2019 VANCOUVER CHILD CARE FEE SURVEY

MONTHLY RATES FOR FULL-TIME LICENSED FAMILY CHILD CARE

LICENSED FAMILY CARE
DECEMBER 2019

INFANT CARE (6 weeks to 18 months)

Fee range	2019			2017
	Full fee	Reduced fee	% reduction	Full fee
Average	\$1,489	\$1,330	10.68%	\$1,260
Median	\$1,500	\$1,330	13.33%	\$1,300
Lowest	\$800	\$600	25%	\$800
Highest	\$2,000	\$1,900	5.43%	\$1,900
Responses	45	3	7	88

Notes: The Fee Reduction Initiative was introduced in 2018. In 2019, the reduction amount was \$200. In 2019, 37 of the 45 participating infant centres offered reduced fees. In 2019, the average full fee for infants increased by 18.17%, while the median full fee increased by 15.38%.

TODDLER CARE (19 months to 3 years)

Fee range	2019			2017
	Full fee	Reduced fee	% reduction	Full fee
Average	\$1,452	\$1,294	10.68%	\$1,227
Median	\$1,430	\$1,300	9.09%	\$1,240
Lowest	\$800	\$600	25%	\$800
Highest	\$2,000	\$1,900	5%	\$1,900
Responses	47	3	7	95

Notes: In 2019, the amount of the provincial fee reduction was \$200. In 2019, 37 of the 47 participating programs offered reduced fees. In 2019, the average full fee for toddlers increased by 18.34%, while the median full fee increased by 15.32%.

PRESCHOOL AGE CARE (3 to 5 years)

Foo	2019			2017
Fee range	Full fee	Reduced fee	% reduction	Full fee
Average	\$1,342	\$1,272	5.22%	\$1,138
Median	\$1,345	\$1,270	5.58%	\$1,100
Lowest	\$800	\$600	25%	\$700
Highest	\$1,900	\$1,900	0%	\$1,850
Responses	46	3	6	81

Notes: In 2019, the amount of the provincial fee reduction was \$60. In 2019, 36 of 46 participating programs offered reduced fees. In 2019, the average full fee for 3–5 care increased by 17.93%, while the median full fee increased by 22.27%.

ADDITIONAL NOTES: Licensed family child care programs in the City of Vancouver were contacted by Westcoast and asked for their monthly full time rates as of December 2019. At the point of survey, there were 153 licensed family child cares, of which 49 (32%) responded. Average is calculated by adding the monthly full time rates and then dividing by the number of responses. Median = half have rates greater than the median, and half have less.

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE (6 to 12 years)

Fee	2019	2017	
range	Full fee	Full fee	
Average	\$841	\$671	
Median	\$900	\$800	
Lowest	\$200	\$200	
Highest	\$1,310	\$1,250	
Responses	12	7	

Notes: The Fee Reduction Initiative does not apply to school age care. In 2019, the average full fee for school age care increased by 25.34%, while the median full fee increased by 12.5%.

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