

**TABLE 4.2 NORTHWEST TERRITORIES STAFF/CHILD RATIO AND GROUP SIZE  
IN REGULATED CHILD CARE CENTRES**

Age	Staff:Child Ratio	Maximum Group Size
Infants (0 to 12 months)	1:3	6
Infants (13 to 24 months)	1:4	8
Toddler (25 to 35 months)	1:6	12
Preschool 3 years	1:8	16
Preschool 4 years	1:9	18
5+ years	1:10	30

**Mixed Groupings in Child Care Centres**

Infants (0 to <24 months)	1:4	8
Preschool: 25 months to <5 years (child not enrolled in school for the full day)	1:8	16
School age: 4 years 8 months (child enrolled in school for the full day) to <11 years	1:10	30

**Family Child Care**

Maximum number of children	8 including the provider's children	
Children up to 2 years of age		2
Children up to 3 years of age		3
Children up to 6 years of age		6
School age: 4 years 8 months (child enrolled in school for the full day) to 11 years		8

Source: Government of the Northwest Territories. Department of Education, Culture and Employment. *Understanding the Child Day Care Regulations: A Handbook for Early Childhood Programs*, P. 232. Retrieved from: [https://www.ece.gov.nt.ca/sites/ece/files/resources/ecd\\_-\\_early\\_childhood\\_handbook.pdf](https://www.ece.gov.nt.ca/sites/ece/files/resources/ecd_-_early_childhood_handbook.pdf)

