



Québec Survey on the Preschool Path of Kindergarten Students 2022

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Greetings,

You are invited to participate in the *Québec Survey on the Preschool Path of Kindergarten Students* (QSPPKS) conducted by the Institut de la statistique du Québec (Statistique Québec). The objective of the survey is to learn more about the preschool path of children in kindergarten. This includes childcare attendance, enrollment in 4-year-old kindergarten, early childhood experiences, and various aspects of the family environment.

This survey follows up on the *Québec Survey of Child Development in Kindergarten* (QSCDK) in which your child's teacher took part. The findings of these two surveys, which are the result of a partnership between the Ministère de la Santé et des Services sociaux, the Ministère de la Famille, the Ministère de l'Éducation, the Lucie and André Chagnon Foundation and Statistique Québec, will then be combined to provide a more complete picture of children attending kindergarten in Québec.

To participate in the survey, go to the **web address indicated in the box at the top of this letter**, enter your identifier, and complete the online questionnaire. This should take you about 30 minutes. If necessary, you can exit the questionnaire and return to finish it at a more convenient time.

Statistique Québec will contact the participants who have not submitted their online questionnaire to obtain their answers by phone. If you are not available when we call, simply let us know what time would be more convenient for you.

If you would like more information about the survey or if you require assistance, get in touch with Statistique Québec using the contact information provided below. You will also find useful information on the back of this letter and on our website (statistique.quebec.ca) under "Surveys".

Thank you for your cooperation. You are contributing to the production of quality statistical information that Québec needs to promote the well-being of families and the development of children.

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Additional information

Why me?

You are invited to take part in this survey because your child was selected at random, just like thousands of other children attending 5-year-old kindergarten in 2021-2022.

The personal information needed for this survey, including your contact information, was obtained from the Ministère de l'Éducation under an agreement with the Ministère that respects privacy rules.

Do I have to take part in this survey?

Your participation in the survey is voluntary, but **important**, because it will allow us to obtain a complete picture of children in 5-year-old kindergarten. The children's level of development will be linked with information about their family environment and preschool experiences. In addition, the section on 4-year-old kindergarten will help the Ministère de l'Éducation assess this service, whether or not your child attended 4-year-old kindergarten. All of this information will be used to adapt the programs and services offered to children.

Quality monitoring

For quality and training purposes, telephone conversations with Statistique Québec agents are recorded. If you do not want your conversation to be recorded, simply notify the agent at the beginning of the call.

Confidentiality and data transmission

This survey is being conducted in accordance with the *Act respecting the Institut de la statistique du Québec*. Your answers will be matched with the data collected about your child in the QSCDK. The data files containing your answers will be sent on to the Ministère de la Santé et des Services sociaux, the Infocentre of the Institut national de santé publique du Québec, the Ministère de l'Éducation, the Ministère de la Famille and the Lucie and André Chagnon Foundation, except anything that could be used to identify you, such as your name, address, or phone number. All of your information will be kept **confidential** and will only be used for statistical purposes.

Ethics

The survey was reviewed by the ethics committee appointed by Statistique Québec. This committee is responsible for safeguarding the respect, dignity and integrity of those participating or included in the survey.