REGION 5
Early Childhood Educator Workforce
2021
Workforce Demographics

The data within this report represents professionals categorized in the RISE database as child care providers, currently employed in legally operating Idaho child care facilities within Region 5 as of May 13, 2021.

629 EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATORS WORKED IN REGION 5 CHILD CARE PROGRAMS IN 2021.

92% OF EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATORS IN Region 5 ARE WOMEN

WOMEN ONLY ACCOUNT FOR 48.5% OF THE TOTAL IDAHO WORKFORCE

REGION 5 ECE WORKFORCE BY AGE & FACILITY TYPE

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Median Age 32
Workforce Diversity

Ethnicity

63%
OF REGION 5 EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATORS ARE WHITE

Language

97% of Early Childhood Educators in Region 5 primarily speak English.

28% of educators are bi-lingual, speaking a total of 10 different languages.
Early educators’ poverty-level wages are compounded by a lack of access to basic health and well-being supports like health insurance and paid sick leave. The pandemic brought into focus the severe consequences of these long-standing realities, as many educators have been forced to choose between a paycheck or their own health and safety and that of their families. (Early Childhood Educator Workforce Index 2020)