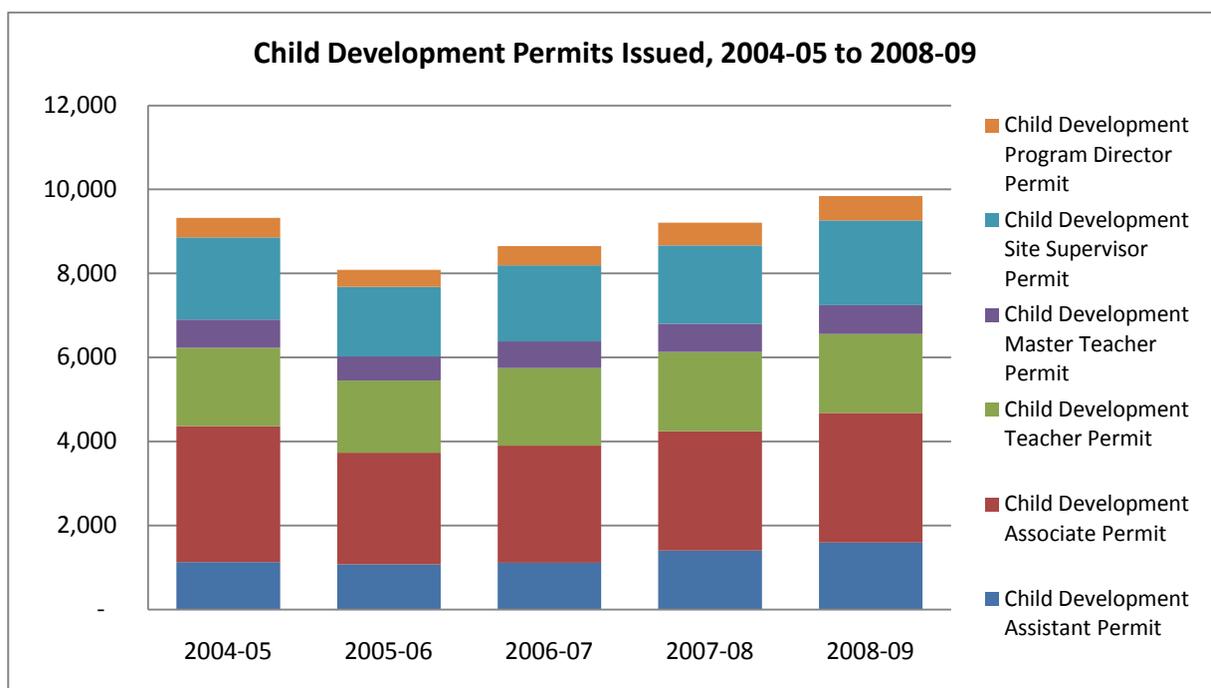




## Child Development Permits Issued: 2004-05 to 2008-09 January 2011

Each year, approximately 9,000 Child Development Permits (new) are issued by the Commission on Teacher Credentialing (Commission). Another 3,000 permits are renewed each year. Child Development Permits are required for service in most publicly funded child development programs including all state preschool programs. Authorization to serve in after school programs can be added to Child Development Permits.

Child Development Permits are available at various levels – Child Development Assistant Permit (optional), Child Development Associate Teacher Permit, Child Development Teacher Permit, Child Development Master Teacher Permit, Child Development Site Supervisor Permit, and Child Development Program Director Permit—each with increasing coursework preparation and commensurate authorization or responsibility. The current child development permit structure is based on a career ladder concept; so one individual could be counted in one or more child development permit categories.



Among the 9,000 permits issued in 2008-09, nearly one-third was Associate Teacher Permits. This share of the teacher permits showed a decline in the past five years: 35 percent in 2004-05 and 31 percent in 2008-09. Child Development Site Supervisor Permits accounted for another one-fifth of the total permits and stayed very steady over the past five years. Child Development Teacher permits accounted for another one-fifth and it showed a slight decrease by about 1 percent in the past five years; 20 percent in 2004-05 and 19 percent in 2008-09. The number of Child Development Assistant permits has steadily increased from 12 percent in 2004-05 to 16 percent in 2008-09. Child Development Master Teacher Permits stayed steady at 7 percent and Child Development Program Director Permits showed a slight increase by about one percent: 5 percent in 2004-05 and 6 percent in 2008-09.

Applicants for Child Development Permits apply directly to the Commission and are required to complete specific courses and other requirements. Programs, such as those offered in two or four year institutions of higher education, may apply to have a sequence of courses pre-approved by the Commission and may then verify that an applicant has completed the program. This process, known as Verification of Completion (VOC), helps expedite the processing time of applications. There are currently 40 programs participating in the VOC.

For more information about Child Development Permits: <http://www.ctc.ca.gov/credentials/CREDS/child-dev-permits.html>