



The Maui County Early Childhood Community Profile, developed as part of the ECCS Grant, is intended to strengthen our understanding of the wellbeing of families with young children on the islands of Maui, Lanai and Molokai.

The Community Profile brings together data on key dimensions of child and family wellbeing, including economic conditions, housing, health, early care and education, safety, and the social and cultural resources that help to support families with young children.

FAMILIES WITH YOUNG CHILDREN

Children under Age 5

9,640

Maui County population 0-4

ACS 1-year estimates, 2018
HI Vital Statistics, birth records

Nearly a quarter of Maui's population is made up of children and youth.

In 2018, 6% of the county's population was younger than age 5.

Maui is a racially and ethnically diverse community.

White	24%
Asian	20%
Native Hawaiian*	14%
*or other Pacific Islander	

41% of families in Maui are more than one race.

19% of families have Hispanic or Latino ethnicity.

The highest concentration of Native Hawaiian families in Maui County is found in East Maui (Keanae to Kahikinui).

There are 52,800 households in Maui County. 16,360 households are families raising children under Age 18. ACS Table S2201; 2018 1-yr estimates

Households with children under 5 **6,600**

Only young children (0-4) in household	2,955
Young children (0-4) and older children in household	3,645

Households with young children (0-4) headed by single parent	2,300
	35%

1,052 children live in foster care

Foster children under 5 **473**

Estimate of children <5 in foster care based on state-level data

Grandparents raising children **6,899**

58% of grandparents raising grandchildren are in the workforce.

8% of grandparents raising grandchildren live in poverty.

FAMILY ECONOMICS

Jobs and economic conditions in Maui County influence the ability of families to provide for themselves and their children. Economic conditions also contribute to the stress that families experience. Unemployment in Maui County is low, but for many families wages have not kept up with the high cost of living.

Children living in poverty

Age 0-18 **4,163** 12%

Age 0-5 **1,350** 14%

Estimated number, Maui County

ACS Table S1701, 2018
1-year estimates

Federal Poverty Level (FPL)*

The Federal Poverty Level (FPL) is a measure of income used by the U.S. government to determine who is eligible for subsidies, programs, and benefits.

Low income***
Eligibility for free/reduced lunches**

Federal Poverty Line (FPL)*

Income levels for families with children under 18:
*FPL 2018: \$29,620/ family of four
**185% of FPL: \$54,797
***200% of FPL: \$59,240

ALICE Family Survival Budget

United Way's ALICE project estimates that an income of **\$78,600** is needed for families to live in Maui.

ALICE (Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed) families are often forced to make difficult choices such as forgoing health care, settling for lower quality childcare, buying less healthy foods, or failing to carry car insurance.

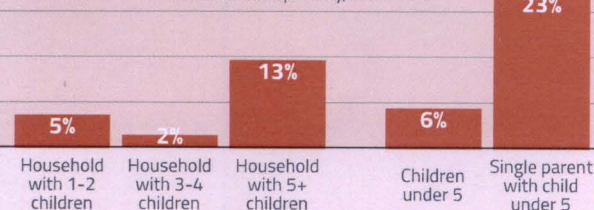
Families w/ income below ALICE survival budget

Maui County	52%
West Molokai	73%
East Molokai	68%
Hana	67%
Lanai	61%

2018 ALICE by County, United Way Report

NOTE: Municipal level data is for County Subdivisions and relies on 5-year averages.

Households in poverty, under FPL*



One in five Native Hawaiians and other Pacific Islanders in Maui County live in poverty.

Across Maui County, young children in poverty are concentrated on Molokai and Lanai.

Maunaloa, Molokai	50%
Lānai City	28%

ACS 2018 1-year estimates, Table S1702

Families with young children receiving public assistance* **1 IN 4**

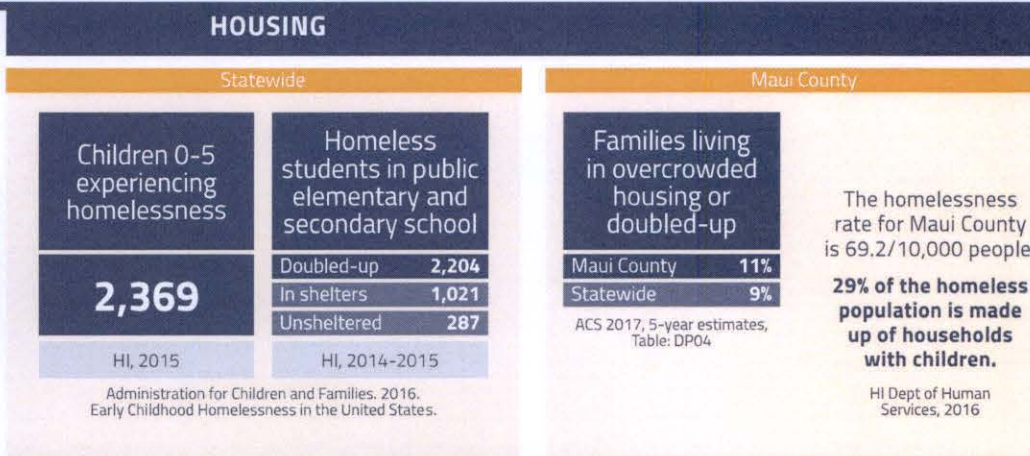
Families with children 0-4, Maui County
*Supplemental Security Income, cash public assistance, or Food Stamps/SNAP

Maui County **25%**
Statewide **39%**

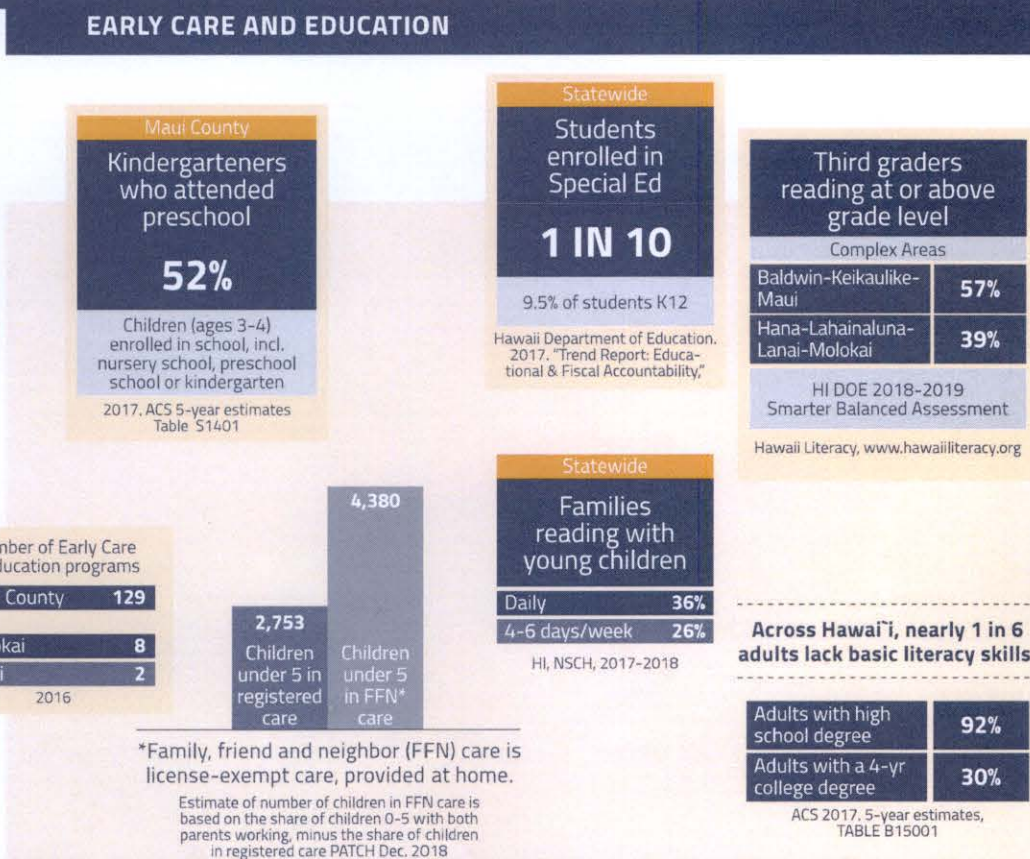
ACS 2017 5-year estimates, Table B09010

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Safe, secure and affordable housing is a core support for families. In Maui County, families with young children face particular challenges when it comes to finding affordable housing.



Childcare is a vital support for families with young children. High quality early learning opportunities support early childhood development and school readiness. Childcare also is a critical work support, allowing parents to earn a living.



Health in early childhood contributes to physical, cognitive, social and emotional development, school readiness and overall well-being. Children's health is supported when families have access to health insurance and a regular source of health care. Health is also supported by secure access to nutritious food.

