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Liberal Party

"Five years ago, a Liberal government made a promise to Canadians that it would stand up a Canada-wide early learning and child care system. Today, over 900,000 children are getting high-quality early learning, which is shown to be one of the best ways to expand their horizons of opportunity in ways that last their whole lives. Our labour force is stronger because of the parents, most of them mothers, who no longer have to choose between the price of daycare and building their careers. And families across the country are saving thousands of dollars a year paying, on average, a third of what they paid in 2021.

In just a few short years, this program has become a core part of Canada's social infrastructure. We cannot let it be taken away or weakened. When families are strong, the economy is strong, and we make Canada strong."

Green Party

"Create universal early learning and child care that every family can afford" (Green Party of Canada, 2025, para. 3). "Quality care takes skilled workers and proper funding. We'll fund more child care centers with trained early childhood educators. We'll help more people train as care workers" (Green Party of Canada, 2025, para. 4).

NDP Party

The NDP platform does not include child care.

However, the NDP noted that they are "considering measures already baked into the federal budget such as childcare and dental care that they would maintain, as part of their financial baseline" (Aiello, 2025, para. 9).

Conservative

"We will honour current federal health transfer agreements to fund the healthcare all Canadians deserve, preserve existing dental care coverage and honour existing deals with provinces and territories on child care and pharmacare" (Conservative Party of Canada, 2025, p. 19).

"Working with provinces to create nationally-recognized licenses for doctors, nurses, early childhood educators, and other professions" (Conservative Party of Canada, 2025, p. 19).

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