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This paper, which was written as a book chapter in a CCPA book, assesses the Trudeau government's record on child care. It begins with the period from 2015 through the October 2019 election and the pandemic, then describes the ambitious child care commitment of 2021 and ends by anticipating the future. We examine three questions. First, how distinctive have the Trudeau years been from the Harper period on early learning and child care? Second, what has child care's trajectory looked like under Trudeau? Finally, what are the fault lines for the ambitious promise of "early learning and child care for all"?

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