

**PRE - PRIMARY
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Table 2.1 - Pre-primary Education¹ - Number of schools, pupils, personnel and pupil/teacher ratio, 2000 - 2004

Period	Total number of schools	Pupils			Personnel				Pupil/Teacher Ratio ⁴
		PSTF ²	Private ³	Total	Teaching	Non-teaching			
					Total	Administrative	Other	Total	
A - Republic of Mauritius									
Mar-00	1,087	6,828	32,404	39,232	2,448	93	666	759	16
Mar-01	1,090	6,658	31,682	38,340	2,441	110	633	743	16
Mar-02	1,071	6,730	30,252	36,982	2,421	119	718	837	15
Mar-03	1,092	6,920	31,700	38,620	2,508	83	536	619	15
Mar-04	1,070	6,523	30,960	37,483	2,474	139	739	878	15
B - Island of Mauritius									
Mar-00	1,055	6,690	31,421	38,111	2,383	93	665	758	16
Mar-01	1,059	6,524	30,698	37,222	2,377	110	632	742	16
Mar-02	1,040	6,588	29,249	35,837	2,356	119	718	837	15
Mar-03	1,061	6,758	30,656	37,414	2,445	83	535	618	15
Mar-04	1,039	6,357	29,767	36,124	2,401	139	737	876	15
C - Island of Rodrigues									
Mar-00	32	138	983	1,121	65	-	1	1	17
Mar-01	31	134	984	1,118	64	-	1	1	17
Mar-02	31	142	1,003	1,145	65	-	-	-	18
Mar-03	31	162	1,044	1,206	63	-	1	1	19
Mar-04	31	166	1,193	1,359	73	-	2	2	19

¹ Excluding Agalega. In March 2004, there were two schools in Agalega with an enrolment of 17 pupils and two teachers.

² From 2000 to 2003, PSTF (Pre-School Trust Fund) includes Roman Catholic Schools (RC). In 2004, PSTF excludes RC schools.

³ Including pupils from Municipal / Village Council (MVC) schools only from 2000 to 2003. In 2004, Private includes pupils from MVC and RC schools.

⁴ Total number of pupils divided by total number of teachers.

Table 2.2.1 - Distribution of pre-primary schools by district and type of administration, 2004

District	Type of administration				
	Total	PSTF	RC	Municipal/ Village Council	Private
Port Louis	141	19	1	15	106
Pamplemousses	101	19	-	1	81
Riviere du Rempart	106	23	-	2	81
Flacq	126	28	2	1	95
Grand Port	109	20	1	14	74
Savanne	67	10	1	3	53
Plaines Wilhems	302	31	-	23	248
Moka	52	15	3	-	34
Black River	35	10	-	-	25
Island of Mauritius	1,039	175	8	59	797
Island of Rodrigues	31	3	-	-	28
Republic of Mauritius	1,070	178	8	59	825

Table 2.2.2 - Distribution of pre-primary schools by zone and type of administration, 2004

Zone	Type of administration				
	Total	PSTF	RC	Municipal/ Village Council	Private
1 - Port Louis / North	349	62	1	18	268
2 - B.Bassin-R.Hill / East	257	49	5	10	193
3 - Curepipe / South	251	37	2	19	193
4 - Q.Bornes / Vacoas-Phoenix / West	182	27	-	12	143
5 - Rodrigues	31	3	-	-	28
All Zones	1,070	178	8	59	825

Table 2.3.1 - Distribution of pre-primary schools by district and ownership of building, 2004

District	Ownership of building				
	Total	Government	Private	Rented	Other
Port Louis	141	19	70	35	17
Pamplemousses	101	19	66	14	2
Riviere du Rempart	106	23	60	19	4
Flacq	126	28	66	29	3
Grand Port	109	20	45	23	21
Savanne	67	10	31	21	5
Plaines Wilhems	302	31	155	87	29
Moka	52	15	28	5	4
Black River	35	10	18	6	1
Island of Mauritius	1,039	175	539	239	86
Island of Rodrigues	31	3	5	-	23
Republic of Mauritius	1,070	178	544	239	109

Table 2.3.2 - Distribution of pre-primary schools by zone and ownership of building, 2004

Zone	Ownership of building				
	Total	Government	Private	Rented	Other
1 - Port Louis / North	349	62	196	68	23
2 - B.Bassin-R.Hill / East	257	49	131	59	18
3 - Curepipe / South	251	37	117	68	29
4 - Q.Bornes / Vacoas-Phoenix / West	182	27	95	44	16
5 - Rodrigues	31	3	5	-	23
All Zones	1,070	178	544	239	109

Table 2.4.1 - Distribution of pre-primary schools by district and use of building, 2004

District	Use of building			
	Total	School only	Partly Residential	School and Other Purposes
Port Louis	141	95	28	18
Pamplemousses	101	78	18	5
Riviere du Rempart	106	85	16	5
Flacq	126	102	19	5
Grand Port	109	64	26	19
Savanne	67	43	15	9
Plaines Wilhems	302	184	75	43
Moka	52	41	9	2
Black River	35	27	5	3
Island of Mauritius	1,039	719	211	109
Island of Rodrigues	31	29	-	2
Republic of Mauritius	1,070	748	211	111

Table 2.4.2 - Distribution of pre-primary schools by zone and use of building, 2004

Zone	Use of building			
	Total	School only	Partly Residential	School and Other Purposes
1 - Port Louis / North	349	260	62	27
2 - B.Bassin-R.Hill / East	257	193	42	22
3 - Curepipe / South	251	146	68	37
4 - Q.Bornes / Vacoas-Phoenix / West	182	120	39	23
5 - Rodrigues	31	29	-	2
All Zones	1,070	748	211	111

Table 2.5.1 - Distribution of pre-primary schools by district and type of services offered, 2004

District	Type of services offered			
	Total	School only	School/ Creche	Other
Port Louis	141	129	7	5
Pamplemousses	101	93	7	1
Riviere du Rempart	106	100	6	-
Flacq	126	121	5	-
Grand Port	109	94	6	9
Savanne	67	63	-	4
Plaines Wilhems	302	239	48	15
Moka	52	48	3	1
Black River	35	33	2	-
Island of Mauritius	1,039	920	84	35
Island of Rodrigues	31	31	-	-
Republic of Mauritius	1,070	951	84	35

Table 2.5.2 - Distribution of pre-primary schools by zone and type of services offered, 2004

Zone	Type of services offered			
	Total	School only	School/ Creche	Other
1 - Port Louis / North	349	323	20	6
2 - B.Bassin-R.Hill / East	257	236	19	2
3 - Curepipe / South	251	211	23	17
4 - Q.Bornes / Vacoas-Phoenix / West	182	150	22	10
5 - Rodrigues	31	31	-	-
All Zones	1,070	951	84	35

Table 2.6.1 - Distribution of pre-primary schools by district and availability of facilities, 2004

District	No. of schools	No. of classrooms	Facilities available	
			Library/Reading Corner	Playground
Port Louis	141	324	135	129
Pamplemousses	101	219	100	98
Riviere du Rempart	106	217	104	102
Flacq	126	267	126	114
Grand Port	109	213	112	105
Savanne	67	124	67	65
Plaines Wilhems	302	828	302	290
Moka	52	117	51	48
Black River	35	73	35	30
Island of Mauritius	1,039	2,382	1,032	981
Island of Rodrigues	31	61	31	31
Republic of Mauritius	1,070	2,443	1,063	1,012

Table 2.6.2 - Distribution of pre-primary schools by zone and availability of facilities, 2004

Zone	No. of schools	No. of classrooms	Facilities available	
			Library/Reading Corner	Playground
1 - Port Louis / North	349	763	340	330
2 - B.Bassin-R.Hill / East	257	636	256	239
3 - Curepipe / South	251	518	254	242
4 - Q.Bornes / Vacoas-Phoenix / West	182	465	182	170
5 - Rodrigues	31	61	31	31
All Zones	1,070	2,443	1,063	1,012

Table 2.7.1 - Distribution of pre-primary schools by district and availability of equipment, 2004

District	No. of schools	Equipment available (number of)			
		Radio/ Radio cassette	Television set	Video cassette player	Computer
Port Louis	141	130	53	50	47
Pamplemousses	101	109	47	45	45
Riviere du Rempart	106	122	39	35	29
Flacq	126	127	50	49	26
Grand Port	109	99	40	34	19
Savanne	67	59	22	15	17
Plaines Wilhems	302	321	169	142	140
Moka	52	55	22	19	27
Black River	35	37	14	10	14
Island of Mauritius	1,039	1,059	456	399	364
Island of Rodrigues	31	20	4	5	-
Republic of Mauritius	1,070	1,079	460	404	364

Table 2.7.2 - Distribution of pre-primary schools by zone and availability of equipment, 2004

Zone	No. of schools	Equipment available (number of)			
		Radio/ Radio cassette	Television set	Video cassette player	Computer
1 - Port Louis / North	349	362	139	130	121
2 - B.Bassin-R.Hill / East	257	264	115	106	97
3 - Curepipe / South	251	234	103	78	59
4 - Q.Bornes / Vacoas-Phoenix / West	182	199	99	85	87
5 - Rodrigues	31	20	4	5	-
All Zones	1,070	1,079	460	404	364

Table 2.8.1 - Distribution of pre-primary schools by district and enrolment range, 2004

District	Enrolment range					
	Total	Under 30	30 and under 50	50 and under 70	70 and under 100	100 and over
Port Louis	141	62	45	23	6	5
Pamplemousses	101	51	34	9	4	3
Riviere du Rempart	106	49	40	9	6	2
Flacq	126	58	36	17	10	5
Grand Port	109	54	35	12	7	1
Savanne	67	36	25	4	1	1
Plaines Wilhems	302	154	87	29	23	9
Moka	52	20	19	8	2	3
Black River	35	13	15	6	1	-
Island of Mauritius	1,039	497	336	117	60	29
Island of Rodrigues	31	12	8	8	3	-
Republic of Mauritius	1,070	509	344	125	63	29

Table 2.8.2 - Distribution of pre-primary schools by zone and enrolment range, 2004

Zone	Enrolment range					
	Total	Under 30	30 and under 50	50 and under 70	70 and under 100	100 and over
1 - Port Louis / North	349	161	121	41	16	10
2 - B.Bassin-R.Hill / East	257	118	77	34	15	13
3 - Curepipe / South	251	132	79	23	14	3
4 - Q.Bornes / Vacoas-Phoenix / West	182	86	59	19	15	3
5 - Rodrigues	31	12	8	8	3	-
All Zones	1,070	509	344	125	63	29

Table 2.9.1 - Enrolment in pre-primary schools by district, age, sex and type of administration, 2004

All Schools

District	Total				Male				Female			
	Age in Years											
	3	4	5	Total	3	4	5	Total	3	4	5	Total
Port Louis	2,252	2,343	688	5,283	1,125	1,172	355	2,652	1,127	1,171	333	2,631
Pamplemousses	1,436	1,471	500	3,407	727	737	262	1,726	709	734	238	1,681
Riviere du Rempart	1,524	1,685	424	3,633	827	886	232	1,945	697	799	192	1,688
Flacq	1,992	2,151	431	4,574	1,029	1,108	217	2,354	963	1,043	214	2,220
Grand Port	1,384	1,731	420	3,535	707	895	227	1,829	677	836	193	1,706
Savanne	834	945	359	2,138	436	496	178	1,110	398	449	181	1,028
Plaines Wilhems	4,338	4,531	1,400	10,269	2,134	2,281	741	5,156	2,204	2,250	659	5,113
Moka	791	954	272	2,017	415	468	141	1,024	376	486	131	993
Black River	504	621	143	1,268	263	296	74	633	241	325	69	635
Island of Mauritius	15,055	16,432	4,637	36,124	7,663	8,339	2,427	18,429	7,392	8,093	2,210	17,695
Island of Rodrigues	482	728	149	1,359	248	382	61	691	234	346	88	668
Republic of Mauritius	15,537	17,160	4,786	37,483	7,911	8,721	2,488	19,120	7,626	8,439	2,298	18,363
PSTF												
Port Louis	310	309	74	693	153	161	36	350	157	148	38	343
Pamplemousses	258	303	112	673	127	154	59	340	131	149	53	333
Riviere du Rempart	327	444	90	861	182	233	52	467	145	211	38	394
Flacq	380	544	111	1,035	210	274	56	540	170	270	55	495
Grand Port	269	380	63	712	144	182	36	362	125	198	27	350
Savanne	160	161	19	340	83	95	13	191	77	66	6	149
Plaines Wilhems	439	583	131	1,153	198	297	82	577	241	286	49	576
Moka	206	267	24	497	116	139	13	268	90	128	11	229
Black River	146	209	38	393	73	100	17	190	73	109	21	203
Island of Mauritius	2,495	3,200	662	6,357	1,286	1,635	364	3,285	1,209	1,565	298	3,072
Island of Rodrigues	57	101	8	166	36	46	3	85	21	55	5	81
Republic of Mauritius	2,552	3,301	670	6,523	1,322	1,681	367	3,370	1,230	1,620	303	3,153
Private¹												
Port Louis	1,942	2,034	614	4,590	972	1,011	319	2,302	970	1,023	295	2,288
Pamplemousses	1,178	1,168	388	2,734	600	583	203	1,386	578	585	185	1,348
Riviere du Rempart	1,197	1,241	334	2,772	645	653	180	1,478	552	588	154	1,294
Flacq	1,612	1,607	320	3,539	819	834	161	1,814	793	773	159	1,725
Grand Port	1,115	1,351	357	2,823	563	713	191	1,467	552	638	166	1,356
Savanne	674	784	340	1,798	353	401	165	919	321	383	175	879
Plaines Wilhems	3,899	3,948	1,269	9,116	1,936	1,984	659	4,579	1,963	1,964	610	4,537
Moka	585	687	248	1,520	299	329	128	756	286	358	120	764
Black River	358	412	105	875	190	196	57	443	168	216	48	432
Island of Mauritius	12,560	13,232	3,975	29,767	6,377	6,704	2,063	15,144	6,183	6,528	1,912	14,623
Island of Rodrigues	425	627	141	1,193	212	336	58	606	213	291	83	587
Republic of Mauritius	12,985	13,859	4,116	30,960	6,589	7,040	2,121	15,750	6,396	6,819	1,995	15,210

¹ Including pupils from schools of Municipal/Village Council and Roman Catholic Schools

Table 2.9.2 - Enrolment in pre-primary schools by zone, age, sex and type of administration, 2004

All Schools

Zone	Total				Male				Female			
	Age in Years											
	3	4	5	Total	3	4	5	Total	3	4	5	Total
1 - Port Louis / North	5,241	5,526	1,622	12,389	2,694	2,808	856	6,358	2,547	2,718	766	6,031
2 - B.Bassin-R.Hill / East	3,950	4,428	1,174	9,552	2,043	2,228	601	4,872	1,907	2,200	573	4,680
3 - Curepipe / South	3,235	3,648	1,094	7,977	1,631	1,891	567	4,089	1,604	1,757	527	3,888
4 - Q.Bornes / Vacoas-Phoenix / West	2,629	2,830	747	6,206	1,295	1,412	403	3,110	1,334	1,418	344	3,096
5 - Rodrigues	482	728	149	1,359	248	382	61	691	234	346	88	668
All Zones	15,537	17,160	4,786	37,483	7,911	8,721	2,488	19,120	7,626	8,439	2,298	18,363

PSTF

1 - Port Louis / North	917	1,079	276	2,272	471	561	147	1,179	446	518	129	1,093
2 - B.Bassin-R.Hill / East	678	875	176	1,729	368	443	95	906	310	432	81	823
3 - Curepipe / South	512	652	118	1,282	267	341	75	683	245	311	43	599
4 - Q.Bornes / Vacoas-Phoenix / West	388	594	92	1,074	180	290	47	517	208	304	45	557
5 - Rodrigues	57	101	8	166	36	46	3	85	21	55	5	81
All Zones	2,552	3,301	670	6,523	1,322	1,681	367	3,370	1,230	1,620	303	3,153

Private¹

1 - Port Louis / North	4,324	4,447	1,346	10,117	2,223	2,247	709	5,179	2,101	2,200	637	4,938
2 - B.Bassin-R.Hill / East	3,272	3,553	998	7,823	1,675	1,785	506	3,966	1,597	1,768	492	3,857
3 - Curepipe / South	2,723	2,996	976	6,695	1,364	1,550	492	3,406	1,359	1,446	484	3,289
4 - Q.Bornes / Vacoas-Phoenix / West	2,241	2,236	655	5,132	1,115	1,122	356	2,593	1,126	1,114	299	2,539
5 - Rodrigues	425	627	141	1,193	212	336	58	606	213	291	83	587
All Zones	12,985	13,859	4,116	30,960	6,589	7,040	2,121	15,750	6,396	6,819	1,995	15,210

¹ Including pupils from schools of Municipal/Village Council and Roman Catholic Schools

Table 2.10 - Pre-primary enrolment and Gross Enrolment Ratio¹ by sex, 1996 - 2004

Year	Republic of Mauritius						Island of Mauritius						Island of Rodrigues					
	Enrolment			Gross Enrolment Ratio			Enrolment			Gross Enrolment Ratio			Enrolment			Gross Enrolment Ratio		
	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F
1996	34,444	17,463	16,981	78	77	79	33,420	16,944	16,476	78	77	79	1,024	519	505	70	69	72
1997	42,904	21,663	21,241	96	96	97	41,766	21,106	20,660	97	96	97	1,138	557	581	84	82	86
1998	42,279	21,256	21,023	98	98	98	41,141	20,666	20,475	98	98	98	1,138	590	548	85	88	82
1999	41,711	21,023	20,688	99	99	98	40,530	20,443	20,087	99	99	99	1,181	580	601	85	83	87
2000	39,232	19,677	19,555	95	95	96	38,111	19,134	18,977	96	96	96	1,121	543	578	77	77	77
2001	38,340	19,290	19,050	96	96	96	37,222	18,757	18,465	97	97	97	1,118	533	585	81	79	83
2002	36,982	18,739	18,243	94	94	94	35,837	18,185	17,652	94	95	94	1,145	554	591	85	83	88
2003	38,620	19,433	19,187	99	98	101	37,414	18,825	18,589	100	98	101	1,206	608	598	87	88	85
2004	37,483	19,120	18,363	96	96	96	36,124	18,429	17,695	96	96	97	1,359	691	668	90	91	90

¹ Number of students enrolled per 100 population aged (4 - 5)

T: Total M: Male F: Female

Table 2.11.1 - Personnel in pre-primary schools by district and occupational status, 2004

District	Personnel				
	Total	Teaching	Non - teaching		
			Administrative	Other	Total
Port Louis	500	358	20	122	142
Pamplemousses	296	219	16	61	77
Riviere du Rempart	284	223	4	57	61
Flacq	357	272	11	74	85
Grand Port	290	217	7	66	73
Savanne	172	129	9	34	43
Plaines Wilhems	1,106	779	60	267	327
Moka	170	127	8	35	43
Black River	102	77	4	21	25
Island of Mauritius	3,277	2,401	139	737	876
Island of Rodrigues	75	73	-	2	2
Republic of Mauritius	3,352	2,474	139	739	878

Table 2.11.2 - Personnel in pre-primary schools by zone and occupational status, 2004

Zone	Personnel				
	Total	Teaching	Non - teaching		
			Administrative	Other	Total
1 - Port Louis / North	1,086	804	40	242	282
2 - B.Bassin-R.Hill / East	846	627	33	186	219
3 - Curepipe / South	689	518	25	146	171
4 - Q.Bornes / Vacoas-Phoenix / West	656	452	41	163	204
5 - Rodrigues	75	73	-	2	2
All Zones	3,352	2,474	139	739	878

Table 2.12 - Teaching staff in pre-primary schools by type of administration and level of qualification -
Republic of Mauritius, 2004

Qualification	Type of administration				
	Total	PSTF	RC	Municipal/ V. Council	Private
Academic					
Below SC	842	51	9	21	761
Passed SC	1,465	324	12	87	1,042
Followed HSC but not passed	13	4	-	1	8
Passed HSC or Higher	154	45	-	14	95
Total	2,474	424	21	123	1,906
Professional					
Pre-primary Education in Service (PPU)	1,452	378	17	86	971
Certificate from : OMEP ¹	475	23	2	26	424
Playgroup	31	3	-	1	27
Bethleem	260	4	1	2	253
Other & Not stated	256	16	1	8	231
Total	2,474	424	21	123	1,906

¹ Organisations Mondiales pour Education Pre-scolaire

Table 2.13.1 - Non-teaching staff in pre-primary schools by district and occupational status, 2004

District	Occupational Status								
	Total	Manager/ Director	Clerk/ Secretary	Helper	Maid/ Cleaner	Gardener/ Labourer	Cook	Messenger	Not Stated
Port Louis	142	14	6	37	59	1	4	19	2
Pamplemousses	77	10	6	15	37	-	-	-	9
Riviere du Rempart	61	4	-	14	38	1	-	-	4
Flacq	85	11	-	36	35	1	-	2	-
Grand Port	73	7	-	26	30	2	1	5	2
Savanne	43	6	3	16	17	-	-	-	1
Plaines Wilhems	327	45	15	92	134	5	8	18	10
Moka	43	7	1	15	18	-	2	-	-
Black River	25	3	1	8	11	-	-	2	-
Island of Mauritius	876	107	32	259	379	10	15	46	28
Island of Rodrigues	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-
Republic of Mauritius	878	107	32	260	379	10	15	47	28

Table 2.13.2 - Non-teaching staff in pre-primary schools by zone and occupational status, 2004

Zone	Occupational Status								
	Total	Manager/ Director	Clerk/ Secretary	Helper	Maid/ Cleaner	Gardener/ Labourer	Cook	Messenger	Not Stated
1 - Port Louis / North	282	28	12	67	135	2	4	19	15
2 - B.Bassin-R.Hill / East	219	30	3	78	88	1	3	12	4
3 - Curepipe / South	171	19	6	65	63	2	2	8	6
4 - Q.Bornes / Vacoas- Phoenix / West	204	30	11	49	93	5	6	7	3
5 - Rodrigues	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-
All Zones	878	107	32	260	379	10	15	47	28