



# **Summary of *Economic Impact of Utah's Family Choice Behavioral Healthcare Interventions Industry***

## **Implementation of Congregate Care Facilities Reforms**

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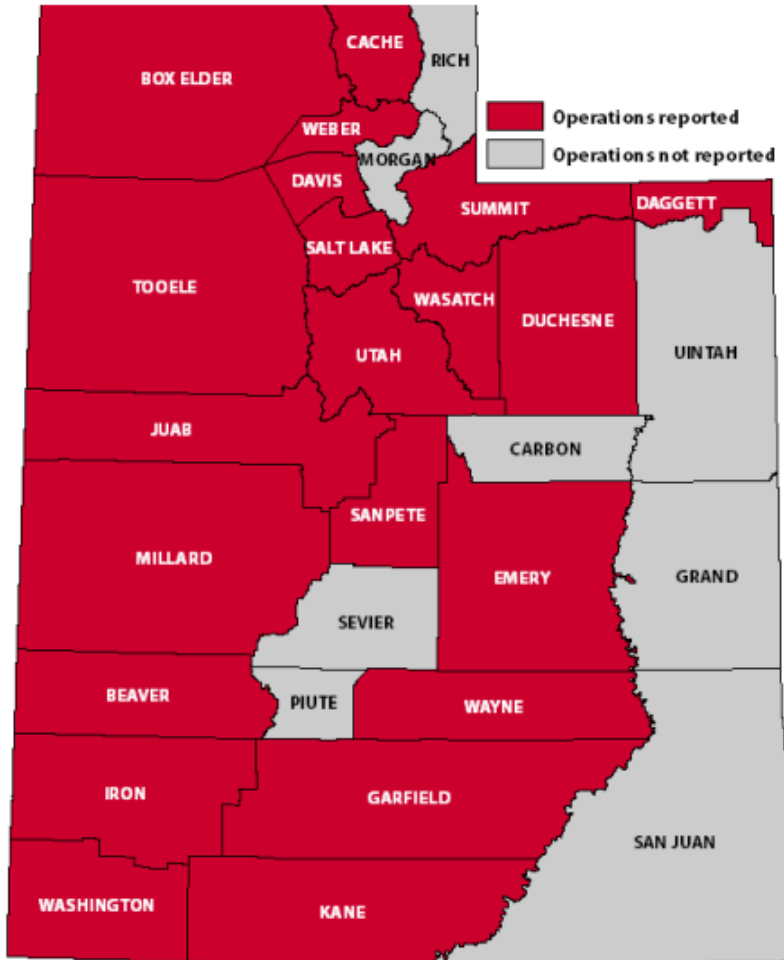
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- **Research brief published in May 2016 by the Kem C. Gardner Policy Institute**
- **Full text available at [https://gardner.utah.edu/wp-content/uploads/2016\\_FamilyChoiceBehavioralInterventions\\_Final.pdf](https://gardner.utah.edu/wp-content/uploads/2016_FamilyChoiceBehavioralInterventions_Final.pdf)**
- **Based on a questionnaire sent to programs in 2015**

# 72 Programs in Utah in 2015



- Operations reported in **21** counties
- **69%** operated private pay residential treatment programs
- **20%** operated wilderness therapy programs

Note: Some programs operate in multiple counties  
Source: Kem C. Gardner Policy Institute



# Economic Impact in 2015

6,400 jobs

\$269 million in earnings

\$423 million in state gross domestic product

\$22 million in state and local tax revenue

- State income tax: \$6.8 million
- State and local sales tax: \$9.3 million
- Local property tax: \$6.3 million

# 90% of Clients from Outside of Utah

**Table 3**  
**Client Family Travel Expenditure Estimates, 2015**

	Total	Average Per Program
Hotel/Lodging	\$4,583,000	\$77,700
Car Rentals and Gas	\$4,174,000	\$70,700
Restaurants	\$3,676,000	\$62,300
Retail and Other*	\$2,415,000	\$40,900
Entertainment	\$779,000	\$13,200
Groceries	\$677,000	\$11,500
<i>Total Expenditure</i>	<i>\$16,304,000</i>	<i>\$276,300</i>

\*Includes related sales taxes

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