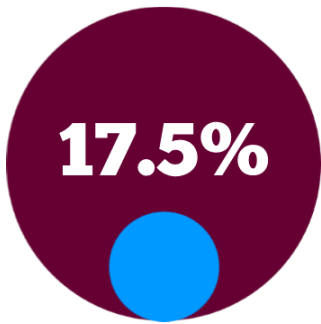


Central Okanagan

Child Care Needs Assessment Report Summary



The Central Okanagan has 17.5 child care spaces for every 100 children (newborn to age 14)

27,590 children
4,843 spaces

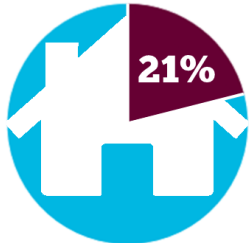


498 children are waiting for a space at 24 child care centers



For every 3 full child care spaces there is 1 child waiting for a space

The estimated child care cost for 2 children is \$1268/month



Child care costs make up 21% of total household expenses



It takes 7 -12 months to offer a space to a family on a waitlist

Based on the Central Okanagan Living Wage calculation with children age 4 and 7

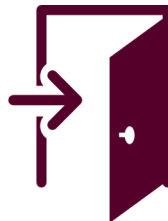


83% of child care employers have had difficulty hiring trained staff in the past year

The average wage of an Early Childhood Educator is \$18.04/hour



Staff most often leave positions to work in a field unrelated to child care



The living wage in the Central Okanagan is \$21.00/hour

17 Employers

36 Positions

There are 36 employee positions vacant at 17 child care centers