

# Canada – Alberta Canada-Wide Early Learning and Child Care Agreement - 2021 to 2026 <sup>[1]</sup>

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## AVAILABILITY

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## 1.0 Vision for Canada-wide early learning and child care

1.1 Canada will be guided by the long-term vision and objectives set out in the multilateral framework in making investments in early learning and child care committed in Canada's Budget 2021 across jurisdictions. Canada and Alberta agree that the long-term vision and objectives for Canada-wide ELCC set out in the multilateral framework will guide the investment of funds provided under this Agreement. This includes the vision that all families in Canada have access to high-quality, affordable, flexible and inclusive early learning and child care no matter where they live.

1.2 Canada and Alberta aspire to the following objectives:

- providing a 50% reduction in average parent fees for licensed child care spaces by the end of 2022 and reaching an average of \$10 a day by fiscal year 2025 to 2026 for all licensed child care spaces
- creating more high-quality, affordable licensed child care spaces, primarily through not-for-profit, public and family-home based child care providers, but not to the exclusion of for profit providers
- addressing barriers to provide inclusive and flexible child care
- valuing the early childhood workforce and providing them with training and development opportunities

1.3 Canada and Alberta agree that progress toward this vision will be undertaken by prioritizing federal investments in support of regulated early learning and child care and for children aged 0 to kindergarten entry (0 to K).

**Region:** Alberta <sup>[3]</sup>

**Tags:** Canada-wide agreement <sup>[4]</sup>

universal child care <sup>[5]</sup>

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