

The Early Childhood Education Report 2020

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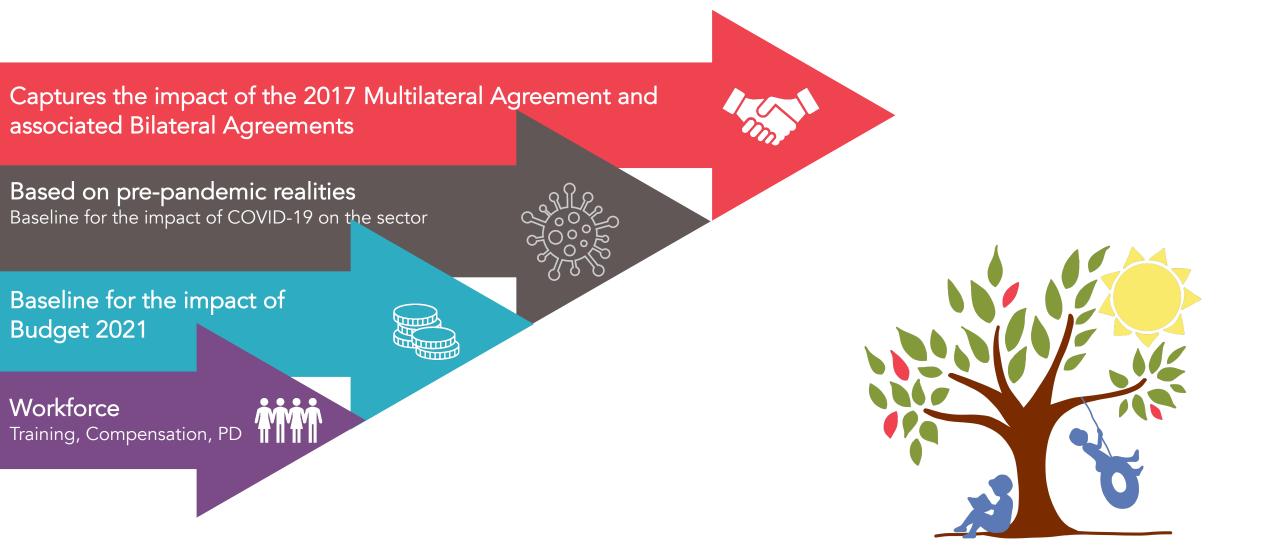
The Early Childhood Education Report 2020 is the 4th assessment of provincial and territorial frameworks for early childhood education and care services (ECEC) in Canada.



EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION REPORT BENCHMARKS OF QUALITY

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GOVERNANCE	PTS	FUNDING	PTS	ACCESS	PTS	LEARNING ENVIRONMENT	PTS	ACCOUNTABILITY	PTS	5 CATEGORIES
ECEC under common department/ministry	.5	At least ² /3 of child care funding goes to program operations	1	Full-day Kindergarten	1	ECEC curriculum framework	.25	Current and posted annual progress reports	1	
ECEC supervisory unit	.5	Managed salary and fee scale in licensed child care	1	50% of 2- to 4-year- olds regularly attend an ECEC program	1	ECEC curriculum framework use is mandatory	.25	Facilities standards for ECEC programs include Kindergarten	1	
Common ECEC policy framework	1	At least 3% of overall budget devoted to ECEC	1	Funding conditional on including children with special needs	1	Alignment of ECEC programs with Kindergarten	.5	Population measures for preschool collected and reported	1	
Common local authority for ECEC administration and delivery	1		¥		¥	At least ² /3 of staff in programs for 2- to 4-year-olds are qualified	.5		¥	21 BENCHMARKS
	¥					Kindergarten educators require ECEC qualifications	.5			IMARKS
						Salaries of ECEs at least 2/3 of teachers	.5			
						ECE professional recognition required	.25			
						ECE professional development required	.25			
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	3	+	3	+	3	+	3	+	3	15 POINTS

The ECER 2020









PERCENT OF CHILDREN ATTENDING SCHOOL-OPERATED EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAMS



a NL and PE's plans for Prekindergarten were put on hold due to pandemic

b NS Pre-Primary enrolment was 75% in 2021

c QC committed to full-day Prekindergarten by 2023

d SK population and Prekindergarten enrolment figures include 3- and 4-year-old children

e YT to begin full-day Early Kindergarten for 4-year-old children in 2021 school year.



CHANGE IN THE NUMBER OF CHILD CARE SPACES (0 TO 5 YEARS) BY PROVINCE/TERRITORY 2017 • 2020



Includes centre-based, family and licensed child care for Kindergarten-age children.

AB°

a NT transfer of 4-year-olds into Junior Kindergarten

MB

- b NS transfer of 4-year-olds into pre-primary programs
- c AB does not include children 2.8 to <5 years old enrolled in ECS programs provided under Alberta Education.

BC

ON



+1,714

SK

+24,537

QC

PERCENT OF 2- TO 4-YEAR-OLDS REGULARLY ATTENDING A GROUP EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAM BY PROVINCE/TERRITORY 2017 • 2020



Numbers do not include children attending family day care. SK 2020 does not include children attending private/unregulated preschool.



JURISDICTIONS WHERE PUBLIC FUNDING FOR CHILD CARE IS CONDITIONAL ON INCLUDING CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS





PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND Early Years Centres only



MANITOBA In all publicly funded child care programs





Funding





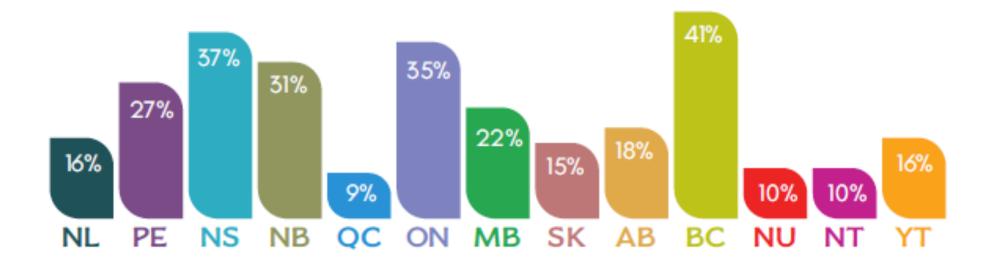
CHANGE IN TOTAL ECEC SPENDING 2011 • 2014 • 2017 • 2020



Percent reflects change in spending from previous ECER edition.

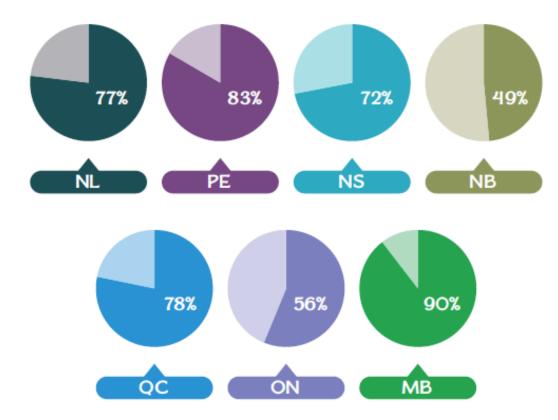


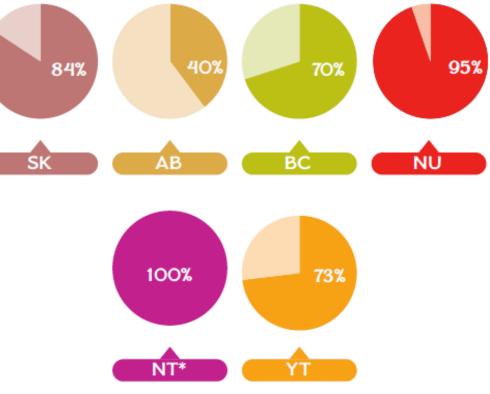
PERCENT INCREASE IN ECEC SPENDING BY PROVINCE/ TERRITORY FROM 2017 TO 2020





LICENSED CHILD CARE PROGRAM FUNDING VERSUS FEE SUBSIDY SPENDING

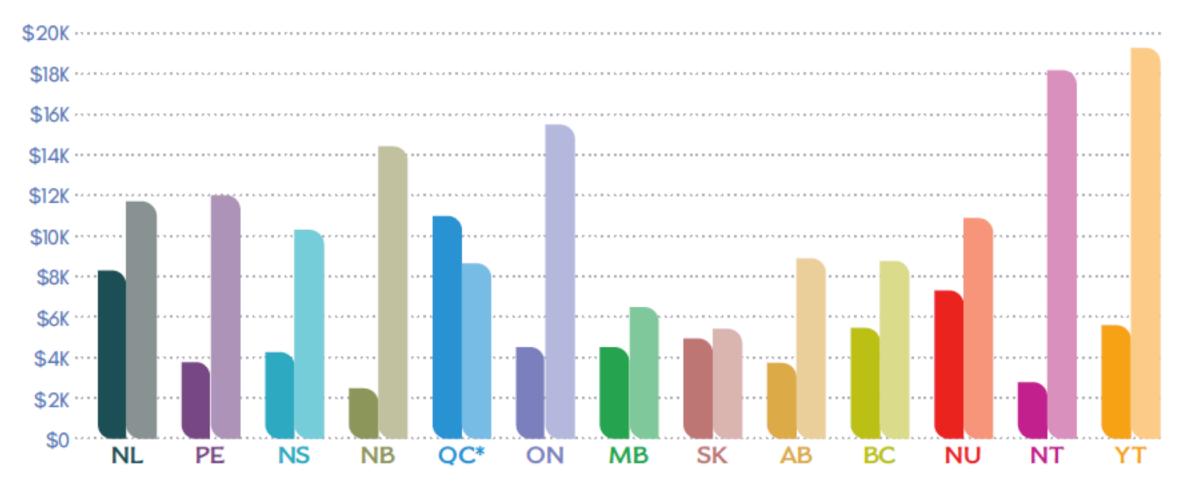




*All child care funding in NT goes to programming.



OPERATING EXPENDITURES PER CHILD CARE SPACE AND PER CHILD IN SCHOOL PROGRAMS



Calculation based on most recent available enrolment figures.

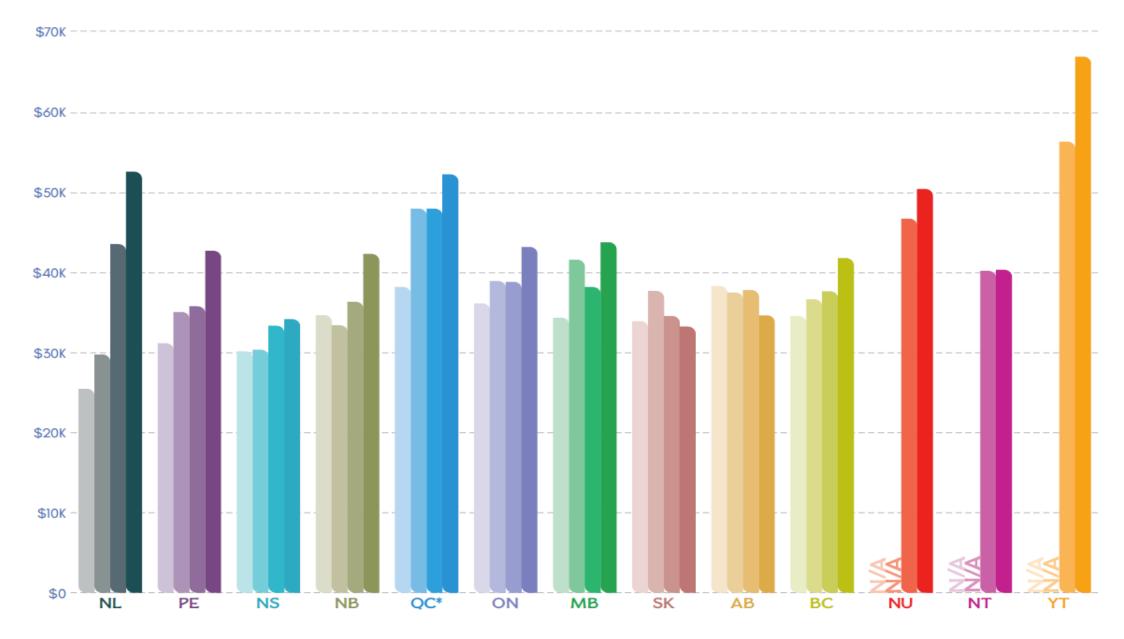
*QC does not include school-age child care. Funding only reflects spending on spaces for children 0 to <5.



Workforce



CHANGE IN ECE SALARIES 2011 • 2014 • 2017 • 2020



Reflects top salaries for qualified ECEs.

ECE SALARIES AS A PERCENT OF TEACHER SALARIES 2011 • 2014 • 2017 • 2020





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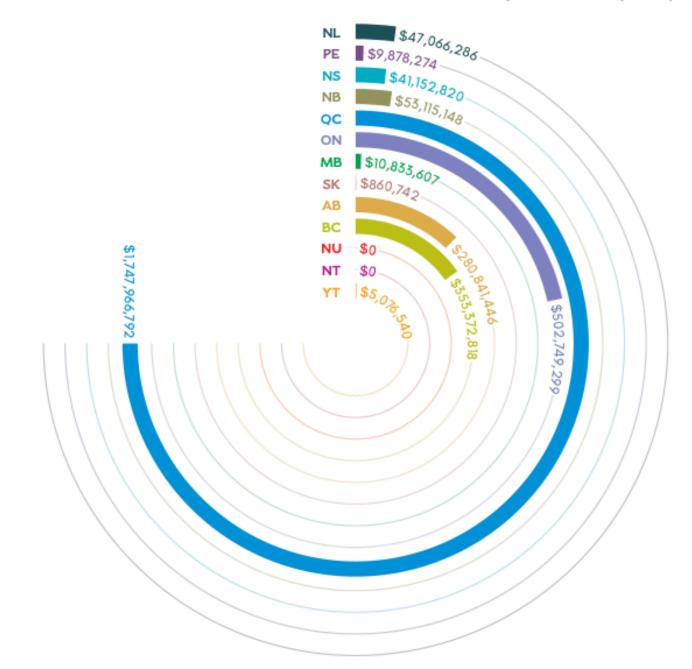


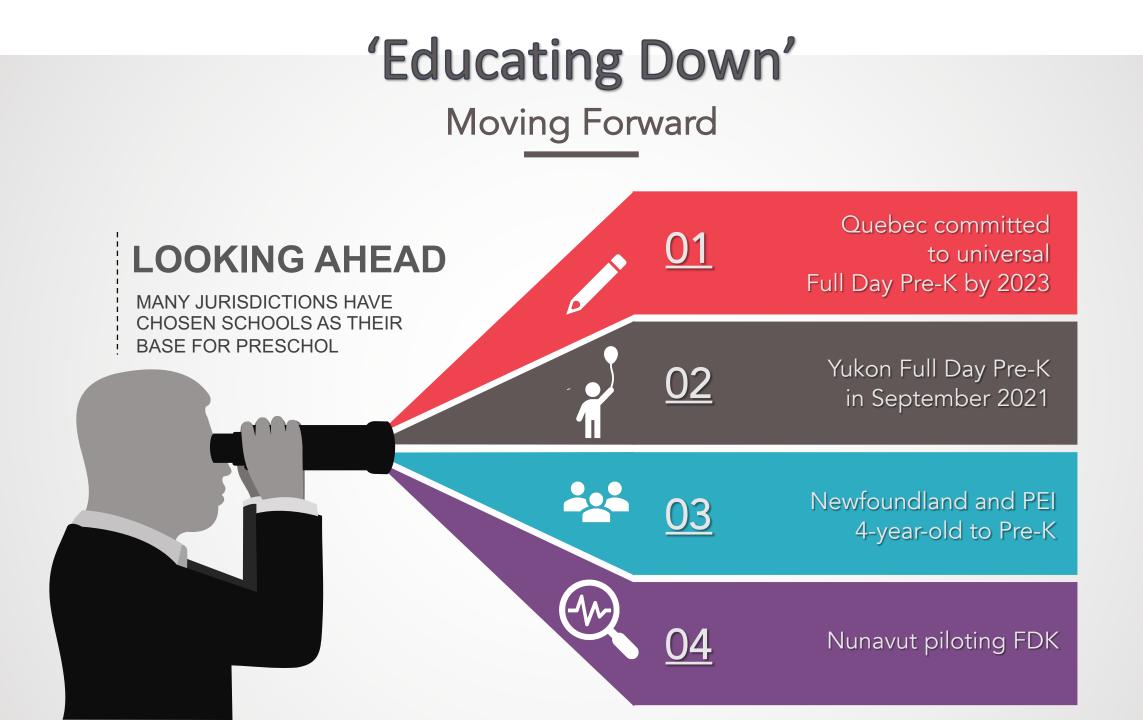
PERCENT OF FOR-PROFIT VS NON-PROFIT CHILD CARE BY PROVINCE/TERRITORY (0 TO 12 YEARS OF AGE) 2011 • 2014 • 2017 • 2020

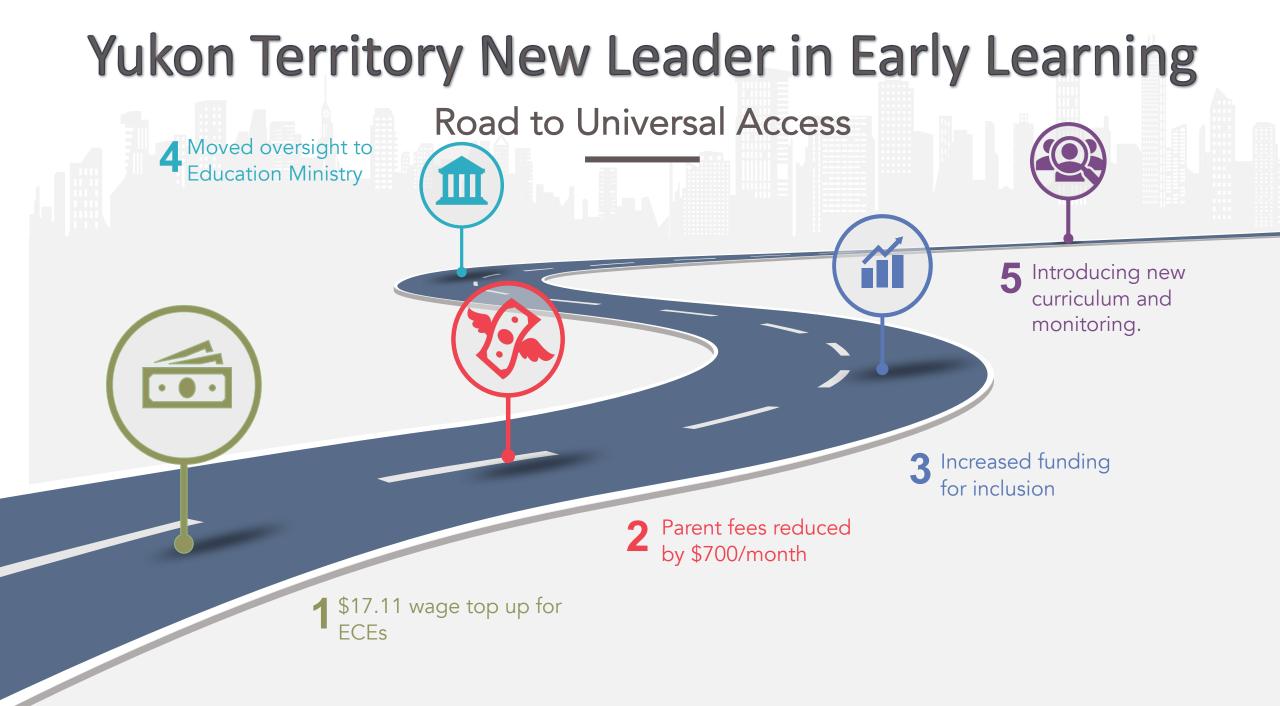


SK, NU, and NT do not fund for-profit child care programs. QC figures do not include school-aged child care.

SPENDING ON FOR-PROFIT CHILD CARE BY PROVINCE/TERRITORY (2020)

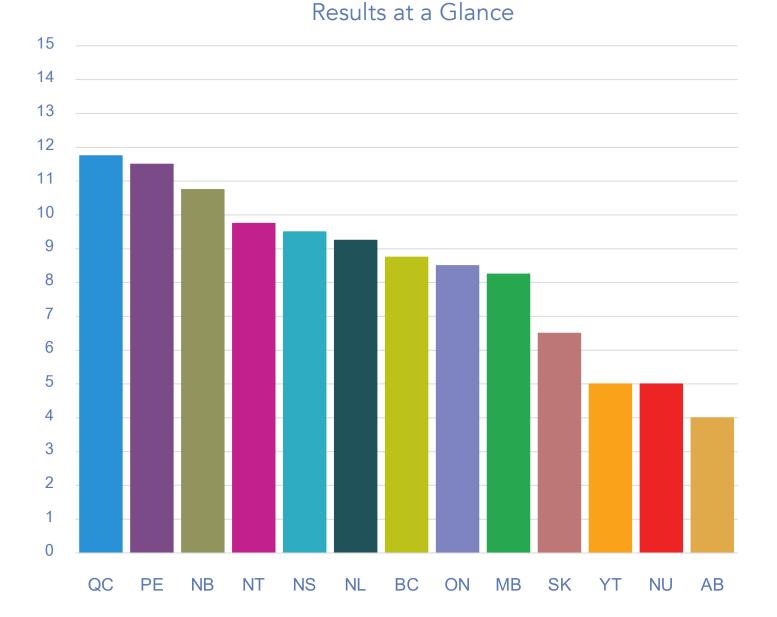






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