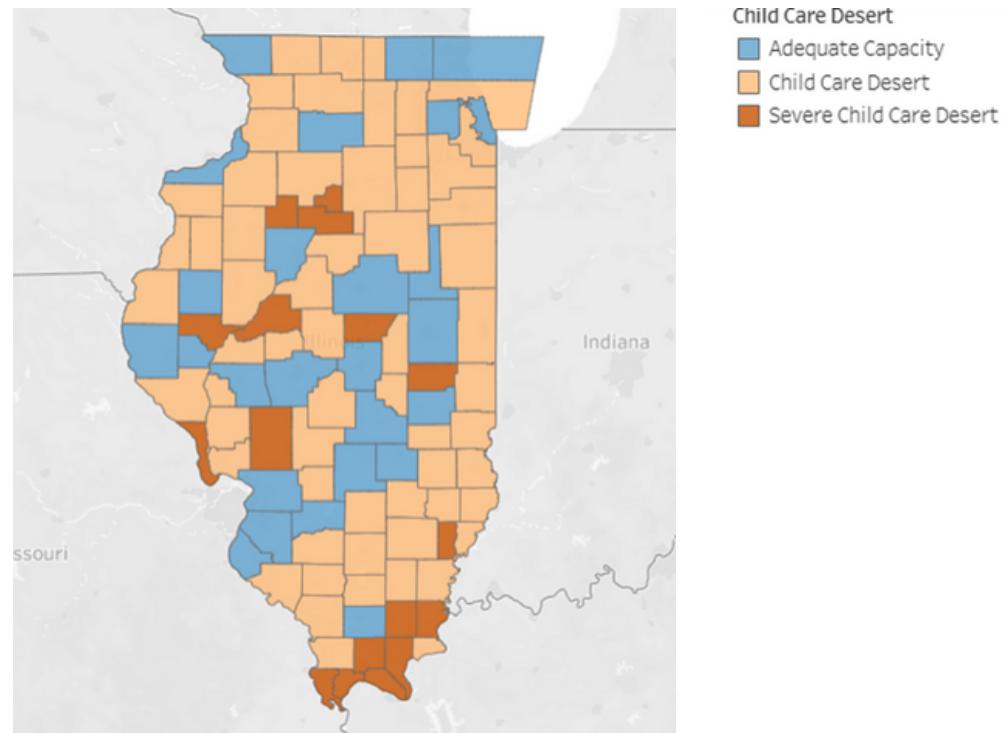


# Illinois Early Childhood Landscape Analysis



## Challenges Facing Early Childhood

### Limited Child Care Capacity



#### Insufficient Reimbursements

40% - 50% of market child care tuition

#### Kindergarten Readiness

Gaps are evident by race, income, language, and disability status

#### High Cost of Care

\$14,000-\$16,000 average infant care costs per year

#### Access Gaps

Vary sharply by geography, race, language, and disability status

#### Low Workforce Wages

\$16 per hour average educator pay

#### Family Experience Challenges

Navigating multiple applications, inconsistent eligibility rules, and service delays



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