Response Rates

Childcare survey respondents provided an overall response rate of 27.7% (2155 of 7768). This included a response rate of 25.8% (1743 of 6754) from students and a 40.6% (412 of 1014) response rate from employees. Among employees, we see a response rate of 55.7% from Administrators, 28.2% from Faculty and 50.5% from Staff members.

Summary of Findings

26% of survey respondents have children. Whether or not respondents have children at home varies significantly by university affiliation, age, gender, income and race. 41% of respondents anticipate needing childcare over the next 5 years. Whether or not respondents anticipate needing childcare in the future varies significantly by university affiliation, age, gender, and income. 71% of respondents with children reported receiving help from family members. Whether or not respondents receive help from family members varies significantly by the number of hours respondents work. Almost 41% of respondents reported that a lack of on-campus childcare has had a negative impact on their academic or work performance. Whether or not respondents have been impacted negatively by a lack of on-campus childcare varies significantly by university affiliation, age, income, and number of hours worked.

Almost 76% of respondents reported that having on-campus childcare is a priority. The level of prioritization of on-campus childcare varies significantly by university affiliation, age, gender, race, and number of hours worked. Almost 79% of respondents reported that it is either extremely likely or somewhat likely that they would enroll in childcare at CSUCI given it offered drop-in, part-time or full-time and year-round licensed care. Willingness to enroll in childcare at CSUCI varies significantly by university affiliation, age, gender, race and number of hours worked. 18% of respondents reported that they have considered leaving CSUCI for better childcare opportunities. Whether or not a respondent has considered leaving CSUCI for better childcare opportunities varies significantly by age. 36% of respondents expressed interest in a full-time program, 30% in a part-time program and 34% in a drop-in as needed program. 55% of student respondents reported that they would support a referendum for a student fee to subsidize on-campus childcare for students. Whether or not students are willing to support a student fee varies significantly by age and gender. 81% of respondents with children had one child.

The number of kids reported by respondents varies significantly by university affiliation, gender, race and student type. 32% of respondents with kids reported having a child between 6-12 years of age. The age of kids reported by respondents varies significantly by employee type. 36% of respondents reported spending zero dollars per month on childcare. 23% of respondents spend less than $100 per month, 19% spend between $100-200 a month, 12% spend between $200-300 a month and 10% spend more than $300 a month. The cost of care varies significantly by age of kids, university affiliation, age, income, hours worked and student type. Monday through Friday are the reportedly most common days childcare is needed with far fewer respondents needing childcare on Saturdays and Sundays. 83% of respondents reported having at least some difficulty finding childcare. Affordable care, care for a sick child, high quality care and drop-in care were some of the reportedly most difficult services to find. Difficulty finding care varies significantly by university affiliation, age of respondent, income, and hours worked.

Affordable care, year-round care, and flexible schedules were the most important factors reported by respondents. The factors rated as most important for childcare vary across respondents by gender and number of hours worked. 79% of respondents reported needing childcare between 7:00 AM and 6:00 PM with 21% needing childcare either before 7:00 AM or after 6:00 PM. When asked what type of childcare respondents use, 52% reported receiving help from family members, 13% participated in before/after school programs and 10% used licensed childcare. The type of childcare used by respondents varies significantly by the age of their kids, their university affiliation, their age, their income, and the number of hours they work. 29% of respondents reported that they would use childcare when they are on campus, 26% reported that their use depends on their classes and 19% reported that they would use childcare when off-campus.