The Iowa Department of Human Services (DHS) conducted a survey of child care providers from July 1-10, 2020 to learn more about the current status of providers and what assistance providers needed to remain open or to reopen their child care business.

1,544 COMPLETED SURVEYS

One survey completed in all 99 Iowa counties.

23%

reported a temporary COVID-19 closure, but are now open

20%

average loss of enrollment (or more) reported in each of the six child age categories

1,396 critical supplies delivered for programs to continue operations

93%

of providers responding have experienced financial loss

SURVEY COMMENTS

- Thanks for all your help to keep us open and moving!
- The stipend has been extremely helpful during this difficult times.
- It is the State Child Care Assistance that is keeping my program running. After July 25, if funding does not continue for families still laid off, my program will be in deep financial stress. I realize funding cannot continue indefinitely but another month or until school starts would be extremely helpful.
- Appreciate the emails to keep us updated. All is going well. The stipends help so much! Thanks!
- Consider extending the two $500 grants of Child Development Homes; provide us with food assistance.
- I am wanting to know when it would be possible to be able to open up to full capacity? With school going back in session soon we will need to take on more children. I am following the 10 per room the best I can, but I have added more children because parents need childcare. If I would take them all back we would be reopening fully.

ENROLLMENT DECLINES

FINANCIAL LOSS

To view the complete survey summary, visit
Child Care Resource & Referral (CCR&R): www.iowaccrr.org

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