

GROWING WITH PURPOSE

Early Childhood Centres in Dubai

Landscape report for the 2024-25 academic year

8% enrolment growth

38 new centres

CHILDREN

29,634 enrolled | **2,456** Emirati

16,868

birth to 3 years old

12,766

3-6 years old

Less than 1 year

1-2 years

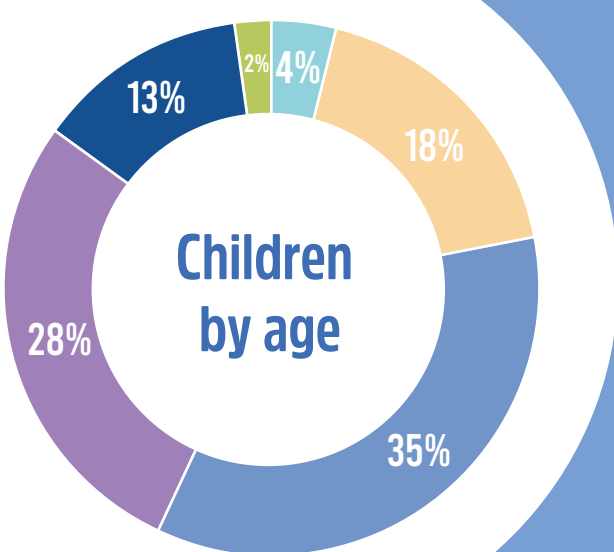
2-3 years

3-4 years

4-5 years

5-6 Years

Children by age



17 different curricula

163 nationalities

- | Rank | Nationality |
|------|--------------------------|
| 1 | India |
| 2 | United Kingdom |
| 3 | United Arab Emirates |
| 4 | Pakistan |
| 5 | Egypt |
| 6 | France |
| 7 | Philippines |
| 8 | United States of America |
| 9 | Jordan |
| 10 | Canada |

Top 10 student nationalities

These nationalities account for **66%** of total students in private ECCs in Dubai

TEACHERS

2,588

Top 10 teacher nationalities

- | Rank | Nationality |
|------|----------------------|
| 1 | India |
| 2 | Philippines |
| 3 | United Kingdom |
| 4 | Pakistan |
| 5 | Egypt |
| 6 | Sri Lanka |
| 7 | Syrian Arab Republic |
| 8 | South Africa |
| 9 | Lebanon |
| 10 | Algeria |

These nationalities account for **70%** of total teachers in Dubai private ECCs

2,630 teaching assistants

CENTRES

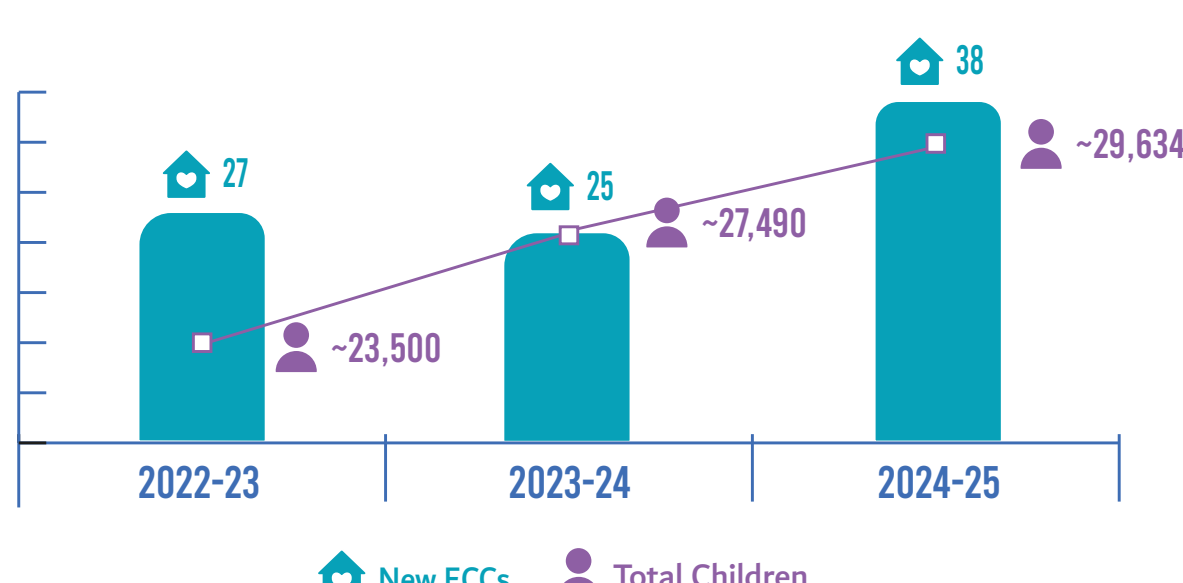
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169 centres have children of 20 or more different nationalities

Number of students and centres by curriculum

Early Years Foundation Stage	23,998	240
Montessori	1,529	17
International Preschool	1,262	16
The Creative	582	6
Norwegian	529	4
Maple Bear Curriculum	474	9
Ontario	366	6
US curriculum - Washington State	256	3
Swedish	139	1
The French Kindergarten Program	121	2
US curriculum - Connecticut State	104	1
Philippine	78	1
Waldorf	73	1
Chinese	40	1
Russian	31	2
Finnish	29	1
US curriculum - Colorado State	23	1

Year-on-year growth in new centres and total number of students



Location of Dubai's early childhood centres

★ number of new ECCs per district

