

TABLE 24 Federal expenditure on maternity and parental leave benefits in 2000/01, 2001/02, 2002/03¹

Type of Benefit	2000/01	2001/02	2002/03 ²
Maternity	\$752,000,000	\$848,000,000	\$845,000,000
Parental	\$502,000,000	\$1,311,000,000	\$1,880,000,000
Total	\$1,254,000,000	\$2,159,000,000	\$2,725,000,000

Source: Government of Canada. (2005) *Early childhood development activities and expenditures/early learning and child care activities and expenditures*. Ottawa, ON: Author.

1 Table figures have been revised from *ECEC in Canada 2001*, to reflect the most current available data.

2 2002/03 expenditure amounts are the most current actual spending figures. The estimates for 2003/04 are \$909,000,000 for maternity benefits and \$2,015,000,000 for parental benefits.

TABLE 25 Regulated child care spaces by province/territory – 1992, 1995, 1998, 2001, 2004

Province/Territory	1992	1995	1998	2001	2004
Newfoundland & Labrador	3,568	4,202	4,275	4,226	4,921
Prince Edward Island ¹	4,123	3,888	3,717	4,270	4,100
Nova Scotia	10,826	10,645	11,163	11,464	12,759
New Brunswick	7,162	7,952	9,204	11,086	11,897
Quebec ²	78,388	111,452	175,002	234,905	321,732
Ontario	145,545	147,853	167,090 ³	173,135 ³	206,743 ³
Manitoba	18,977	18,846	20,490	23,022	25,634
Saskatchewan	6,418	7,266	7,124	7,166	7,910
Alberta	51,656	51,088	47,033	47,693	47,959 (65,726) ⁴
British Columbia	42,927	59,794	68,978	72,949	80,230
Northwest Territories	963	1,286	1,351	1,234	1,219
Nunavut	n/a	n/a	n/a	932	1,014
Yukon Territory	1,020	1,060	1,307	1,348	1,369
Canada	371,573	425,332	516,734	593,430	745,254

1 Kindergarten was introduced in Prince Edward Island in 2000. It is now part of the regulated child care system.

2 Quebec's figures include school-age spaces which are under the Ministry of Education

3 Ontario's figures for total regulated spaces may not be comparable from year to year. In some years, ON was not able to determine whether regulated family child care spaces were or were not included in total regulated spaces.

4 School-age child care in Alberta became regulated for the first time in 2004. For purposes of comparison with previous years, the 2003/04 figure for Alberta uses the number of spaces without school-age care; the figure including school-age care appears in brackets. However, the figure including school-age care has been used in calculating this table's totals.