

Child and Dependent Care Expenses

Attach to Form 1040, 1040-SR, or 1040-NR.

2021

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service (99)

Go to www.irs.gov/Form2441 for instructions and the latest information.

Attachment Sequence No. 21

Name(s) shown on return

Your social security number

A You can't claim a credit for child and dependent care expenses if your filing status is married filing separately unless you meet the requirements listed in the instructions under "Married Persons Filing Separately." If you meet these requirements, check this box

B For 2021, your credit for child and dependent care expenses is refundable if you, or your spouse if married filing jointly, had a principal place of abode in the United States for more than half of 2021. If you meet these requirements, check this box

Part I Persons or Organizations Who Provided the Care - You must complete this part.

If you have more than three care providers, see the instructions and check this box

Table with 5 columns: (a) Care provider's name, (b) Address, (c) Identifying number (SSN or EIN), (d) Check here if the care provider is your household employee, (e) Amount paid.

Did you receive dependent care benefits? No -> Complete only Part II below. Yes -> Complete Part III on page 2 next.

Caution: If the care was provided in your home, you may owe employment taxes. For details, see the instructions for Schedule H (Form 1040). If you incurred care expenses in 2021 but didn't pay them until 2022, or if you prepaid in 2021 for care to be provided in 2022, don't include these expenses in column (c) of line 2 for 2021. See the instructions.

Part II Credit for Child and Dependent Care Expenses

2 Information about your qualifying person(s). If you have more than three qualifying persons, see the instructions and check this box

Table with 3 columns: (a) Qualifying person's name (First, Last), (b) Qualifying person's social security number, (c) Qualified expenses you incurred and paid in 2021 for the person listed in column (a).

Main calculation table with rows 3-11. Row 3: Add the amounts in column (c) of line 2. Row 4: Enter your earned income. Row 5: If married filing jointly, enter your spouse's earned income. Row 6: Enter the smallest of line 3, 4, or 5. Row 7: Enter the amount from Form 1040, 1040-SR, or 1040-NR, line 11. Row 8: Enter on line 8 the decimal amount shown below that applies to the amount on line 7. Row 9a: Multiply line 6 by the decimal amount on line 8. Row 9b: If you paid 2020 expenses in 2021, complete Worksheet A in the instructions. Row 10: Add lines 9a and 9b and enter result. Row 11: Nonrefundable credit for child and dependent care expenses.