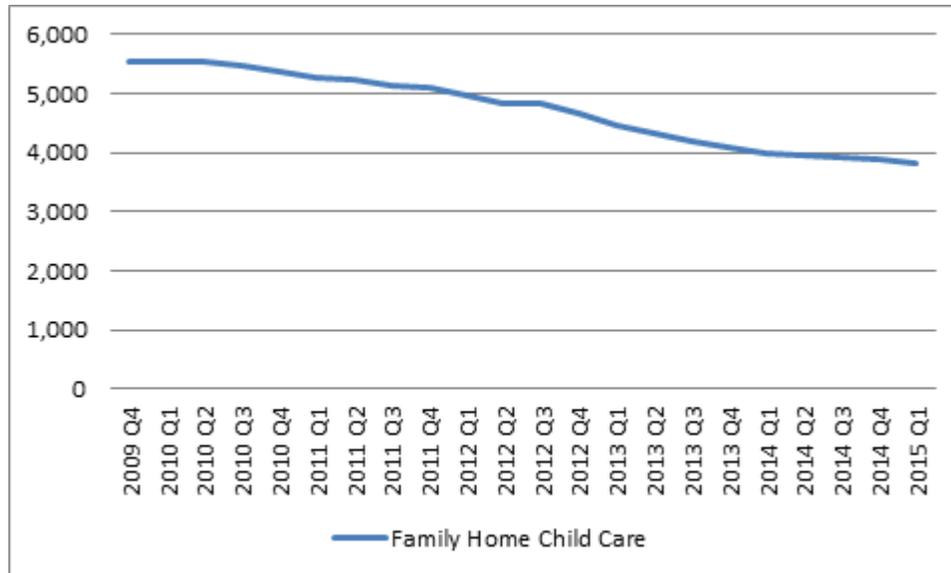


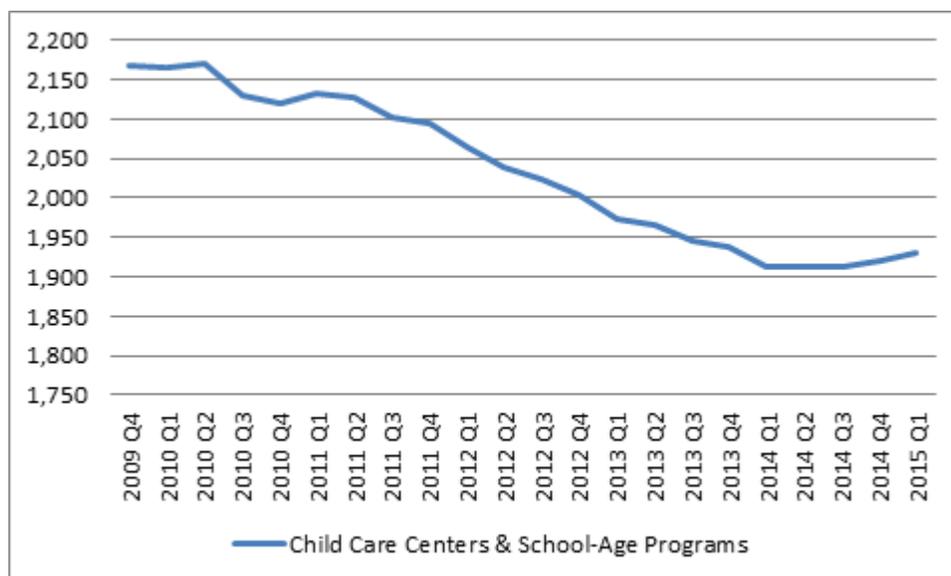
As the lead state agency for the federal Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) grant, DEL is charged with helping ensure there is an adequate supply of high-quality child care options for families.

The national recession has had an impact on many small businesses, including child care.

Family home child care



Child care centers and school-age programs



According to a recent Market Rate Survey, more than 41 percent of children in family homes and about 20 percent of children in centers received subsidized child care. On average, a family home cared for 2.6 children receiving subsidized child care, and centers cared for 19.8 children with subsidized child care over the last typical week of operation.

Types of care chosen by families using child care subsidies

Families who receive Working Connections Child Care (WCCC) subsidies can choose from different provider types.

- **Child care centers** are licensed agencies that regularly provide child care and early learning services.
- **Family home providers** are licensed family child care providers that regularly provide child care and early learning services in their homes. They typically are for children related to them, or from a single family.
- **License-exempt providers** also operate out of a home, but are exempt from licensing.

In state fiscal year 2014, a monthly average of 27,137 children on WCCC were in center care, 12,458 were in family home care, 8,657 were in license-exempt care, and 1,029 were in a mix of provider types.

