

	2018	2024
QUALITY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Estimated Early Childhood Educator (ECE) workforce: 11,000 » \$1 per hour ECE wage enhancement to over 7,600 ECEs per month » Median ECE wage: \$20 per hour with wage enhancement » The ECE Education Support Fund enhanced & expanded in partnership with ECEBC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Over 16,000 Early Childhood Educators (ECE) workforce » Up to \$6 per hour ECE wage enhancement to over 14,800 ECEs per month » Median ECE wage: \$29 per hour with wage enhancement » Prioritizing ECEs and ECE Assistants under the Provincial Nominee Program » More than \$44 million in the ECE Education Support Fund, has provided bursaries to support over 10,800 students
AFFORDABILITY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Introduced fee reductions of up to \$350 a month per child, for children birth to kindergarten » Launched \$10 a Day ChildCareBC program with 50+ sites supporting 2,500 spaces » Introduced fee increase oversight for providers participating in fee reduction programs for children birth to kindergarten » Introduced the Affordable Child Care Benefit, providing income tested supports for families earning up to \$111,000 a year 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Increased fee reductions, now up to \$900 a month per child, for children birth to kindergarten » Extended fee reduction eligibility to children in licensed preschool programs and out of school care » Increased operational funding for participating providers up to \$96 per month per space to support monthly operating costs » Over 15,000 \$10 a Day ChildCareBC program spaces » Continue to provide Affordable Child Care Benefit for low- and middle-income families and introduce new eligibility for families' child care arranged by an Indigenous authority » Eliminated waitlist fees for families
ACCESSIBILITY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » 114,600 spaces at 4,600 facilities receiving child care funding » Over 31,000 child care spaces on school grounds 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Over 156,700 spaces at 5,700 facilities receiving child care funding » Over 39,000 new licensed child care spaces funded through accelerated space creation programs, with 21,000 of these spaces operational and 18,000 underway » Over 44,000 child care spaces on school grounds
INDIGENOUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » No provincially-funded, full-day Aboriginal Head Start (AHS) child care programs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Over 2,100 federally and provincially funded AHS spaces, providing culturally relevant child care at no cost to Indigenous families
INCLUSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » 6,000 children per month receiving support through the Aboriginal Supported Child Development and Supported Child Development programs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » 8,900 children per month receiving support through the Aboriginal Supported Child Development and Supported Child Development programs
INVESTMENTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Provincial: \$474 million¹ » Federal: \$51 million » Total: \$525 million <p>Note: Provincial investments include the Ministries of Education and Child Care, Children and Family Development, Post-Secondary Education and Future Skills and Health. Federal investments include funding through the Bi-lateral ELCC and CW-ELCC agreements. Data as per 2024-25 Estimates.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Provincial: \$925 million » Federal: \$822 million » Total: \$1.7 billion » Increase of \$1.2 billion since 2018-19 » Six year cumulative total: \$6 billion

AFFORDABLE CHILD CARE BENEFIT

» www.gov.bc.ca/affordablechildcarebenefit

CHILD CARE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

» www.gov.bc.ca/childcarecommunitydevelopment

CHILD CARE FEE REDUCTION INITIATIVE

» www.gov.bc.ca/childcare/optin

CHILD CARE OPERATING FUNDING

» www.gov.bc.ca/childcareoperatingfunding

CHILD CARE RESOURCE AND REFERRAL CENTRES

» www.gov.bc.ca/ChildCareResourceReferralCentres

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATOR REGISTRY

» www.gov.bc.ca/earlychildhoodeducator

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATOR - WAGE ENHANCEMENT

» www.gov.bc.ca/childcare/wage-enhancement

MAINTENANCE FUND

» www.gov.bc.ca/ccmaintenancefund

NEW SPACES FUND

» www.gov.bc.ca/childcare/newspacesfund

START-UP GRANTS (HOME BASED FACILITIES)

» www.gov.bc.ca/childcare/startupgrants

\$10 A DAY CHILDCAREBC CENTRES

» www.gov.bc.ca/10adaychildcare

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