

Table 50.—Percentage distribution of kindergarten teachers' time spent on certain instructional approaches, by program and school type: Fall 1998

Length of school day and instructional approach	Public school kindergarten teachers ¹					Private school kindergarten teachers ¹				
	No time	Half hour or less	About one hour	About two hours	Three hours or more	No time	Half hour or less	About one hour	About two hours	Three hours or more
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Full-day programs										
Teacher-directed:										
Whole class activities	(²) (0.1)	4 (0.7)	28 (1.8)	43 (1.4)	25 (1.6)	(²) (²)	15 (3.9)	23 (3.8)	25 (3.3)	37 (4.0)
Small group activities	1 (0.2)	18 (1.4)	46 (2.5)	28 (2.3)	8 (1.2)	6 (2.9)	33 (4.1)	42 (3.8)	16 (2.9)	3 (1.2)
Individual activities	2 (0.5)	53 (1.7)	35 (1.3)	9 (1.0)	1 (0.4)	5 (1.4)	55 (3.9)	29 (3.2)	6 (1.8)	6 (1.5)
Child selected activities	2 (0.3)	31 (1.8)	52 (2.0)	13 (1.0)	2 (0.5)	3 (1.6)	35 (3.6)	45 (4.2)	11 (2.5)	6 (2.0)
Part-day programs										
Teacher-directed:										
Whole class activities	(²) (0.3)	15 (1.3)	52 (1.9)	27 (2.0)	5 (0.8)	(²) (²)	27 (6.8)	40 (6.9)	30 (5.2)	3 (2.1)
Small group activities	2 (0.5)	36 (2.5)	46 (2.3)	15 (1.6)	1 (0.4)	3 (2.2)	62 (5.7)	26 (5.5)	7 (2.4)	1 (1.2)
Individual activities	9 (1.2)	73 (2.0)	15 (1.6)	2 (0.5)	1 (0.3)	9 (3.9)	72 (6.6)	13 (4.1)	5 (2.7)	2 (1.6)
Child selected activities	3 (0.6)	63 (1.9)	29 (1.7)	4 (1.0)	(²) (0.2)	3 (2.0)	41 (5.6)	41 (4.9)	12 (5.8)	3 (1.8)

¹ Estimates are based on the responses of a nationally representative sample of kindergarten teachers.

² Less than .5 percent.

NOTE: Standard errors appear in parentheses. Detail may not sum to totals due to rounding.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Early Childhood Longitudinal Study, Kindergarten Class of 1998–99, Public-Use Base-Year File. (This table was prepared September 2001.)