

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

| Child Ages            | Number of Children <sup>a</sup> | Child care/ preschool <sup>b</sup> | School-based Kindergarten/ Prekindergarten enrolment <sup>c</sup> | Other ECE Programs <sup>d</sup> | Capacity to % of children |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 0 to <24 months       | 27,944                          | 4,646                              |   |                                 | 16%                       |
| 24 months to <5 years | 44,007                          | 9,056                              | 5,056   | 3,376                           | <b>40%</b>                |
| 5 years               | 15,623                          |                                    | 13,544  |                                 | 87%                       |

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

<sup>b</sup>. From Table 3.4. Infant/toddler spaces: one-fifth (1,161) were deducted from the 5,807 total of spaces to account for the unmatched age groups. This amount (1,161) was added to the 24 months to <5 years age group. Five year olds were deducted from this group. The province does not license private preschool. They are not included in this count.

<sup>c</sup>. To avoid double counting, 5-year-old children attending child care are assumed to also be attending Kindergarten. The portion of Prekindergarten attendees was deducted from the 24 months to <5 years age group. Kindergarten enrolment figures include associate schools but do not reflect children enrolled at First Nations schools or other independent schools as information for those schools is not reported to the Ministry of Education.

<sup>d</sup>. Personal communication. Government of Saskatchewan. Ministry of Education. Early Years Branch. July 14, 2023.

