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### **CECE Membership**

52,038

Employed ECEs Registered with the College of Early Childhood Educators (CECE)

28,776

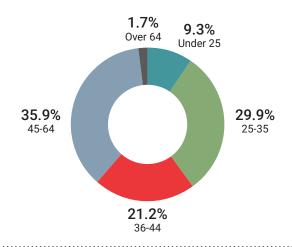
College of Early Childhood Educators (CECE) Members Working in Licensed Child Care

<sup>1</sup>Data provided by the College of Early Childhood Educators. Current to October 31, 2023.

### **Sample Characteristics**

#### **AGE**

#### Age Distribution of Respondents



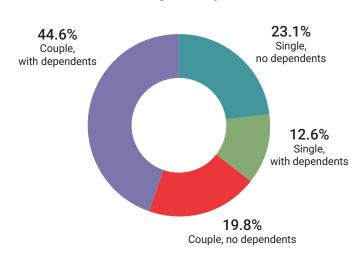
#### YEARS OF EXPERIENCE

Years of Experience by Auspice

Auspice	Years of experience			
For-profit	10.3			
Non-profit	14.5			
CMSM/DSSAB	17.8			
FDK	18.3			
Average across auspice	14.3			

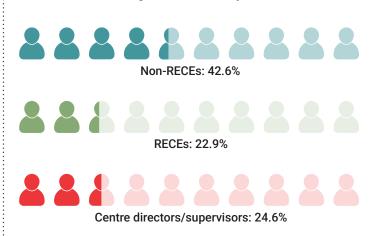
#### **FAMILY STATUS**

#### **Percentage Family Status**



#### **RACIALIZATION**

Percentage Racialized by Position





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## Compensation

#### **WAGES**

# Reported Median Hourly Wage by Auspice Workforce

Auspice	Hourly Wage
Post-secondary institution	\$30.00
CMSM/DSSAB	\$29.00
Non-profit	\$24.00
EARLYON	\$24.00
Provincial level	\$24.00
For-profit	\$22.00

### Reported Median Hourly Wage by Auspice Director/Supervisor

Auspice	Hourly Wage
CMSM/DSSAB	\$40.67
Non-profit	\$32.53
For-profit	\$28.15

#### Average Hourly Wage by Auspice and Union Status in Licensed Child Care



Starting in January 2025, the wage floor for ECEs working in programs participating in CWELCC was \$24.86 an hour.

#### **Hourly Wage by Racialization**





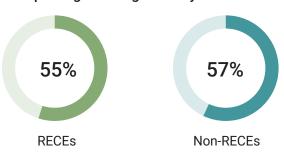
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## Compensation

Percentage of RECEs and Non-RECEs Reporting Additional Employment to Supplement Income



Percentage of RECEs and Non-RECEs Reporting Housing Security Concerns



#### **BENEFITS**

#### Percentage of Access to Non-Mandatory Benefits



79.0% Paid sick days

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65.4%

Extended health benefits (e.g., dental, physiotherapy, etc.)



60.3%

Paid professional development



50.5%

Pension benefits or contributions to an RRSP



**45.0%** 

Paid programming time during the workday



**22.7%** 

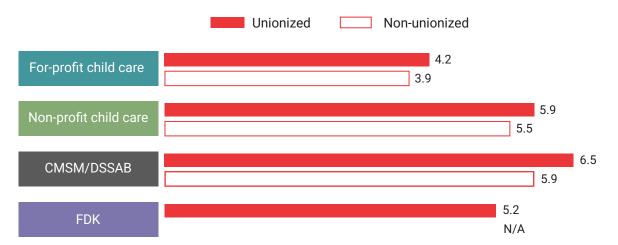
Salary scale reflecting qualifications, responsibilities, and seniority



13.0%

Pay increase for obtaining a new credential or degree in ECE

### Average Number of Benefits ECEs Receive by Auspice and Unionization

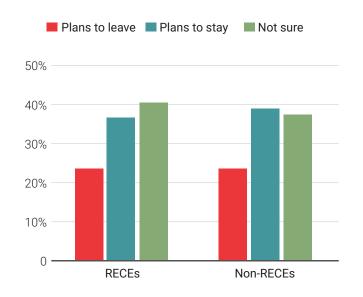




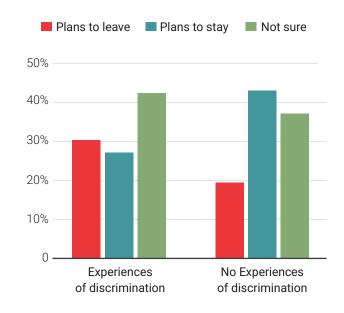
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### **Discrimination and Workforce Stability**

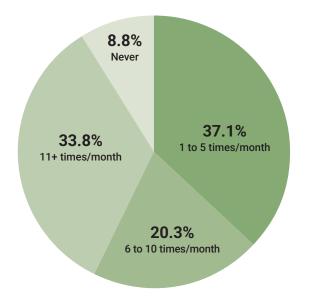
Percentage of Respondents with Plans to Stay in the Sector in the next 5 Years



Percentage of Respondents Experiencing
Discrimination and Plans to Leave the Sector



Number of Times per Month Directors/Supervisors Fill in Ratio



Percentage of Respondents who would Recommend a Career in ECE



Percentage of Respondents who would Recommend Their Early Years Program to a Family Member or Friend







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# **Professional Development**

### **CONTENT OF PROFESSIONAL LEARNING**

### **Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Learning by Region**

Professional learning received in the previous 12 months	Central East	Central West	East	North	West	Lakeshore West	Ontario
Supporting vulnerable families	27%	27%	28%	23%	27%	28%	27%
Cultural diversity in early years settings	46%	44%	41%	35%	40%	46%	43%
Anti-bias/anti-racism/ anti-oppression education	52%	48%	45%	37%	47%	46%	46%
Supporting newcomer families	19%	21%	14%	12%	18%	18%	17%
Critical trauma-informed practice	26%	27%	29%	23%	28%	25%	27%
Incorporating land-based learning	20%	20%	19%	22%	18%	18%	19%
Making workplaces more accessible	26%	27%	26%	20%	23%	28%	25%
Supporting 2SLGBTQIA+ children and families	27%	22%	25%	19%	25%	34%	27%
Indigenous ways of knowing and being and decolonization	27%	32%	31%	29%	30%	29%	30%
Incorporating Afrocentric way of being	17%	15%	7%	4%	8%	11%	10%
Supporting children with disabilities	44%	46%	46%	43%	45%	47%	45%

Professional development wanted by study participants	Central East	Central West	East	North	West	Lakeshore West	Ontario
Supporting vulnerable families	48%	49%	50%	58%	47%	45%	49%
Cultural diversity in early years settings	33%	32%	36%	42%	35%	33%	35%
Anti-bias/anti-racism/ anti-oppression education	28%	27%	31%	38%	29%	31%	30%
Supporting newcomer families	50%	43%	49%	53%	44%	47%	47%
Critical trauma-informed practice	41%	42%	44%	52%	43%	42%	44%
Incorporating land-based learning	39%	39%	40%	46%	38%	38%	39%
Making workplaces more accessible	33%	29%	32%	39%	33%	32%	33%
Supporting 2SLGBTQIA+ children and families	37%	38%	42%	48%	37%	34%	38%
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