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I wanted to write to bring your attention to a data collection effort on child care settings and COVID-19, being run by a team at [COVID-Explained](#), headed up by [Emily Oster at Brown University](#).

This team is crowdsourcing data on all child care settings (care centers, camps, schools, etc) which are open. You can see the [data here](#) and some more background on [the effort is here](#).

Even though all the data is posted, it's identified only by state and county so none of this will be made public.

Participating is straightforward: there is a short (about 10 question) baseline survey and then you are asked to fill out a weekly tracking survey with 5 questions (count of enrollment and staffing for week, COVID cases in staff and children for the week and whether there are any parent cases). The public data is updated weekly so information is out there.

If you are interested in participating in the tracking sample, [the baseline data entry for that is here](#).

Thanks for considering!

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