



**Data Tables From Nicholson Foundation Funded Survey To Determine Child Care Challenges Facing New Jersey Working Parents Due To COVID-19**

Between August 17-24, 2020 The Fairleigh Dickinson University Poll conducted an online survey funded by The Nicholson Foundation to provide estimates of adults in New Jersey with children age 35 months and younger. The survey was conducted with 914 adults residing in New Jersey.

Below is the tabular data from the survey questions.

**Tables [percentages may not equal 100 due to rounding]**

<b>Q18 Were you employed, in school, or in training during the COVID-19 shutdown (March through June 2020)?</b>									
	Total	White	Hispanic	Black	Asian	Multi		Male	Female
<b>N=</b>	<b>914</b>	<b>510</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>14</b>		<b>251</b>	<b>648</b>
<b>Yes</b>	68%	69%	70%	71%	53%	79%		82%	63%
<b>No</b>	32%	31%	30%	29%	47%	21%		18%	37%

<b>Q19 Was your job classified as 'essential' or necessary during the COVID-10 shutdown (March through June 2020)?</b>									
	Total	White	Hispanic	Black	Asian	Multi		Male	Female
<b>N=</b>	<b>613</b>	<b>345</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>11</b>		<b>204</b>	<b>400</b>
<b>Yes</b>	54%	56%	51%	58%	35%	27%		63%	49%
<b>No</b>	38%	39%	37%	29%	53%	27%		30%	41%
<b>Not Sure</b>	9%	5%	12%	13%	13%	45%		6%	10%

<b>Q23 Please indicate which kinds of child care you used for your infant/toddler prior to the COVID-19 pandemic (from January through March 2020). (Check all that apply).</b>									
	Total	White	Hispanic	Black	Asian	Multi		Male	Female
<b>N=</b>	<b>914</b>	<b>510</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>14</b>		<b>251</b>	<b>648</b>
<b>I did not use any type of child care</b>	26%	25%	28%	28%	23%	43%		16%	30%
<b>Child care center</b>	34%	33%	28%	37%	47%	7%		42%	30%
<b>Family member in your home</b>	21%	24%	17%	15%	23%	43%		25%	20%
<b>Family member in his or her home</b>	19%	20%	21%	19%	15%	7%		19%	20%
<b>Non-relative in their home</b>	16%	16%	17%	17%	9%	14%		23%	12%
<b>Nanny in your home</b>	12%	14%	9%	9%	13%	14%		18%	10%

<b>Q24 Which family member(s) provided care for your infant/toddler? (Check all that apply) (January through March 2020)</b>									
	Total	White	Hispanic	Black	Asian	Multi		Male	Female
<b>N=</b>	<b>314</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>7</b>		<b>90</b>	<b>223</b>
Grandparent	68%	70%	77%	62%	48%	57%		57%	74%
Spouse/Partner (Not the child's other parent or guardian)	36%	40%	21%	33%	52%	14%		56%	28%
Aunt or Uncle	24%	23%	27%	31%	17%	29%		22%	25%
Sibling of child (Under age 18)	6%	8%	4%	3%	4%	0%		13%	3%
Sibling of child (Over age 18)	5%	4%	11%	5%	0%	0%		7%	4%
Other family member (e.g., cousins)	12%	8%	16%	28%	13%	14%		8%	14%

<b>Q30 During a typical week between January and March 2020, how many days was your infant/toddler in child care?</b>									
	Total	White	Hispanic	Black	Asian	Multi		Male	Female
<b>N=</b>	<b>674</b>	<b>382</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>8</b>		<b>210</b>	<b>452</b>
<b>Mean</b>	<b>4.13</b>	<b>4.24</b>	<b>4.16</b>	<b>3.75</b>	<b>4.12</b>	<b>3.38</b>		<b>4.20</b>	<b>4.12</b>

<b>Q31 Typically, how many hours a day was your infant/toddler in child care? (Jan-March)</b>									
	Total	White	Hispanic	Black	Asian	Multi		Male	Female
<b>N=</b>	<b>674</b>	<b>382</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>8</b>		<b>210</b>	<b>452</b>
<b>Mean</b>	<b>6.73</b>	<b>6.98</b>	<b>6.77</b>	<b>6.05</b>	<b>6.34</b>	<b>5.50</b>		<b>6.48</b>	<b>6.92</b>

<b>Q33 From January to March 2020, as a result of issues related to child care for infant/toddler, had you ever...(Check all that apply). (Rotate)</b>									
	Total	White	Hispanic	Black	Asian	Multi		Male	Female
<b>N=</b>	<b>674</b>	<b>382</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>8</b>		<b>210</b>	<b>452</b>
Needed to leave work early	45%	47%	46%	39%	41%	13%		44%	46%
Arrived late for work	39%	41%	35%	45%	29%	38%		39%	41%
Changed from full-time to part time work or reduced your hours	17%	16%	20%	15%	22%	13%		16%	17%
Missed participating in work related education/training	16%	16%	19%	15%	17%	0%		17%	16%
Not been able to attend classes or a training program	15%	13%	13%	25%	16%	13%		13%	15%
Had your hours involuntarily reduced by your employer	14%	14%	19%	15%	10%	0%		17%	13%
Turned down a promotion /reassignment/new job	13%	13%	12%	15%	12%	0%		9%	15%
Been reprimanded or fired	9%	9%	10%	10%	9%	0%		9%	9%
Been demoted or transferred	5%	5%	2%	4%	9%	0%		3%	5%
Other (Specify)	2%	2%	0%	4%	0%	0%		0%	2%
None of the above	22%	25%	10%	18%	28%	50%		22%	21%

<b>Q37 Please indicate which kinds of child care, if any, you used for your infant/toddler since June 15th. (Check all that apply).</b>									
	Total	White	Hispanic	Black	Asian	Multi		Male	Female
<b>N=</b>	<b>914</b>	<b>510</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>14</b>		<b>251</b>	<b>648</b>
I did not use any type of child care	42%	42%	44%	38%	47%	50%		29%	47%

Care provided by a family member in your home	22%	23%	20%	21%	21%	29%		28%	20%
Child care center	20%	21%	19%	22%	12%	7%		29%	16%
Care provided by a family member in his or her home	17%	19%	15%	14%	13%	14%		16%	17%
Home based child care provided by a non-relative in their own home	11%	10%	14%	13%	12%	7%		18%	8%
Care provided by a nanny in your own home	11%	13%	6%	13%	9%	0%		15%	10%

Q38 Which family member(s) provided care for your infant/toddler? (Check all that apply)									
	Total	White	Hispanic	Black	Asian	Multi		Male	Female
<b>N=</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>5</b>		<b>62</b>	<b>172</b>
Grandparent	75%	78%	80%	65%	65%	40%		73%	77%
Sibling of parent (Aunt or Uncle)	25%	22%	33%	23%	29%	40%		29%	23%
Sibling of child (Under age 18)	10%	13%	4%	0%	18%	0%		21%	6%
Sibling of child (Over age 18)	6%	6%	9%	4%	0%	0%		10%	4%
Other family member (e.g., cousins)	11%	8%	9%	27%	6%	20%		10%	11%

Q39 Why didn't you use child care since June 15th, 2020? (Check all that apply.) (Rotate)									
	Total	White	Hispanic	Black	Asian	Multi		Male	Female
<b>N=</b>	380	209	76	53	35	7		72	302
<b>Stay-at-home parent</b>	36%	37%	26%	47%	34%	14%		13%	41%
<b>I am worried about COVID-19 exposure or safety requirements</b>	35%	33%	33%	36%	54%	0%		31%	36%
<b>Currently unemployed</b>	19%	20%	22%	19%	14%	0%		8%	21%
<b>My spouse/partner cares for them</b>	18%	18%	16%	19%	23%	14%		40%	13%
<b>The hours I work or attend school allow me to be flexible and care for my child</b>	15%	14%	22%	9%	11%	43%		10%	16%
<b>Made other arrangements for now</b>	8%	9%	7%	9%	6%	0%		6%	8%
<b>My child care provider has closed</b>	6%	6%	7%	4%	11%	0%		13%	4%
<b>The cost has increased</b>	4%	2%	3%	9%	11%	0%		0%	5%
<b>Utilizing paid/unpaid leave</b>	4%	5%	3%	2%	3%	0%		6%	3%
<b>Baby Just Born</b>	3%	3%	3%	6%	3%	0%		3%	4%
<b>Child is beginning preschool</b>	3%	3%	1%	2%	3%	14%		4%	2%
<b>Care quality does not meet my requirements</b>	3%	1%	3%	6%	9%	0%		3%	3%
<b>My child care provider is no longer accepting infants 0-11 months</b>	2%	1%	1%	2%	6%	0%		0%	2%
<b>My prior child care provider does not have room for my child</b>	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	14%		1%	1%
<b>My child care provider is no longer accepting children 12 to 36 months</b>	1%	1%	0%	2%	0%	0%		0%	1%

Q42 Comparing the cost of child care per month for your primary infant/toddler care arrangement before COVID and the cost now, has the amount...?									
	Total	White	Hispanic	Black	Asian	Multi		Male	Female
<b>N=</b>	491	280	85	83	37	6		171	312
<b>Stayed the same</b>	47%	54%	34%	40%	27%	83%		41%	51%
<b>Decreased</b>	15%	14%	13%	19%	24%	0%		19%	13%
<b>Increased by \$1-49 per month</b>	13%	8%	21%	20%	16%	17%		9%	15%
<b>Increased by \$50-99 per month</b>	11%	10%	14%	11%	11%	0%		12%	9%
<b>Increased by \$100-149 per month</b>	7%	5%	9%	7%	11%	0%		12%	4%
<b>Increased by \$150-199 per month</b>	3%	4%	6%	1%	3%	0%		3%	4%
<b>Increased by \$300-399 per month</b>	3%	3%	1%	1%	8%	0%		2%	3%
<b>Increased by \$400 or more per month</b>	2%	3%	1%	0%	0%	0%		2%	1%

Q46 Since June 15th, how many days a week do you typically use child care for your infant/toddler?									
	Total	White	Hispanic	Black	Asian	Multi		Male	Female
<b>N=</b>	526	298	94	88	39	7		178	339
Mean	3.95	4.06	4.09	3.68	3.49	3.29		4.08	3.90

Q47 And about how many hours a day is your infant/toddler in child care? (Since June 15th)									
	Total	White	Hispanic	Black	Asian	Multi		Male	Female
<b>N=</b>	520	296	93	86	38	7		176	336
Mean	6.38	6.69	6.11	5.71	6.29	5.86		6.48	6.41



Q48 Since Covid-19, has finding quality child care within your budget become easier or more difficult than before, or has there been no change?									
	Total	White	Hispanic	Black	Asian	Multi		Male	Female
<b>N=</b>	<b>525</b>	<b>297</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>7</b>		<b>177</b>	<b>339</b>
<b>Much easier</b>	10%	11%	9%	11%	10%	0%		12%	9%
<b>Somewhat easier</b>	14%	13%	10%	22%	18%	14%		16%	14%
<b>The same</b>	36%	36%	37%	36%	30%	71%		40%	35%
<b>Somewhat more difficult</b>	23%	24%	26%	18%	30%	0%		23%	23%
<b>Much more difficult</b>	16%	16%	19%	13%	13%	14%		9%	19%

Q50 How have you managed your work/school and child care since COVID-19? (Check all that apply) (Rotate)									
	Total	White	Hispanic	Black	Asian	Multi		Male	Female
<b>N=</b>	<b>882</b>	<b>493</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>13</b>		<b>247</b>	<b>620</b>
<b>I coordinated care with another adult in the house</b>	36%	39%	33%	26%	33%	54%		46%	32%
<b>I was forced to multitask between work and caring for my child</b>	35%	39%	29%	36%	29%	15%		40%	34%
<b>I worked off hours while my children needed attention</b>	23%	26%	19%	19%	17%	15%		24%	23%
<b>I reduced my work hours</b>	17%	18%	17%	17%	17%	15%		16%	18%
<b>I quit my job</b>	14%	13%	13%	16%	22%	0%		3%	19%
<b>I took a paid leave of absence</b>	10%	11%	10%	11%	10%	8%		11%	10%
<b>I took an unpaid leave of absence</b>	8%	8%	8%	7%	13%	0%		9%	8%
<b>I coordinated job share with another colleague</b>	7%	6%	9%	10%	7%	8%		13%	5%

Q53 If child care is deemed essential, should child care providers receive funding to cover additional costs of remaining open during COVID-19 closures?									
	Total	White	Hispanic	Black	Asian	Multi		Male	Female
<b>N=</b>	<b>890</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>13</b>		<b>243</b>	<b>635</b>
<b>Yes</b>	76%	77%	75%	69%	75%	77%		76%	76%
<b>No</b>	12%	12%	9%	16%	10%	23%		14%	11%
<b>Not Sure</b>	12%	10%	16%	15%	15%	0%		10%	13%

Q54 Where should this funding come from for child care? (Check all that apply).									
	Total	White	Hispanic	Black	Asian	Multi		Male	Female
<b>N=</b>	<b>669</b>	<b>384</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>10</b>		<b>183</b>	<b>481</b>
	77%	78%	77%	71%	78%	90%		69%	81%
<b>State government</b>	68%	67%	72%	63%	74%	70%		66%	68%
<b>Donations or philanthropic organizations</b>	27%	26%	25%	31%	31%	40%		30%	26%
<b>Employers</b>	22%	21%	16%	24%	30%	50%		30%	19%
<b>Parents</b>	17%	18%	12%	19%	20%	30%		28%	14%