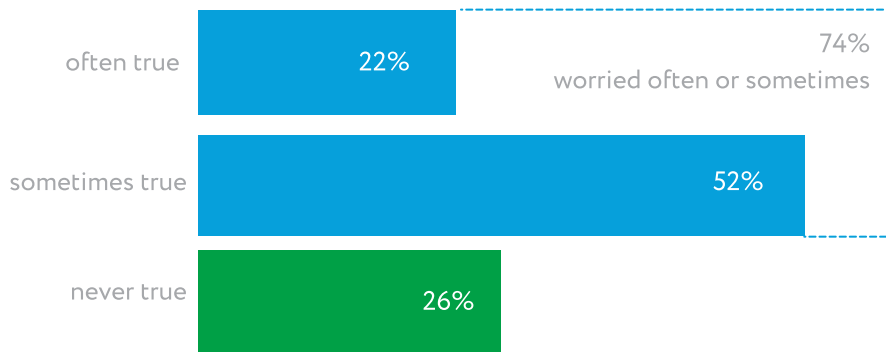




Food Hardship Among Child Care Providers

Nearly 3 in 4 worried about running out of food in the last year and more than 50% actually did.

"Within the past 12 months I worried whether the food for my household and/or my child care would run out before I got money to buy more."



More than half reported often or sometimes running out of food and over 16% relied on free groceries from organizations such as churches and food banks in order to provide meals and/or snacks.

Essential workers deserve a living wage

Child care providers stepped up to the challenge of offering early learning and care to support California's families during this unprecedented crisis, but state and federal support falls shamefully short.

Policymakers must take additional steps to reverse the harmful effects of COVID-19 and ensure a fair, inclusive recovery.

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