

Staff to Child Ratio



State mandated staff to children ratios versus recommended ratios

New York City		
Child's Age	Child: Staff Ratio	Maximum Group Size
6 weeks	4:1	8
9 months	4:1	8
18 months	5:1	10
27 months	5:1	10
3 years	7.5:1	15
4 years	12:1	20
5 years	15:1	25
6 years	15:1	25
7 years	U	Unspecified (U)
8-9 years	U	U
10 years and older	U	U

National Association for the Education of Young Children recommendations

Child's Age	Number of Adults	Number of Children
Infants	1	4
Toddlers (up to 2)	1	4
2-year-olds	1	6
2-and-a-half-year-olds	1	7
3-year-olds	1	10
4 and 5-year-olds	1	10
6 years and older	1	15