



PARLIAMENT
OF THE CAYMAN ISLANDS



PARLIAMENTARY QUESTION NO. 26
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PARLIAMENTARY QUESTION
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TO

THE HON. ROLSTON ANGLIN, MINISTER OF FINANCE & ECONOMIC
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QUESTION:

Can the Honourable Minister specify, by geographic district:

- (a) the number of registered early childhood centres
- (b) their combined enrolment capacity
- (c) the current number of children on waiting lists; and
- (d) how many centres have received 'Satisfactory' or 'Weak' ratings through the Office of Education Standards' inspections?

ANSWER:

- (a) As of October 2024, there are 46 registered early childhood centres across the Cayman Islands, comprising:
 - 18 stand-alone Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) centres
 - 18 Private schools with Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) settings
 - 10 Government schools with Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) centres.
 - Additionally, East End Primary and Creek & Spot Bay Primary also each have a Nursery provision. The Nursery at East End Primary supports children from both the East End and North Side communities.
 - Bodden Town = 4 (ECCE) centres
 - East End = 1 (ECCE) centres
 - George Town = 29 (ECCE) centres
 - North Side = 1 (ECCE) centres
 - Sister Islands = 3 (ECCE) centres
 - West Bay = 8 (ECCE) centres

- (b) As of October 2024, there are 2,132 children enrolled in early childhood education settings:
- 1028 are in stand-alone ECCE settings
 - 809 are in private schools with ECCE settings
 - 332 are in Government schools with ECCE settings
 - the data for 2025 are currently being collected, due date is October 31, 2025

District	Number of Children in Private Settings	Number of Children in Government Settings	Total Number of Children
Cayman Brac & Little Cayman	0	24 (Nursery) + 18 (Reception)	42
North Side	0	11	11
East End	0	15 (Nursery) + 14 (Reception)	29
Bodden Town	71	73	144
George Town	1629	128	1757
West Bay	100	49	149
Total	1837	332	2132

- (c) As of October 2024, a total of 890 children were reported on waitlists across various settings. Please note that there may be children on multiple waitlists at different ECCE settings and there is no requirement for parents to report once a space has been secured at one setting. Additionally, parents after accepting a placement may choose to keep their child on a wait list at an alternate setting if that was their preferred ECCE setting. The stats for 2025 are currently being collected, due date is October 31, 2025.

The OES reports are all available on its website and therefore this sub-question falls outside the scope of Standing Order 35 (1)(k) which reads “A question shall not seek information set forth in accessible official publications or ordinary works of reference.”