

TABLE 26

Total regulated child care spaces by province/territory – 1992, 1995, 1998, 2001, 2004, 2006

Province/Territory	1992	1995	1998	2001	2004	2005
Newfoundland & Labrador	3,568	4,202	4,275	4,226	4,921	5,642
Prince Edward Island ¹	4,123	3,888	3,717	4,270	4,100	4,051
Nova Scotia	10,826	10,645	11,163	11,464	12,759	12,982
New Brunswick	7,162	7,952	9,204	11,086	11,897	13,163
Quebec ²	78,388	111,452	175,002	234,905	321,732	361,533
Ontario	145,545	147,853	167,090 ³	173,135 ³	206,743 ³	229,875
Manitoba	18,977	18,846	20,490	23,022	25,634	25,984
Saskatchewan	6,418	7,266	7,124	7,166	7,910	8,712
Alberta	51,656	51,088	47,033	47,693	63,351 (46,238) ⁴	66,288 (47,587) ⁴
British Columbia	42,927	59,794	68,978	72,949	80,230	79,190
Northwest Territories	963	1,286	1,351	1,234	1,219	1,525
Nunavut	n/a	n/a	n/a	932	1,014	987
Yukon Territory	1,020	1,060	1,307	1,348	1,369	1,330
Canada	371,573	425,332	516,734	593,430	745,925	811,262

1 Kindergarten was introduced in Prince Edward Island in 2000. It is now part of the regulated child care system. For the purpose of comparison with other provinces, kindergarten spaces have not been included in these space figures.

2 Quebec's figures include school-age spaces which are under the Ministry of Education. In 2006 a figure for school-age spaces was not available. We have calculated an estimate based on the *ECEC in Canada 2004* figure of 141,977 school-age spaces, expanded using the same percentage increase as the increase in total centre-based spaces for children aged 0-4 from 2004-2006 – 13.7%.

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 purpose of comparison with previous years, the 2004 and 2006 figures include total number of spaces with and without school-age care.