

AUSTRIA : Main types of Early Childhood Education & Care services for children below school age

Name of provision ¹	Type of arrangement ²	Ages served ³	Sector of Provision ⁴	Opening Hours ⁵			Registration Criteria ⁶	Priority criteria ⁷
				within a day	within a week	within a year		
Krippen	day nursery	<3years	PB	10h	5d	vary : 10-12m	UNIV	WRK ; SP; ECO
Krippen	day nursery	<3years	1/2PR	10h	5d	vary : 10-12m	UNIV	NO
Tagesmütter	family daycare (services)	1-<13years	PR & 1/2PR	vary : <=8h	5d	vary : 10-12m	UNIV	NO
Kindergruppen	playgroup	<4years	1/2PR	vary : part or full	5d	vary : 10-12m	UNIV	NO
Kindergärten	kindergarten	3-<6years	PB	vary : part or full, <=12h	5d	vary : 10-12m	PRIOR	vary (local)
Kindergärten	kindergarten	3-<6years	1/2PR	vary : part or full, <=12h	5d	vary : 10-12m	UNIV	NO
Altersgemischte Gruppen	mixed age groups	1-<6years	PB & 1/2PR	vary : part or full	5d	vary : 10-12m	UNIV	NO

Name of Provision¹ : Original name of main institutional arrangements providing early childhood education and care within the country

Type of Arrangement² : Basic nomenclature of early childhood education and care services

Ages Served³ : <3years = 0 to 35 months old ; 1-<13years = 12 months to 12years & 11months old ; <4years = 0 to 47 months old ; 3-<6 years = 36 to 71 months old ; 1-<6years = 12 to 71 months old

Sector of Provision⁴ : According to the provider of care, **PB** when = the government (local/regional or national/federal); **1/2 PR** when= the non profit private sector; **PR** when = the for profit private sector

Opening Hours⁵ = Regular (average) opening hours of the arrangement during the year :

a) **within a day** = number of hours (h) covered during the day ; b) **within a week** = number of days (d) covered during the week ; c) **within a year** = number of months (m) covered during the year

Registration Criteria⁶ = Terms defining the families/children who are entitled to register in that type of arrangement :

UNIV = there are no criteria restricting the admission ; **PRIOR** = see "priority criteria"

Priority Criteria⁷ = Terms defining the families/children who are entitled to register in priority in that type of arrangement :

WRK = working parent(s) ; **SP** = special needs of the child or family ; **ECO** = financial situation of the family ; **NO** = no priority criteria of access to registration

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