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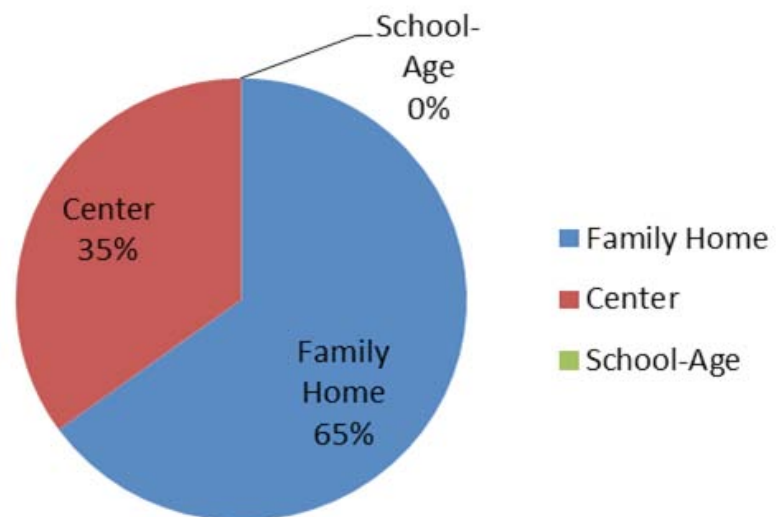
DEL uses **probationary licenses** as a tool in situations when providers are unable to comply with a rule or where there are multiple complaints or concerns about non-compliance, so long as those complaints or concerns do not rise to the level of an immediate threat to the health and well-being of children. In addition, the provider must have a plan approved by DEL to correct the areas of noncompliance within the probationary period.

During state fiscal year 2011, **DEL issued 40 probationary licenses statewide (about 0.5% of the total licenses at the end of the fiscal year)**. This included four in the Northwest Service Area, nine in the Southwest Service Area, and 27 in the Eastern Service Area.

DEL staff provide technical assistance, additional monitoring visits and other supports in order to ensure children’s safety, while working with the provider to move into compliance. Additional technical assistance may be sought by the provider from his or her local resource and referral office or by referral from DEL staff.

Probationary licenses, at times, may be considered in lieu of revocation, where the provider demonstrates the willingness to change the conditions that brought about the complaints or concerns; and where the provider makes progress toward successful completion of the probationary period.

Percent of Probations per Facility Type



Reason for Probation

