

The state of the national child care program and provincial/territorial contexts, March 2006 ^[1]

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This BRIEFing NOTE provides an update of the current state of the national child care program in Canada. It features a short introduction to recent developments in ELCC, from the 2004 election campaign to March 2006. It includes a table summarizing selected features of provincial/territorial contexts, including:

- working force participation of mothers;
- percent of children for whom there is a regulated space;
- provincial/territorial child care budgets and allocation per space and per child;
- whether the province/ territory signed a bilateral agreement with the federal government and the amount of expected funding.

Finally, this BRIEFing NOTE features media quotes from provincial officials that provide a picture of where individual provincial governments stand on the current state of the national child care program.

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