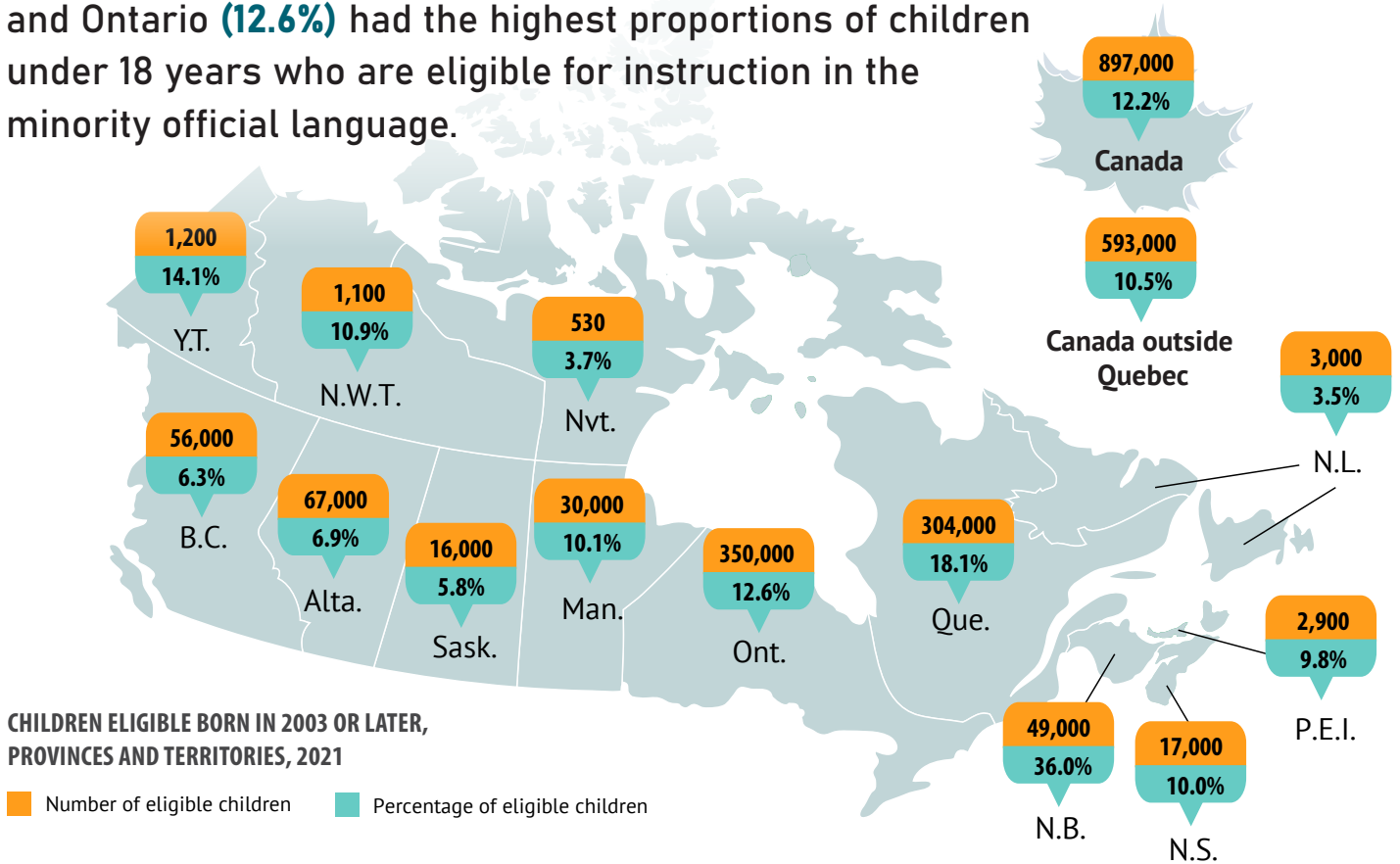


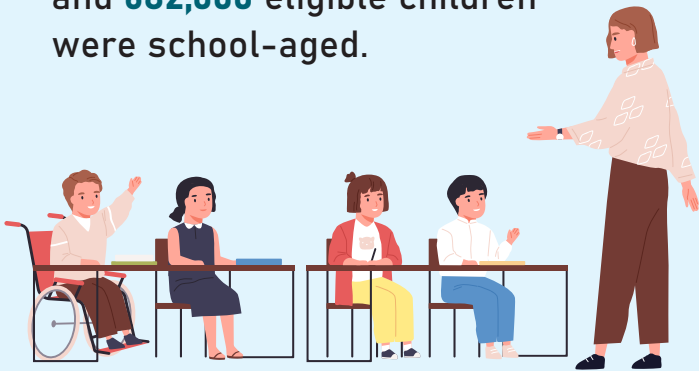


Children eligible for instruction in the minority official language, 2021

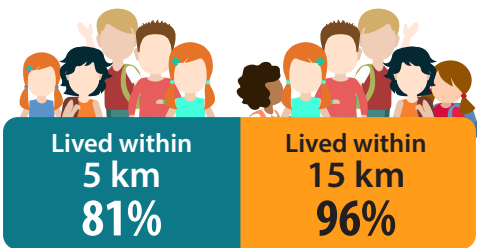
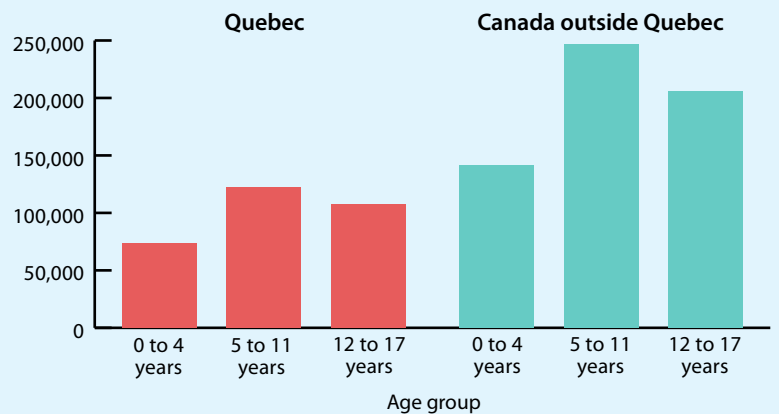
In 2021, New Brunswick (**36.0%**), Quebec (**18.1%**), Yukon (**14.1%**) and Ontario (**12.6%**) had the highest proportions of children under 18 years who are eligible for instruction in the minority official language.



In 2021 in Canada, more than **215,000** eligible children were preschoolers and **682,000** eligible children were school-aged.

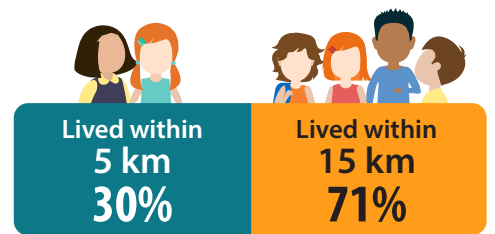


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PERCENTAGE OF ELIGIBLE CHILDREN IN URBAN AREAS

In Canada, **87%** of children eligible for instruction in the minority official language were living within **10 kilometres** of a minority official language school.



PERCENTAGE OF ELIGIBLE CHILDREN IN RURAL AREAS



1. Age refers to the child's age on December 31, 2020. Preschoolers refer to children 0 to 4 years of age, and school-aged children are between 5 and 17 years.

Note: Eligibility for instruction in the minority official language indicates whether persons are eligible for instruction at the primary and secondary levels, in English in Quebec or in French in Canada outside Quebec, pursuant to the Canadian *Charter of Rights and Freedoms'* criteria, except citizenship.

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