

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

Kindergarten <sup>a</sup>	\$19,957,231
Regulated child care <sup>b</sup>	\$61,552,613
<b>Total ECEC spending<sup>c</sup></b>	<b>\$81,509,844</b>
Total provincial budget spending estimate <sup>b</sup>	\$2,662,066,700
<b>ECEC as a % of provincial budget</b>	<b>3.1%</b>

<sup>a</sup>. Personal communication. Government of Prince Edward Island. Department of Education and Early Years. July 26, 2023. In 2022–23, the overall cost of the Public Schools Branch and CSLF combined was \$290,472,000. There were 21,410 students between the two boards, 1,471 of which were in Kindergarten.

<sup>b</sup>. Government of Prince Edward Island. Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures 2022–2023. Retrieved from: <https://www.princeedwardisland.ca/sites/default/files/publications/estimatesbook.pdf>

<sup>c</sup>. Funding for First Nations child care programs is provided by the federal government. Government of Canada. *First Nations Head Start—Standards Guide*. Retrieved from: [https://www.sac-isc.gc.ca/eng/1582215017700/1582215088300#prince\\_edward\\_island](https://www.sac-isc.gc.ca/eng/1582215017700/1582215088300#prince_edward_island)

