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TABLE 24 Number of regulated child care spaces for children 0 – 12 years. Provinces/territories/Canada (1992 – 2021).

P/T	1992	1995	1998	2001	2004	2006	2007	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2019	2021
NL	3,568	4,202	4,275	4,226	4,921	5,642	5,868	5,972	6,200	7,200	7,200	8,159	8,110	8,042
PE ¹	4,123	3,888	3,717	4,270	4,100	4,051	4,293	4,424	5,084	4,051	4,262	4,642	5,693	6,393
NS	10,826	10,645	11,163	11,464	12,759	12,982	13,247	13,711	15,295	17,321	17,899	19,145	19,016	16,738 ²
NB	7,162	7,952	9,204	11,086	11,897	13,163	14,170	15,506	18,785	21,695	25,491	26,851	30,363	32,416
QC	78,388	111,452	175,002	234,905	321,732	361,533	364,572	368,909	379,386	401,568	556,447	617,864	663,601	620,132
ON	145,545	147,853	167,090	173,135	206,743	229,875	242,488	256,748	276,410	292,997	334,010	405,570	466,935	477,272
MB	18,977	18,846	20,490	23,022	25,634	25,984	26,375	27,189	29,382	30,614	32,531	34,261	37,459	38,397
SK	6,418	7,266	7,124	7,166	7,910	8,712	8,850	9,173	10,848	12,275	13,314	14,546	16,797	17,666
AB ³	51,656	51,088	47,033	47,693	63,351 (46,238)	66,288 (47,587)	71,177 (52,528)	73,981 (54,499)	82,050 (62,980)	91,884 (69,610)	99,009	109,482	138,892	140,509
BC	42,927	59,794	68,978	72,949	80,230	79,190	82,386	87,538	97,170	102,908	106,719	105,902	115,487	127,362
YT	1,020	1,060	1,307	1,348	1,369	1,330	1,293	1,262	1,431	1,440	1,114	1,145	1,297	1,869
NT	963	1,286	1,351	1,234	1,219	1,525	1,703	1,768	1,785	N/A	1,872	1,776	1,864	2,003
NU	NA	NA	NA	932	1,014	987	970	1,013	1,015	1,104	1,140	1,044	1,144	1,247
CA	371,573	425,332	516,734	593,430	745,925	811,262	837,392	867,194	921,841	986,842	1,201,008	1,350,387	1,506,658	1,490,046

1 Publicly funded kindergarten was part of the regulated child care system in PEI between 2000 and September 2010. For the purpose of comparison with other provinces, part-day kindergarten spaces in child care centres were not included in these space figures, so 2012 figures are not directly comparable to earlier figures.

2 The Nova Scotia figure for regulated spaces does not include 672 spaces in the NS-Before- and After program, under-representing NS spaces.

3 School-age child care in Alberta became regulated for the first time in 2004. For the purpose of comparison with previous years, the 2004, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2010 and 2012 figures include the total number of spaces with and without school-age care. After 2012, the AB figures include school-age spaces.

TABLE 25 Percent of children 0 – 5 years for whom there was a regulated full- or part- time child care centre space. Provinces/territories/Canada (1992 – 2021).

P/T	1992 (%)	1995 (%)	1998 (%)	2001 (%)	2004 (%)	2006 (%)	2008 (%)	2010 (%)	2012 (%)	2014 (%)	2016 (%) ¹	2019 (%)	2021 (%)
NL	7	9	11	12	13	17	17	18	19	19 ²	24	25	20 ³
PE ⁴	30	29	31	38	38	42	41	42	47 ⁴	32	39	41	45
NS	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	25	22	23	24	26	27	25	25
NB	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	12	<i>Not available</i>	18	20	21	31	21	29	35	38
QC	9	9	12	17	22	26	25	29	36	30	38	42	43
ON	12	<i>Not available</i>	12 (est.)	14 (est.)	15	17	20	20	21	23	19	21	21
MB	13	14	15	18	20	20	21	23	21	23	24	25	25
SK	4	4	5	5	7	8	9	11	12	13	14	17	18
AB	18	18	18	18	19	18	17	20	20	20	22	22	26
BC	10	11	12	15	16	17	18	20	24	23	24	27	30
YT	25	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	36	26	28	28	29	28	31	41	49
NT	10	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	19	21	23	23	<i>Not available</i>	26	27	21	22
NU	<i>Not applicable</i>	<i>Not applicable</i>	<i>Not applicable</i>	<i>Not applicable</i>	23	21	20	21	21	23	18	22	25
CA	12	12	13	15	17	19	20	22	23	24	25	27	28

Note: The figures represented here include only full-day and part-day (nursery school/preschool) centre-based care for age 0 – 5. It does not include before- and after-school care. Regulated family child care is not factored into the calculations as breakdowns by age group are not available.

- 1 ON 2016 figures were recalculated from ECEC 2016 to remove kindergarten-age spaces from the 0 – 5 age group, which should have been included in out of school hours child care. The CA 2016 percent in this table reflects the recalculated ON figure.
- 2 Figures for NL were not available in 2014; the 2012 figures were used in this table for 2014.

- 3 Note that the way NL has counted licensed spaces by age group changed in 2021; the number of spaces for 0 – 12 year olds dropped only very slightly (see Table 24) but some spaces were recategorized from preschool-age to school-age, which includes children younger than age six. Thus, the apparent drop in coverage the data in this table shows for 0 – 5 year olds is misleading, not actual.
- 4 PEI introduced publicly funded part-day kindergarten in September 2000 for the first time as part of regulated child care. In 2010 kindergarten moved to the public education system. For the purpose of comparison with other jurisdictions, part-day kindergarten spaces were not included in the totals 2001 – 2010.

TABLE 26 Number of children (rounded estimates in 1000s). Provinces/territories/Canada (1992 – 2021).

Number of children 0 – 5 years

P/T	1992	1995	1998	2001	2003	2005	2007	2009	2012	2014	2016	2019	2021
NL	45	41	34	30	31	29	28	28	30	28	26	25	24
PE	12	11	10	10	8.4	8.0	8.5	8.5	8.6	8.9	8.1	8.6	8.8
NS	74	70	64	61	55	51	49	53	54	50	49	51	48
NB	57	56	51	49	46	44	40	44	44	41	42	40	40
QC	502	565	527	460	443	435	468	455	513	516	504	509	501
ON	848	899	875	844	832	822	812	828	846	868	834	838	849
MB	98	92	87	79	76	77	78	77	89	87	88	91	94
SK	94	85	77	76	69	67	64	71	77	77	81	78	77
AB	250	242	231	233	218	228	246	260	291	308	317	314	308
BC	266	286	289	248	255	233	244	257	268	262	253	252	251
YT	2	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	1.9	2.1	2.2	2.5	2.4	2.7	2.4	2.2
NT	9	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	4.0	3.9	3.7	3.8	3.7	3.6	3.4	3.4
NU ¹	<i>Not applicable</i>	<i>Not applicable</i>	<i>Not applicable</i>	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	2.9	3.1	4.4	4.6	4.5	4.9	4.5	4.2
CA ²	2,257	2,347	2,245	2,090	2,033	2,003	2,047	2,092	2,232	2,257	2,213	2,217	2,210

1 Nunavut was officially created in 1999. Figures were not available until 2005.

2 Canada total figures did not include NT or YT from 1995 – 2004. Totals may not add up due to rounding.

TABLE 26 *continued*. Number of children (rounded estimates in 1000s). Provinces/territories/Canada (1992 – 2021).

Number of children 6 – 12 years													
P/T	1992	1995	1998	2001	2003	2005	2007	2009	2012	2014	2016	2019	2021
NL	63	57	52	46	41	39	37	36	34	37	37	37	34
PE	14	14	14	13	13	12	12	11	11	11	12	12	12
NS	86	86	89	80	77	75	69	65	61	61	64	62	68
NB	72	70	68	63	63	58	56	52	51	50	50	54	55
QC	655	627	646	656	634	604	554	560	560	579	618	647	650
ON	964	1,024	1,098	1,100	1,097	1,097	1,071	1,032	1,047	1,011	1,072	1,108	1,090
MB	111	106	108	107	104	102	97	98	98	98	104	110	116
SK	112	107	106	93	91	81	81	80	84	86	92	99	106
AB	279	289	301	289	298	284	295	299	307	329	364	384	389
BC	312	338	351	353	329	341	324	314	302	309	322	332	358
YT	3	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	2.5	2.4	2.3	2.5	2.6	2.7	3.2	3.6
NT	8	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	4.5	4.0	3.8	4.0	3.8	4.1	4.1	4.0
NU ¹	<i>Not applicable</i>	<i>Not applicable</i>	<i>Not applicable</i>	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	3.0	2.8	4.1	4.4	4.9	4.9	5.5	6.0
CA ²	2,679	2,718	2,833	2,800	2,747	2,703	2,605	2,557	2,566	2,582	2,747	2,858	2,891

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2 Canada total figures did not include NT or YT from 1995 – 2004. Totals may not add up due to rounding.

TABLE 27 Number of children with employed mothers¹ (rounded estimate in 1000s). Provinces/ territories/Canada (1995 – 2021).

Number of children 0 – 5 years² with employed mothers

P/T	1995	1998	2001	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2019	2021
NL	22	19	18	17	16	16	15	17	16	16	15	15
PE	8	8	7	6	7	6	6	6	7	5.4	6.2	6.4
NS	40	38	40	35	32	30	32	34	32	32	33	33
NB	30	31	32	28	26	26	30	27	26	28	28	28
QC	325	325	304	286	358	320	305	356	358	367	377	358
ON	539	546	538	495	530	504	500	524	530	508	519	542
MB	55	54	49	46	49	47	42	49	49	50	52	56
SK	55	47	47	43	50	39	45	47	50	49	52	52
AB	154	138	135	118	137	140	141	160	137	181	186	178
BC	162	168	147	148	161	144	151	151	161	153	167	162
YT	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	0.9	1.7	1.1	1.3	1.5	1.7	1.8	1.8	1.6
NT	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	2.4	2.4	2.6	2.1	2.2	2.4	2.3	2.4	2.2
NU ³	<i>Not applicable</i>	<i>Not applicable</i>	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	1.6	1.7	1.9	1.8	1.6
CA ⁴	1,390	1,374	1,317	1,225	1,370	1,276	1,270	1,376	1,372	1,395	1,441	1,437

1 The term “Mothers in the paid labour force” was used in versions of ECEC in Canada until 2014 when the term “Employed mothers” began to be used. The terms are comparable.

2 Further age breakdowns are available in provincial/territorial chapters in ECEC in Canada 1992 – 2021.

3 Nunavut was officially created in 1999. Figures were not available until 2012.

4 Canada’s total figures did not include NT or YT until 2004. Totals may not add up due to rounding.

TABLE 27 *continued*. Number of children with employed mothers¹ (rounded estimate in 1000s). Provinces/territories/Canada (1995 – 2021).

Number of children 6 – 12 years ² with employed mothers												
P/T	1995	1998	2001	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2019	2021
NL	33	30	31	25	16	23	23	22	24	23	23	22
PE	10	11	10	10	7	8	8	8	8	8.3	8.9	8.5
NS	53	59	57	51	32	47	44	41	42	45	44	47
NB	43	44	45	41	26	39	37	35	34	36	36	39
QC	400	424	469	424	358	395	389	391	418	453	480	476
ON	711	774	787	730	530	725	688	694	671	722	749	722
MB	76	79	79	72	49	67	63	63	62	66	70	75
SK	80	77	66	64	50	57	58	57	61	61	69	72
AB	211	207	206	198	137	202	198	199	238	224	255	243
BC	245	234	241	210	161	215	200	201	203	211	233	245
YT	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.6	1.8	2	2.1	2.2	2.7
NT	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	3.2	2.4	3	2.5	2.8	2.7	2.9	2.9	3.1
NU ³	<i>Not applicable</i>	<i>Not applicable</i>	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	2.2	2.5	2.2	2.5	2.6
CA ⁴	1,862	1,939	1,991	1,830	1,370	1,783	1,712	1,718	1,768	1,857	1,976	1,959

1 The term “Mothers in the paid labour force” was used in versions of ECEC in Canada until 2014 when the term “Employed mothers” began to be used. The terms are comparable.

2 Further age breakdowns are available in provincial/territorial chapters in ECEC in Canada 1992 – 2021.

3 Nunavut was officially created in 1999. Figures were not available until 2012.

4 Canada’s total figures did not include NT or YT until 2004. Totals may not add up due to rounding.

TABLE 28

Workforce participation rate of mothers by age of youngest child (rounded estimates 1000s). Provinces/Canada¹ (1998 – 2021).

P/T	With youngest child 0 – 2 years											With youngest child 0 – 3 years	
	1998 (%)	2001 (%)	2004 (%)	2006 (%)	2008 (%)	2010 (%)	2012 (%)	2014 (%)	2016 (%)	2019 (%)	2020 (%)	2020 (%)	2021 (%)
NL	58	64	71	66	66	68	68	70	68	68	71	76	75
PE	81	77	78	81	78	76	78	85	76	84	80	81	85
NS	63	71	71	76	70	68	74	75	73	74	74	78	79
NB	64	67	70	71	76	76	73	71	70	77	75	78	82
QC	65	67	73	74	74	73	77	77	80	80	78	81	81
ON	65	67	68	69	68	69	71	70	69	70	72	74	76
MB	62	66	68	64	66	62	66	65	67	65	68	71	71
SK	65	65	67	67	69	70	65	71	69	72	70	71	77
AB	64	60	59	63	61	63	60	60	63	66	70	72	69
BC	62	63	67	64	65	66	64	70	68	74	73	73	75
CA	65	67	69	70	69	69	70	71	70	73	73	75	76

Note: In 2020, the way workforce participation of mothers by age of youngest child is calculated for the Labour Force Survey was changed by Statistics Canada. The age groups of youngest child changed from 0 – 2, 3 – 5 and 6 – 15 years, to 0 – 3, 4 – 5 and 6 – 12 years, and only mothers aged 25 years and older are now included. In 2020 data were available for both the previous and new calculations and both are included in the table. In 2021, only the new groupings are included.

1 Comparable figures for mothers' employment rate are not available for the territories.

TABLE 28 *continued*. Workforce participation rate of mothers by age of youngest child (rounded estimates 1000s). Provinces/Canada¹ (1998 – 2021).

P/T	With youngest child 3 – 5 years											With youngest child 4 – 5 years	
	1998 (%)	2001 (%)	2004 (%)	2006 (%)	2008 (%)	2010 (%)	2012 (%)	2014 (%)	2016 (%)	2019 (%)	2020 (%)	2020 (%)	2021 (%)
NL	63	66	67	71	74	73	78	69	79	76	86	88	80
PE	83	79	82	84	85	83	82	85	76	81	78	78	87
NS	70	72	77	77	78	83	77	78	84	79	82	83	81
NB	69	74	75	80	77	81	80	81	84	82	86	85	83
QC	67	75	77	79	80	78	81	82	81	84	86	86	86
ON	72	74	74	76	79	75	75	77	77	75	75	75	77
MB	76	75	77	76	76	71	74	74	75	75	73	81	81
SK	73	74	77	77	77	77	80	76	76	82	78	79	86
AB	71	71	71	69	73	70	73	72	73	76	73	74	68
BC	67	69	74	76	71	75	75	76	74	78	73	76	76
CA	71	73	75	77	77	77	78	77	78	79	78	78	79

Note: In 2020, the way workforce participation of mothers by age of youngest child is calculated for the Labour Force Survey was changed by Statistics Canada. The age groups of youngest child changed from 0 – 2, 3 – 5 and 6 – 15 years, to 0 – 3, 4 – 5 and 6 – 12 years, and only mothers aged 25 years and older are now included. In 2020 data were available for both the previous and new calculations and both are included in the table. In 2021, only the new groupings are included.

1 Comparable figures for mothers' employment rate are not available for the territories.

TABLE 28 *continued*. Workforce participation rate of mothers by age of youngest child (rounded estimates 1000s). Provinces/Canada (1998 – 2021).

P/T	With youngest child 6 – 15 years											With youngest child 6 – 12 years	
	1998 (%)	2001 (%)	2004 (%)	2006 (%)	2008 (%)	2010 (%)	2012 (%)	2014 (%)	2016 (%)	2019 (%)	2020 (%)	2020 (%)	2021 (%)
NL	64	74	78	77	80	83	83	81	83	82	84	83	80
PE	83	85	87	87	86	88	88	88	84	87	88	91	86
NS	73	78	81	82	83	84	86	86	85	86	85	86	87
NB	74	79	79	82	83	84	84	86	86	86	83	83	89
QC	75	79	83	83	85	86	86	86	87	89	87	87	87
ON	79	82	83	84	84	83	83	81	82	83	81	79	82
MB	83	86	86	85	88	86	85	82	84	84	82	81	85
SK	84	82	86	87	87	89	85	84	85	86	86	84	85
AB	84	84	86	81	84	86	84	79	82	85	84	83	84
BC	77	77	79	79	81	80	82	80	81	84	84	84	83
CA	78	81	83	83	84	85	85	83	84	85	84	83	84

Note: In 2020, the way workforce participation of mothers by age of youngest child is calculated for the Labour Force Survey was changed by Statistics Canada. The age groups of youngest child changed from 0 – 2, 3 – 5 and 6 – 15 years, to 0 – 3, 4 – 5 and 6 – 12 years, and only mothers aged 25 years and older are now included. In 2020 data were available for both the previous and new calculations and both are included in the table. In 2021, only the new groupings are included.

1 Comparable figures for mothers' employment rate are not available for the territories.

TABLE 29 Total number of regulated child care centres. Provinces/territories/Canada (2004 – 2021).

P/T	2004	2006	2007	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2019	2021
NL	151	165	167	172	172	192	192	205	189	186
PE	142	131	136	144	143	102	115	119	144	150
NS	382	383	386	380	409	332	390	363	359	304
NB	357	361	384	415	491	542	605	627	673	697
QC	996	1,918	1,986	2,020	2,215	2,612	2,997	3,249	3,563	3,578
ON	3,874	4,175	4,480	4,582	4,803	4,922	4,361	5,276	5,523	5,506
MB	567	574	583	595	635	640	666	689	713	718
SK	153	173	179	187	222	259	282	310	335	346
AB	1,701	1,681	1,699	1,739	1,974	2,178	2,276	2,402	2,789	2,120 (est.)
BC ¹	3,133	2,933	3,095	3,280	2,792	2,864	2,963	2,932	3,099	3,283
YT	37	41	34	32	39	35	36	36	40	49
NT	49	51	67	67	59	59	56	64	62	68
NU	46	45	43	45	47	52	54	48	53	60
CA	11,588	12,631	13,239	13,658	14,001	14,789	14,993	16,320	17,542	17,065

Note: Included in child care centres are all regulated centre-based facilities—full-day, part-day and before- and after-school child care but not family child care.

1 In BC, the number of centres is less than the sum of individual program categories as facilities may be licensed for more than one type of program. The total number of centres reported in 2004 – 2008 was the sum of the individual program categories and is not comparable to the 2010 – 2021 numbers.

TABLE 30

Total number of active regulated family child care homes. Provinces/territories/Canada (2004 – 2021).

P/T	2004	2006	2007	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2019	2021
NL	35	34	61	67	77	104	104	155	119	110
PE	6	6	5	5	4	4	2	1	3	4
NS	34	32	37	37	94	158	224	235	281	168
NB	25	45	47	55	87	120	151	188	177	145
QC	13,000	13,776	14,431	15,123	15,304	15,448	15,514	14,687	12,661	9,884
ON	7,765	7,716	7,524	7,822	7,071	6,142	5,765	3,765	3,918	3,210
MB	591	588	551	518	468	420	426	425	448	443
SK	291	290	276	275	269	245	243	226	238	242
AB ¹	1,741	2,694	2,694	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	2,781	2,042	1,999	1,892	1,801
BC	2,525	2,067	2,097	2,125	2,254	2,213	2,071	1,700	1,700	1,755
YT	43	41	39	32	35	30	30	23	23	22
NT	32	44	43	50	49	49	50	40	51	51
NU	<i>Not applicable</i>	<i>Not applicable</i>	<i>Not applicable</i>	<i>Not applicable</i>	<i>Not applicable</i>	1	1	1	2	5
CA	26,088	27,333	27,805	26,109	25,712	27,715	26,623	23,445	21,513	17,840

1 Alberta provided the number of agencies in 2018 and 2010 but not the number of providers.

TABLE 31

Total funding for regulated child care (unadjusted dollars, rounded in millions). Provinces/territories/Canada (1992 – 2021).

P/T	1992 (\$)	1995 (\$)	1998 (\$)	2001 (\$)	2003 – 2004 (\$)	2005 – 2006 (\$)	2007 – 2008 (\$)	2009 – 2010 (\$)	2011 – 2012 (\$)	2013 – 2014 (\$)	2015 – 2016 (\$)	2018 – 2019 (\$)	2020 – 2021 (\$)
NL	1.7	3.0	3.3	7.8	9.6	12.3	19.8	20.5	21.2	21.2 ¹	39.3	47.7	60.9
PE ²	2.8	1.7	2.6	4.2	4.7	4.7	6.2	6.4	12.5	12.1	11.8	19.1	32.1
NS	11.4	11.8	15.7	12.9	19.8	23.7	37.2	39.0	43.2	46.2	42.9	64.7	76.2
NB	3.7	3.2	5.5	11.8	13.9	22.5	26.2	28.9	35.0	38.7	42.2	71.7	90.8
QC	140.7	203.7	299.9	1,092.4	1,560.0	1,678.9	1,730.6	1,998.7 ³	1,998.7	2,485.4	2,559.1	2,653.8	3,066.6
ON	420.1	541.8	470.5	451.5	497.4	534.1	780.4	801.8	865.1	960.1	1,169.8	1,894.3	1,839.3
MB	42.2	45.2	45.2	62.9	73.0	86.3	106.0	116.6	134.4	139.4	156.6	174.0	175.4
SK	12.3	12.7	15.8	16.4	19.6	22.8	47.1	53.7	62.7	64.8	64.5	84.5	90.4
AB	66.6	67.6	54.3	57.5	53.6	72.5	105.7	190.6	257.6	263.1	263.8	351.1	281.3
BC	55.8	98.7	128.9	164.6	140.7	176.1	216.7	227.5	227.2	227.4	231.4	498.0	791.1
YT	2.4	4.2	4.8	4.4	5.2	5.4	6.4	7.4	7.7	7.7	6.3	9.5	12.3
NT	2.3	1.7	2.3	1.6	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5 ⁴	4.5	4.5	6.9	10.0
NU ⁵	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	1.9	1.8	2.3	2.5	2.8	3.0	2.6	3.7	5.2	8.0
CA	762.0	995.3	1,048.6	1,889.8	2,401.9	2,940.1	3,087.4	3,496.5	3,670.7	4,273.4	4,595.9	5,880.5	6,534.4

Note: Due to the impact of COVID-19, the amounts for 2020 – 2021 are not comparable to previous years and should not be used that way. The figures in the 2020 – 2021 column represent each jurisdiction's spending for regulated child care plus its share of Safe Restart (federal) child care funding. Beginning in March 2020, programs were ordered closed by public health authorities for approximately six months and experienced low enrolment for the rest of the year. The provinces/territories (P/T) took varying approaches to child care funding during this time. Each jurisdiction also received unprecedented one-time earmarked federal Safe Restart funds (totalling \$625 million) for child care in that year. Further details can be found in the Funding section in each P/T's section in this report.

- 1 Figures for NL were not available in 2014; the 2011 – 2012 figures were used instead.
- 2 Between 2000 and September 2010, PEI's kindergartens were part of the child care system. For the purpose of comparison with other jurisdictions, these figures do not include PEI's funding on part-day kindergarten between 2000 and 2010.
- 3 This figure includes funding for before-and after-school care for 2007 – 2008, as information was not available for this 2009 – 2010.
- 4 Figures for the NWT were not available in 2012; their 2010 figures were used instead.
- 5 This information is not applicable for NU before 1999 when it became a territory separate from the NWT.

TABLE 32 Percent of regulated part- and full-day centre spaces for 0 – 12 year olds that were for-profit. Provinces/territories/Canada (1992 – 2021).

P/T	1992 (%)	1995 (%)	1998 (%)	2001 (%)	2004 (%)	2006 (%)	2008 (%)	2010 (%)	2012 (%)	2014 (%)	2016 (%)	2019 (%)	2021 (%)
NL	78	66	61	64	73	69	70	72	65	65	72	70	70
PE ¹	35	32	42	46	70	56	58	58	80	64	59	65	63
NS	40	40	43	43	45	46	50	52	53	55	55	56	55
NB ²	43	40	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	70	64	67	62	62	63	62	65	66
QC	18	18	14	14	12	13	14	17	22	19	20	20	21
ON	24	20	17	17	22	23	24	25	25	24	22	21	21
MB	10	12	13	8	8	6	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
SK	6	2	1	1	0	0.6	0	0	0.5	0.6	2	2	2
AB	65	62	59	56	54	49	51	50	51	53	58	59	66
BC	39	39	40	42	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	42	43	44	47	49	53	54
YT	14	25	26	27	26	31	36	44	64	61	58	70	73
NT	18	8	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NU	<i>Not available</i>	<i>Not available</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CA ³	30	28	24	23	20	21	25	28	29	26	27	28	29

1 For the purpose of comparison with other jurisdictions where kindergarten is in the public education system, PEI's 2004 – 2010 figures did not include part-day kindergarten. As of September 2010, kindergarten in PEI moved to the public education system.

2 New Brunswick's 2006 – 2016 percentage estimates were provided by provincial officials.

3 Canada-wide percentages for 2004 and 2006 did not include British Columbia or New Brunswick, which had substantial for-profit child care sectors.

TABLE 33

Funding under Multilateral Agreements. Provinces/territories/Canada (2017 – 2025) (\$).

P/T	2017 – 2018	2018 – 2019	2019 – 2020	2020 – 2021	2021 – 2022	2022 – 2023	2023 – 2024	2024 – 2025
NL	7,383,089	7,378,451	7,378,451	7,180,110	7,128,923	8,846,131	9,416,244	9,416,244
PE	3,519,129	3,517,820	3,517,820	3,558,844	3,568,090	4,093,100	4,267,403	4,267,403
NS	11,818,026	11,809,566	11,809,566	11,648,183	11,620,738	14,841,843	15,911,250	15,911,250
NB	9,941,829	9,934,985	9,935,985	9,715,676	9,676,896	12,247,187	13,100,523	13,100,523
QC ¹	87,447,014	87,373,383	87,373,383	86,275,188	86,275,188 (est.)	114,491,242 (est.)	123,858,971 (est.)	123,858,971 (est.)
ON ²	144,960,100	144,836,900	144,836,900	146,679,300	146,000,000 (approx.)	Not available	Not available	211,000,000 (approx.)
MB	15,621,272	15,609,534	15,609,534	15,609,534	15,549,308	20,085,732	21,591,824	21,591,824
SK	13,848,167	13,837,957	13,837,957	13,665,105	13,578,873	17,455,579	18,742,645	18,742,645
AB	45,630,673	45,593,076	45,593,076	45,417,207	45,438,676	59,982,316	64,810,804	64,810,804
BC	51,036,249	50,993,994	50,993,994	52,370,013	52,568,988	69,499,917	75,120,986	75,120,986
YT	2,391,493	2,391,156	2,391,156	2,405,774	2,413,101	2,551,411	2,597,330	2,597,330
NT	2,453,191	2,452,801	2,452,801	2,445,225	2,443,643	2,592,178	2,641,492	2,641,492
NU	2,382,092	2,381,762	2,381,762	2,385,174	2,389,588	2,516,020	2,558,992	2,558,992
CA	399,669,692	399,347,695	399,347,695	399,347,694	399,347,694	524,347,694	565,847,694	565,847,694

Source: [Government of Canada website](#).

1 Quebec has signed an asymmetrical agreement with the federal government recognizing that Quebec's early learning and child care is under the exclusive jurisdiction of Quebec.

2 Canada and Ontario have renewed the ELCC agreement for the 2021 – 2025 period. Ontario figures for 2021 – 2022 are not available in the Government of Canada information. The source for the approximate figures included here from 2021 – 2025 is the [Ontario Annual Report 2022](#).

TABLE 34

**Funding under Canada-Wide Early Learning and Child Care Agreements.
Provinces/territories/Canada (2021 – 2026) (\$).**

P/T	2021 – 2022	2022 – 2023	2023 – 2024	2024 – 2025	2025 – 2026
NL	35,317,985	52,572,848	63,093,320	71,824,666	83,234,583
PE	13,651,009	19,759,696	23,960,291	27,667,255	32,679,018
NS	67,968,537	100,946,877	123,458,100	143,474,017	169,078,220
NB	55,832,325	82,426,051	100,457,038	116,347,013	136,814,840
QC ¹	660,445,535	991,722,477	1,216,997,313	1,418,564,861	1,675,806,897
ON	1,099,118,364	1,681,475,235	2,081,462,593	2,449,269,375	2,923,564,333
MB	129,314,235	197,356,654	244,395,815	287,259,304	342,349,858
SK	114,410,468	179,850,668	223,996,682	264,633,193	316,567,960
AB	402,795,729	625,027,043	773,940,643	909,842,298	1,085,559,873
BC	349,179,732	530,900,655	654,355,932	766,543,594	910,703,873
YT	5,523,308	7,243,339	8,452,787	9,542,037	10,930,043
NT	6,391,977	8,765,598	10,326,177	11,853,306	13,810,702
NU	8,133,228	11,302,698	13,448,493	15,381,033	17,843,624
CA	2,948,082,432	4,489,349,839	5,538,345,184	6,492,201,952	7,718,943,824

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TABLE 35

**Median monthly parent fees for preschool-age children in Canada's large cities¹.
Provinces/territories/Canada (2014 – 2021).**

P/T	City	Type of fee	2014 (\$)	2016 (\$)	2017(\$)	2018 (\$)	2019 (\$)	2021 (\$)
NL	St. John's	Set fee	868	890	868	760	660	543
		Market fee	-	-	-	-	955	1,335
PE	Charlottetown	Set fee	-	586	586	586	586	586
		Market fee	-	-	-	590	-	-
NS	Halifax	Market fee	781	803	823	867	861	880
NB	Saint John	Market fee	-	681	694	694	664	738
	Moncton		-	-	-	-	722	759
	Fredericton		-	-	-	-	690	735
QC	Gatineau	Set fee	152	179	183	190	179	189
		Market fee	-	-	-	911	933	977
	Laval	Set fee	152	179	183	190	179	189
		Market fee	-	-	-	803	825	868
	Montreal	Set fee	152	164	168	175	179	189
		Market fee	-	-	-	781	825	846
	Longueuil	Set fee	152	179	183	190	179	189
		Market fee	-	-	-	825	846	933
	Quebec City	Set fee	152	179	183	190	179	189
		Market fee	-	-	-	955	982	1,085
ON	Windsor	Market fee	749	749	781	781	662	792
	London		911	977	1,010	1,044	1,055	1,085
	Kitchener		846	1,031	975	1,019	1,020	1,072
	Hamilton		807	900	931	977	825	1,023
	Brampton		977	955	1,050	1,146	955	1,150
	Mississauga		977	986	1,052	1,127	1,042	1,194
	Oakville		-	-	-	-	1,210	1,248
	Richmond Hill		-	-	-	-	1,100	1,200
	Vaughan		-	1,005	1,031	1,085	1,120	1,199
	Toronto		998	1,150	1,212	1,150	1,207	1,300
	Markham		-	996	1,017	1,078	1,180	1,200
Ottawa		949	990	1,009	1,007	1,010	1,031	
MB	Winnipeg	Set fee	451	451	451	451	451	451
		Market fee	-	-	1,400	982	963	875
SK	Saskatoon	Market fee	645	695	710	730	740	755
	Regina		-	570	575	597	620	625
AB	Calgary	Market fee	924	1,010	1,000	1,015	1,075	1,150
	Edmonton		746	825	885	835	875	1,025
	Lethbridge		-	-	-	-	830	865
BC	Vancouver	Market fee	870	950	950	1,000	954	1,015
	Richmond		-	875	980	975	955	1,275
	Burnaby		755	850	840	900	850	890
	Surrey		868	750	800	850	850	925
	Kelowna		-	-	-	-	810	900
YT	Whitehorse	Market fee	-	-	-	-	835	195
NT	Yellowknife	Market fee	-	-	-	-	890	930
NU	Iqaluit	Market fee	-	-	-	-	1,213	1,194

Note: Data collection began in different years in different jurisdictions. As well, market fees were not collected separately until 2017. Hence, data may be missing.

1 Most jurisdictions did not have set fees. In four provinces, at least half the child care spaces were at a provincially set fee in 2021: NL, PE, QC, MB.