

**TABLE 3.5 PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND ECE CAPACITY TO PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN BY AGE GROUP  
TO MARCH 31, 2023**

Child Ages	Number of Children <sup>a</sup>	Licensed Child Care/Preschool <sup>b</sup>	School-based Kindergarten Enrolment	Other ECE Programs <sup>f</sup>	Capacity to % of Children
0 to <24 months	2,993	697 <sup>c</sup>			23%
24 months to <5 years	4,352	2,434 <sup>d</sup>	1,142 <sup>d</sup>	50	<b>83%</b>
5 years	1,649		1,471 <sup>e</sup>		89%

<sup>a</sup>. Statistics Canada. Table 17-10-0005-01 Population estimates on July 1, 2022, by age and sex (accessed on January 10, 2023).

<sup>b</sup>. Child care age groupings collected by the province do not match the age groupings in the report.

<sup>c</sup>. Of the 498 infant spaces from Table 3.4, calculations were made to account for the two months unmatched age groups (498 + 199). Please see Methodology for calculation details.

<sup>d</sup>. Of the 3,775 preschool spaces from Table 3.4, calculations were made to account for the two months unmatched age groups (3,775 -199). To avoid double counting, an additional 1,142 (number of children that participated in pre-K) was subtracted and appears under school-based Kindergarten enrolment. Please see Methodology for calculation details. Personal communication. Government of Prince Edward Island. Department of Education and Early Years. August 24, 2023. Number of children that attended free pre-K 2022-23. This program is 15 hours per week.

<sup>e</sup>. Government of Prince Edward Island. *School Enrolment, K-12, 2022-2023*. Does not include private school enrolment. Retrieved from: [https://www.princeedwardisland.ca/sites/default/files/publications/ell\\_k-12\\_enrolment\\_22-23.pdf](https://www.princeedwardisland.ca/sites/default/files/publications/ell_k-12_enrolment_22-23.pdf)

<sup>f</sup>. Estimate based on PEI's 2 AHS centres (Lennox Island Daycare and Wekatesk). See Methodology for detailed calculation. The government of Prince Edward Island does not license First Nations child care programs. Funding for First Nations child care is provided by the federal government.

