

State of Nevada Serious Injury, Death, and Substantiated Child Abuse & Neglect

What do serious injury, death, and substantiated child abuse in child care mean?

A **serious injury** is [definition] an injury that requires medical attention from a healthcare provider.

Death in child care is the death of a child that occurred while the child was in licensed center, licensed home, or family, friend, and neighbor care that is registered on the Child Care Subsidy program.

Substantiated child abuse includes physical or sexual abuse, neglect, or maltreatment that was investigated and found to be true.

This table displays the annual statewide number of serious injuries and deaths that occurred in licensed child care centers, licensed child care homes, license-exempt child care homes, and license-exempt child care centers, over a 3-year period (calendar year).

Number of Children in Care, Serious Injuries, and Deaths, by Provider Category and Licensing Status, for Providers Eligible to Serve CCDF Children

Provider Category and Licensing Status	2022			2023			2024		
	Total # of Children in Care	# of Serious Injuries	# of Deaths	Total # of Children in Care	# of Serious Injuries	# of Deaths	Total # of Children in Care	# of Serious Injuries	# of Deaths
Licensed child care center	38,038	115	0	38,794	104	1	*50,839	*134	0
Licensed child care home	828	0	0	936	2	0	*1,463	*3	0
License-exempt child care home	3,419	0	0	4,375	0	0	**3,029	0	0
License-exempt child care center	2,106	0	0	2,607	0	0	***4,899	0	0

Notes:

*January 2024 - November 2024 from Child Care Licensing. The December numbers are not included as they are still pending until the end of the month. These figures typically begin to be available in the first or second week of January.

**According to the DHHS/DCFS Analytics team, no deaths, serious injuries, or substantiated abuse were reported in child care for the year of 2024. The Children's Cabinet also reported no deaths, injuries, or substantiated child abuse for Family Friend & Neighbor (FFN) settings in 2024, with 266 children in care. Las Vegas Urban League is anticipating to update data submission of total children in care by January 3, 2025, and reported no deaths, injuries, or substantiated child abuse.

***Data Pending. OSR numbers are not currently tracked by Child Care Licensing as they pertain to license-exempt settings. These results are showing OST only.

The table below includes the annual statewide total instances of substantiated child abuse that occurred in licensed child care centers, licensed child care homes, license-exempt child care centers, and license-exempt child care homes over a 3-year period (fiscal year).

Instances of Substantiated Child Abuse, by Year, for Providers Eligible to Serve CCDF Children

All Licensed Child Care Centers, Licensed Child Care Homes, License-Exempt Child Care Centers, and License-Exempt Child Care Homes	2022	2023	2024
Total	0	2	1

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