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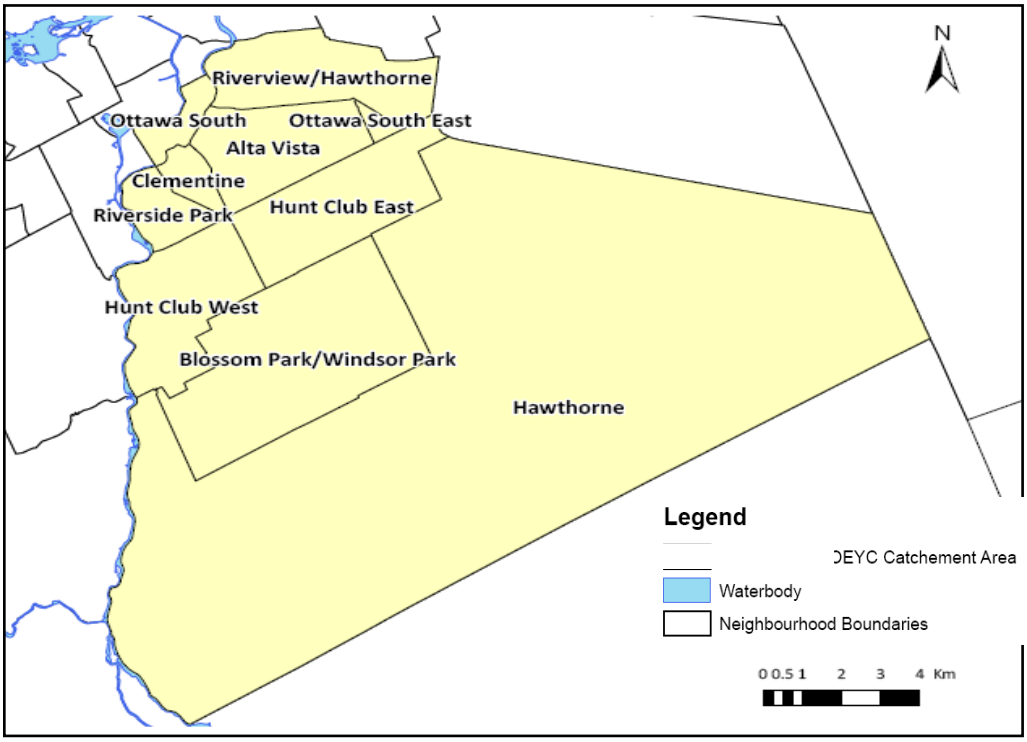
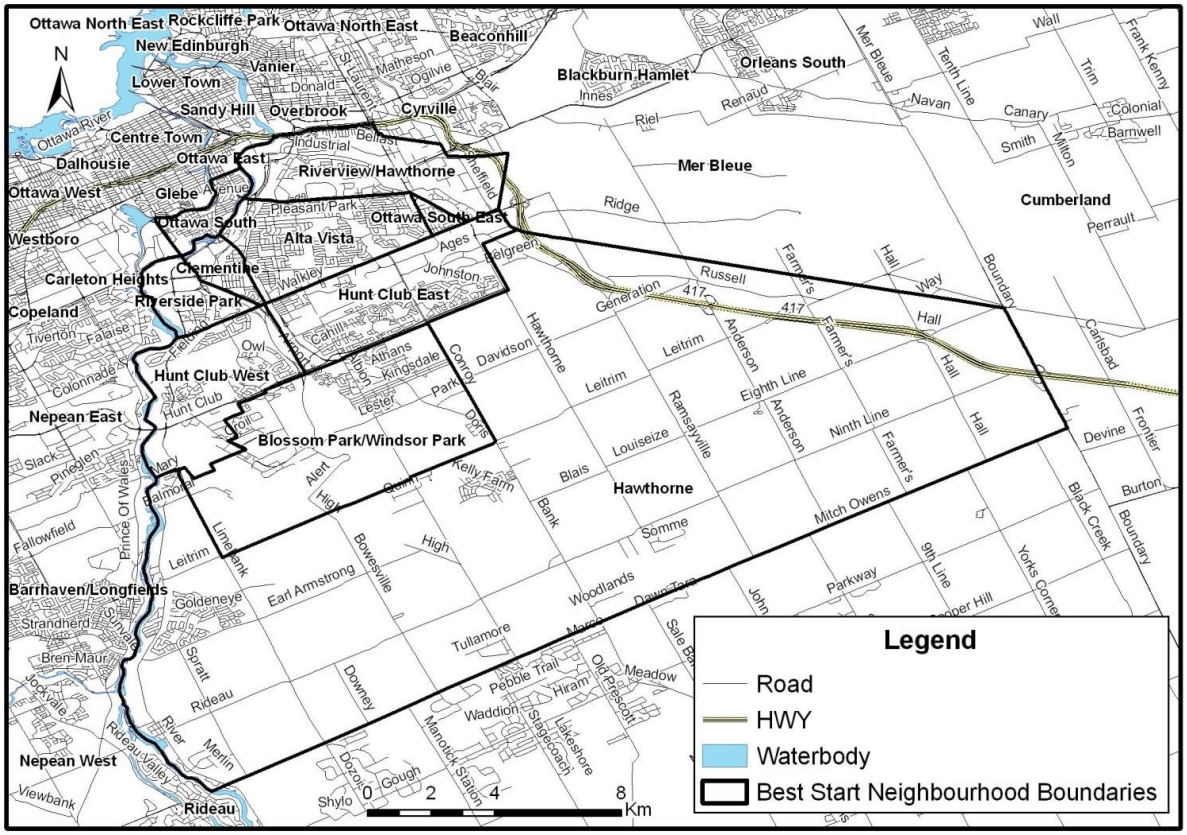
GEOGRAPHIC PROFILE

Map of *Ottawa South's* Best Start Neighbourhoods



Road Map of *Ottawa South's* Best Start Boundaries



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POPULATION COUNTS & PROJECTIONS

2011 Canadian Census Variables

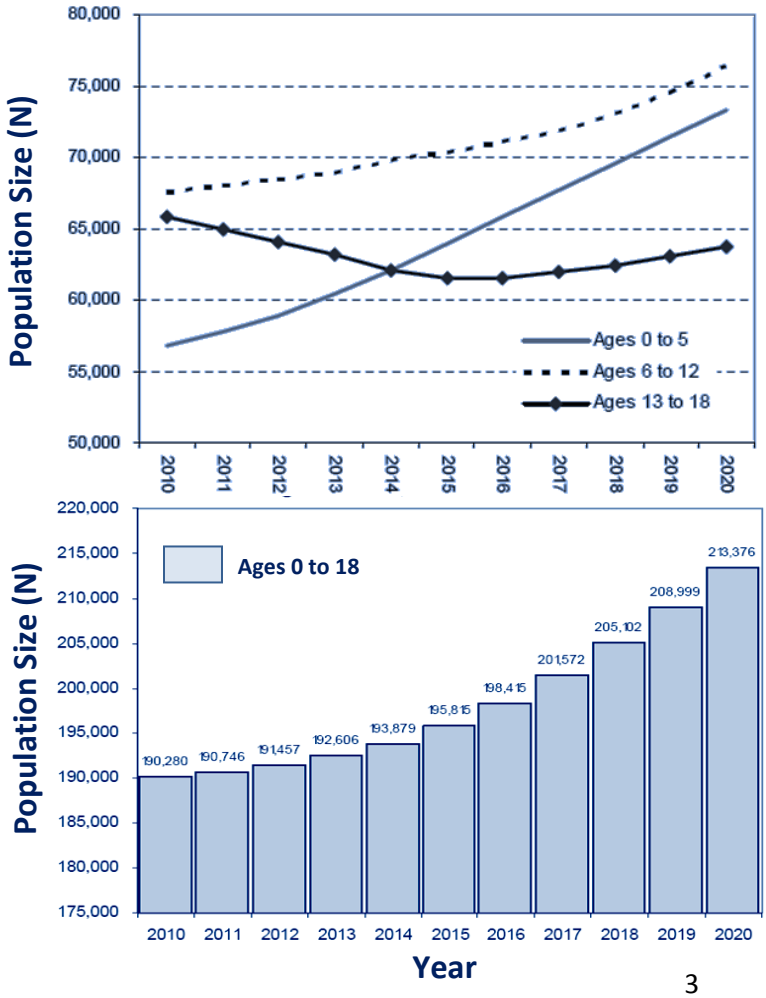
Population

	OTTAWA SOUTH	OTTAWA
Population in 2011	149,170	883,391
Population in 2006	137,516	812,129
2006 to 2011 population change (%)	7.8	8.8
Population density per square km in 2011	600.8	316.6

2011 MCYS Population Projections for Ottawa

Population Size, Population Projections, and Growth Rate Estimates

Years of Age	Population 2010	Projection 2020	Annual Growth Rate
0 to 5	56,868	73,308	2.6%
6 to 12	67,580	76,326	1.2%
13 to 18	65,832	63,742	-0.3%
0 to 18 (Total)	190,280	213,376	1.2%



WHY ARE THESE VARIABLES IMPORTANT TO CHILD OUTCOMES?

Both historical changes in population size and population growth projections increase our understanding of how populations of children and youth will change over the next decade in Ottawa. These projections are based on current demographic trends in fertility, mortality, emigration, and immigration.

Population age counts provide an estimate of how many people, living within a particular geographic area, are in each age group. Age counts are one of the most commonly available and integral pieces of census information in the calculation of funding and federal transfers ($) to the provinces and territories. By looking at the age distribution within a population, we can start to identify the current and future needs of this population (e.g., more child care spaces). Collectively, population age counts and population growth projections can help us to adapt to the needs of the population as it changes over time.

Population density is a measure of how closely people live together in a geographical area. The higher the number, the more people live within the area.

IMPLICATIONS

The population of 0 to 5 year olds in Ottawa is expected to experience the greatest increase in size over the next decade compared to all other populations of children and youth (0 to 18 years of age) in Ontario. Thus, Ottawa agencies working with 0 to 5 year olds and their families may experience substantial increases in demand for programs and resources. Due to the fast rate of growth for this population of children, agencies may have difficulties keeping up with the increasing demands of their communities.

Demands may also increase for services tailored to 6 to 12 year olds and their families. Although the rate of growth for this population is considerably less than that of the 0 to 5 year olds, it is important that agencies are able to meet the demands of this growing population in Ottawa.

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2011 Canadian Census Variables
Population by Age Group

Best Start Neighbourhood	Population 0 to 6 Years		Population 7 to 12 Years		Total Population
	Count (#)	Percentage (%)	Count (#)	Percentage (%)	
Alta Vista	2,280	7.9	1,870	6.4	28,995
Blossom Park/ Windsor Park	1,690	9.4	1,295	7.2	17,955
Clementine	205	5.4	160	4.2	3,825
Hawthorne	2,450	13	1,755	9.3	18,850
Hunt Club East	2,640	8.3	2,495	7.9	31,645
Hunt Club West	1095	7	975	6.3	15,540
Ottawa South	725	8.6	640	7.6	8,460
Ottawa South East	280	7.4	260	6.9	3,790
Riverside Park	245	5.4	190	4.2	4,565
Riverview/ Hawthorne	990	6.4	675	4.3	15,545
Ottawa South (Total)	**12,600**	**8.4**	**10,315**	**6.9**	**149,170**
Ottawa	**68,440**	**7.8**	**59,135**	**6.7**	**882,355**

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EARLY HEALTH RISKS PROFILE

2005-2011 BORN Variables

Births and Early Health Risks from 2005 to 2011

Best Start Neighbourhood	Total Births	Teen Births (%)	Preterm Births (< 37 weeks) (%)	No Breastfeeding at Discharge (%)	Low Birth Weight (<2500 g) (%)	Maternal Smoking (%)	No Antenatal Visit during 1st Trimester (%)
Alta Vista	2,241	2.8	7.7	6.1	6.6	5.8	7.3
Blossom Park/ Windsor Park	1,553	2.1	7.3	8.6	5.7	7.3	7.0
Clementine	264	3.0	12.9	9.1	7.6	6.8	6.1
Hawthorne	1,988	0.6	8.2	6.5	5.5	3.2	4.1
Hunt Club East	2,701	2.6	7.4	8.1	5.8	6.1	7.6
Hunt Club West	1,132	2.6	6.3	6.6	6.0	7.5	7.2
Ottawa South	572	< 1.0	6.3	3.5	5.2	2.8	4.4
Ottawa South East	351	5.4	6.6	14.5	5.7	11.7	11.1
Riverside Park	254	< 2.3	7.1	< 2.3	3.9	6.7	5.5
Riverview/ Hawthorne	1,286	2.2	7.5	7.0	5.8	5.5	6.3
Ottawa South (Total)	**12,342**	**2.2**	**7.5**	**7.1**	**5.9**	**5.8**	**6.6**
Ottawa	**63,472**	**2.2**	**8.6**	**7.1**	**6.1**	**5.7**	**5.6**

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Births and Early Health Risks in 2011

Best Start Neighbourhood	Total Births	Teen Births (%)	Preterm Births (< 37 weeks) (%)	No Breastfeeding at Discharge (%)	Low Birth Weight (<2500 g) (%)	Maternal Smoking (%)	No Antenatal Visit during 1st Trimester (%)
Alta Vista	341	2.3	7.0	8.5	4.7	7.3	7.9
Blossom Park/ Windsor Park	255	< 2.4	7.1	7.5	5.5	8.2	9.0
Clementine	36	< 16.7	< 16.7	16.7	< 16.7	< 16.7	11.1
Hawthorne	316	< 1.9	7.9	6.6	6.0	2.8	3.8
Hunt Club East	387	2.3	5.7	7.2	5.4	6.7	8.5
Hunt Club West	147	< 4.1	5.4	6.8	4.8	7.5	6.8
Ottawa South	80	0.0	< 7.5	< 7.5	< 7.5	< 7.5	3.8
Ottawa South East	42	< 14.3	< 14.3	< 14.3	< 14.3	< 14.3	16.7
Riverside Park	28	< 21.4	< 21.4	0.0	0.0	< 21.4	3.6
Riverview/ Hawthorne	181	< 3.3	7.2	7.2	4.4	6.1	6.6
Ottawa South (Total)	**1,813**	**1.9**	**6.5**	**7.3**	**5.0**	**6.3**	**7.3**
Ottawa	**9,477**	**2.1**	**8.4**	**7.3**	**6.3**	**5.9**	**5.9**

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WHY ARE THESE VARIABLES IMPORTANT TO CHILD OUTCOMES?

Why is Birth Weight Important?

- Babies born with low birth weight (LBW) (2500 g or less) are more likely to have health problems and slower development.
- LBW is the primary cause of death in the first year of life.
- Babies who are born with LBW and/or preterm have a greater risk of learning difficulties, vision difficulties, chronic respiratory problems, and cerebral palsy.
- LBW is a predictor of later health problems and disability for the baby.
- Mothers of LBW babies have a greater chance of having post-partum depression.
- Parents of LBW babies report difficulties in their marital relationship.

Why is Preterm Birth Data Important?

- Preterm birth accounts for 70% of all low birth weight babies.
- Preterm babies have a higher risk of death in the first few weeks of life.
- Many preterm babies experience Respiratory Distress Syndrome due to lung immaturity.
- Preterm babies are more likely to experience a brain bleed which has been associated with long-term intellectual, emotional and physical disabilities.
- Preterm babies' immune systems are not well developed and as such are at a higher risk of infection.
- Preterm babies have a higher risk of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome.
- Depending on the age and maturity of the baby, preterm babies may experience health problems throughout their lives.

Why is Breastfeeding Important?

- Breastfeed babies have a reduced risk of developing acute middle ear infections, non-specific gastroenteritis, severe lower respiratory tract infections, atopic dermatitis, asthma (young children), obesity, type 1 and 2 diabetes, childhood leukemia, sudden infant death syndrome (SIDS), and necrotizing enterocolitis.
- For maternal outcomes, a history of lactation is associated with a reduced risk of type 2 diabetes, breast cancer, and ovarian cancer.
- Early cessation of breastfeeding or not breastfeeding is associated with an increased risk of maternal postpartum depression.

Why is Total Births Important?

- Identifying neighbourhoods where newborns are living is useful for program planning, development & delivery purposes.

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FAMILY & MARITAL STATUS

2011 Canadian Census Variables

Census Family Structure

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% of common-law couple families	11.9
% of married couple families	68.8
% of lone-parents families	19.2
OTTAWA	
% of common-law couple families	13.1
% of married couple families	70.9
% of lone-parents families	16.1

WHY ARE THESE VARIABLES IMPORTANT TO CHILD OUTCOMES?

Research indicates that cohabitating relationships are less stable than marriages and thus children are more likely to experience a breakdown in the cohabitating relationship (e.g., Schmeer, 2011; Dunifron et al., 2003; Artis, 2007).

Family Count and Structure

Best Start Neighbourhood	Total Number of Families (#)	Families with Children < 15 Years		
		Total (#)	Total (%)	Lone-Parents (%)
Alta Vista	7,935	4,775	60.2	22.4
Blossom Park/ Windsor Park	4,900	3,425	69.9	20.3
Clementine	885	415	46.9	25.3
Hawthorne	5,510	4,710	85.5	8.4
Hunt Club East	8,330	6,080	73.0	28.3
Hunt Club West	4,470	2,390	53.5	22.4
Ottawa South	2,315	1,590	68.7	11.3
Ottawa South East	875	640	73.1	45.3
Riverside Park	1,190	510	42.9	19.6
Riverview/ Hawthorne	3,765	1,885	50.1	26.0
Ottawa South (Total)	**40,175**	**26,420**	**65.8**	**21.1**
Ottawa	**239,320**	**147,705**	**61.7**	**17.7**

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EMPLOYMENT & INCOME STATUS

WHY ARE THESE VARIABLES IMPORTANT TO CHILD OUTCOMES?

Economic status is one of the largest external influences on a child's development. Parental income both directly and indirectly influences their children's quality of life. Financial resources can limit access to nutritional food, quality child care, quality housing, and recreational opportunities outside of it. A lack of financial resources forces parent(s) to work more, and spend less time with their child.

IMPLICATIONS

Parental age, education and income are stronger determinants of developmental differences in children than marial status. However, children living in lone-parent families are more likely to live in low-income situations (e.g., Duncan et al., 1994)

2012 CANSIM Variables

Labour Force Characteristics (Aged >15 years)

	OTTAWA
Population in the Labour Force	574,800
Unemployment rate	6.2
Employment Rate	68.3
Participation Rate	72.8

2009 SAAD Variables

Low Income Families with Children in Ottawa Centre

Best Start Neighbourhood	All Families with Children (0-17 years)		Couple Families with Children (0-17 years)		Lone Parent Families with Children (0-17 years)	
	Estimated Count*	Approx. % Low Income	Estimated Count*	Approx. % Low Income	Estimated Count*	Approx. % Low Income
Alta Vista	4,710	19	3,410	14	1,150	39
Blossom Park/ Windsor Park	3,100	15	2,320	12	780	24
Clementine	480	17	310	16	160	25
Hawthorne	3,360	5	2,880	4	470	17
Hunt Club East	5,980	23	4,030	13	1,940	42
Hunt Club West	2,610	17	1,910	11	710	31
Ottawa South	1,430	5	1,160	2	260	19
Ottawa South East	620	34	350	20	270	48
Riverside Park	610	13	440	14	160	19
Riverview/ Hawthorne	1,940	25	1,280	18	660	39
Ottawa South (Total)	**24,840**	**17**	**18,090**	**11**	**6,560**	**34**
Ottawa	**142,920**	**12**	**108,940**	**7**	**33,710**	**30**

** All counts are rounded up by a unit of 10*

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HOUSEHOLD & DWELLING CHARACTERISTICS

2011 Canadian Census Variables

Housing

	OTTAWA
Average number of persons per private household	2.5
Average number of persons per census family	2.9
Average number of children at home per census family	1.1

Housing Type for Families with Children (<15 Years)

Best Start Neighbourhood	Total Dwellings (#)	Single-detached house (%)	Semi-detached house (%)	Row house (%)	Apartment, duplex or building that has fewer than five storeys (%)	Apartment, building that has five or more storeys (%)	Other single-attached house (%)	Movable dwelling (%)
Alta Vista	4,800	51.4	2.6	20.3	5.0	20.6	0	0
Blossom Park/ Windsor Park	3,445	39.2	10.0	41.8	2.5	6.0	0.7	0
Clementine	420	32.1	26.2	8.3	26.2	6.0	0	0
Hawthorne	4,710	69.4	8.9	20.5	0.4	0	0.2	0.5
Hunt Club East	6,110	29.5	1.6	61.6	2.6	4.7	0	0
Hunt Club West	2,395	40.3	4.2	47.6	0.2	7.9	0	0
Ottawa South	1,585	72.2	13.6	6.0	7.9	0	0.3	0
Ottawa South East	645	20.9	7.8	50.4	2.3	19.4	0	0
Riverside Park	515	42.7	14.6	9.7	1.0	31.1	0	0
Riverview/ Hawthorne	1,890	29.9	2.1	38.9	2.4	27.5	0	0
Ottawa South	**26,515**	**45.5**	**5.9**	**35.9**	**3.1**	**9.4**	**0.1**	**0.1**
Ottawa	**148,215**	**57.1**	**5.9**	**26.4**	**5.0**	**5.5**	**0.1**	**0.1**

Number of Children at Home in a Census Family in Ottawa South

Best Start Neighbourhoods	Total # of Families	Families With Children (%)	Families with One Child (%)	Families with Two Children (%)	Families with Three or More Children (%)	Children at Home in Census Families (#)	Average # of Children at Home in a Census Family
Alta Vista	7,935	61.0	28.0	21.6	11.5	8,900	1.1
Blossom Park/ Windsor Park	4,900	68.4	28.6	24.5	15.2	6,405	1.3
Clementine	885	54.8	28.8	18.6	7.9	825	0.9
Hawthorne	5,510	65.7	25.2	29.8	10.8	6,640	1.2
Hunt Club East	8,330	72.2	29.1	26.4	16.9	11,730	1.4
Hunt Club West	4,470	59.4	25.6	22.9	11.2	4,915	1.1
Ottawa South	2,315	64.8	27.6	28.5	8.6	2,610	1.1
Ottawa South East	875	68.0	29.7	18.9	18.9	1,235	1.4
Riverside Park	1,190	55.5	29.0	21.0	5.9	1,065	0.9
Riverview/ Hawthorne	3,765	52.9	27.5	17.0	8.5	3,470	0.9
Ottawa South (Total)	**40,175**	**64.0**	**27.7**	**24.0**	**12.4**	**47,795**	**1.2**
Ottawa	**239,320**	**61.8**	**26.7**	**24.8**	**10.4**	**265,835**	**1.1**

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LANGUAGE PROFILE

2011 Canadian Census Variables

First Official Language Spoken & Languages Most Often Spoken at Home (Other than French or English)

LEGEND

First Official Language:

- English
- French
- English AND French
- Neither English NOR French

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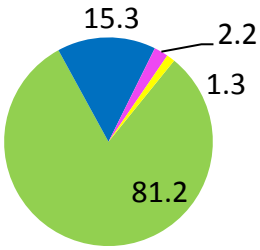

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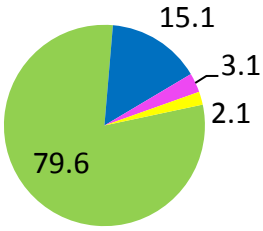
4) Mandarin

Alta Vista



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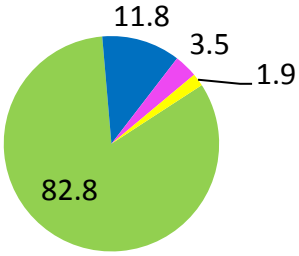
Blossom Park/ Windsor Park



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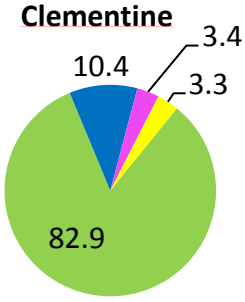
Clementine



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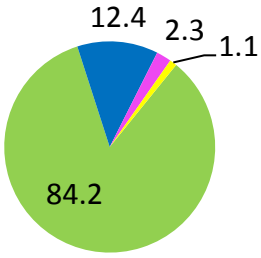
Hawthorne



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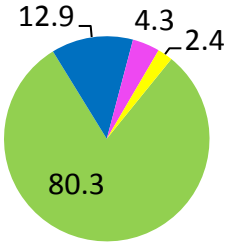
4) Persian (Farsi)

Hunt Club East



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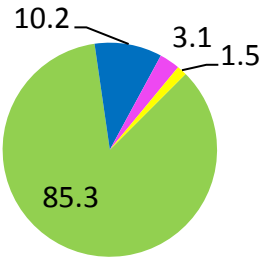

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WHY ARE THESE VARIABLES IMPORTANT?

Being able to communicate in at least one of Canada's official languages can influence an individual's ability to work, obtain services, and connect with their community. Reflecting this, minority-language children are at greater risk of academic difficulty – especially those with poor first-language abilities, or coming from a disadvantaged socio-economic background (Genesee et al., 2008).

In addition, *bilinguals* may identify with one language more strongly, either because it was the first one they learned (i.e., mother tongue) or it is the one they currently speak at home. The "first official language spoken" captures an individual's ability to speak English or French and, if so, whether they have a preferred language for communicating. Thus, this variable reflects a linguistic/cultural need for service.

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LANGUAGE PROFILE

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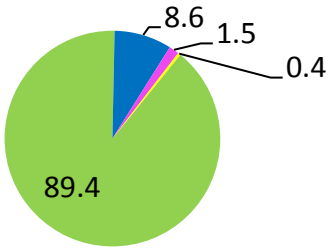

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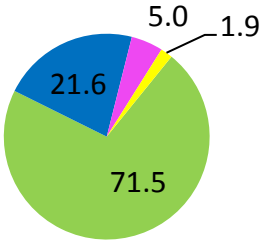
Ottawa South East



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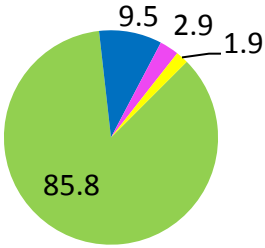
4) Spanish

Riverside Park



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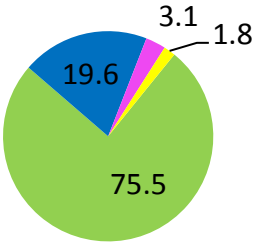
Riverview/ Hawthorne



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EARLY DEVELOPMENT INSTRUMENT RESULTS

2005-2012 Early Development Instrument (EDI) Results

The EDI is a population-based measurement tool that is used as an indicator of senior kindergarten (SK) students' developmental health at school entry. SK teachers complete a survey in the spring, after getting to know their students for at least three months. The survey comprises 104 questions that measure SK students' growth along the developmental continuum in five domains (see right).

Based on their survey scores, children are grouped into four developmental health categories (see below). In this booklet, we report the percentage of children categorized as "vulnerable" in each EDI domain, "not ready" in each EDI sub-domain, and, as an overall measure of vulnerability, one or more EDI domains.

Three EDI cycles have been completed in SK classes across Ottawa. In all three cycles, Ottawa's four publicly funded school boards participated. The most recent cycle was the third implementation of the EDI which occurred in 2010-12.

Developmental Health Categories

[ON TRACK, 75%] [NOT ON TRACK , 25%]

On Track, Top	On Track, Middle	At Risk	Vulnerable
Top 25% of SK students in Ontario	Below the top 25% and above the bottom 25% of SK students in Ontario	Below the top 75% and above the bottom 10% of SK students in Ontario	Bottom 10% of SK students in Ontario

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EARLY DEVELOPMENT INSTRUMENT RESULTS

% Children Vulnerable in Each EDI Domain

EDI Domain	EDI Cycle	ON Baseline	Ottawa	Alta Vista	Bloss.P./ Wind. P.	Clem.	Hawth.	H.C. East	H.C. West	Ott. South	Ott. South East	Riv. Park	River./ Hawth.
Physical Health and Well-Being	C1		10.9	8.9	20.2	n.a.	13.9	10.0	5.8	11.3	11.9	n.a.	9.8
	C2	10*	10.3	6.0	11.0	n.a.	6.8	12.2	11.4	3.2	n.a.	n.a.	23
	C3		12.3	11.2	21.1	n.a.	12.0	12.5	11.2	6.0	n.a.	n.a.	9.1
	Change Over Time		*Sig. ↑*	*n.s.*	*Sig. -*		*Sig. -*	*n.s.*	*n.s.*	*Sig. ↓*			*Sig. -*
Emotional Maturity	C1		9.4	6.9	13.3	n.a.	10.6	10.4	3.7	1.5	0.0	n.a.	15.2
	C2	10*	10.6	6.2	14.4	n.a.	9.3	10.6	14.0	10.9	n.a.	n.a.	23.3
	C3		10.3	11.6	13.9	n.a.	9.0	11.0	12.8	7.1	n.a.	n.a.	3.6
	Change Over Time		*Sig. ↑*	*n.s.*	*n.s.*		*n.s.*	*n.s.*	*Sig. ↑*	*Sig. -*			*Sig. ↓*
Social Competence	C1		8.1	8.3	8.7	n.a.	6.1	10.0	5.1	1.4	0.0	n.a.	11.7
	C2	10*	6.8	7.0	5.5	n.a.	6.7	6.4	11.4	4.3	n.a.	n.a.	20.0
	C3		8.3	11.2	11.4	n.a.	7.7	9.8	14.4	2.4	n.a.	n.a.	12.7
	Change Over Time		*Sig. -*	*n.s.*	*n.s.*		*n.s.*	*n.s.*	*n.s.*	*n.s.*			*n.s.*
Language and Cognitive Development	C1		8.7	9.3	10.9	n.a.	5.5	10.9	8.8	1.4	16.7	n.a.	6.9
	C2	10*	8.1	8.5	10.5	n.a.	6.5	8.0	11.5	4.3	n.a.	n.a.	19.5
	C3		6.9	6.6	16.3	n.a.	3.3	10.7	12.8	4.8	n.a.	n.a.	8.2
	Change Over Time		*Sig. ↓*	*n.s.*	*n.s.*		*n.s.*	*n.s.*	*n.s.*	*n.s.*			*Sig. -*
Communication Skills and General Knowledge	C1		12.1	15.8	15.8	n.a.	5.5	16.6	16.1	4.2	16.7	n.a.	13.6
	C2	10*	10.4	11.9	16.6	n.a.	8.0	14.9	12.3	2.1	n.a.	n.a.	19.5
	C3		10.3	8.1	23.0	n.a.	9.0	17.4	12.0	1.2	n.a.	n.a.	15.5
	Change Over Time		*Sig. ↓*	*Sig. ↓*	*n.s.*		*n.s.*	*n.s.*	*n.s.*	*n.s.*			*n.s.*

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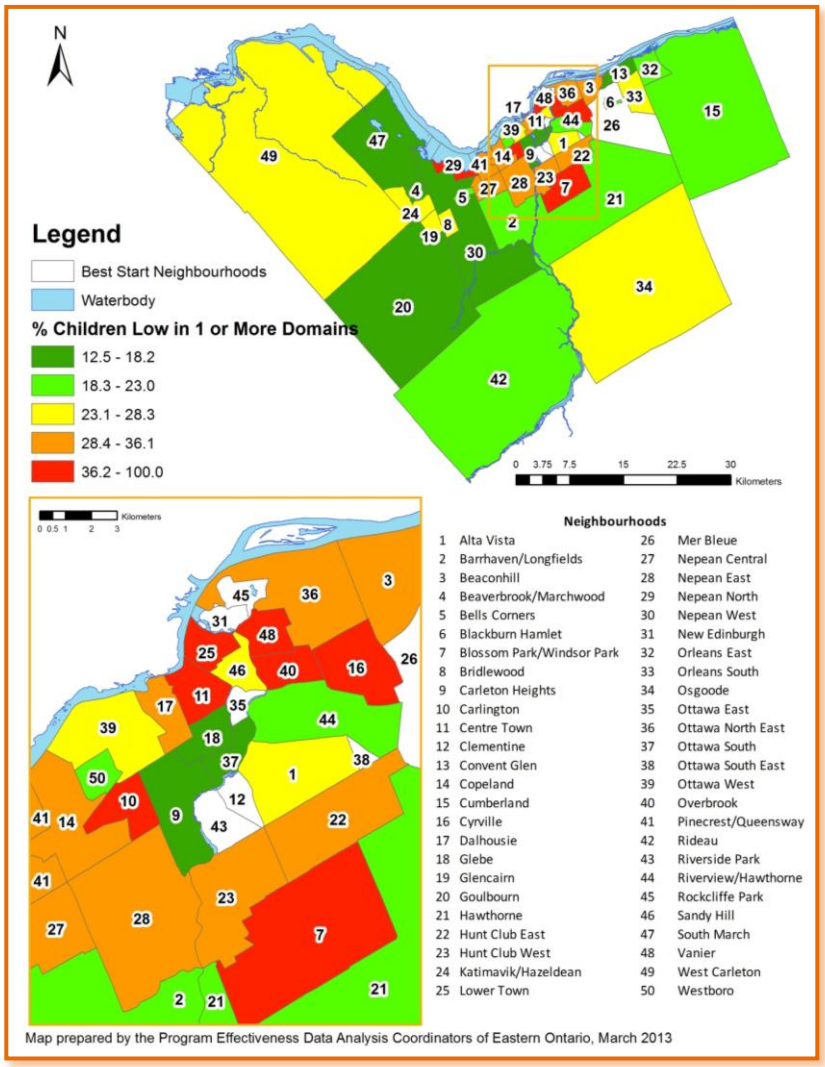
2005-2012 Early Development Instrument (EDI) Results

% Children Vulnerable on One or More (1+) Domains

Geographic Area	Cycle 1	Cycle 2	Cycle 3	Change Over Time
Ontario Baseline		28.0*		
Ottawa	25.7	25.0	25.6	*n.s.*
Alta Vista	23.5	22.4	25.5	*n.s.*
Blossom Park/ Windsor Park	35.9	33.5	39.8	*n.s.*
Clementine	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	
Hawthorne	24.8	19.0	22.3	*n.s.*
Hunt Club East	29.0	29.6	31.4	*n.s.*
Hunt Club West	22.6	28.1	35.2	*n.s.*
Ottawa South	12.7	14.9	16.7	*n.s.*
Ottawa South East	33.3	n.a.	n.a.	
Riverside Park	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	
Riverview/ Hawthorne	31.1	44.8	22.7	*Sig. --*

% Children Vulnerable on One or More (1+) Domains in Cycle 3



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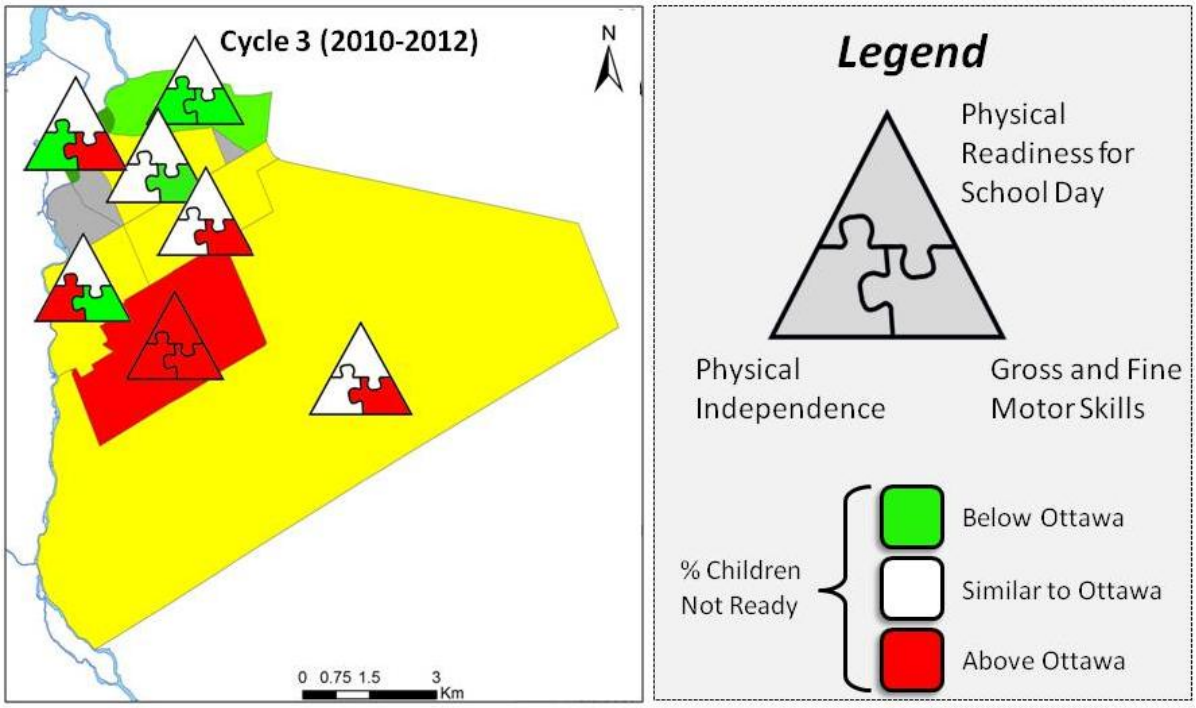
2010-12 (Cycle 3) Early Development Instrument (EDI) Results

% Children Not Ready in Each EDI Sub-Domain in Cycle 3

PHYSICAL HEALTH AND WELL-BEING SUB-DOMAINS



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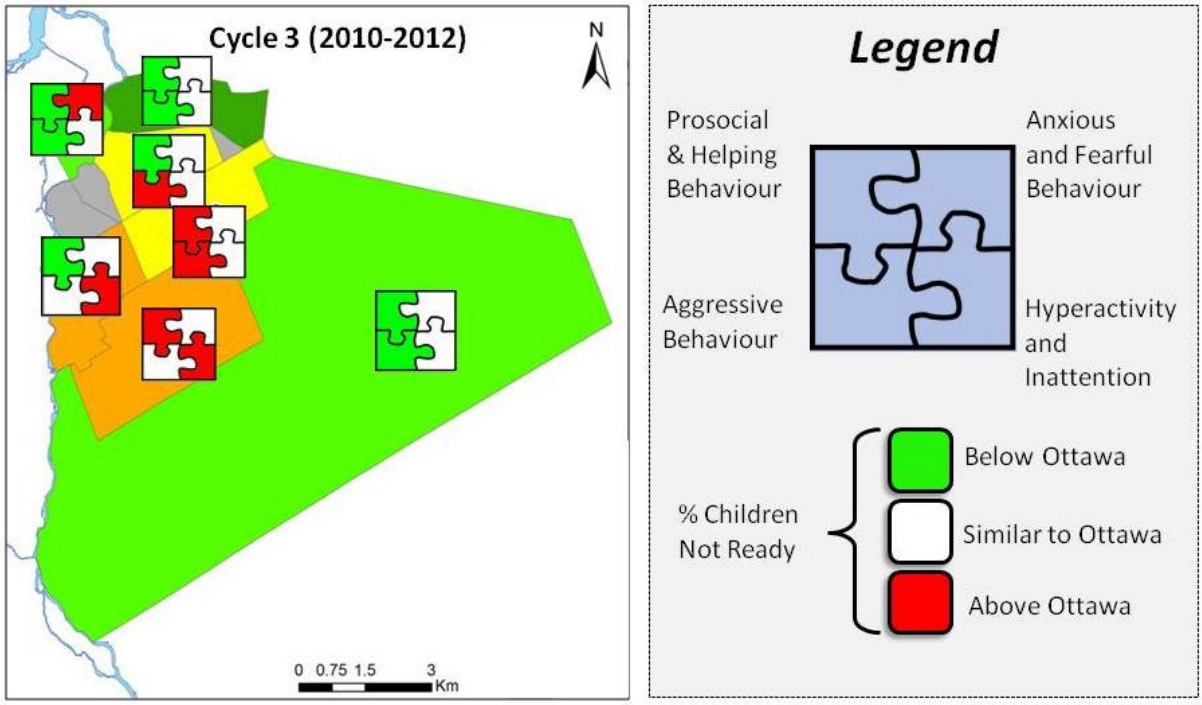

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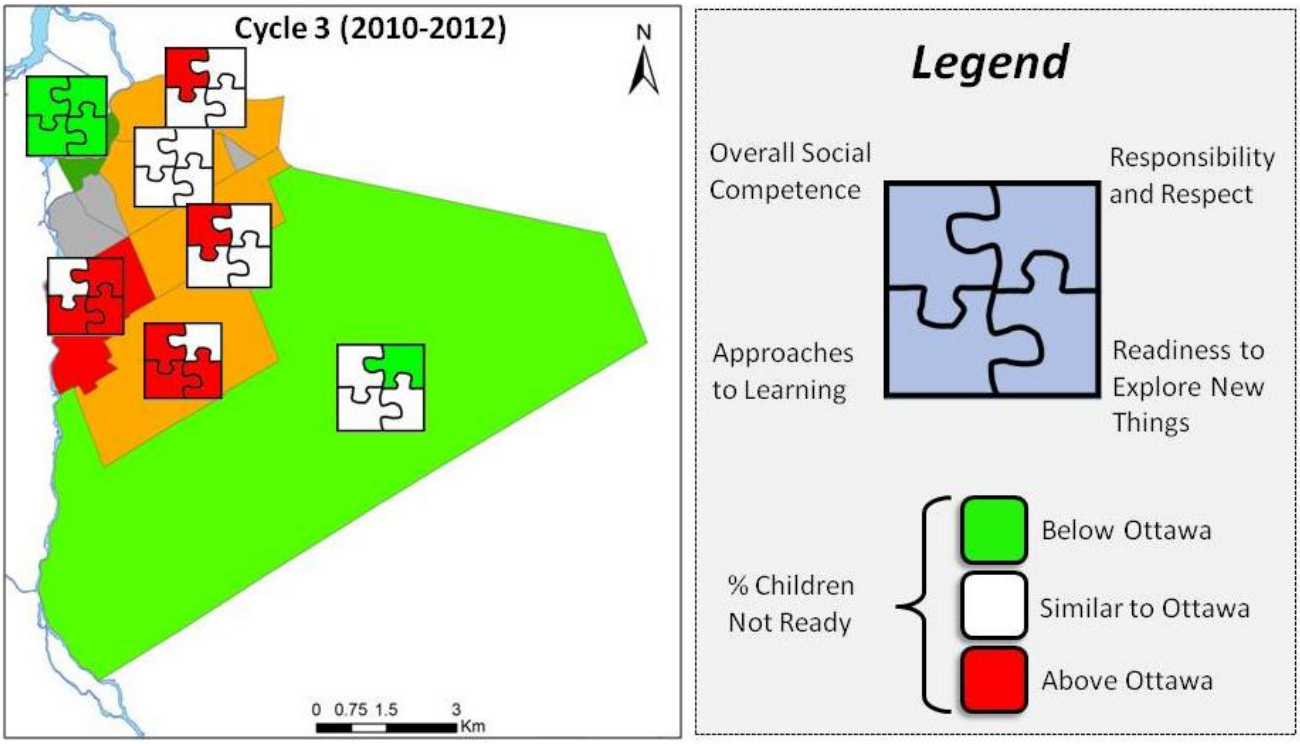
SOCIAL COMPETENCE SUB-DOMAINS



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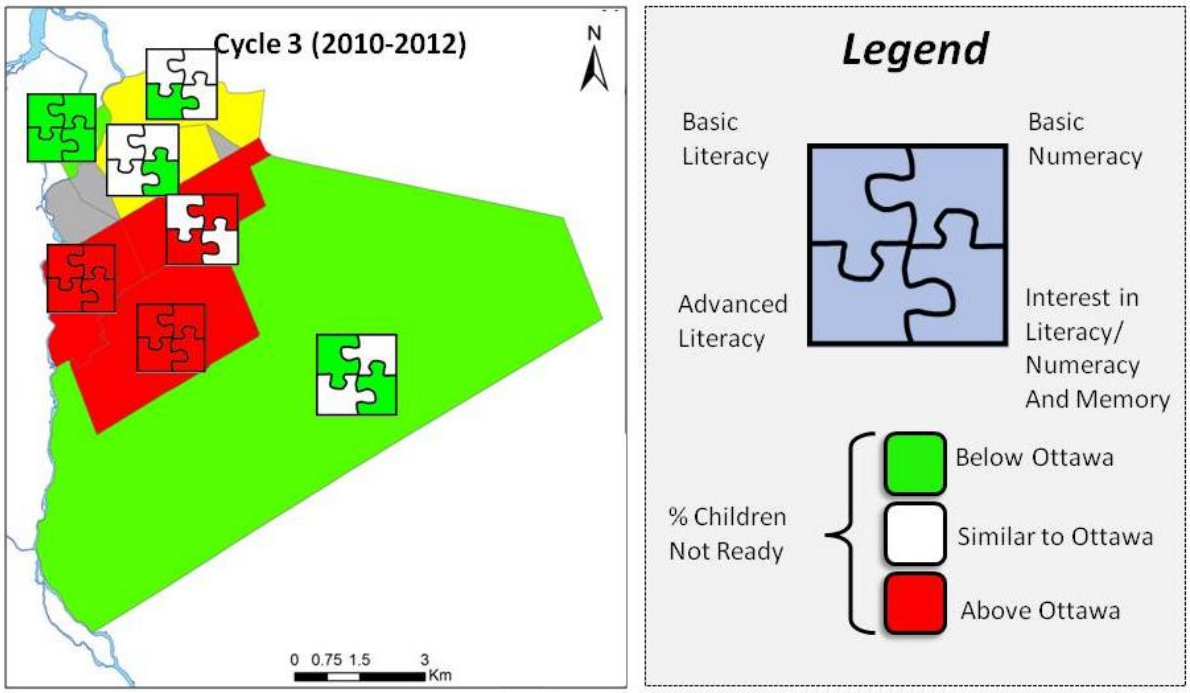

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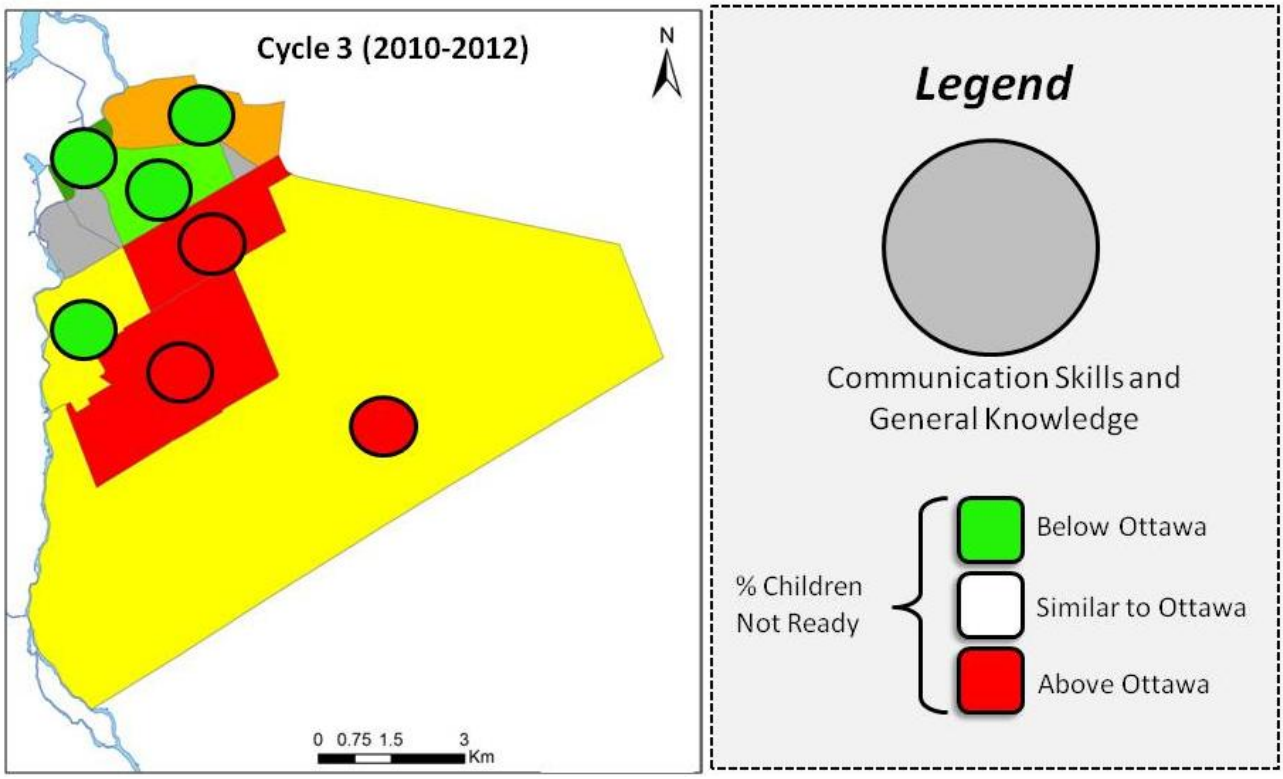
COMMUNICATION SKILLS AND GENERAL KNOWLEDGE SUB-DOMAIN



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