

# Burwell, Garfield County, NE

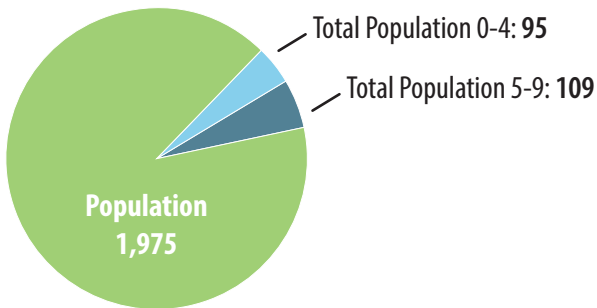
## Community Conversation About Early Childhood Programs and Services



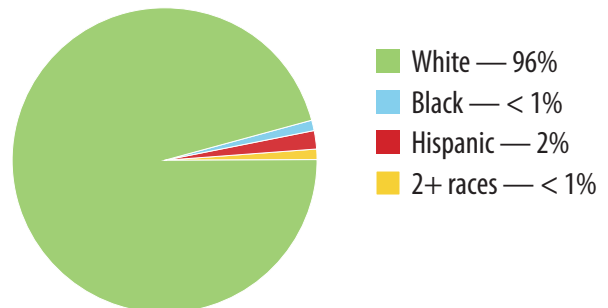
The Communities for Kids initiative was created in response to community requests for assistance with shortages of high-quality early care and education programs — shortages that both impact children’s optimal development and pose a challenge for communities hoping to attract and retain the viable workforces they need to thrive.

Communities for Kids partners with communities’ public and private entities to support and coordinate planning for access to high-quality early care and education for all children birth through age eight. These partnerships are customized to address each community’s unique assets and needs — so each community can grow and prosper well into the future.

### Garfield County Demographics



### Other Demographics

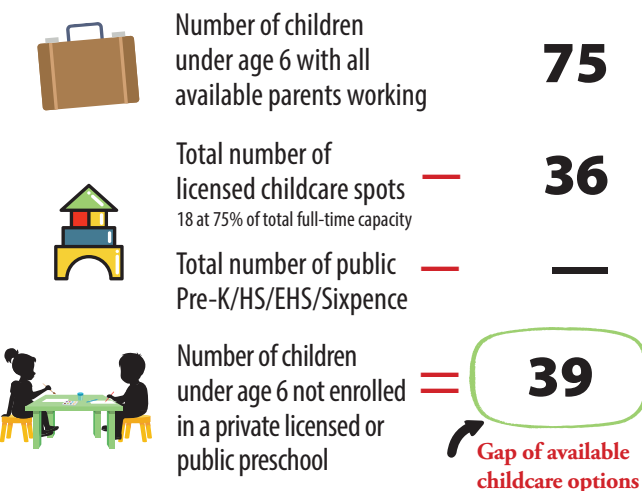


### Median Family Income



Estimated per capita income	\$27,109
Garfield Co population below poverty level	10%
Nebraska population below poverty level	12.7%

### Quality Childcare Availability



### Public Early Childhood Programs

Public Preschool Capacity	33*
Head Start or EHS	0
Total Center-Based Numbers (Minus 50% half-day programming)	17
Sixpence Home-Based Capacity	—

### Private Early Childhood Programs

Licensed In-home Childcare Providers	2
Licensed Childcare Centers	0
Licensed Preschool Providers	2
<b>Total Capacity</b>	<b>48</b>

### Comparison Rates and Outcomes

	BURWELL	ALL NEBRASKA
Mobility	6.91%	4.61%
Free/Reduced Lunch	40%	45%
High School Graduation Rate	97%	88%
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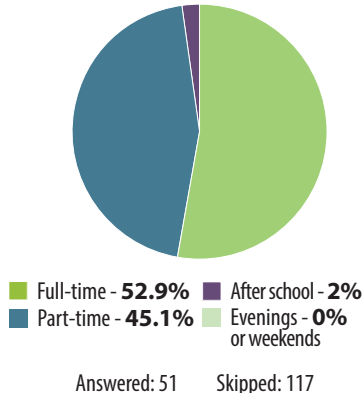
\*Locally provided data

## Community Assessment Group information

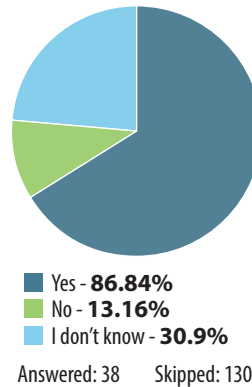
The Burwell/Garfield County Communities for Kids team worked together to develop a survey to address the current and future needs of early childhood care and learning opportunities in the community. Surveys were provided online via Survey Monkey and paper copies were made available to gather community input. A total of 168 surveys were collected. 82% of respondents were Burwell residents and 18% came from surrounding areas, including Ord, Taylor, Bartlett, Ericson, and Sargent.

### Children and Families

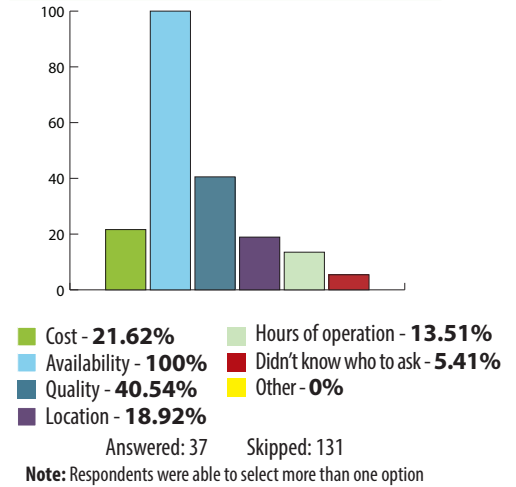
What are your child care needs per week?



If using a childcare provider, was it difficult to find childcare locally?

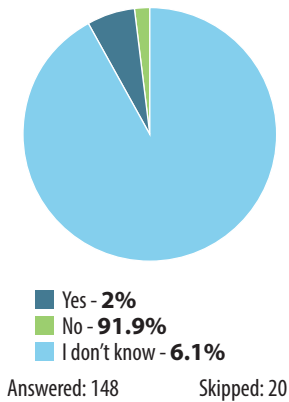


Please indicate why finding childcare was difficult. (Please select all that apply)

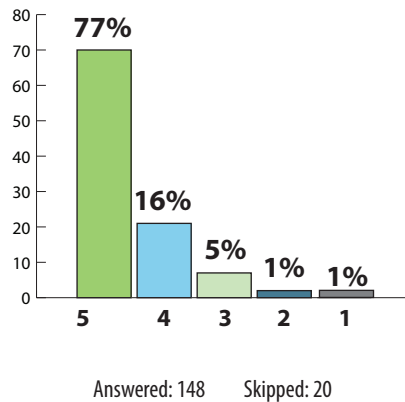


### Community and Impact on Business

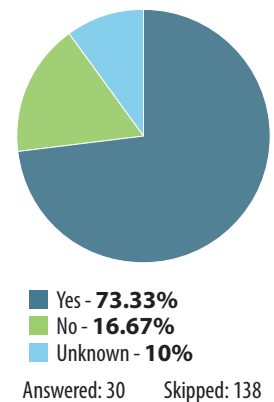
Do you feel that there are enough child care options in your community?



On a scale of one to five, five being the most important, what priority would you give to high quality childcare availability for the future growth and development of Burwell/Garfield County?



In the last 12 months, has a lack of child care caused you to miss work, be tardy, or cause a distraction at work?



**"I feel like affordable child care is one of the major concerns of people who would like to move to Burwell."**

**"My husband and I are trying for another baby. Not knowing who will take care of our 2nd baby is a huge burden. We as a family shouldn't have to base growing our family on open spots at our current day care."**

**"We had to wait until a potential employee's children were both school age before she could work full time."**