

Glossary of Terms and Notes to the Data

Term	Specification						
Census Family	Statistics Canada defines a census family unit as married, common law, or lone-parent—generally as either a spouse, partner, parent or child.						
Census Tract	"Area that is small and relatively stable. Census tracts usually have a population of 2,500 to 8,000. They are located in large urban centres that must have an urban core population of 50,000 or more." Statistics Canada.						
Diverging colour scheme	<p>Colour display for maps that shows how the data progresses outward from a critical midpoint of the data range. The selected colour scheme is based on two different hues so that they diverge from a shared light color, for the critical midpoint, toward dark colors of different hues at each extreme. Well suited to show deviations above and below the mid-point of a data range.</p>  <p>-----</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td> 19 % - 24 %</td> <td> > 33 % - 38 %</td> </tr> <tr> <td> > 24 % - 30 %</td> <td> > 38 % - 40 %</td> </tr> <tr> <td> > 30 % - 33 %</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	 19 % - 24 %	 > 33 % - 38 %	 > 24 % - 30 %	 > 38 % - 40 %	 > 30 % - 33 %	
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Early Development Instrument (EDI)	The EDI is a developmental checklist completed by Kindergarten teachers and designed to measure how well a child is developing as he or she begins school.						
Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO)	EQAO assesses all students in Grades 3 and 6 in reading, writing, and Mathematics. EQAO also administers the Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics.						
Equal Interval distribution	Distribution method for mapped data that sets the value ranges in each category to an equal size. The entire range of data values (max. to min.) is divided equally into the number of categories chosen. For example, if the measure is a percentage, and you have four categories, the categories might be 0-24.9%, 25-49.9%, 50-74.9%, 75-100%						

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Halton Neighbourhoods	Our Kids Network identified 27 Halton neighbourhoods derived from Statistics Canada Census data, and were originally based on two criteria: 1) Each neighbourhood must have at least 50 children who are 5-years old; and 2) the neighbourhood boundaries must be meaningful and recognizable to the community residents
IntelliHEALTH Ontario	An Ontario-wide repository of clinical and administrative data collected from the healthcare system. For more information, visit https://intellihealth.moh.gov.on.ca/ .
Kindergarten Parent Survey (KPS)	The KPS is a Halton-designed instrument that asks parents about the experiences of children and families in Halton. It allows us to examine some important child outcomes that are not measured in the EDI.
Ontario Child Care Management System (OCCMS)	The OCCMS database contains information about child care licensing, fee assistance, wage subsidy, and special needs resourcing.
Tell Them From Me / OurSCHOOL (TTFM)	Developed and coordinated by the Learning Bar Inc., 2009, measures experiences at school, and physical and mental well-being.
Qualitative colour scheme	Colour display for maps that uses different colours to represent differences for categorical data, such as ethnicity or religion for example. Assign the lightest, darkest, and most saturated hues in the scheme to categories that you want to emphasize on the map.
Quantile distribution	A distribution method for mapped data that organizes the distribution of values into categories with an equal number of observations within those categories. It assigns the same (or close to the same) number of values to each of the specified number of quantiles in the map. For example, in a 4 category map with 100 observations, the values of an indicator are assigned to four categories so that each category contains 25 observations. The maximum number of categories in a quantile map is nine categories. This is the default method for the maps in this tool.
Quantitative colour scheme	Default colour display for thematic mapping that is best suited to the numeric data available in the data portal. Uses graduated hues to display ranges of values.
Threshold map view	Optional map setting that allows you to set a threshold point at which values for a particular indicator will display on the map, e.g., setting it at 60 will only display values greater than 60% on the map.

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Not available	Data is suppressed and not reported when the information is based on a sample size of 30 records or less. Unavailable data results in an empty map area.

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