND TODDLER CHILD CARE. 2022**

Number of Children Under Age 3	8,844
Estimated Number of Infants and Toddlers in Need of Care	5,881
Number of Infants and Toddlers Centers Typically Serve	1,676

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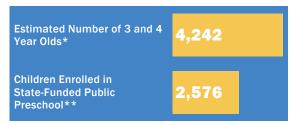
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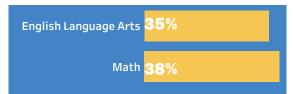


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**Senator Britnee Timberlake Assemblywoman Carmen Theresa Morales** Assemblyman Michael Venezia

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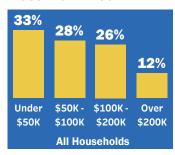
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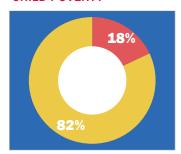
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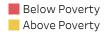
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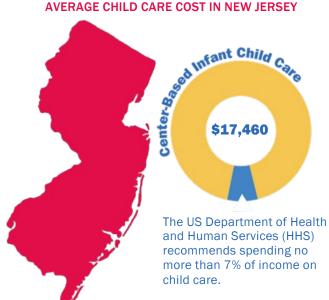
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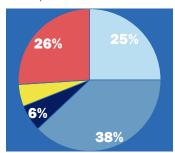
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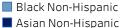
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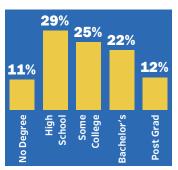


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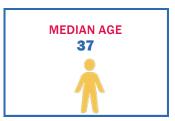


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### HIGHEST LEVEL OF **EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT**







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### **INFANT AND TODDLER CHILD CARE. 2022**

Number of Children Under Age 3	8,317
Estimated Number of Infants and Toddlers in Need of Care	6,096
Number of Infants and Toddlers Centers Typically Serve	1,289

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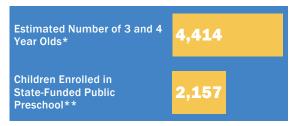
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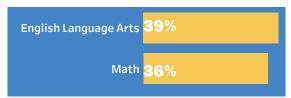


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**Senator Nellie Pou** Assemblywoman Shavonda Sumter Assemblyman Benjie Wimberly

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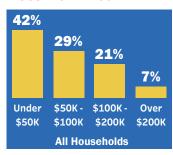
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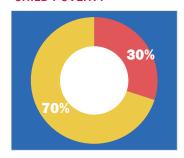
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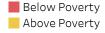
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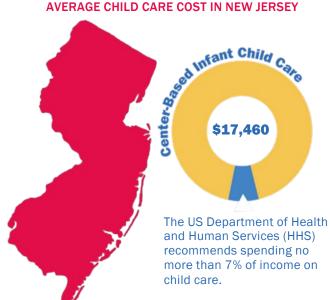
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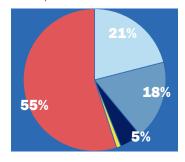
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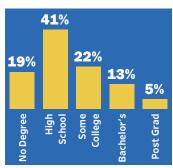
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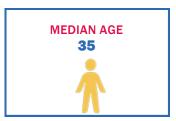
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### **HIGHEST LEVEL OF EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT**







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### State of Early Learning in New Jersey Legislative District 35



### Even if a family can afford \$17,460, center-based child care for babies is hard to find.

### **INFANT AND TODDLER CHILD CARE. 2022**

Number of Children Under Age 3	10,018
Estimated Number of Infants and Toddlers in Need of Care	6,344
Number of Infants and Toddlers Centers Typically Serve	1,108

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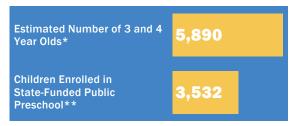
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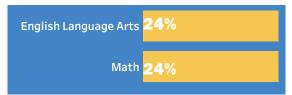


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### **Data Snapshot of Legislative District 36**

**FEBRUARY 2024** 

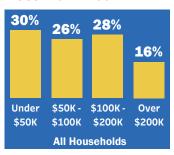
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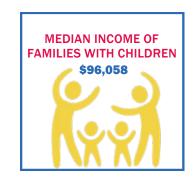
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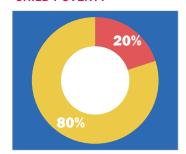
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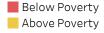
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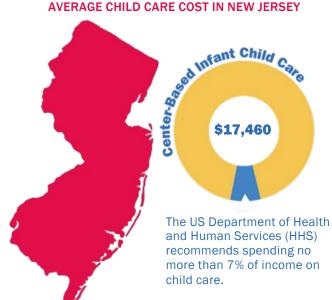
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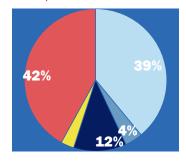
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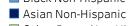
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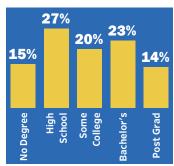


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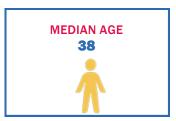


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## MARRIED COUPLES WITH **CHILDREN** 67%



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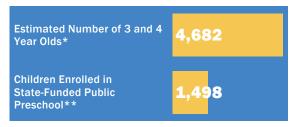
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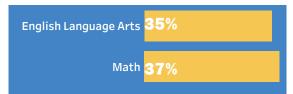


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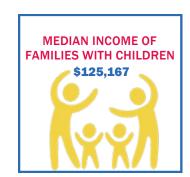
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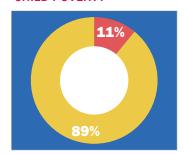
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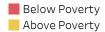
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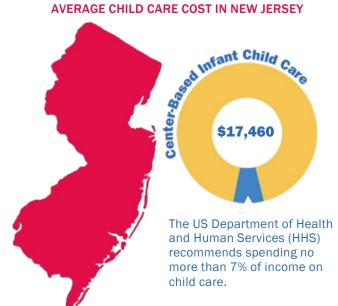


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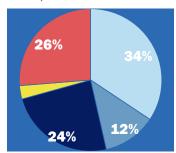
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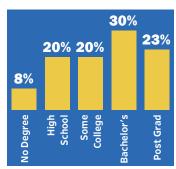
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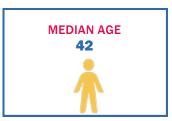


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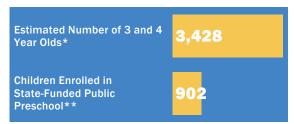
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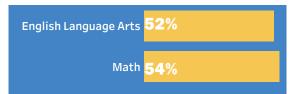


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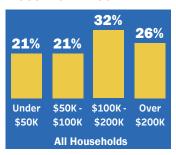
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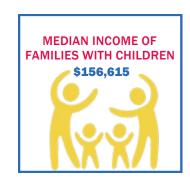
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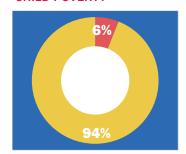
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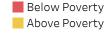
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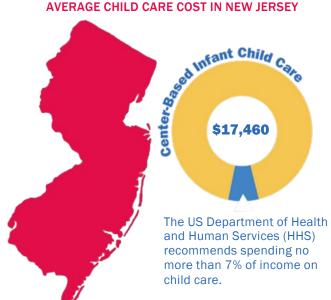
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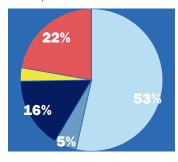
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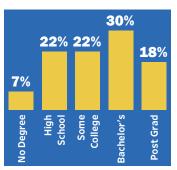
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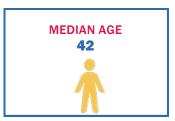
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### **HIGHEST LEVEL OF EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT**







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### **INFANT AND TODDLER CHILD CARE. 2022**

Number of Children Under Age 3	5,798
Estimated Number of Infants and Toddlers in Need of Care	3,832
Number of Infants and Toddlers Centers Typically Serve	1,444

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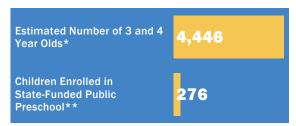
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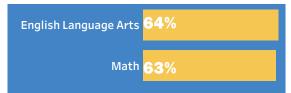


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### Data Snapshot of Legislative District 39

**FEBRUARY 2024** 

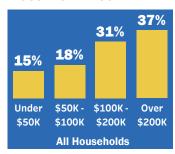
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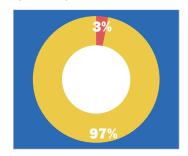
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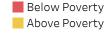
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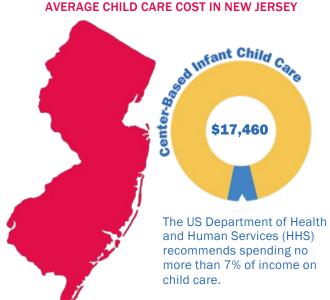
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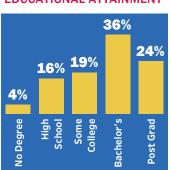


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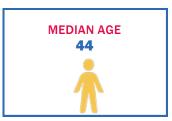
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### MARRIED COUPLES WITH **CHILDREN** 87%



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Estimated Number of 3 and 4 Year Olds*	4,810
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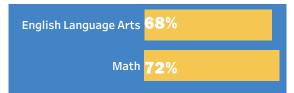


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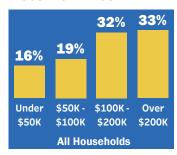
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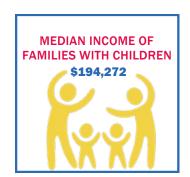
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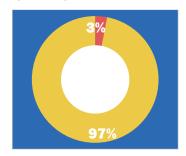
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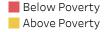
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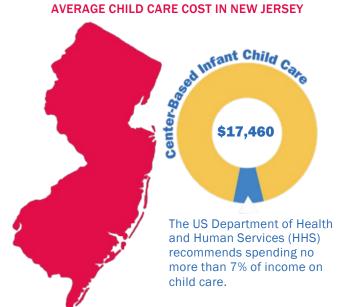


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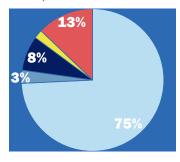
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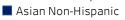
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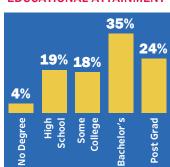


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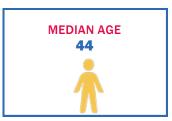


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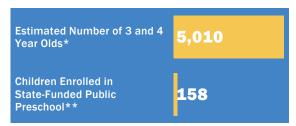
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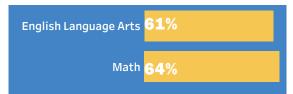


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