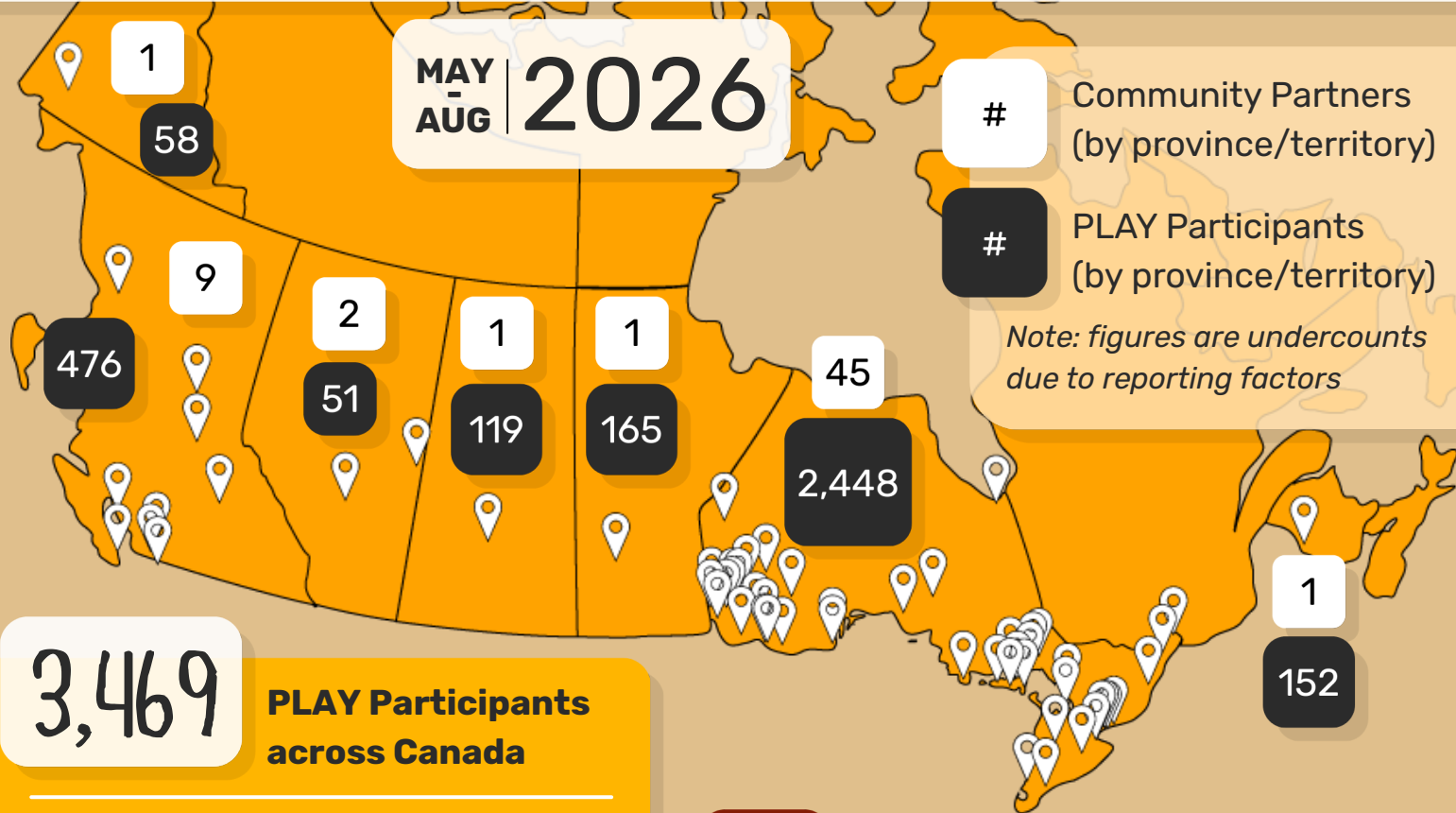


PLAY Program Impact Report



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3,469

PLAY Participants
across Canada

1,687 Girls 1,744 Boys

25 Non-binary 13 Other

166 5 years & younger 1,593 6-12 years

1,274 13-18 years 436 18 years

Community Mentors ran:

1,590 Program Sessions

6,551 Program Hours

41

Events

40

Intergenerational Events
where community members of all ages come together

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Youth-Led Event where youth lead the process of organizing and operating an event for the community

2,651

Participants attended an event this summer
(not necessarily unique participants)

65

People attended each event on average

183

People attended one event in New Brunswick!

First Nations PLAY Partner

ONTARIO



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the interviews!



“ I think it's made me more active socially.... I think it's helped me a lot. Like, with my language and being a nice person. ”

- PLAY Program Participant at
Wasauksing First Nation



“ I think that we have a pretty diverse group of youth who come down every night, and I find that play, sports, and other outdoor activities is a good way for them to connect and sort of build those relationships that would otherwise be hard to. ”

“ I've definitely seen a growing sense of connection through play, through just hanging out and sort of being in the program. Everyone seems to help each other and want to see the best for each other and I truly believe that the impact we leave with them is one that they will have with them the rest of their lives. ”

- Parker, Community Mentor at a First Nation in Ontario

Fave games:

Basketball,
Sharks &
Minnows



From May to August | 2026



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55 **Community Mentors (CMs)** were employed to work with children & youth

18 **Jr CMs** were hired to help!

We built local capacity for:

Community Mentors

25 Community Mentors completed at least one workshop or e-learning course



Jr Community Mentors (Jr CMs)

Jr CMs are hired to help CMs run programs in the summer and fall. Many are former PLAY participants themselves!

Popular Topics Include:

Finance Reporting	8 course completions
Program Funding	7 course completions
Needs Assessment & Asset Mapping	7 course completions

14 Jr CMs received training from Right To Play

11 Jr CMs received **HIGH FIVE®** certifications!



Top 3 Activities were:

Physical or Sports Activities

Arts & Crafts Activities

Healthy Relationships Activities



Check out [Playcast](#), where hosts Rae and Abby explore community-rooted programming for Indigenous youth.

Kenora Activation

Ontario

Community Sport Activation

The full day Kenora community sport activation welcomed children and youth from approximately 10 First Nations across Treaty 3 territory! From soccer skill clinics to counselors-in-training-led waterfront games to playful art activities, this day was packed to the brim with fun and learning.

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Everything is better together!

Right To Play staff joined the Kenora Chiefs Advisory's Makate Waagamichiwanang Gakinaa'amaatiwin Youth and Family Wellness Camp to deliver soccer, art, and leadership skill-based programming.



120 Children & youth under 18 played, (for a total of 125, including 18+)

90 identify as First Nations, for a total of 93 Indigenous participants



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