Table 1: Number of Special Child Care Centre (SCCC) service places from 2019-20 to 2023-24

	Number of service places						
District	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24 (as at 31 December 2023)		
Central/Western/ Southern and Islands	253	313	313	313	313		
Eastern/Wan Chai	216	216	216	216	246		
Kwun Tong	126	186	186	186	186		
Wong Tai Sin/ Sai Kung	333	333	425	425	425		
Kowloon City/ Yau Tsim Mong	30	30	30	30	30		
Sham Shui Po	205	235	235	295	357		
Sha Tin	138	138	138	168	168		
Tai Po/North	299	299	299	299	299		
Yuen Long	108	108	108	108	108		
Tsuen Wan/ Kwai Tsing	168	168	180	180	180		
Tuen Mun	144	144	144	144	144		
Total	2 020	2 170	2 274	2 364	2 456		

Table 2: Number of waitlisted children for SCCCs from 2019-20 to 2023-24

	Number of waitlisted children Note					
District	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24 (as at 31 Dec 2023)	
Central/Western/ Southern and Islands	133	80	98	99	90	
Eastern/Wan Chai	111	116	126	145	119	
Kwun Tong	137	103	86	70	61	
Wong Tai Sin/ Sai Kung	173	145	98	108	69	
Kowloon City/ Yau Tsim Mong	138	122	99	131	106	
Sham Shui Po	79	76	61	71	60	
Sha Tin	136	110	92	75	53	
Tai Po/North	110	104	94	85	84	
Yuen Long	188	169	214	190	173	
Tsuen Wan/ Kwai Tsing	156	117	112	110	97	
Tuen Mun	93	98	88	107	92	
Total	1 454	1 240	1 168	1 191	1 004	

Note The figures do not include pre-school rehabilitation service users who are now receiving Early Education and Training Centre services or On-site Pre-school Rehabilitation Services as transitional services, or those who are waiting for a change of service type/choice of centre.

Table 3: Average waiting time for SCCCs from 2018-19 to 2022-23

	Average waiting time (in months) Note					
Service category	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	
SCCCs	18.4	17.5	19.9	20.2	19.3	

As the average waiting time is computed on a financial-year basis, i.e. from 1 April of a year to 31 March of the next year, the figure for 2023-24 is not available for the time being.