



Use of Early Learning and Child Care Arrangements, 2023

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In 2023, 65.6% of children aged 0 to 5 years in Yukon were in child care, which was the second highest proportion of all provinces and territories following Quebec (75.0%). Nationally, 56.1% of children aged 0 to 5 years were in child care in 2023.

In 2023, the proportion of children in Yukon aged 0 to 5 years in child care increased by 6.6 percentage points compared to 2019 (59.0%). Comparing 2023 to 2019, Yukon had the largest increase of any province and territory in the proportion of children aged 0 to 5 years in child care. Nationally, the proportion of children aged 0 to 5 years in child care decreased by 3.8 percentage points from 59.9% in 2019 to 56.1% in 2023.

Percentage of Children, Aged 0 to 5 years, in Child Care, Canada, Provinces and Territories, 2019 and 2023

	2019	2023
Canada	59.9%	56.1%
Newfoundland and Labrador	57.8%	52.2%
Prince Edward Island	65.6%	59.7%
Nova Scotia	61.0%	56.1%
New Brunswick	60.9%	60.7%
Quebec	78.2%	75.0%
Ontario	53.6%	47.8%
Manitoba	50.5%	52.1%
Saskatchewan	53.0%	53.8%
Alberta	54.1%	52.0%
British Columbia	57.6%	54.5%
Yukon	59.0%	65.6%
Northwest Territories	56.2%	49.0%
Nunavut	36.7%	32.2%

Note: The Canadian Survey on Early Learning and Child Care (CSELCC) and the Survey of Early Learning and Child Care (SELCCA) provide a snapshot of early child care use in Canada. The CSELCC was collected in the provinces from January to June 2023, and the SELCCA 2023 was collected in the three territories from April to June 2023. The target population was children aged 0 to 5 years and the information was obtained from a parent, guardian or person who was knowledgeable about the child's care arrangements, or lack thereof.