TABLE 2.2 ALBERTA ALLOCATION FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION/CHILD CARE TO MARCH 31, 2020

Early Childhood Services[a]	**$652,400,000**
Public, separate, Francophone, and charter schools	$484,000,000
Private schools	$34,500,000
Private early childhood services operators	$133,900,000
Regulated child care (licensed and approved)[b]	**$468,069,076**
Total ECEC funding[c]	**$1,120,469,076**
Total provincial budget spending estimate[d]	$58,720,000,000
ECEC as a % of provincial budget	**1.9%**

a   Funding for Early Childhood Services is the sum of expenditures for private early childhood services operators, private schools, and public, separate, Francophone, and charter schools. Allocation for public school and private authorities consist of program unit, base instruction, and other operational funding. Information compiled by the Budget and Fiscal Analysis Branch of Alberta Education, November 15, 2020. The *Funding Manual for School Authorities* stipulates that funding for ECS operators is conditional on including children with special needs. Government of Alberta. Alberta Education. *Funding Manual for School Authorities 2020/21 School Year*. Retrieved from: https://open.alberta.ca/dataset/8f3b4972-4c47-4009-a090-5b470e68d633/resource/341e10f6-7c5d-4a9e-922f-0f1f75a8a0f4/download/edc-funding-manual-2020-2021-school-year-june-2020.pdf

b   Actual expenditures for regulated child care. Government of Alberta. Children's Services. *Annual Report Children's Services 2019–2020*. Retrieved from: https://open.alberta.ca/dataset/476d1e4b-bdfa-4330-a88a-79bdacee1a9a/resource/4ade2575-75c0-4977-bf9c-5b6824c131b7/download/cs-annual-report-2019-2020.pdf

c   Does not include federal funding to Aboriginal programs through First Nations, Inuit, and Métis agreements.

d   Government of Alberta. *Fiscal Plan A Plan for Jobs and the Economy 2020-23*. Retrieved from: https://open.alberta.ca/dataset/05bd4008-c8e3-4c84-949e-cc18170bc7f7/resource/79caa22e-e417-44bd-8cac-64d7bb045509/download/budget-2020-fiscal-plan-2020-23.pdf

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