

Child Care Needs | Findings

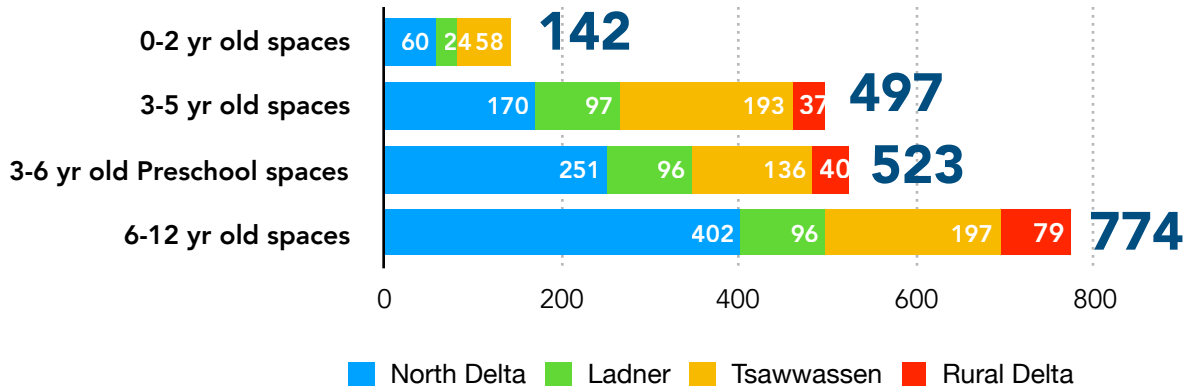
Methodology: Data for Delta was collected in 2019. Research methods included: Review of Child Care-Related Data | Child Care Providers: 63 survey participants + consultations | Parents & Guardians: 392 survey participants + consultations

2,383

Child Care Spaces

162

Child Care Programs



Group Child Care Spaces per 100 children

18.4
Average in B.C. [2016]

17.3
in Delta [2019]

5.5
0-2 years old

20.1
3-5 years old
Excluding Preschool spaces

8.8
6-12 years old

Child Care spaces in Delta per 100,000 children by different age groups [2019]

27.2
Average in Canada [2016]

1,051
Additional child care spaces needed in Delta to reach the current Canadian average

16 out of 24 Elementary schools in Delta have some type of child care on site

81% Of the child care spaces in Delta are in private facilities

Inadequate supply of child care

80% of survey respondents believe there is an inadequate supply of child care services in Delta to meet their needs

The birth to 36 months and school-aged spaces are most needed in North Delta and Ladner.

Limited access to flexible child care

16% of parents/guardians require varied hours of care due to shift work

Only 2 facilities are open on statutory holidays and offer overnight care

Only 9 facilities have extended hours (before 6 a.m./after 7 p.m.)

Limited access to quality child care

44% of parents/guardians indicate group child care would be their first choice for their youngest child

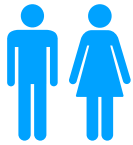
Only 27% of parents/guardians were able to access this type of care

Challenges finding child care that provides support for children with special needs.

Staffing challenges

- ***Finding and retaining qualified staff**
- ***Finding qualified substitutes** (the most common staffing challenge)
- *The wages are low
- *Cost of living is high
- *Job stress is high
- *Shifts in licensing and regulations

Population Highlights | Census 2016



13,850

Children (0-12 years old) live in the Delta School District*

Between 2019 and 2029 the number of children (0-12 years old) in the area served by the Delta School District is projected to decrease.

2011

-490
-3.2%

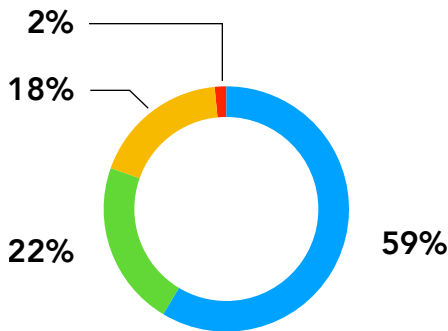


Projected
2019

-536
-3.9%

2016

2029



- North Delta | 8,070
- Ladner | 3,005
- Tsawwassen | 2,490
- Rural Delta | 210

Largest concentration of children (0-12 years old) is in North Delta

In the following communities in the central part of North Delta:

1,195

Census track 162.03
Bordered by 72nd Ave., 80th Ave., 115th Ave., and Scott Road

955

Census track 163.01
Bordered by 80th Ave., 108th Ave., 84th Ave., and Burns Bog Nature Reserve

763.5

The median number of children living in each census track in Delta

At least 100

children in all census tracks except for census track 161.08 [Tsawwassen First Nation: 65 children]

Childhood Vulnerability

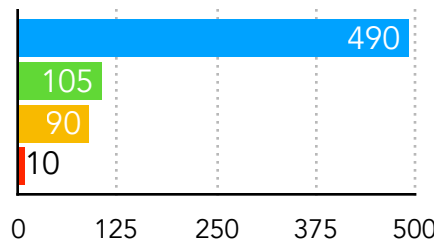
695 | 12.6%

of all children (0-5 years old) are in **low income households** based on LIM-AT** in the City of Delta

2,080 | 12.7%

of all children (0-14 years old) are in **lone parent families** in the Delta School District served area

North Delta has the largest number of Early Years Children living in low income households (490) in Delta



- North Delta | 71%
- Ladner | 15%
- Tsawwassen | 13%
- Rural Delta | 1%

760 | 4.6%

of all children (0-14 years old) are of **Indigenous identity**

500 | 3.1%

of all children (0-14 years old) are **Recent Immigrants**

4,360 | 26.6%

of all children (0-14 years old) have a **non-English mother tongue**

* Delta School District include children living in the City of Delta and Tsawwassen First Nation
** LIM-AT: the Low-income measure after tax