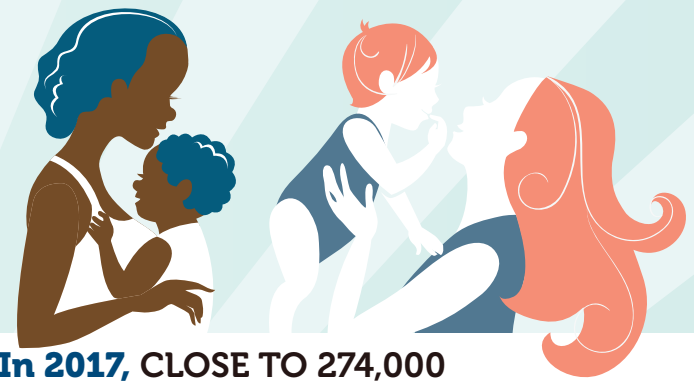


Mothers receiving maternity AND parental benefits

2017



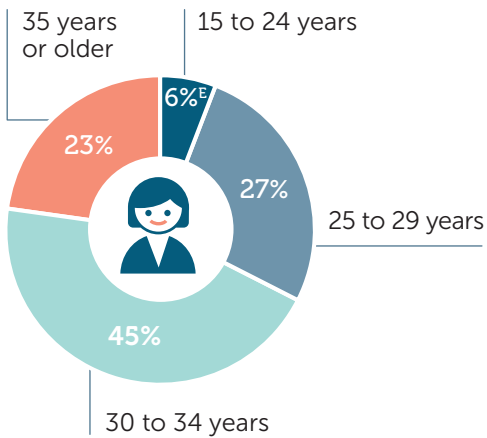
In 2017, CLOSE TO 274,000

recent mothers received or had received maternity and/or parental benefits in Canada.

Note: Recent mothers are women with a child of 12 months or less.

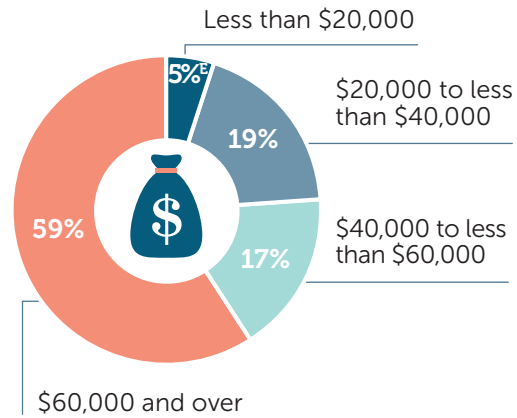
72% were between **25** and **34** years old.

Age group



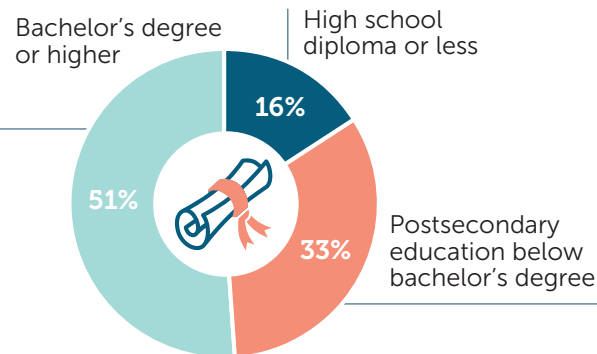
40% were from households earning **\$60,000** per year or less just before the arrival of the child.

Annual household income (as of the month before birth or adoption)



1/2 had a **university degree**.

Level of education



AMONG MOTHERS WHO WERE EMPLOYEES



Just **under 1/3** (32%) received **additional payments** from their employer.



90% of those who planned to return within 18 months intended to return to the same employer.

Nearly 2/3 (65%) took or planned to take between **9 and 12 months of leave**, while...

1 in 5 took or planned to take more than one year away from work.

[†] Use with caution

Source: Employment Insurance Coverage Survey, 2017.

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