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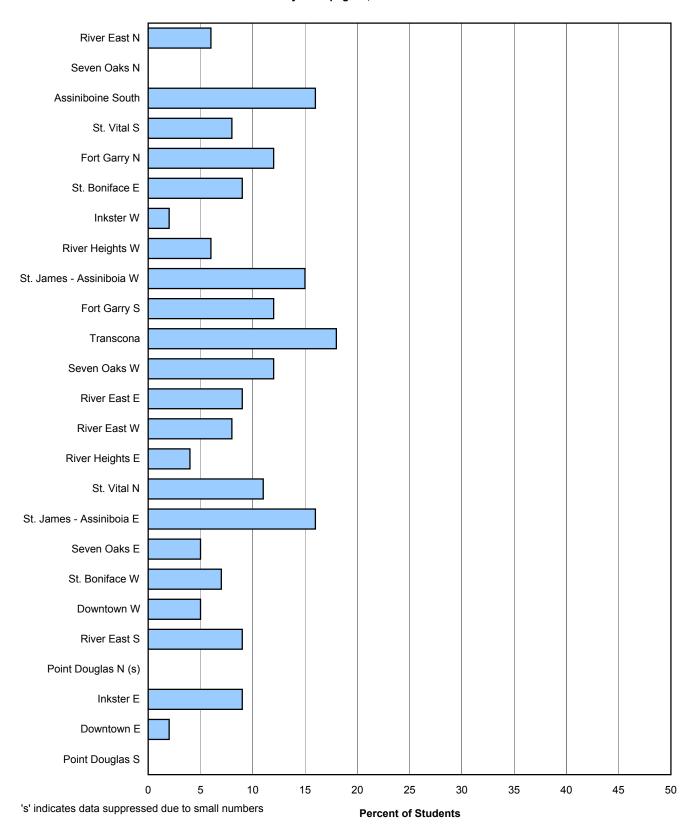
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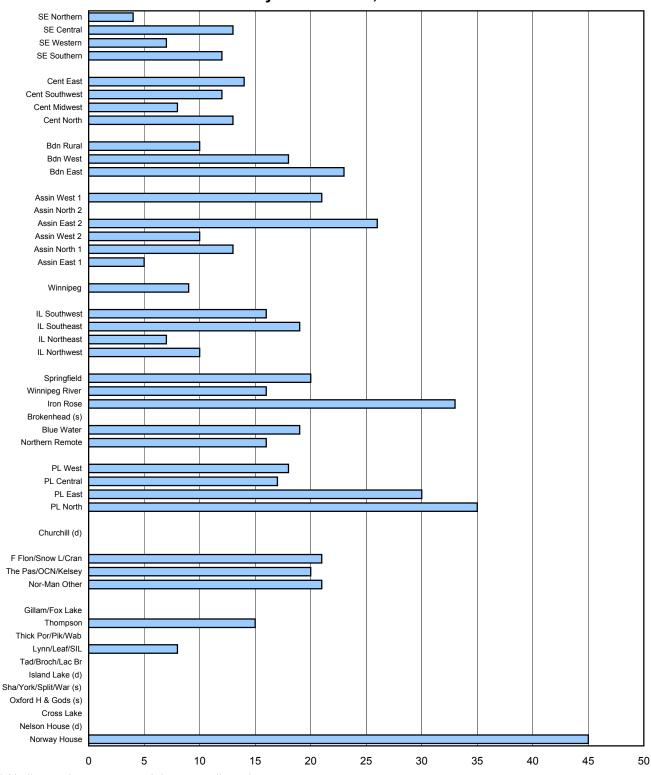
# Education Indicators: Reading Recovery by Region

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 figures presented here show the percentage of Grade 1 children in Reading Recovery programs by 25 Winnipeg neighbourhoods and 46 districts within Manitoba. As shown in the first figure (Wpg NC), children from the Lower SES neighbourhoods had lower overall participation rates, even though we would expect many of those kids to need the extra help. It should be stressed that there are other early intervention literacy programs used in Winnipeg schools and throughout the province besides Reading Recovery, but we do not have data for these other programs. Thus the low percentages seen for Low SES neighbourhoods could be due to the implementation of other programs. As shown in the second figure (Mb District), participation rates in the districts outside of Winnipeg do not show the same relationship, with many of the overall participation rates in the lower SES areas higher than those rates in the higher SES areas. However, data for several districts is not available or is suppressed due to small numbers of students.

## Percent of Grade 1 Students in Reading Recovery Program by Winnipeg NC, 2000/01



## Percent of Grade 1 Students in Reading Recovery Program by RHA District, 2000/01



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

Reading Recovery

Regional Health Authority (RHA) District

Neighbourhood Cluster (NC)

Socioeconomic Status (SES)