

Québec Survey on the Preschool Path of Kindergarten Students

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Greetings,

You have been selected to participate in the *Québec Survey on the Preschool Path of Kindergarten Students* (QSPPKS) conducted by the Institut de la statistique du Québec (ISQ) on behalf of the Ministère de la Santé et des Services sociaux (MSSS), the Ministère de l'Éducation (MEQ), the Ministère de la Famille (MFA), and the Lucie and André Chagnon Foundation (FLAC). This survey aims to learn more about the preschool experiences of children in kindergarten, including childcare attendance, early childhood activities, and their family environment.

The ISQ will call you in the next few days so that you can answer a questionnaire lasting approximately 25 minutes. You have nothing to prepare. If you are not available when we call, just let us know what time would be more convenient for you.

This survey is related to the *Québec Survey of Child Development in Kindergarten* (QSCDK), in which kindergarten teachers will be asked to complete a questionnaire for each student in their class in the winter or spring of 2027. Your child's school will send you information about the QSCDK at the time of the survey.

For more information about the QSPPKS, please get in touch with the ISQ using the contact information provided below. You will also find additional information on the back of this letter and at statistique.quebec.ca under "Surveys".

Thank you for your cooperation. You will help us produce high-quality statistical information that Québec needs to promote the well-being of families and the development of children.

Sincerely,



Marc Sirois
Chief Statistician

Additional information

Why should I participate?

Your participation is voluntary, but just as **important** as that of the several thousand other parents selected at random in Québec. Your answers will help provide a complete picture of children in 5-year-old kindergarten. In addition, the information collected in this survey about the children's family environment and preschool experiences will be linked with their level of development measured in the QSCDK in order to improve services offered to children.

Confidentiality and data transmission

This survey is conducted in accordance with the *Act respecting the Institut de la statistique du Québec*, and your contact information was obtained under this Act.

Your answers will be linked with the data collected about your child in the QSCDK. The ISQ has entered into an agreement with the MSSS, MEQ, MFA and FLAC, to whom the data collected will be sent, except for the names of your family members, your address, and your phone number.

Your answers will be kept **confidential** and will only be used for statistical purposes.

Ethics

The ethics committee appointed by the ISQ reviewed this survey to ensure it is conducted in a way that respects participants and protects their dignity.

Language of correspondence

Our letters are written based on your child's language of instruction, as well as on the language spoken at home indicated when your child was enrolled in school.