

**TABLE 2.2 ONTARIO EXPENDITURES FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION/CHILD CARE TO MARCH 31, 2023**

Kindergarten, junior Kindergarten <sup>a</sup>	\$3,352,166,946
Total regulated child care <sup>b</sup>	\$3,879,630,090
Total ECEC spending <sup>c,d</sup>	\$7,231,797,036
Total provincial budget <sup>e</sup>	\$202,600,000,000
<b>ECE as a % of provincial budget</b>	<b>3.6%</b>

<sup>a</sup>. Estimate based on 2022–23 enrolment of 256,694 (junior and senior Kindergarten, as reported by schools through the Ontario School Information System—preliminary as of November 3, 2023, with all schools that met identified criteria with signed off submissions) @ \$13,059 per pupil spending in 2022–23. Numbers include both English and French-language schools. \$13,059 per pupil spending. Government of Ontario. *2022–23 Grants for Student Needs Funding*. Retrieved from: [https://efis.fma.csc.gov.on.ca/faab/Memos/B2022/B03\\_EN.pdf](https://efis.fma.csc.gov.on.ca/faab/Memos/B2022/B03_EN.pdf)

<sup>b</sup>. From Table 2.1.

<sup>c</sup>. Does not include federal funding to Indigenous communities through Inuit, Métis, and First Nations agreements.

<sup>d</sup>. Funding for First Nations child care programs is cost shared between the federal and provincial governments through fiscal agreements with First Nations. Retrieved from: <https://www.sac-isc.gc.ca/eng/1582215017700/1582215088300#ontario>

<sup>e</sup>. Government of Ontario. *Building a Strong Ontario: 2023 Ontario Budget*. Retrieved from: <https://budget.ontario.ca/2023/pdf/2023-ontario-budget-en.pdf>

