

TABLE 3.5 NOVA SCOTIA PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN ATTENDING ECE PROGRAMS BY AGE GROUP

Child Ages	Number of Children <sup>a</sup>	Child Care/Preschool <sup>b</sup>	Grade Primary/ Pre-Primary <sup>c</sup>	Other ECE Programs <sup>d</sup>	% Children Attending ECE Programs
0 to <24 months	16,925	2,663			15.7%
24 months to <5 years	26,295	8,427	4,618	326	<b>51%</b>
5 years	8,776		8,715		99.3%

a Statistics Canada. Population Estimates July 1, 2020. Table 17-10-0005-01.

b Participation is estimated. Child care age groupings do not match the age groupings in the report. To avoid double counting, the percentage of 4-year-olds attending Pre-Primary is deducted from the child care count. Please see methodology for calculation details.

c Government of Nova Scotia. Department of Education and Early Childhood Development. 2019-2020. Enrolments by Grade and Gender for 2020-2021 available at: <https://stats-summary.ednet.ns.ca/by-grade-gender>. It is assumed that children attending child care also attend kindergarten.

d Estimate based on attendance at one Aboriginal Head Start in Urban and Northern Communities program and 13 Aboriginal Head Start programs in First Nations, Inuit, and Métis communities. See methodology for detailed calculation. Retrieved from: <http://www.unbi.org/aboriginal-headstart-on-reserve-ahsor>