

***In Virginia, a child enrolled in a Religiously Exempt child care center is more than 4 times less likely to be a victim of child abuse than is a child enrolled in a licensed child care center.***

Child Abuse Safety Gap Data				
Based on Table B				
July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2024				
Table A				
Type of Center	Founded Incidents	Capacity <sup>1</sup>	Incidents Per Child	Safety Gap Ratio
Daycare Centers and Homes, Licensed	140	304,461 <sup>2</sup>	.0004598	<u>4.3</u> 1
Daycare Centers Religiously Exempt	8	74,352 <sup>3</sup>	.0001076	

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.childcare.virginia.gov/reports-resources/administrative-program-manuals-reports-and-data/deaths-injuries-and-abuse-in-child-care-settings>

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.vaodacs.com/assets/Uploads/PDF-Files/Child-Care-Safety-Data/DeathSeriousInjuriesWebReportingJan2024toDec2024.pdf>

<sup>3</sup> <https://www.vaodacs.com/assets/Uploads/PDF-Files/Child-Care-Safety-Data/DeathSeriousInjuriesWebReportingFeb2023toJan2024.pdf>





**VCPS, DOOF Investigations Annual Report**  
**Reported and Founded Incidents of Child Abuse in Out of Family Settings**  
**Report Period: 7/1/2021 to 6/30/2024**  
**Summary Data Extracted from DSS Data by ODACS**

Table B

		2021- 2022 <sup>4</sup>	2022- 2023 <sup>5</sup>	2023- 2024 <sup>6</sup>			3-Year Total
<b>Daycare Centers Religious Exempt</b>	Accepted	17	23	17			57
	Founded, Level I	0	1	1			2
	Founded, Level II	0	1	2			3
	Founded, Level III	0	3	0			3
	<b>Total Founded</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>			<b>8</b>
	Unfounded	11	18	13			42
	Pending	3	0	1			4
<b>Daycare Centers Licensed</b>	Accepted	242	347	338			927
	Founded, Level I	3	12	7			22
	Founded, Level II	16	17	19			52
	Founded, Level III	16	29	44			89
	<b>Total Founded</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>70</b>			<b>128</b>
	Unfounded	181	258	250			689
	Pending	23	22	12			57
<b>Daycare Homes Licensed</b>	Accepted	32	33	33			98
	Founded, Level I	4	0	1			5
	Founded, Level II	0	4	0			4
	Founded, Level III	0	1	2			3
	<b>Total Founded</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>			<b>12</b>
	Unfounded	24	21	29			74
	Pending	4	2	1			7
<b>Daycare Home Not Regulated</b>	Accepted	36	51	41			128
	Founded, Level I	4	2	0			6
	Founded, Level II	1	6	1			8
	Founded, Level III	2	0	1			3
	<b>Total Founded</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>2</b>			<b>17</b>
	Unfounded	22	32	33			87
	Pending	5	11	3			19

Sources: [https://www.dss.virginia.gov/geninfo/reports/children/cps/all\\_other.cgi](https://www.dss.virginia.gov/geninfo/reports/children/cps/all_other.cgi)

4 [https://www.dss.virginia.gov/files/about/reports/children/cps/all\\_other/2022/DOOF Investigations Annual Report sfy2022.pdf](https://www.dss.virginia.gov/files/about/reports/children/cps/all_other/2022/DOOF%20Investigations%20Annual%20Report%20sfy2022.pdf)

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