COVID-19 MARITIME FAMILY SURVEY PRELIMINARY RESULTS

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RESPONDENTS

Survey was for families with children aged 0-8 years.

1937 reported doing paid work and/or being a registered student prior to COVID-19.

The majority of respondents indicated:

- They identify as mothers (90%)
- They have a child/children aged 3-5 years old (59%)
- Their child/children attended child care or Preprimary (69%) and/or school (46%) prior to COVID-19 closures

BALANCING WORK & FAMILY

of respondents still working/studying reported they are doing so from home while also balancing parenting responsibilities

strongly agree that balancing work/study & parenting has been challenging

Common strategies used to help balance work/study & parenting:

Alternating time with child with another adult in the house (65%)



Encouraging free play (88%)

Encouraging structured academic activities (51%)





Since the COVID-19 closures & physical distancing advice...

FAMILY LIFE & PARENTS

reported a moderate to extreme change in their family life due to the COVID-19 pandemic

70% of families are playing together more

... and 51% of families are cooking together more



But...

of parents indicated they have less time to take care of themselves

... and 63% of parents indicated they feel less rested



CHILDREN

71% reported a loss of health-related service for their child

indicated their child has been spending more time using screens





... and 91% agree their child has been generally happy at home

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