South Dakota 2026 Child Care Subsidy Co-Payments

Based on 2025 Federal Poverty Guidelines

Effective March 1, 2026

Family Size	170%	171%	172%	173%	174%	175%	180%	185%	190%	195%	200%	205%	206%	207%	208%	209%
2	$3,066	$3,084	$3,102	$3,120	$3,138	$3,156	$3,246	$3,336	$3,426	$3,517	$3,607	$3,697	$3,715	$3,733	$3,751	$3,769
co-pay	**$0**	**$0**	**$1**	**$2**	**$3**	**$4**	**$9**	**$13**	**$18**	**$22**	**$27**	**$31**	**$32**	**$33**	**$34**	**$35**
3	$3,870	$3,893	$3,916	$3,939	$3,961	$3,984	$4,098	$4,212	$4,326	$4,440	$4,553	$4,667	$4,690	$4,713	$4,735	$4,758
co-pay	**$0**	**$1**	**$2**	**$3**	**$4**	**$5**	**$11**	**$17**	**$22**	**$28**	**$34**	**$39**	**$40**	**$42**	**$43**	**$44**
4	$4,675	$4,703	$4,730	$4,758	$4,785	$4,813	$4,950	$5,088	$5,225	$5,363	$5,500	$5,638	$5,665	$5,693	$5,720	$5,748
co-pay	**$0**	**$1**	**$2**	**$4**	**$5**	**$6**	**$13**	**$20**	**$27**	**$34**	**$41**	**$48**	**$49**	**$50**	**$52**	**$53**
5	$5,480	$5,512	$5,544	$5,576	$5,609	$5,641	$5,802	$5,963	$6,124	$6,286	$6,447	$6,608	$6,640	$6,672	$6,705	$6,737
co-pay	**$0**	**$1**	**$3**	**$4**	**$6**	**$8**	**$16**	**$24**	**$32**	**$40**	**$48**	**$56**	**$58**	**$59**	**$61**	**$62**
6	$6,284	$6,321	$6,358	$6,395	$6,432	$6,469	$6,654	$6,839	$7,024	$7,209	$7,393	$7,578	$7,615	$7,652	$7,689	$7,726
co-pay	**$0**	**$1**	**$3**	**$5**	**$7**	**$9**	**$18**	**$27**	**$36**	**$46**	**$55**	**$64**	**$66**	**$68**	**$70**	**$72**
7	$7,089	$7,131	$7,172	$7,214	$7,256	$7,298	$7,506	$7,715	$7,923	$8,132	$8,340	$8,549	$8,590	$8,632	$8,674	$8,715
co-pay	**$0**	**$2**	**$4**	**$6**	**$8**	**$10**	**$20**	**$31**	**$41**	**$52**	**$62**	**$72**	**$75**	**$77**	**$79**	**$81**
8	$7,894	$7,940	$7,987	$8,033	$8,079	$8,126	$8,358	$8,590	$8,822	$9,055	$9,287	$9,519	$9,565	$9,612	$9,658	$9,705
co-pay	**$0**	**$2**	**$4**	**$6**	**$9**	**$11**	**$23**	**$34**	**$46**	**$58**	**$69**	**$81**	**$83**	**$85**	**$88**	**$90**
% of income	**0.00%**	**0.03%**	**0.05%**	**0.07%**	**0.11%**	**0.14%**	**0.28%**	**0.40%**	**0.52%**	**0.64%**	**0.74%**	**0.85%**	**0.87%**	**0.88%**	**0.91%**	**0.93%**

How to read scale – Locate family size in the far left column. Follow the line across to find top number which most closely matches the family's estimated monthly gross income (all sources, including wages, child support, etc). The blue number directly below it would be the estimated family co-payment (the amount the family is responsible for paying each month). Note that this chart is a condensed version and although 170 - 200% FPL is shown in 5% increments only, copay amounts do increase gradually for every increasing percentage point.

- Co-payments are calculated on a per family basis.
- All earned income is adjusted with a 4% disregard.
- Families with adjusted gross income at or below 170% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) do not have a co-payment.
- Families with adjusted income over 170% of the FPL will have a co-payment of under 1% of the family income.
- Co-payments remain the same, regardless of the cost of care or what type of care is selected.

Copayments are waived for Foster families caring for children in the custody of the State of South Dakota Child Protection Services or the custody of a Tribal Child Protection agency. As well as children determined to be in need of protective services who may reside in a placement with a relative caretaker or in a host placement through a family service agency. Additionally, copayments are waived for familes recieving TANF or 0+TANF benefits.