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User Guide



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As an introduction to this data collection we have provided the following brief summary of the data and documentation provided with this study.

Summary of Data Files

3 databases were produced for this wave of the study and are organized into 4 datasets (DS) described below. Each individual data file is provided in SPSS, SAS, and STATA formats, as well as ASCII files with SPSS, SAS, and STATA setup files. Qualitative data for variables >244 characters is available in Excel format.

	Dataset #	File prefix	Dataset Name	Description
	DS1:	25601-0001	State Licensing Programs and Policies Data	All data reported by the state licensing agencies from The 2007 NARA Child Care Licensing Program Survey
_	DS2:	25601-0002	State Child Care Center Regulations Data	The data compiled from state child care center licensing regulations posted on the National Resource Center for Health and Safety in Child Care and Early Education (NRC) Web site.
	DS3:	25601-0003	State Small Family Child Care Home Regulations	The data compiled from state small family child care home licensing regulations posted on the National Resource Center for Health and Safety in Child Care and Early Education (NRC) Web site.
	DS4:	25601-0004	State Large/Group Family Child Care Home Regulations	The data compiled from state large family child care home licensing regulations posted on the National Resource Center for Health and Safety in Child Care and Early Education (NRC) Web site.

If you need assistance with opening a data file, please refer to the following Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs):

- How do I use a SAS setup file to import ASCII data?
- How do I use an SPSS setup file to import ASCII data?
- How do I use a Stata setup file to import ASCII data?

Summary of Documentation

The documentation for this study is extensive and all documents fall into the following six categories described below.

- **1. User Guide** This document contains a brief summary of all data and documentation available for the study and a description of the production of the data sets.
- **2. Codebooks** Codebooks listing variable name, label, location, type, and frequency and/or mean information was produced for each dataset.
- **3. Questionnaire** The data collection instrument used for the State Licensing Programs and Policy Data portion of this study is provided.
- **4. Report** This report documents the purpose, methodology, and select findings from this study.
- **5. State Data Profiles** These PDF files document select data specific to each state in relation to the three datasets.

Abbreviation Guide

Many of the variables in the State Licensing Programs and Policies Data are the same question asked for different types of child care facilities. The following is a key of the common abbreviations found in the variable names.

C: Child Care Center

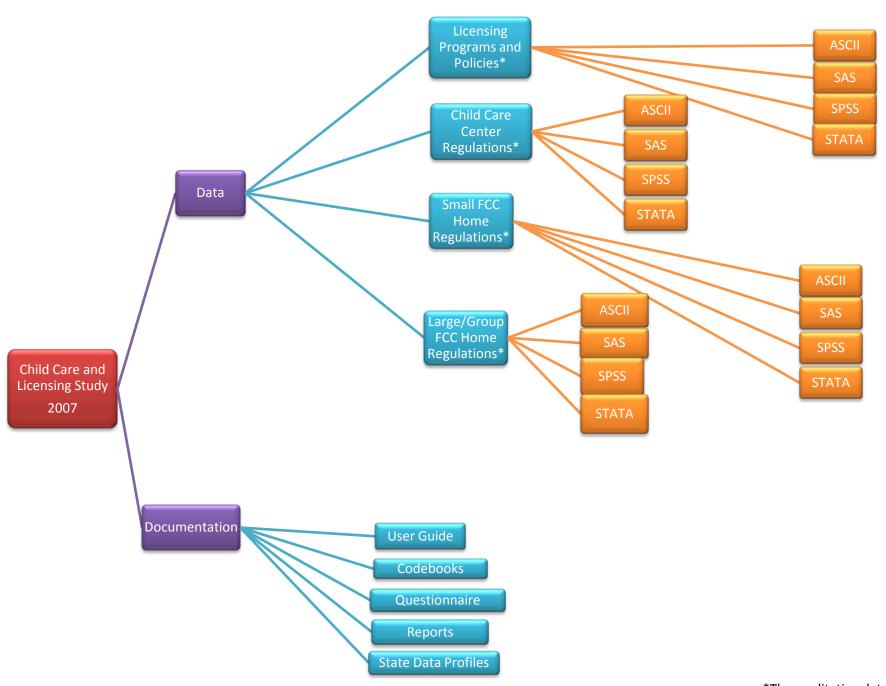
F: Small Family Child Care Home

LF: Large/Group Family Child Care Home

Diagrams of File Organization

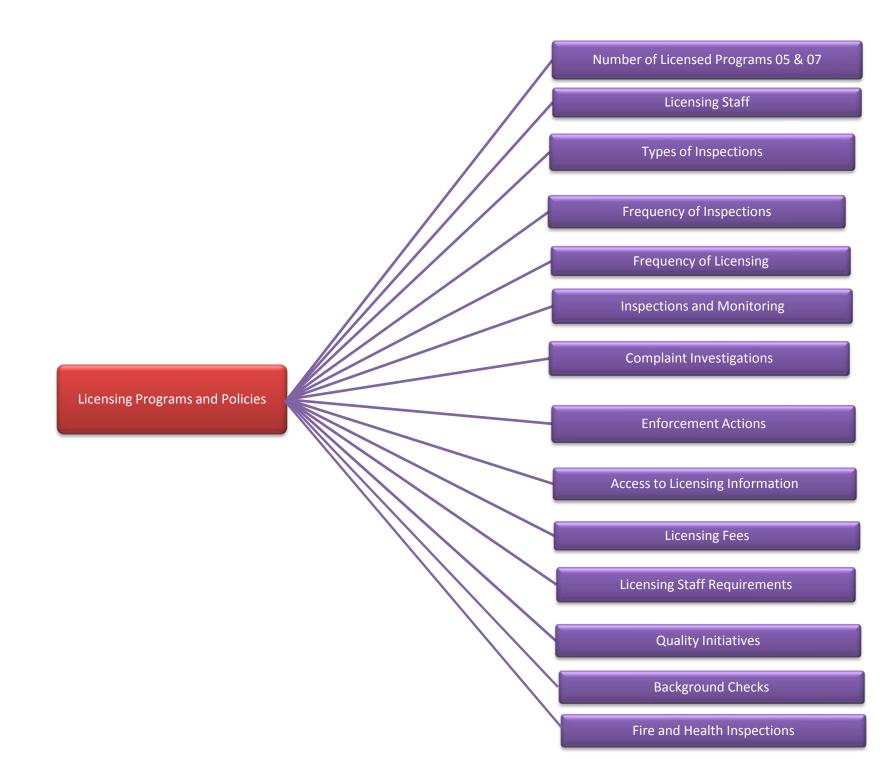
The following are diagrams of the structure of the data collection and its four datasets.

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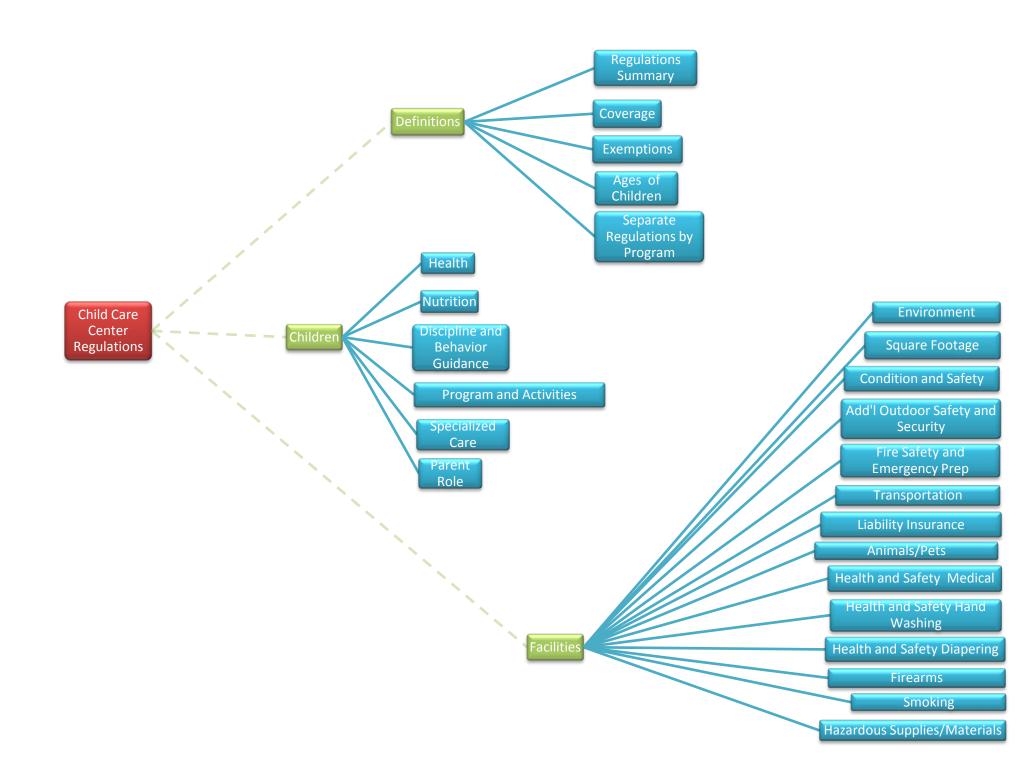


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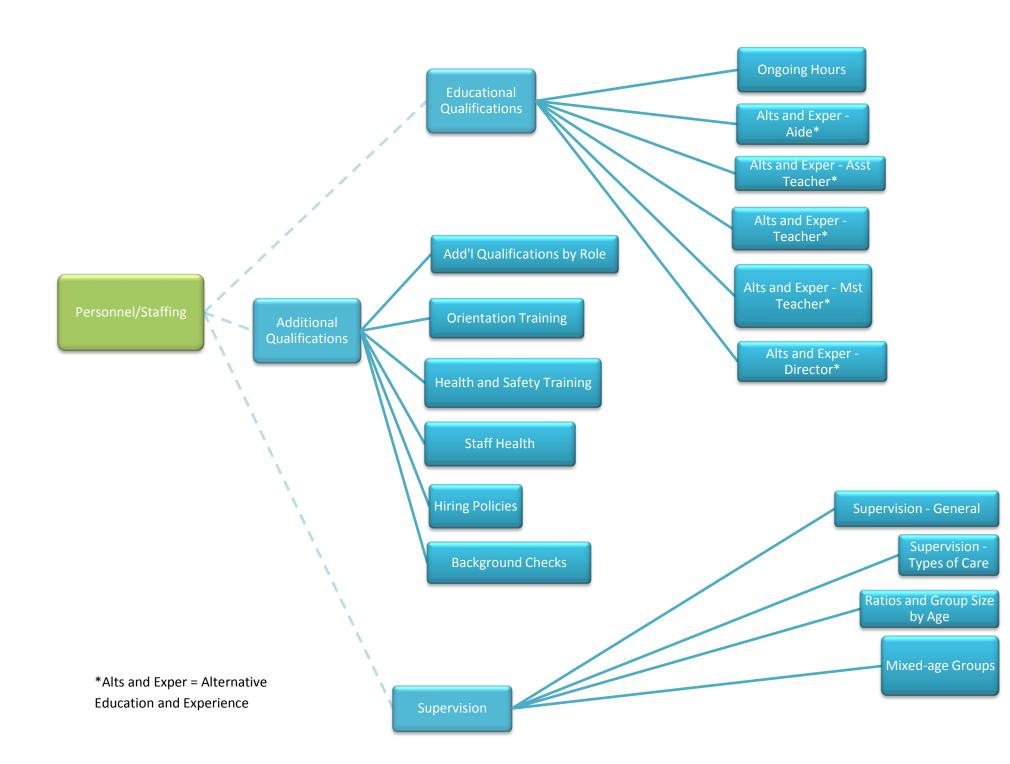
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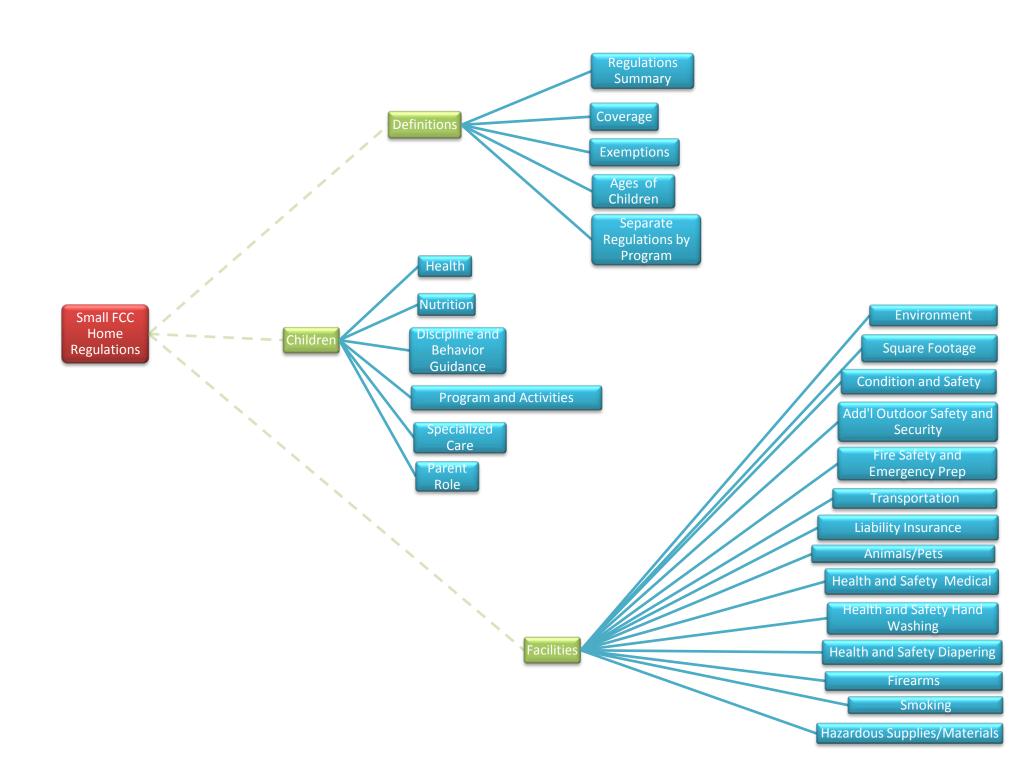
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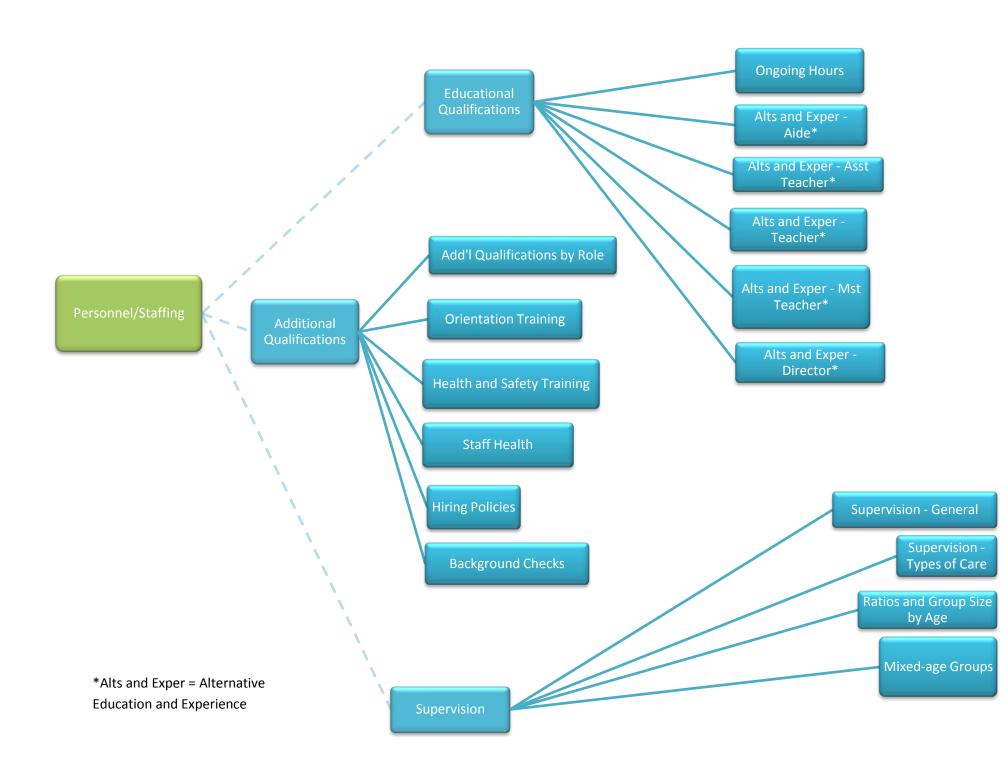
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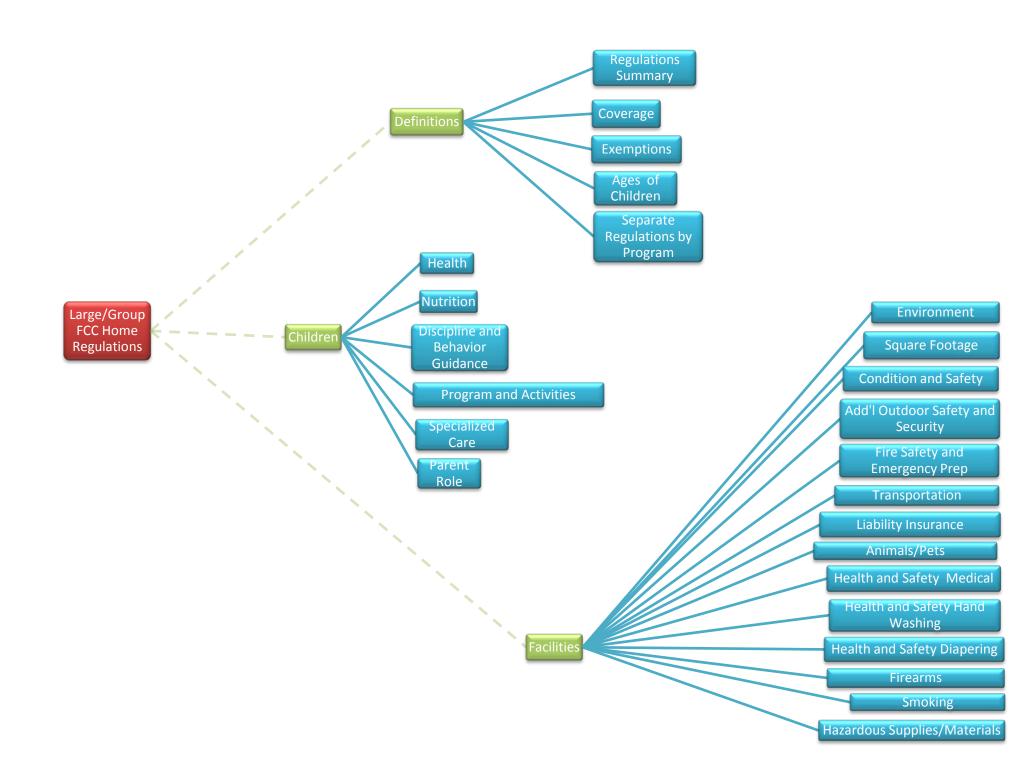
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