



ECD Census 2021

because children count

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The LEGO Foundation

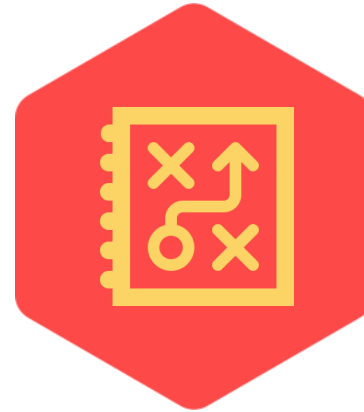


TOGETHER WE CAN BEAT THE CORONAVIRUS

Preparations



Development of data capture instruments: interviews and observations



Three weeks of piloting before further revisions



Recruitment of 340 fieldworkers and 26 regional coordinators



Eleven training workshops (three days including in-field practice) across the country



No Ward Left Behind

For every ward, enumerators had access to addresses and contact details of:

- “Known” Early Learning Programmes (existing lists of ELPs)
- DSD district officials
- Ward councillors
- ECD networks

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Average days of visits for all wards in all provinces

93%

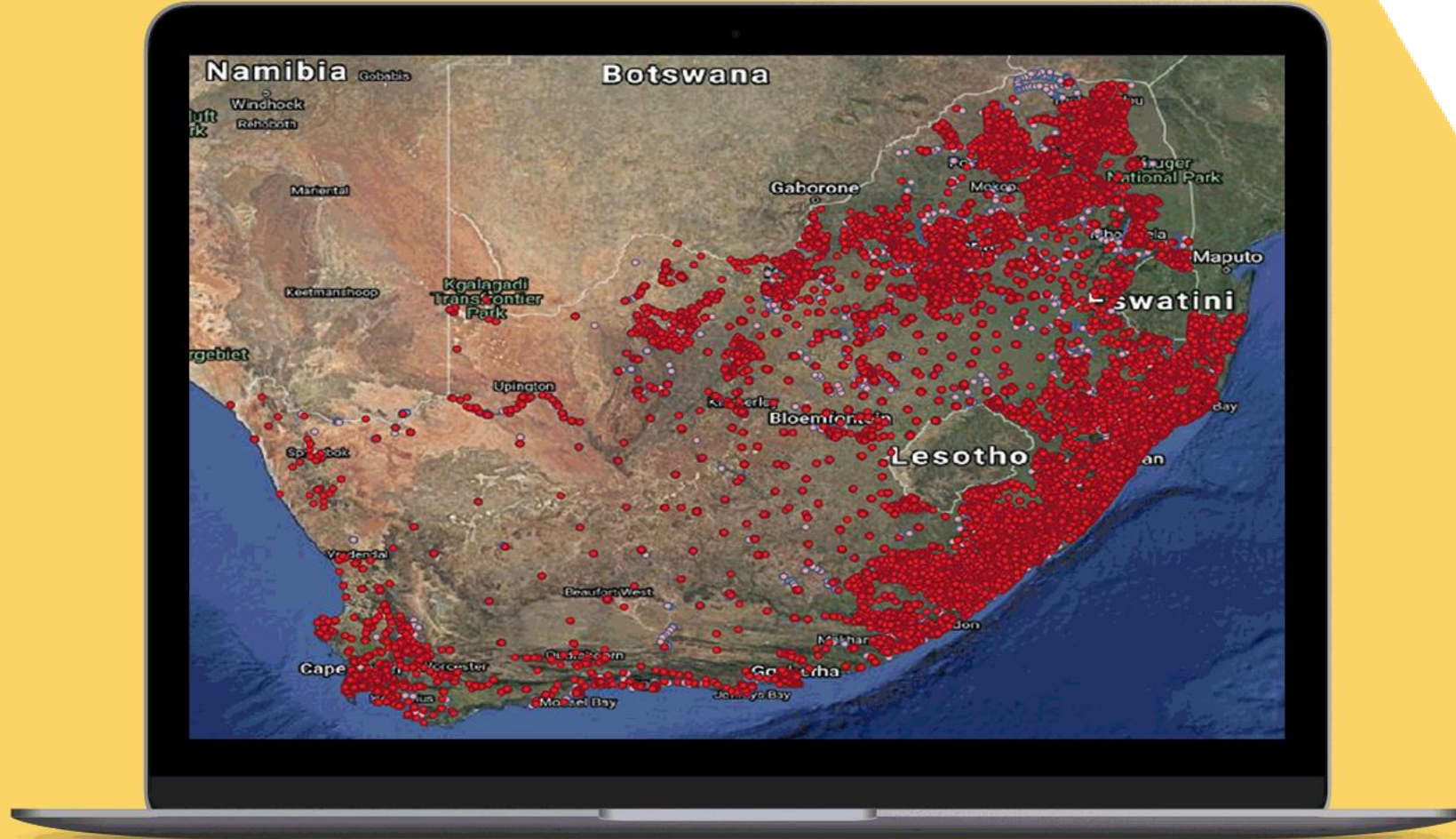
On more than one day

19%

On 8 or more days

240,000 GPS locations captured





Avenues we used for finding ELPs

- Vangasali dataset
- ECD forums
- Local DSD officials
- Primary schools
- Ward councilors
- Local clinics
- Community leaders/guides
- Word of mouth
- Driving around to cover entire wards
- Advertisement on local radio stations
- WhatsApp line for self-identification

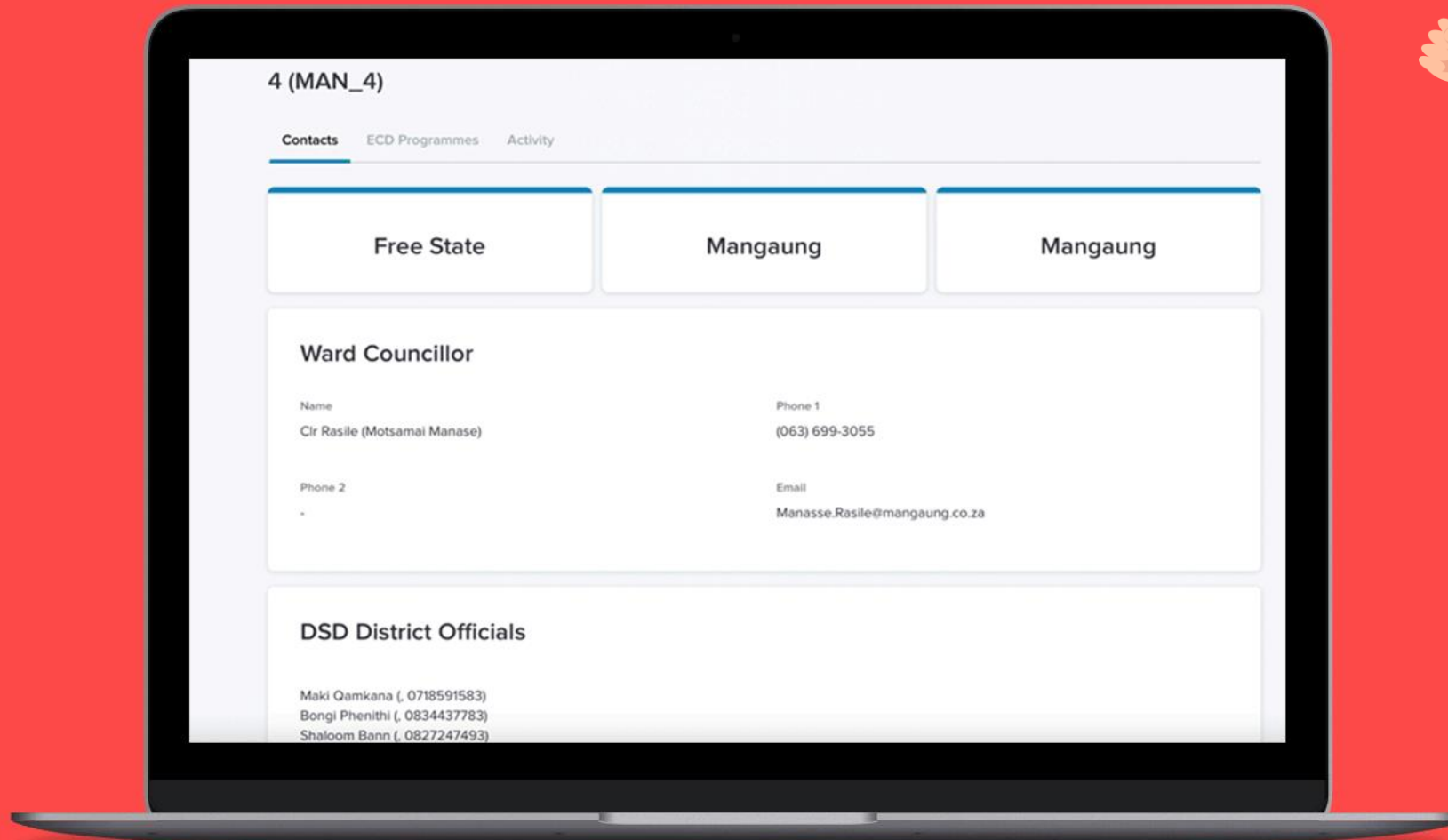




Data Collection & Quality Control

- Main period: 24 August - 10 December 2021
- Mop ups: 10 January - 16 February 2022
- Mobile data capture on tablets
- Dedicated online fieldwork portal: wards, maps, admin
- Relational database for data management
- Online dashboard for progress tracking and preliminary results
- Real-time data checks and alerts (Slack)
- Ward completion protocol: maps and data check by office staff before move to next ward





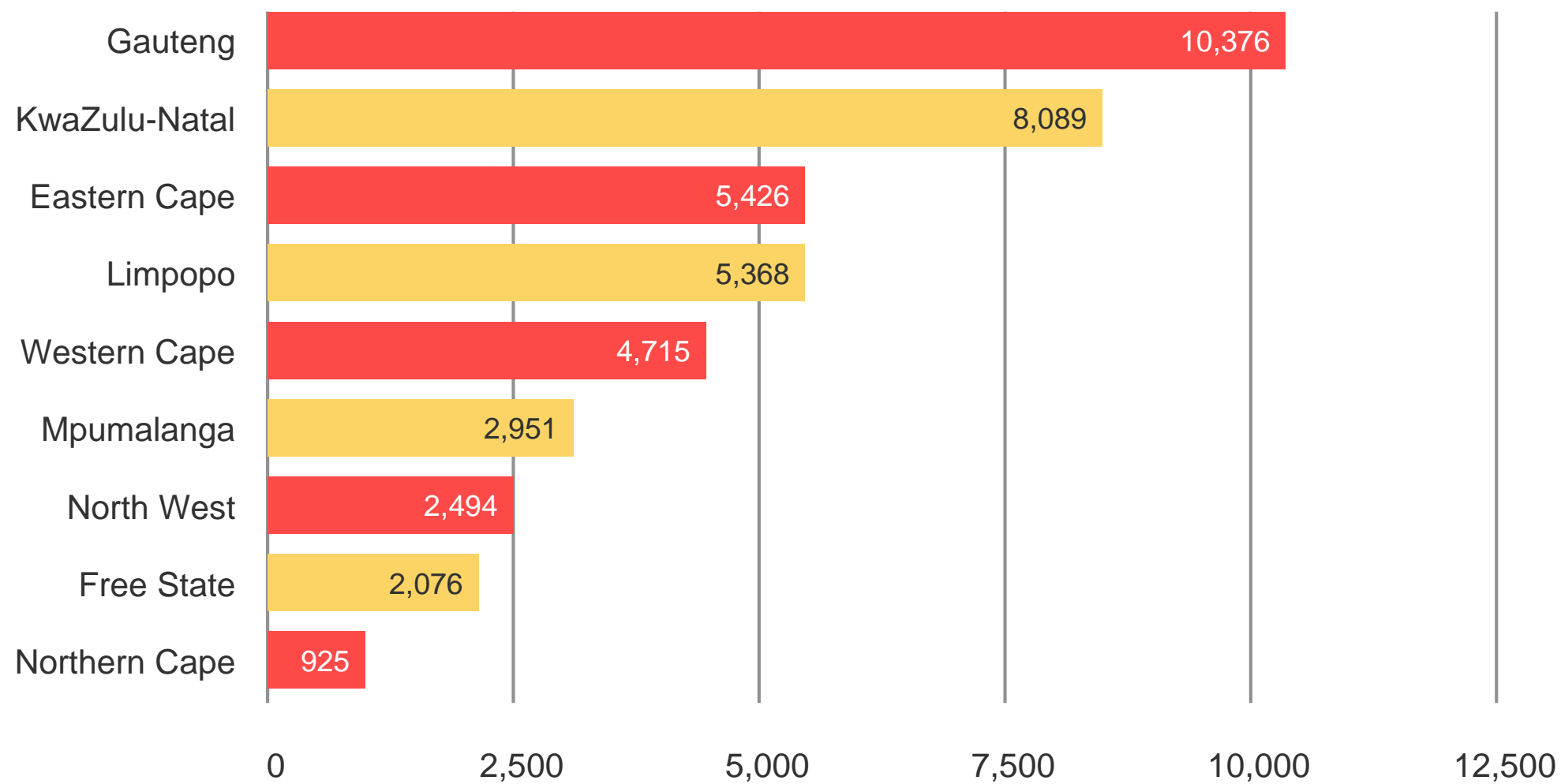


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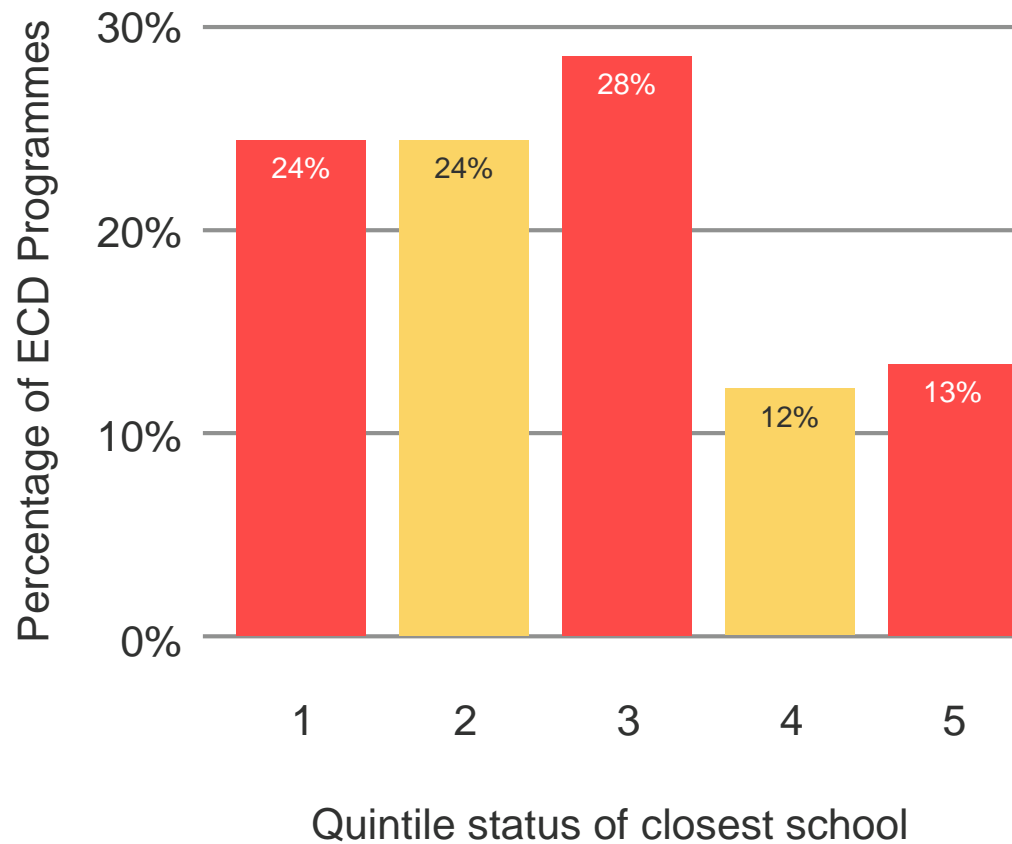
PROGRAMS COUNTED



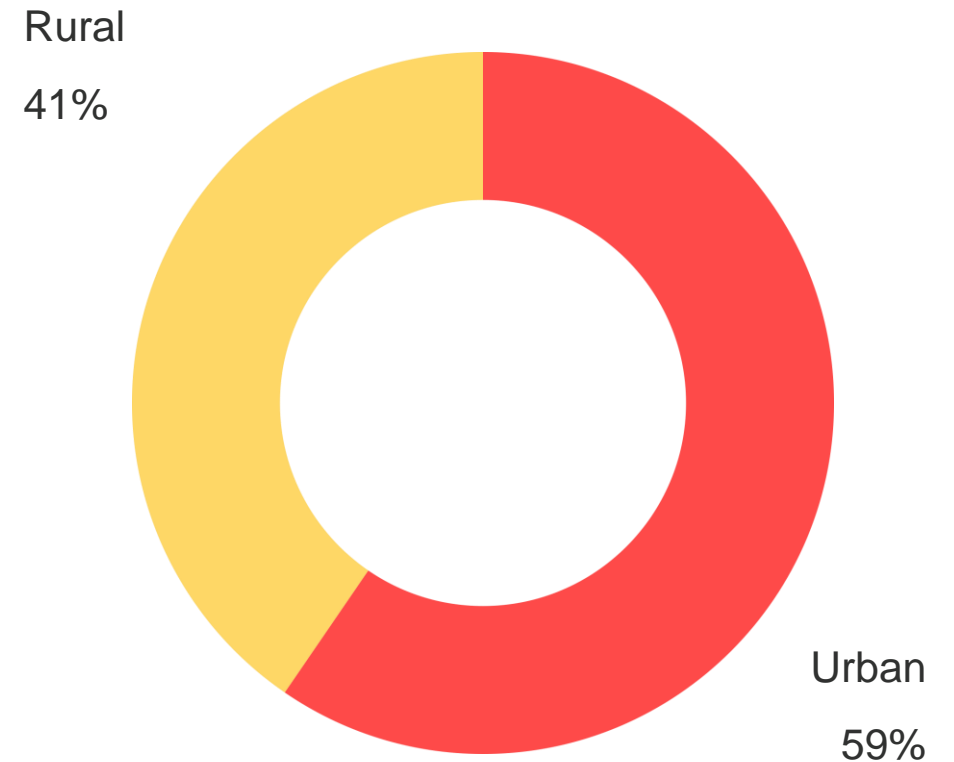
ELPs per Province



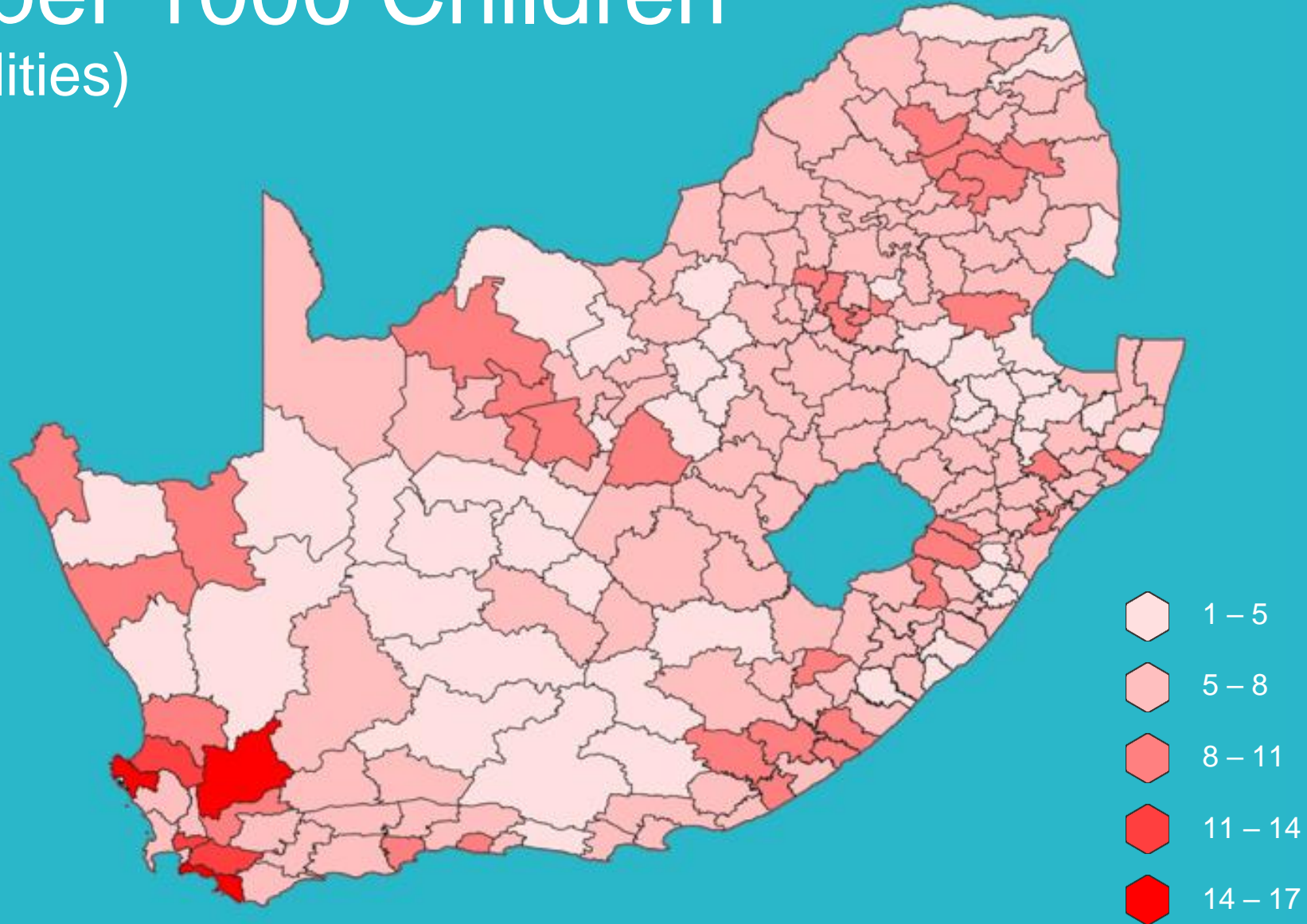
Quintiles



Urban vs Rural



ELPs per 1000 Children (Municipalities)

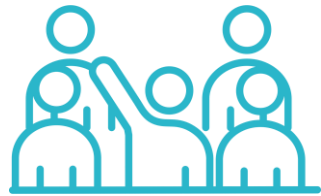


Enrolment & Attendance



Enrolment

1,660,317



Usual Attendance

1,476,536



Pre-Covid Attendance

1,957,716

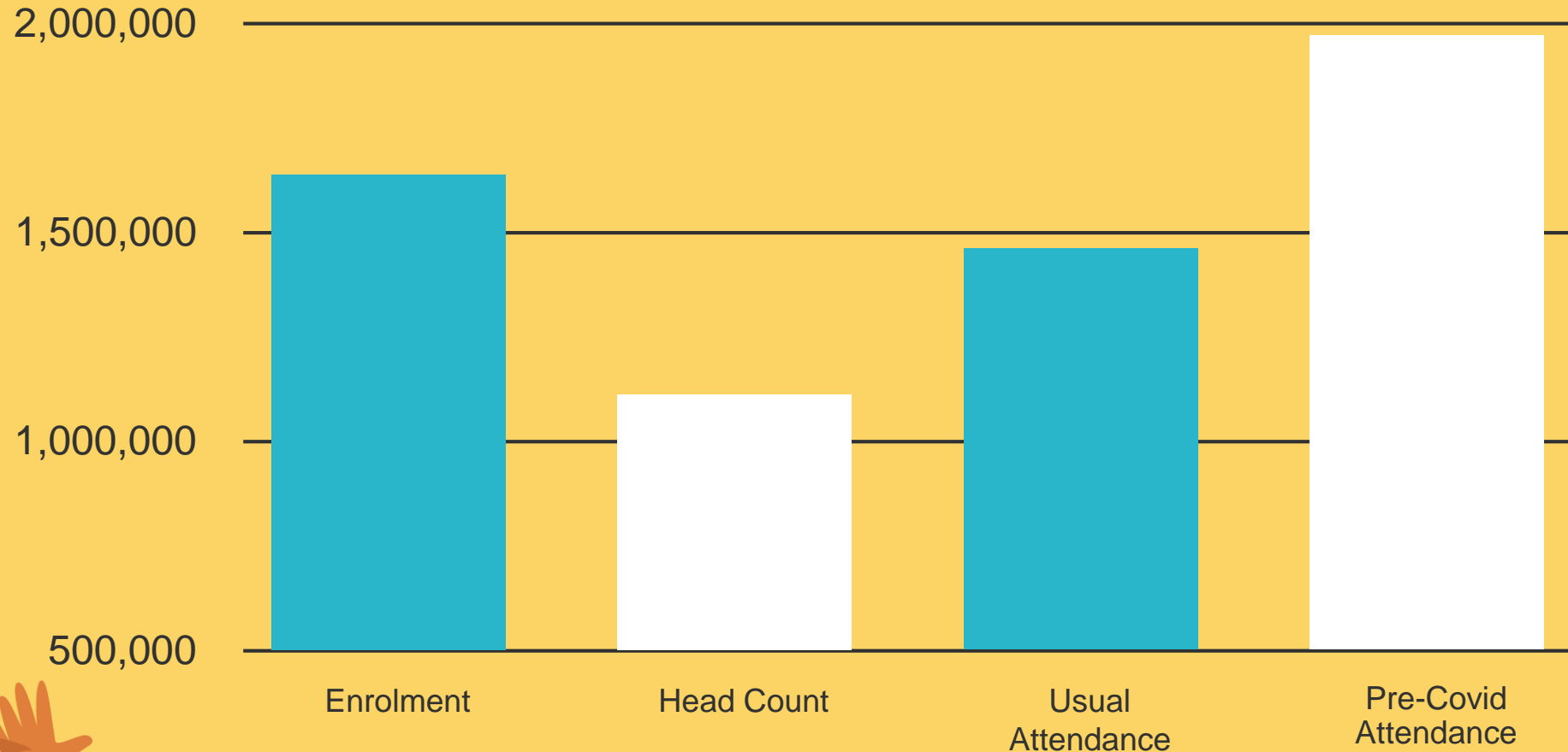


Head Count

1,140,366



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Programme Count

42,420



Ave. Staff per
Programme

4.7



Ave. Children
per Programme

39.1

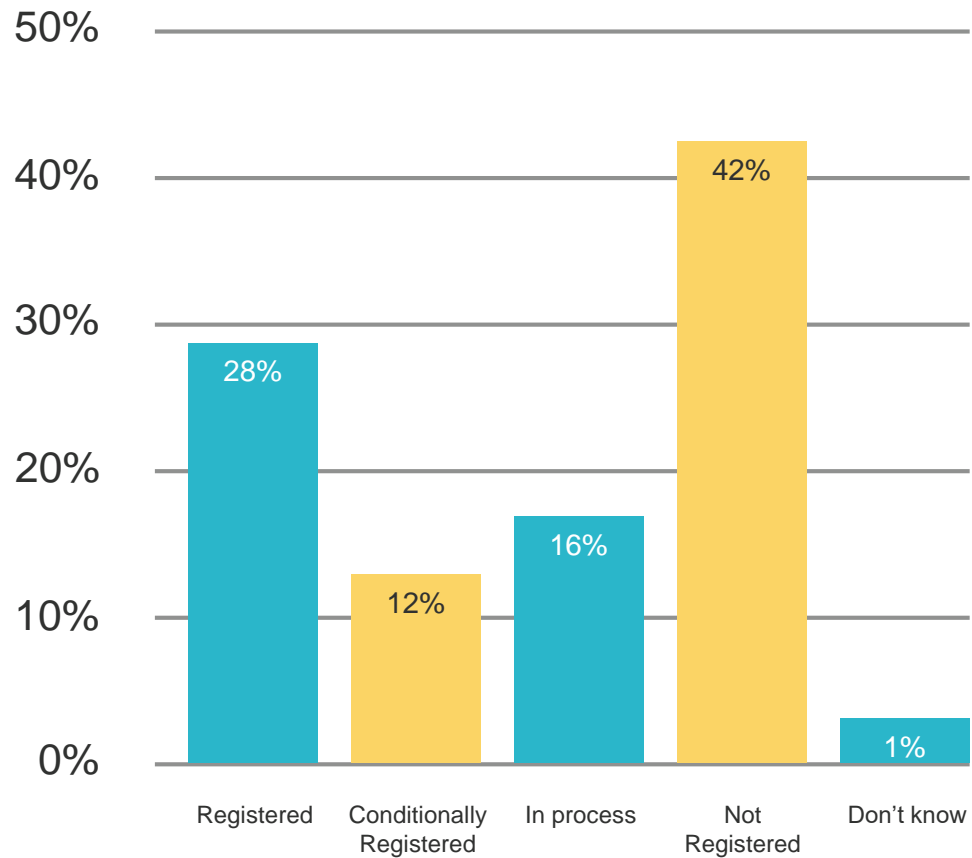


Staff Count

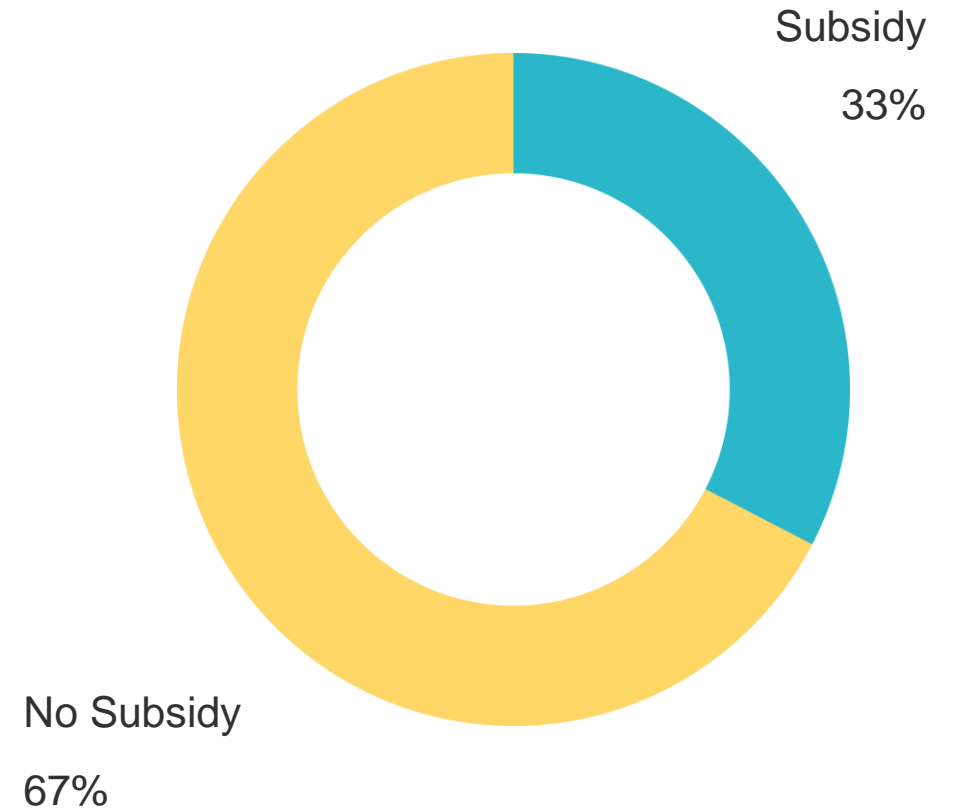
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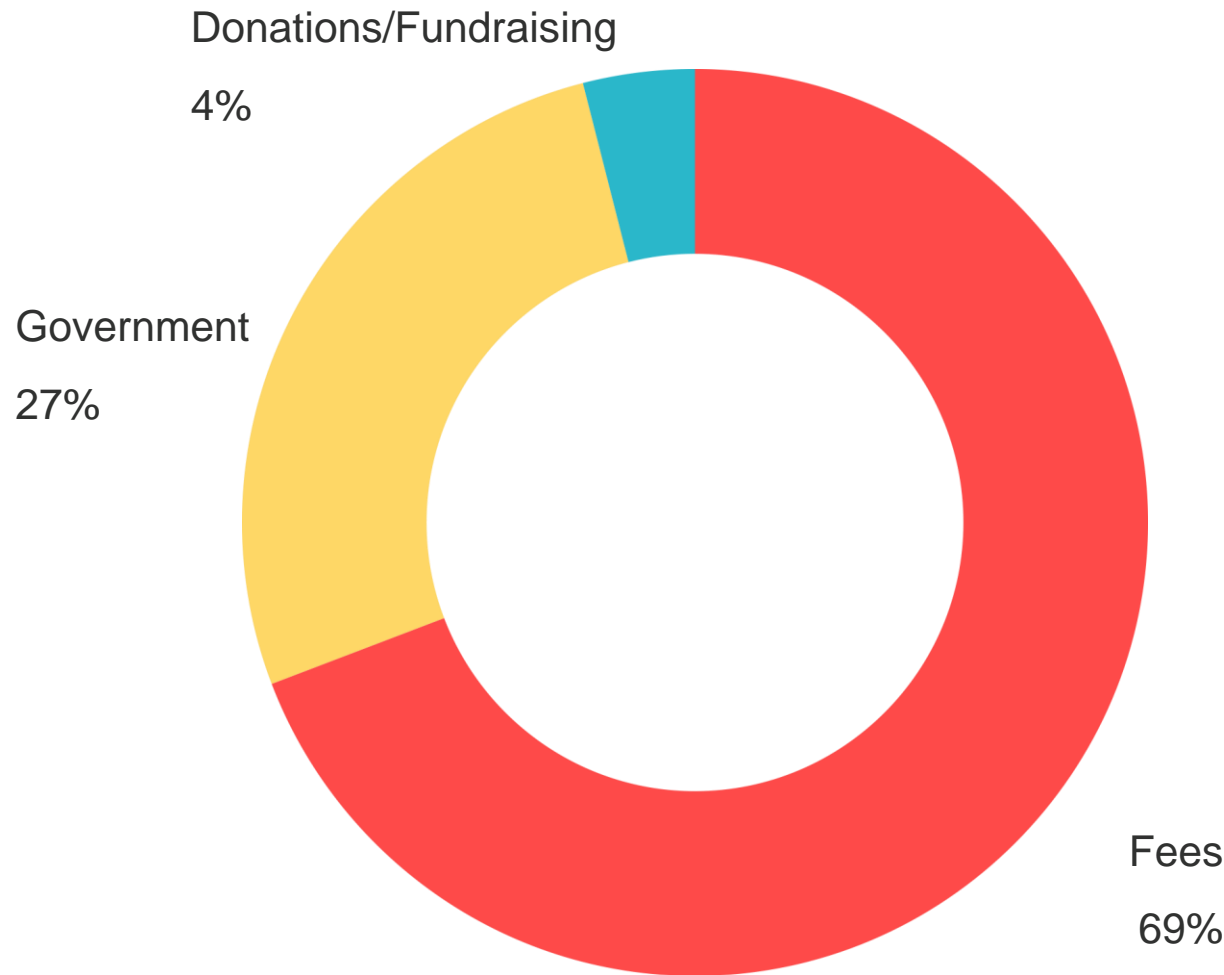
Registration with DSD



ELPs Receiving DSD Subsidy



Primary Source of Funding



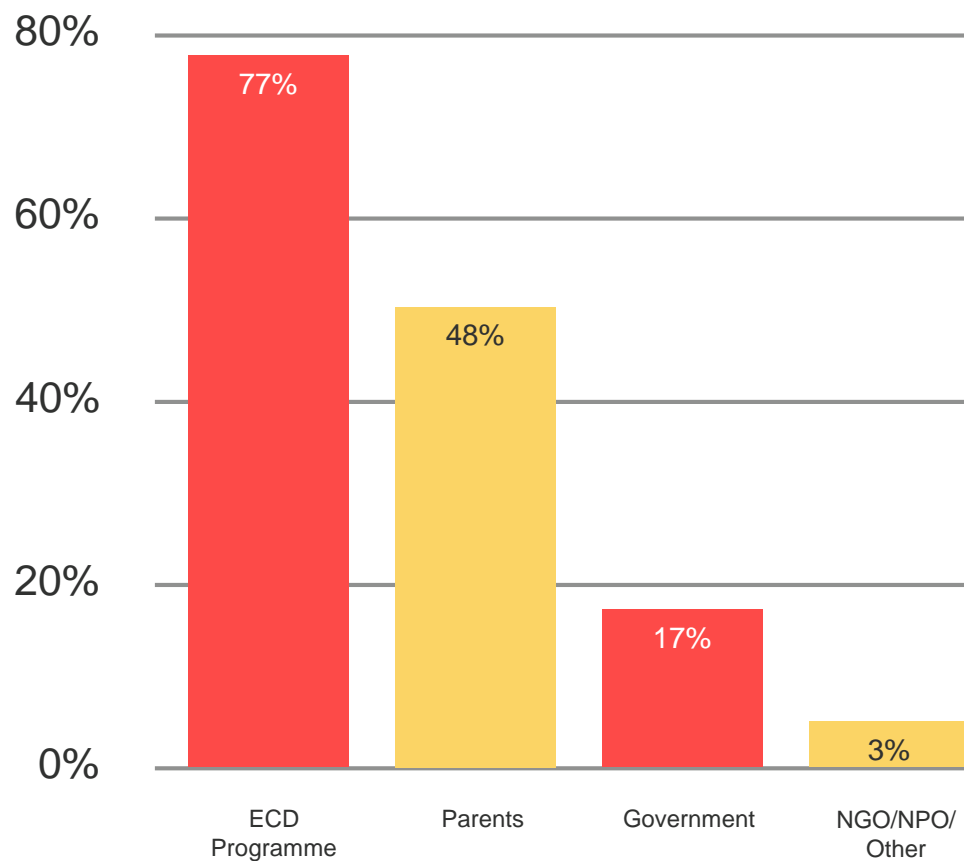


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**MEAN MONTHLY FEES
AMOUNT (MAXIMUM)**



Providers of Meals



84%

Provide breakfast

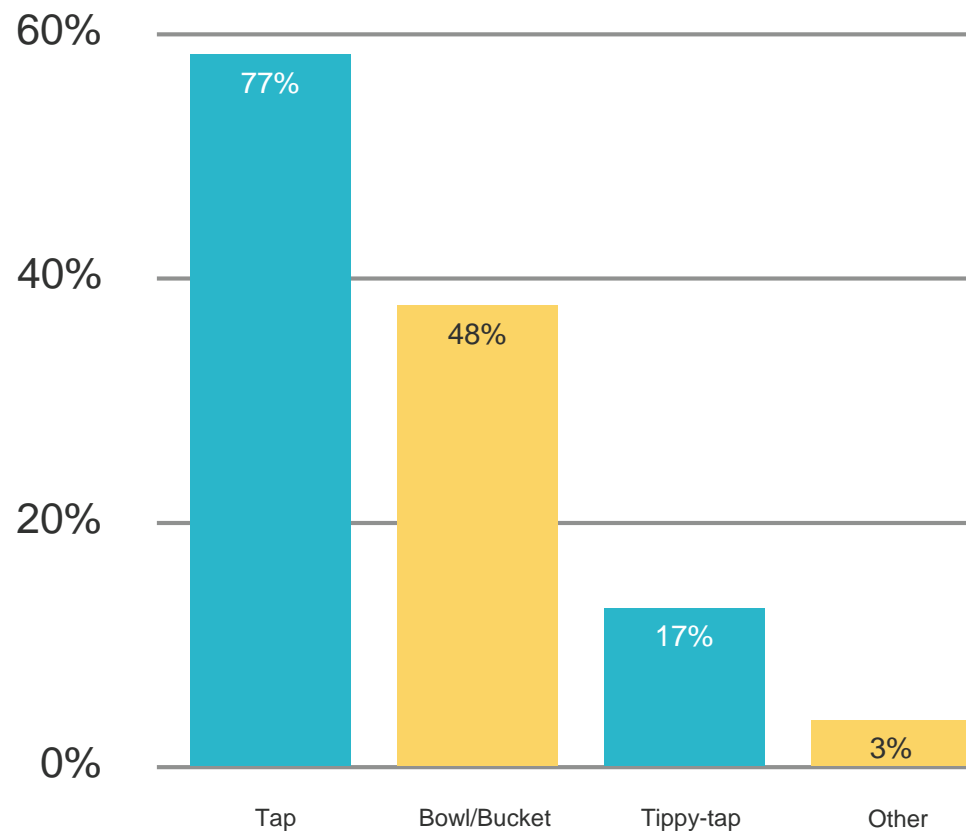
94%

Provide lunch

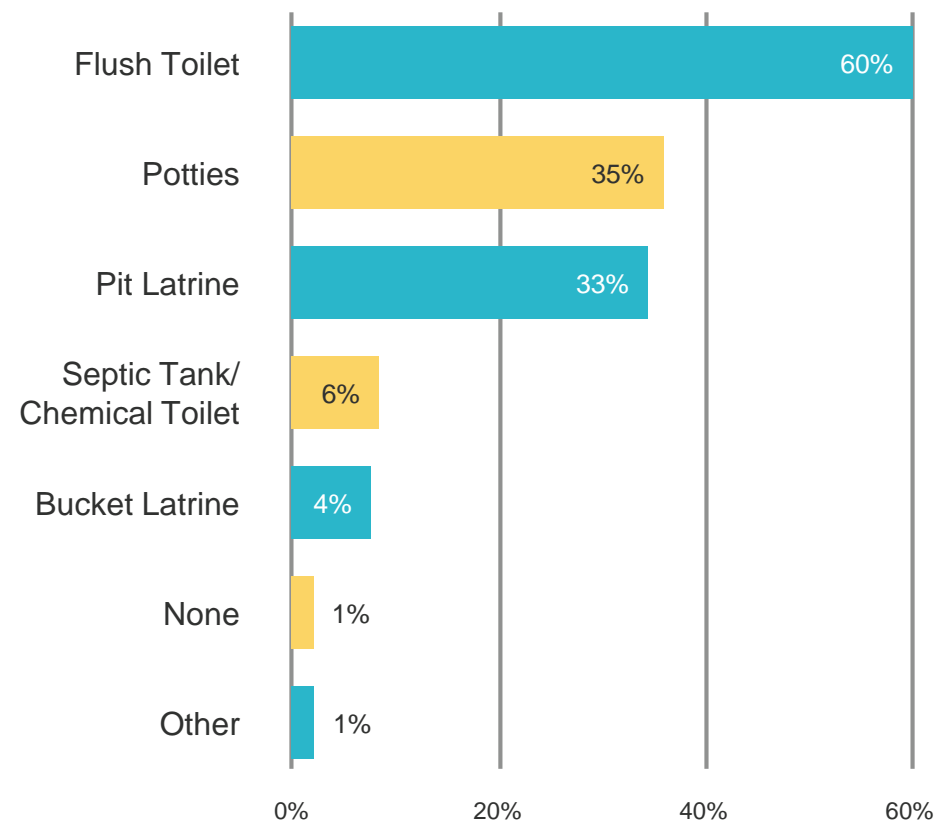


Water & Sanitation

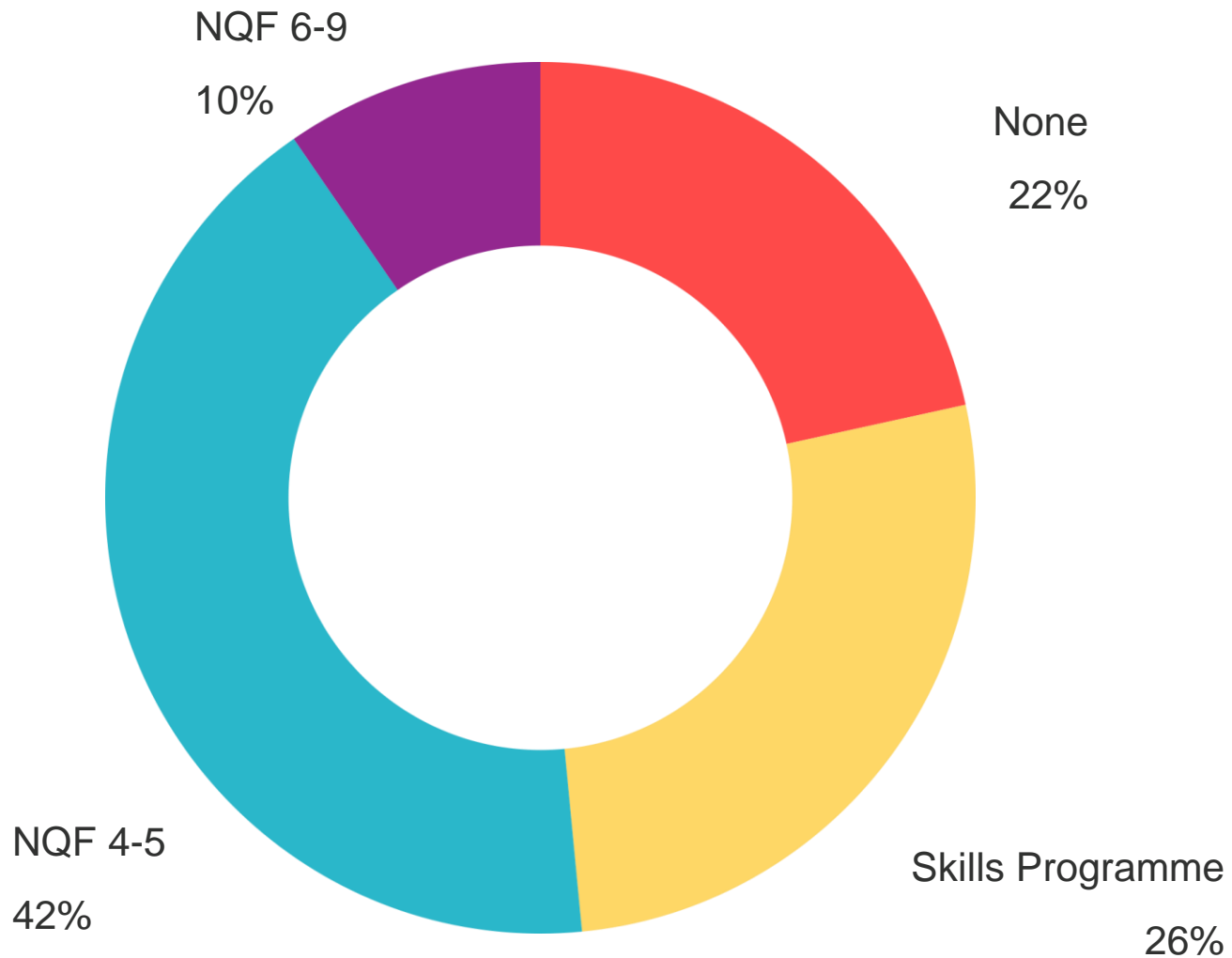
Handwashing



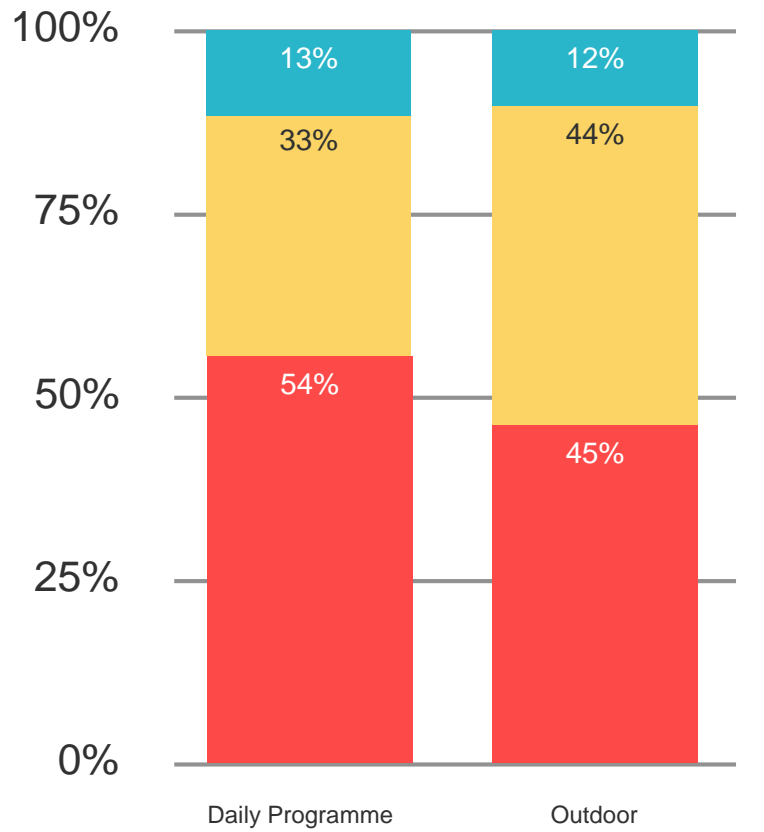
Toilet Facilities



Qualifications of Practitioners



Average Time Spent on Free Play



 30 min. or less  Up to 1hr.  Over 1hr.

34%

do not have access to an outdoor playground with suitable equipment

56%

have access to age-appropriate books for different age groups

Learning Materials: Subsidised vs Not Subsidised

