

Child care 1994/95 and 2000/01 ^[1]

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Excerpts from the report: Over half of Canadian children were in some form of child care by 2000/01 and a quarter of them were in a daycare centre, according to a new analysis. The proportion of children aged six months to five years who were in child care increased significantly between 1994/95 and 2000/01. In addition, during this six-year period, a shift occurred in the type of main child care arrangement used. Data from the National Longitudinal Survey of Children and Youth as reported by parents show that in 1994/95, 42% of children aged six months to five years were in some form of child care. Over the subsequent six-year period, the child care rate increased steadily to more than one-half of children (53%) by 2000/01. Of all children in child care in 2000/01, 25% were enrolled in a daycare centre as their main care arrangement, up from about 20% six years earlier. The proportion of children who were looked after in their own home by a relative rose from 8% to 14%. At the same time, the proportion of children who were looked after in someone else's home by a non-relative fell from 44% to 34%.

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