

Table 3.5 Saskatchewan Percentage of Children Attending ECE Programs by Age Group

Child Ages	Number of children ^a	Child care ^{b/} preschool	Kindergarten/ prekindergarten enrolment ^c	Other ECE programs ^d	% children attending ECEC program
0-1 year	31,669	4,005			12.6%
2-4 years	45,849	6,076	5,056	4,708	35%
5 years	15,130	e	13,716		91% ^f

- a Statistics Canada. Table O51-0001 Estimates of population, by age group and sex for July 1, 2016, Canada, provinces and territories (accessed April 24, 2017).
- b Child care spaces as of March 31, 2017. Personal communications, Ministry of Education, May 24, 2017.
- c Kindergarten enrolment as of September 30, 2016. Percentage understated because not all First Nations schools report enrolment to the Ministry of Education. Prekindergarten enrolment: Personal Communications, Ministry of Education, May 23, 2017.
- d Includes Aboriginal Head Start and child care on First Nations. There are approximately 76 on-reserve child care facilities with 1,044 spaces monitored by First Nations.³¹ These are not included in the provincial count of spaces. This is in addition to 79 Aboriginal Head Start On-Reserve programs and 16 Aboriginal Head Start in Urban and Northern Communities sites (Email communication, AHSUNC, November 3, 2017) with an estimated enrolment of 1,504. Enrolment in 90 unlicensed preschools³² estimated at 2,160 children based on a telephone survey. Children attending preschool may also attend child care.
- e As the province collects enrolment numbers in the 5- to 12-year-old age category, it is not possible to estimate the number of 5-year-olds attending child care. For the purposes of this report it is assumed that 5-year-olds in child care also attend kindergarten.
- f All children in the province have access to Kindergarten, this number represents actual enrolment.