

**Table 9-9. Average Hourly Wages for Child Care Workers and Preschool Teachers,  
May 2010**

(wages in dollars)

<b>State</b>	<b>Child Care Workers<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>Preschool Teachers<sup>a</sup></b>
Alabama	8.69	12.94
Alaska	11.56	14.96
Arizona	9.91	12.75
Arkansas	8.37	12.69
California	11.48	15.01
Colorado	11.31	15.13
Connecticut	11.31	14.46
Delaware	9.30	11.88
District of Columbia	10.92	15.82
Florida	9.60	12.25
Georgia	8.84	13.84
Guam	8.80	10.18
Hawaii	10.57	15.27
Idaho	8.34	10.46
Illinois	10.67	13.95
Indiana	9.21	12.02
Iowa	9.15	13.43
Kansas	9.28	15.00
Kentucky	9.10	13.54
Louisiana	9.00	12.16
Maine	10.33	n/a
Maryland	11.06	14.28
Massachusetts	12.11	16.08
Michigan	10.36	14.98
Minnesota	10.19	15.53
Mississippi	8.67	10.94
Missouri	9.58	11.85
Montana	8.84	11.88
Nebraska	8.88	12.72
Nevada	10.02	12.20
New Hampshire	9.82	12.78
New Jersey	10.58	17.15
New Mexico	8.95	14.12
New York	11.68	18.37

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North Carolina	9.31	10.96
North Dakota	8.78	13.37
Ohio	10.53	11.33
Oklahoma	8.85	13.13
Oregon	10.21	11.71
Pennsylvania	9.89	12.59
Puerto Rico	8.62	15.20
Rhode Island	10.55	14.56
South Carolina	9.01	13.00
South Dakota	8.90	13.13
Tennessee	8.76	12.44
Texas	9.05	13.97
Utah	9.53	11.27
Vermont	10.82	14.72
Virgin Islands	8.27	10.73
Virginia	10.28	14.11
Washington	11.04	13.87
West Virginia	8.80	13.19
Wisconsin	9.76	11.82
Wyoming	10.54	12.73

**Source:** Table prepared by CRS based on May 2010 Occupational Employment and Wage data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS). Data were extracted from the Occupational Employment Statistics (OES) survey on August 12, 2011 (<http://www.bls.gov/oes/data.htm>).

**Notes:** Average hourly wages represent mean wages by state. The designation "n/a" means not available.

- a. These data are based on BLS SOC 39-9011, "Childcare Workers." BLS includes in this classification individuals who attend to children at schools, businesses, private households, and childcare institutions. BLS excludes from this classification those who are classified as "Preschool Teachers, Except Special Education" (SOC 25-2011) and "Teacher Assistants" (SOC 25-9041).
- b. These data are based on BLS Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) 25-2011, "Preschool Teachers, Except Special Education." BLS includes in this classification individuals who instruct preschool-aged children in activities designed to promote social, physical, and intellectual growth needed for primary school in preschools, day care centers, or other child development facilities. BLS excludes from this classification those who are classified as "Childcare Workers" (SOC 39-9011) or "Special Education Teachers" (SOC 25-2050).