

	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 15,500 Early Childhood Educators (ECE) workforce » Up to \$6 per hour ECE wage enhancement to 14,500 ECEs per month » Median ECE wage: \$29 per hour with wage enhancement » Prioritizing ECEs and ECE Assistants under the Provincial Nominee Program » More than \$27 million in the ECE Education Support Fund, has provided bursaries to support nearly 9,800 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"> » Reduced fees by up to \$900 per month, for children birth to kindergarten » Extended eligibility for fee reductions to children in licensed preschool programs and Grades 1 and above » Over 15,000 \$10 a Day ChildCareBC program spaces » To support providers and help lift up the sector, participating providers receive up to \$96 per month per enrolled space in provider payments » Continue to provide Affordable Child Care Benefit for low- and middle-income families » Eliminated waitlist fees for families, to better support affordability
ACCESSIBILITY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » 114,600 spaces at 3,600 facilities receiving child care funding 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » 154,000 spaces at 5,600 facilities receiving child care funding » Over 39,000 new licensed child care spaces funded through accelerated space creation programs, with 20,000 of these spaces operational and 19,000 underway
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 1,760 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"> » 7,700 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. Financial data as per Fiscal Year 2024-2025 and data per 2023-24 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 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

YOUNG PARENT PROGRAM

» <https://tinyurl.com/2u9rr9bp>