

# British Columbia

## Canada-British Columbia Canada-Wide Early Learning and Child Care Agreement

The Canada-British Columbia Canada-Wide Early Learning and Child Care Agreement was signed on July 7, 2021.

The [agreement](#) [1] and [action plan](#) [2] are available online.

### Federal press release

Canada announces historic first early learning and child care agreement [3]

Office of the Prime Minister of Canada, 8 July 2021

### Provincial press release

The Government of British Columbia has not issued a press release in regards to the Agreement.

### Updates and next steps

Families will save big as child care fees cut as much as \$550 more per month [4]

Government of British Columbia, 23 September 2022

B.C. expands early childhood education dual-credit programs for high school students [5]

Government of British Columbia, 4 August 2022

Early childhood educator bursaries support career growth for key professionals [6]

Government of British Columbia, 3 August 2022

Expansion of \$10 a day child care to benefit thousands more B.C. families [7]

Government of British Columbia, 20 June 2022

Milestone reached in newly funded child care spaces for British Columbia families [8]

Government of Canada, 2 May 2022

More early childhood educators receive increased wages [9]

Government of British Columbia, 6 April 2022

Families will save more on child care through Budget 2022 [10]

BC Government News, 3 March 2022

Speech from the Throne: Third session of the 42nd Parliament of the Province of British Columbia [11]

Legislative Assembly of BC, 8 February 2022

New child care legislation will build stronger B.C. for families [12]

Government of British Columbia, 29 October 2021

### Community responses

Advocating to ensure governments make affordable child care available for all is a collective responsibility [13]

BRIEFing NOTE, 17 August 2022

Update on BC's early learning and child care plan [14]

Child Care Now, 25 February 2022

Canada's child care advocates celebrate government of Canada-BC child care agreement [15]

Child Care Now, 8 July 2021

Big win for B.C. [16]

Coalition of Child Care Advocates of B.C & Early Childhood Educators of B.C., 8 July 2021

B.C.-Canada child care deal an important step [17]

## Media coverage

*Note: Media coverage is listed from most recent to oldest.*

More affordable child care coming to Shuswap area <sup>[18]</sup>  
CFJC Today, 4 October 2022

More families in Surrey benefit from \$10-a-day child care <sup>[19]</sup>  
Government of British Columbia, 3 October 2022

More families in Nanaimo-North Cowichan benefit from \$10-a-day child care <sup>[20]</sup>  
Cowichan Valley Citizen, 3 October 2022

Early childhood education program enrolment rises in B.C. <sup>[21]</sup>  
Government of British Columbia, 29 September 2022

Parents of kids up to kindergarten age will soon save up to \$550 a month on child-care fees, ministry says <sup>[22]</sup>  
CBC, 23 September 2022

B.C. receives additional ECE support funding <sup>[23]</sup>  
Merritt Herald, 31 August 2022

Disabled kids are falling through BC's child-care gap <sup>[24]</sup>  
The Tyee, 4 August 2022

Photos: Trudeau visits North Van child care centre <sup>[25]</sup>  
North Shore News, 19 July 2022

\$10-a-day child care spots to double in B.C., but system still faces challenges <sup>[26]</sup>  
CTV News, 21 June 2022

Vancouver parents, advocate speak out about daycare waitlist fees <sup>[27]</sup>  
CBC News, 28 May 2022

The need for affordable child care <sup>[28]</sup>  
Policy Note, 20 May 2022

Ottawa wants daycare fees cut in half by end of 2022. Will pricey B.C. reach that target? <sup>[29]</sup>  
The Province, 10 May 2022

Fee caps make opening a daycare 'impossible' in Greater Victoria, say providers <sup>[30]</sup>  
CHEK News, 5 May 2022

Making child care affordable and accessible for all <sup>[31]</sup>  
CFJC Today, 27 April 2022

\$10-a-day child care has been expanded to more people in BC & here's who is eligible <sup>[32]</sup>  
Narcity, 8 April 2022

B.C. says focus on more than just low fees for universal child-care programs <sup>[33]</sup>  
CKPG Today, 31 March 2022

Two more North Vancouver daycares become \$10 per day <sup>[34]</sup>  
North Shore News, 6 March 2022

Kamloops preschool workers frustrated with delay of \$10-a-day child care <sup>[35]</sup>  
CFCJ Today, 2 March 2022

'A huge win for families': B.C. budget outlines changes to childcare fees, afterschool care <sup>[36]</sup>  
Global News, 22 February 2022

B.C. Budget: Child care fees for infants, toddlers dropping to \$20 per day by 2023 <sup>[37]</sup>  
Cranbrook Daily Townsman, 22 February 2022

\$10/day daycare came at 'perfect time', says Nakusp operator <sup>[38]</sup>  
The Star, 10 February 2022

Switch of ministry responsible for universal child care a long time coming, says B.C. advocate <sup>[39]</sup>  
Vancouver Sun, 8 February 2022

Province pushing non-profit childcare over private <sup>[40]</sup>  
CKPG Today, 22 November 2021

Video: Trudeau announces \$10-a-day childcare program for BC children under 6 years old [41]  
Global News via YouTube, 8 July 2021

Ottawa, B.C. governments reach deal on child care funding, Trudeau announces [42]  
Global News, 8 July 2021

Federal, B.C. governments reach deal on child care funding [43]  
CBC News, 8 July 2021

Trudeau promises to help B.C. achieve \$10-a-day child care [44]  
City News 1130, 8 July 2021

Federal government announces five-year plan for \$10 a day child care in B.C. [45]  
Vancouver Sun, 8 July 2021

Sharon Gregson and Lynell Anderson: Here's the roadmap to \$10-a-day child care in B.C. [46]  
Vancouver Sun, 16 May 2021

## Advocacy and policy tools

2022 Roadmap for Child Care in BC (2nd. edition) [47]  
Coalition of Child Care Advocates of BC & Early Childhood Educators of BC, 19 January 2022

Early learning and child care engagement [48]  
Government of British Columbia, December 2021

As British Columbia advances its **Childcare BC Plan** [49], the Ministries of Children and Family Development and Education want to hear from a broad range of child care partners – from child care providers, community service partners, parent organizations, school districts and child care advocates. For that purpose, the province is hosting a series of activities including a virtual information session, a self-paced feedback session, and a virtual workshop. Feedback collected throughout this engagement will be used to support decision-making on the future of early learning and child care in BC and results of consultation will be shared publicly.

Roadmap for \$10-a-day child care in BC (1st. edition) [50]  
Coalition of Child Care Advocates of BC & Early Childhood Educators of BC, 7 April 2021

2021 BC Child Care Workforce Survey [51]  
Early Childhood Educators of BC

The BC Child Care Workforce Survey is part of a sector-led evaluation of the British Columbia government's Early Care and Learning Recruitment and Retention Strategy. All individuals working in, or certified to work in, early care and learning are invited to respond to this survey to inform reports submitted to the province of British Columbia around issues affecting the recruitment and retention and help ensure that the views of the child care workforce are well represented. The survey is open until November 22, 2021.

## Other Early Learning and Child Care Agreements

Canada – British Columbia Early Learning and Child Care Agreement - 2017-2020 [52]

Canada – British Columbia Early Learning and Child Care Agreement - 2020-2021 [53]  
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