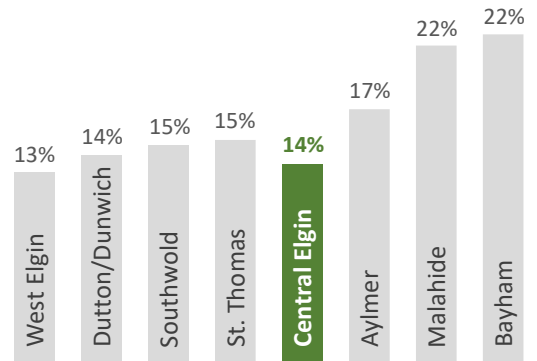


Central Elgin

Early Years Population & Community Characteristics

Municipality	Children 0-6	Children 7-12	Total Pop.	Med. Age
West Elgin	345	305	4,995	48.7
Dutton/Dunwich	290	260	3,865	45.4
Southwold	295	365	4,425	44.7
St. Thomas	3,050	2,880	38,910	42.9
Central Elgin	805	910	12,605	47.4
Aylmer	745	555	7,495	39.3
Malahide	1,045	970	9,290	35.6
Bayham	860	800	7,395	34.3
Elgin County Total	7,440	7,045	88,975	41.3

Percent children aged 0-12



Central Elgin is home to an estimated **1,715 children age 0-12**.

The median age of the population is 47.4 years, which is **higher than the median age of Elgin County**, and the provincial median of 41.3.

An estimated 305 persons, or **2% of the population** in Central Elgin report **Aboriginal identity**.

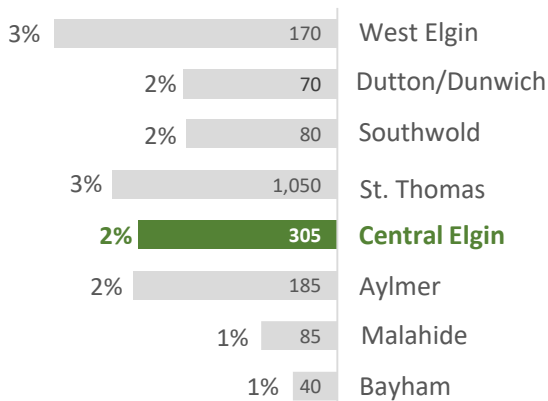
Most persons in Central Elgin **speak English** most often at home.

1,935
Families with children of any age at home



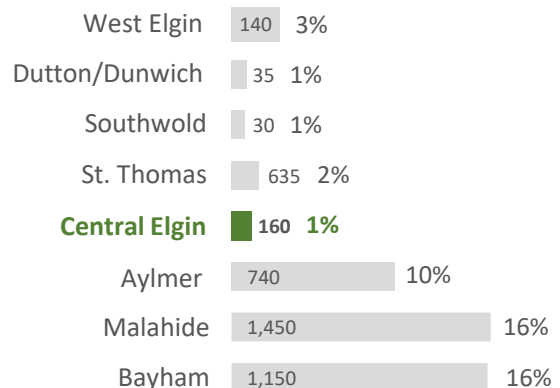
385
Lone parent families

Aboriginal identity



97.7%
Speak English most often at home

Non-official language is spoken most often at home

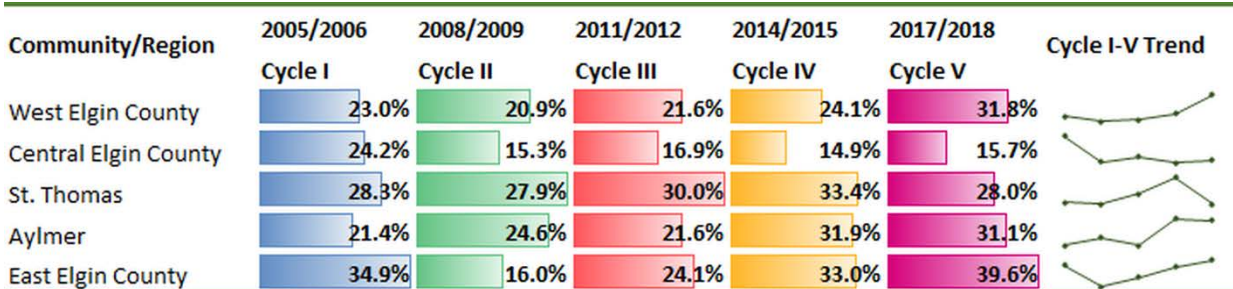


Child Development at School Entry: Early Development Instrument (EDI)

The EDI is a 103-item questionnaire completed by kindergarten teachers that measures children’s ability to meet age appropriate developmental expectations in five general domains. Research has shown that early vulnerability predicts a child’s lifelong health, learning and behaviour.

There have been five complete cycles of the EDI in Ontario: Cycle I (2005/06), Cycle II (2008/09), Cycle III (2011/2012), Cycle IV (2014/15), Cycle V (2017/18).

Children vulnerable in one or more domains of the EDI, by municipality (%)



Some municipalities have been grouped to protect confidentiality.

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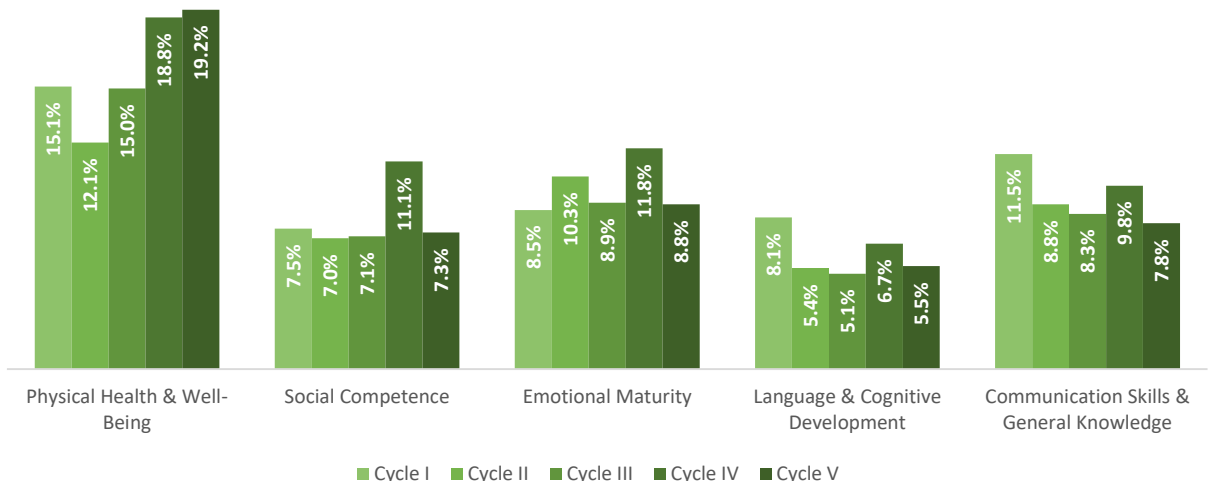
Central Elgin Count = Southwold & Central Elgin

East Elgin County = Malahide & Bayham

29.6%

of Ontario kindergarten children were vulnerable on one or more domain in Cycle V of the EDI

Children vulnerable by domain, Cycles I-V, Elgin County (%)



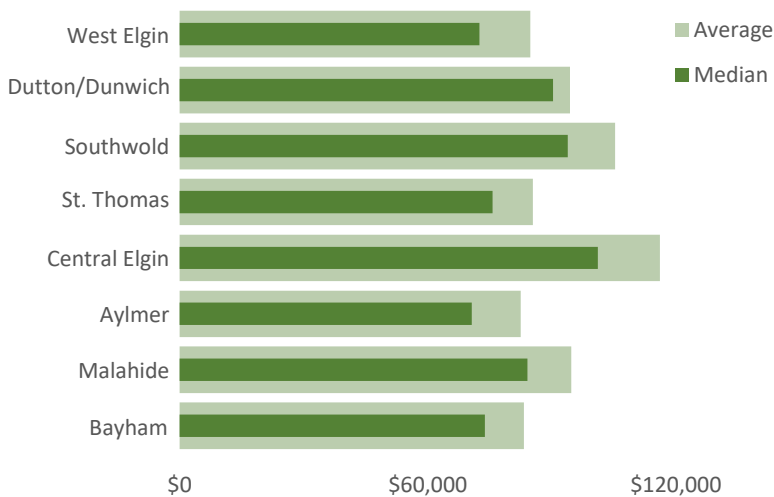
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Household income and financial security

\$16.57

Is the living wage calculated for St. Thomas & Elgin county in 2018/2019. This is the hourly rate needed for two income earners, working 35 hours per week year round to support a family of four with two children aged 3 and 7. This is **equivalent to a before-tax income of \$60,315 per family.**

Total income of families in Elgin County in 2015

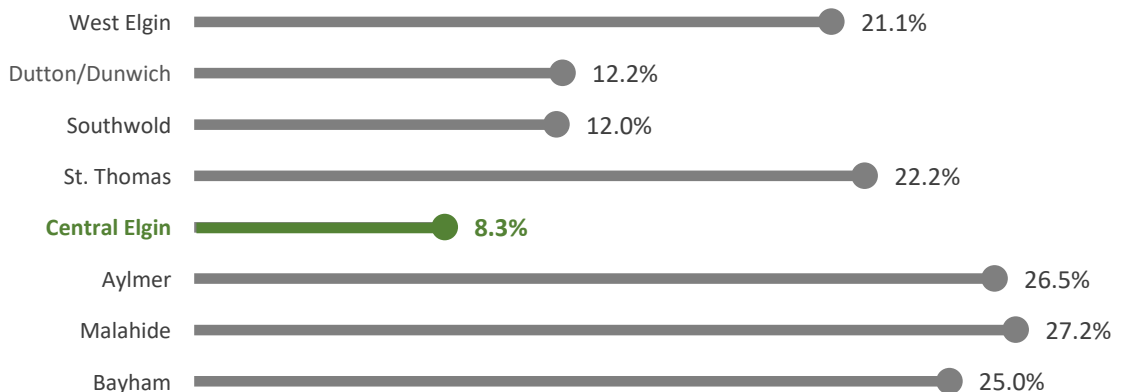


In Central Elgin, the median total income of families is \$101,120 and the average total income of families is \$116,112, **the highest median and average income in Elgin County**

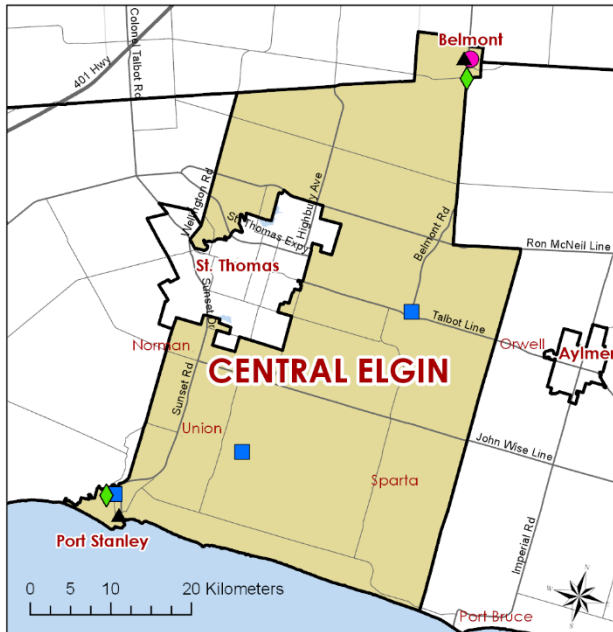
Large disparities between median and average income indicate greater income inequality within a population.

Central Elgin has **the lowest prevalence of low income (8.3%)** for children ages 0-5 in Elgin County. The rate is lower than both the prevalence for Ontario (19.8%) and Elgin County (21.4%) overall.

Prevalence of low income in Elgin County, ages 0-5 years (%) Based on the Low-income measure, after tax (LIM-AT)



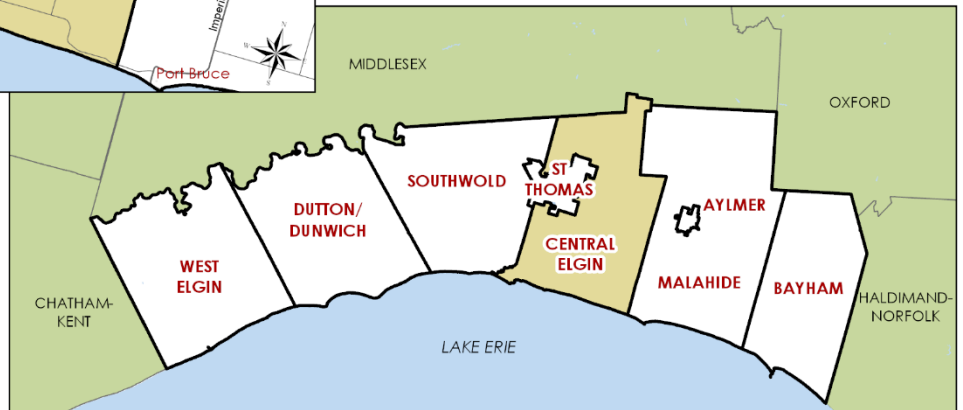
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Municipality of Central Elgin Elgin County

Early Years Assets

- Child Care/Nursery School
- ◆ Community/Recreation Centre
- ▲ Library
- ⬠ EarlyON
- Elementary School



Licensed Child Care/Nursery Schools

- Next to Mom (Belmont)
- Éva Circé-Côté YWCA Before & After School Program (St. Thomas)
- Kettle Creek Milestones Before & After School Program (Port Stanley)
- New Sarum YWCA Before & After School Program (St. Thomas)

Community/Recreation Centres

- Belmont Arena and Community Centre (Belmont)
- Port Stanley Arena and Community Centre (Port Stanley)

Elementary Schools

- Éva Circé-Côté French Immersion Public School (St. Thomas)
- Kettle Creek Public School (Port Stanley)
- New Sarum Public School (St. Thomas)

Libraries

- Belmont Library (Belmont)
- Port Stanley Library (Port Stanley)