

TABLE 4.2 NOVA SCOTIA STAFF/CHILD RATIO AND GROUP SIZE IN REGULATED CHILD CARE

Age	Staff: Child Ratios	Max. Group Size
FULL-DAY PROGRAM		
Infant (0-17 months)	1:4	10
Toddler (18-35 months)	1:6	18
Pre-schooler (36 months-5 years)	1:8	24
Mixed Ages	Ratio applies to youngest child	Maximum group size applying to youngest child
PART-DAY PROGRAM		
Toddler older than 30 months	1:12	24
Pre-schooler	1:12	24
SCHOOL-AGE PROGRAM		
School-age only	1:15	30
School-age and fewer than 8 pre-primary children	1:15	30
School-age and 8 pre-primary children	1:12	30
Pre-primary children only	1:12	30
FAMILY HOME DAY CARE PROGRAM		
Any age	1:7	7
Infants	1:3	3
School-age only	1:9	9

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