

Expenditures on Children Under Age 6 2000-2001*

Healthy, Pregnancy, Birth and Infancy

Canada Prenatal Nutrition Program \$37,666,000

Is a comprehensive community-based program that supports pregnant women who face conditions of risk that threaten their health and the development of their babies.

Reducing the Risk of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS) \$40,000

Aims to raise public and professional awareness of SIDS and how to reduce babies' risk.

Fetal Alcohol Syndrome/fetal Alcohol Effects (FAS/FAE) \$4,000,000

Aims to prevent FAS/FAE, to reduce its effects and to strengthen supports to affected children, families and communities.

Postpartum Parent Support Program \$100,000

Provides consistent parenting information to families of newborn children and ensures liaison and referral between hospitals and community health centres.

Family-Centred Maternity and Newborn Care: National Guidelines \$15,000

Assist hospitals and other health care agencies in planning, implementing and evaluating maternal and newborn programs and services.

Employment Insurance: Maternity and Parental Benefits \$1,194,600,000

Provide maternity and parental benefits for up to one year to eligible parents with a child born or placed in their care for adoption on or after December 31, 2000.

Parenting and Family Supports

Nobody's Perfect \$140,000

A parent support and education program for at-risk parents of children under age 6.

Community Action Program for Children \$59,500,000 ,

Funds community groups to establish and deliver services that address the developmental needs of children under age 6 living in conditions of risk.

Child Health Record \$105,000

A tool to assist parents in keeping track of important facts about their child's development.

National Literacy Secretariat - Family Literacy Projects \$3,416,000

Funds projects to support parents in improving their literacy skills and in reading to their children.

Early Childhood Development, Learning and Care

Child Care Expense Deduction \$424,000,000

Tax deduction to help pay a portion of eligible child care costs.

Canada Child Tax Benefit Program -Supplement \$284,200,000

Support to low- and middle-income parents who care for a young child at home.

Military family Resource Centres \$4000 000

Deliver a range of services to promote the health and well-being of Canadian forces families.

Community Supports

National Strategy on Community Safety and Crime Prevention \$1,370,000

Helps equip Canadians with the knowledge, skills and resources they need to advance crime prevention efforts in their communities.

Dedicated Services for First Nations and Other Aboriginal Children and Families

Child/Day-care Programs - Ontario and Alberta \$15,806,000

Agreements that aim to ensure on-reserve child care services are comparable to those offered to residents of the province in general.

Aboriginal Head Start - New Brunswick \$1,304,000

Helps maintain the strength of families, assist children with physical, emotional, social and/ or educational difficulties and protect children from harmful environments.

Elementary Education (Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten) \$65,000,000

Supports education services for Status Indian or Inuit children aged 4 and 5.

First Nations National Child Benefit Reinvestment \$23,700,000

Savings garnered from federal increases in the Canada Child Tax Benefit are "reinvested" by first Nations into community-based programs and services for low-income families with children.

First Nations and Inuit Child Care Initiative \$41,000,000

Provides first Nations and Inuit communities with improved access to affordable, quality child care.

Brighter Futures \$20,000,000

Assists first Nations and Inuit communities in developing community-based approaches to health programs.

First Nations Head Start \$24,250,000

An early intervention program for young first Nations children on reserve (ages 0 to 6) and their families intended to meet their emotional, social, health, nutritional and psychological needs to prepare the children for school.

Aboriginal Head Start (Urban and Northern Communities) \$22,500,000

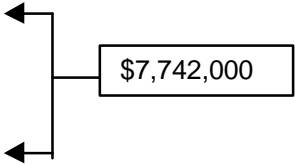
An early intervention program for first Nations, Inuit and Metis children and their families living in urban centres and large northern communities that prepares young Aboriginal children for school by meeting their spiritual, emotional, intellectual and physical needs.

Research and Information

National Longitudinal Survey of Children and Youth

Long-term study of Canadian children that tracks their development to early adulthood.

\$7,742,000



Understanding the Early Years Initiative

Research initiative that aims to increase a community's knowledge about young children's development and how best to meet their needs.

Social Development Partnerships Program \$5,224,000

Supports research and development projects to advance national knowledge related to early childhood, learning and care (formerly the Child Care Visions Program).

Intercountry Adoption Services \$500,000

Provides co-ordination and consultative services to provincial and territorial governments for international adoptions.

Centres of Excellence for Children's Well-Being \$525,000

To effectively collect and disseminate advanced knowledge on key issues of children's health to those individuals or groups who need it most.

National Clearinghouse on Family Violence \$886,000

A national resource centre for all Canadians seeking information about violence within the family and looking for new resources being used to address it.

Child Health Surveillance \$4,904,000

Surveillance programs to support reproductive and child health, including: programs in perinatal health; injury, abuse and neglect; infectious and chronic diseases; and immunization. **Health**

Warning and Information Labels and <Infotobacco.com> Web site \$360,000

Increase public awareness of the dangers of smoking during pregnancy, and effects of tobacco smoke on newborns.

Population Health Fund \$2,337,000

Supports initiatives that facilitate coordinated action among voluntary organizations, service providers, governments and the private sector to improve the population's health.

Health Transition Fund \$3,774,000

Supports evidence-based decision-making in health care reform, primarily by supporting pilot and evaluation projects that explore innovative approaches to health care delivery.

*** Note that all figures are estimates. In some cases, estimates include expenditures for older children when it was not possible to isolate the proportion that is spent on children under age 6. Detailed explanations and descriptions are provided in the full text of the report.**