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The entire report is available on this WWW site: http://www.umanitoba.ca/centres/mchp/reports/child inequalities

Education Indicators: Reading Recovery by Non-Winnipeg SES Group

Several years ago the province made a commitment to improving literacy and initiated an early literacy grant to achieve this goal. A widely used program for early literacy in Manitoba schools is called Reading Recovery. This program is intensive and requires a teacher to work one-on-one or with small groups of children for several hours each week. There is a pre-test to enable teachers to pick the neediest children for the program. The graph presented here shows the percentage of Grade 1 children in Reading Recovery programs by the four non-Winnipeg SES groups. As shown in the figure, children from the Low SES group have the highest overall participation rate, and we'd expect this because we would expect many of those kids to need the extra support. This is actually very good news – in Winnipeg we found the exact opposite pattern – the low SES areas had the lowest percent of students in this program.

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http://www.umanitoba.ca/centres/mchp/reports/child_inequalities/glossary.shtml These definitions can be found in the Child Health Atlas Glossary:

Reading Recovery

Socioeconomic Status (SES)