



Alberta Childcare Data Project

Analyzing Licensed Childcare Programs In Alberta
January 2024 to June 2025

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Dashboard design and analysis by Shery Khedr

Link to the live dashboard www.sheryk.com/ABchildcare-Data



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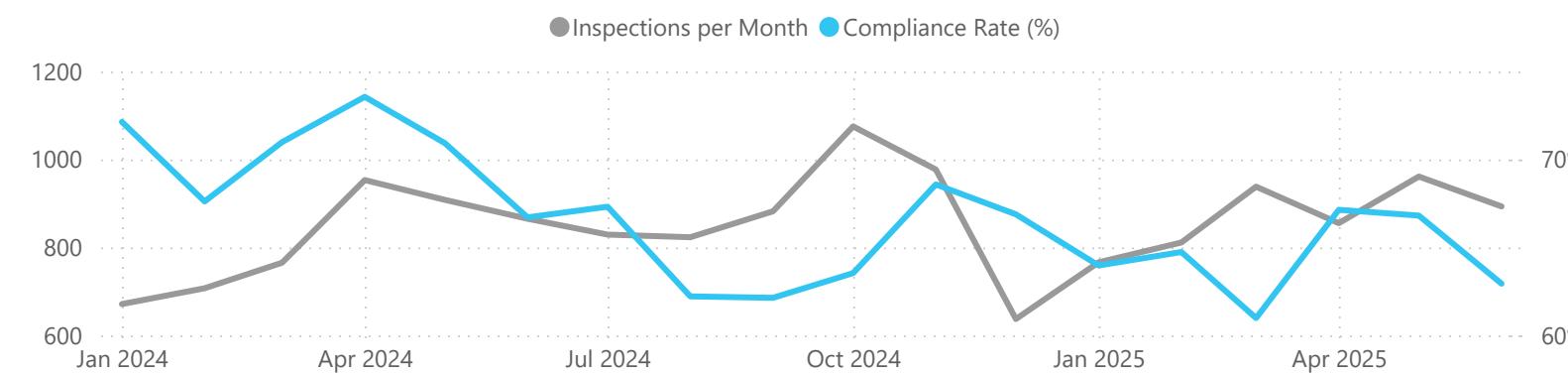
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Provincial Summary & Trends

Overall inspection activity, compliance rate, and enforcement outcomes across Alberta's licensed childcare programs

2779 Total Programs **188K** Total Capacity **15K** Total Inspections **66.5%** Compliance Rate (%) **33.5%** Enforcement Rate (%)



Geographic & City Insights

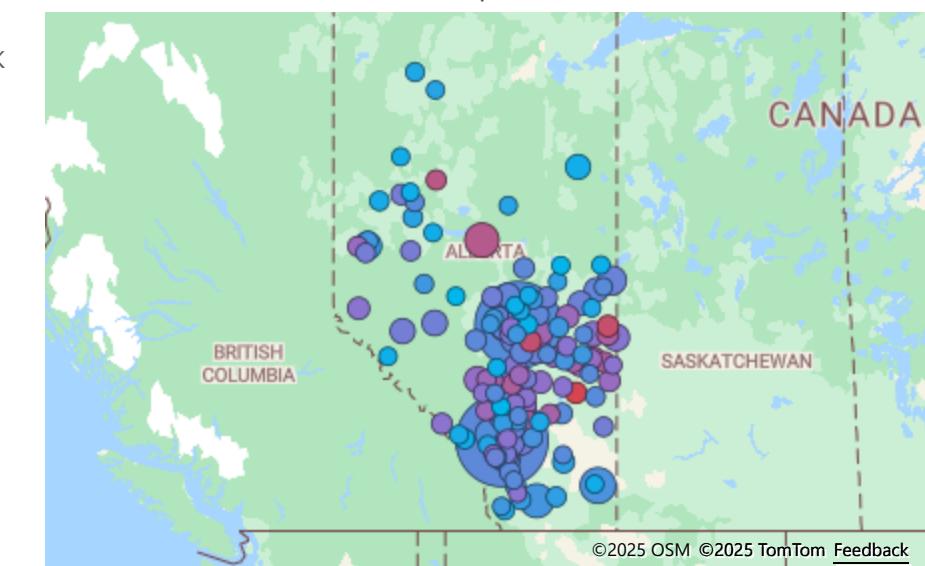
Regional comparison of childcare capacity, compliance levels, and enforcement hotspots across Alberta communities

Top 5 Cities by Total Capacity

CALGARY	65K
EDMONTON	53K
SHERWOOD PARK	5K
ST. ALBERT	5K
LETHBRIDGE	4K

Bottom 5 Cities by Compliance Rate (%)

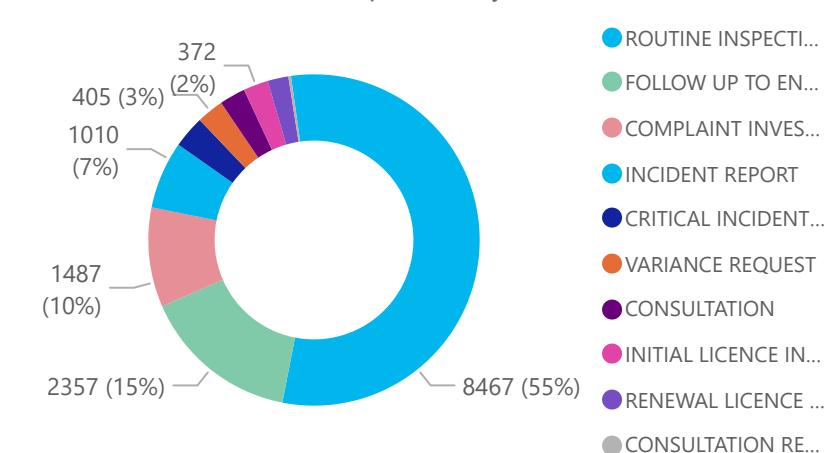
RED DEER	28.6%
SLAVE LAKE	22.9%
CADOTTE LAKES	20.0%
HAY LAKES	12.5%
MARWAYNE	11.1%



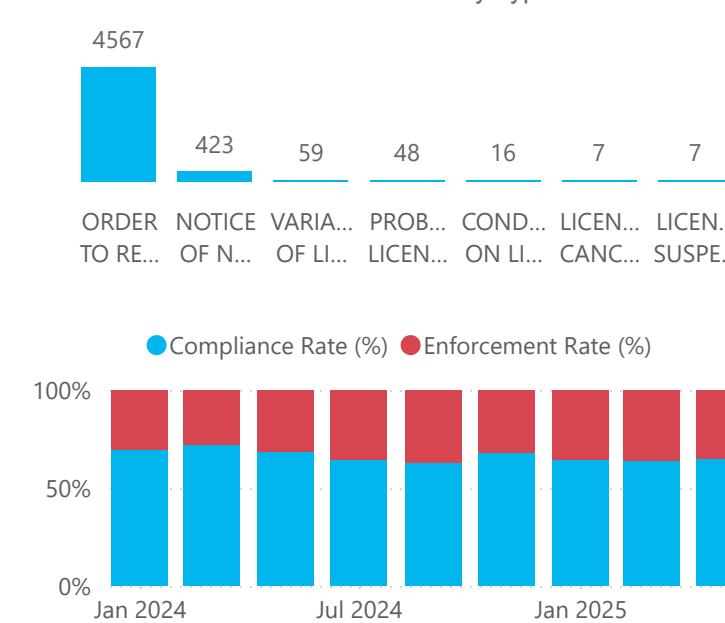
Quality & Enforcement Section

Analysis of inspection reasons and enforcement actions highlighting key areas of non-compliance and regulatory focus

Total Inspections by Reason



Total Enforcement by Types



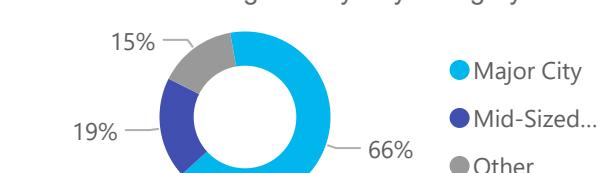
Program Type & Capacity Distribution

Breakdown of childcare programs by type, licensed capacity, and city category to show structural diversity across the sector

Total Capacity by Program Type

FACILITY-BASED PROGRAMS	181980
FAMILY DAY HOME	4938
INNOVATIVE CHILD CARE	472
GROUP FAMILY DAY HOME	130

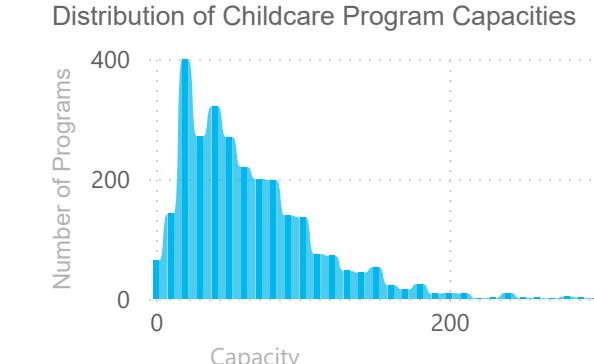
% of Programs by City Category



City categories are based on population size:
Major (100K+), Mid-Sized (10K–99K), Other (<10K or rural).

Avg Capacity per Program by City Category

City Category	Avg Capacity per Program
Major City	72
Mid-Sized City	71
Other	41



- Routine inspections dominate overall activity, but complaint triggered visits result in the highest enforcement rates.
- Most actions are Orders to Remedy, showing that quality gaps are manageable with early support.

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Licensed Childcare Programs: Detailed View

Comprehensive record of Alberta's licensed childcare programs, showing program capacity, inspection dates, compliance results, and enforcement actions

Program Name	City	Capacity	Inspection Date	Compliance Status	Enforcement Action
100 WORLDS PRESCHOOL	AIRDRIE	24	Monday, May 12, 2025	7(2) - Incident reporting - Report each incident to director in manner required by statutory director	ORDER TO REMEDY
100 WORLDS PRESCHOOL	AIRDRIE	24	Tuesday, January 30, 2024	Compliance	NO ENFORCEMENT
100 WORLDS PRESCHOOL	AIRDRIE	24	Wednesday, October 02, 2024	Compliance	NO ENFORCEMENT
100 WORLDS PRESCHOOL	AIRDRIE	24	Friday, May 30, 2025	Compliance	NO ENFORCEMENT
124 STREET GOLDSTAR DAYCARE	EDMONTON	105	Monday, January 20, 2025	7(2) - Incident reporting - Report each incident to director in manner required by statutory director	ORDER TO REMEDY
124 STREET GOLDSTAR DAYCARE	EDMONTON	105	Tuesday, January 16, 2024	Compliance	NO ENFORCEMENT
124 STREET GOLDSTAR DAYCARE	EDMONTON	105	Friday, July 26, 2024	Compliance	NO ENFORCEMENT
124 STREET GOLDSTAR DAYCARE	EDMONTON	105	Monday, January 20, 2025	Compliance	NO ENFORCEMENT
124 STREET GOLDSTAR DAYCARE	EDMONTON	105	Monday, January 27, 2025	Compliance	NO ENFORCEMENT
1ST CLASS AFTER CLASS - CLUBHOUSE	CALGARY	131	Friday, May 24, 2024	Compliance	NO ENFORCEMENT
1ST CLASS AFTER CLASS - CLUBHOUSE	CALGARY	131	Friday, June 21, 2024	Compliance	NO ENFORCEMENT
1ST CLASS AFTER CLASS - CLUBHOUSE	CALGARY	131	Thursday, June 27, 2024	Compliance	NO ENFORCEMENT
1ST CLASS AFTER CLASS - CLUBHOUSE	CALGARY	131	Tuesday, March 04, 2025	Compliance	NO ENFORCEMENT
1ST CLASS AFTER CLASS - DIVINE MERCY	CALGARY	200	Thursday, January 11, 2024	1.2 - (e) care of the child must be appropriate to the child's mental, emotional, spiritual and physical needs and stage of development	NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANCE
1ST CLASS AFTER CLASS - DIVINE MERCY	CALGARY	200	Thursday, September 19, 2024	Compliance	NO ENFORCEMENT
1ST CLASS AFTER CLASS - DIVINE MERCY	CALGARY	200	Tuesday, June 10, 2025	Compliance	NO ENFORCEMENT
1ST CLASS AFTER CLASS - DON BOSCO	CALGARY	60	Tuesday, April 30, 2024	Compliance	NO ENFORCEMENT
1ST CLASS AFTER CLASS - DON BOSCO	CALGARY	60	Friday, June 21, 2024	Compliance	NO ENFORCEMENT
1ST CLASS AFTER CLASS - FISH CREEK	CALGARY	162	Friday, March 08, 2024	Compliance	NO ENFORCEMENT
1ST CLASS AFTER CLASS - FISH CREEK	CALGARY	162	Tuesday, October 08, 2024	Compliance	NO ENFORCEMENT
1ST CLASS AFTER CLASS - FISH CREEK	CALGARY	162	Friday, May 09, 2025	Compliance	NO ENFORCEMENT
1ST CLASS AFTER CLASS - GOOD SHEPHERD	OKOTOKS	200	Friday, August 16, 2024	Compliance	NO ENFORCEMENT
1ST CLASS AFTER CLASS - GOOD SHEPHERD	OKOTOKS	200	Thursday, December 05, 2024	Compliance	NO ENFORCEMENT
1ST CLASS AFTER CLASS - GOOD SHEPHERD	OKOTOKS	200	Friday, May 23, 2025	Compliance	NO ENFORCEMENT
1ST CLASS AFTER CLASS - GOOD SHEPHERD	OKOTOKS	200	Friday, June 20, 2025	Compliance	NO ENFORCEMENT
1ST CLASS AFTER CLASS - MAHOGANY	CALGARY	200	Friday, January 26, 2024	7(2) - Incident reporting - Report each incident to director in manner required by statutory director	ORDER TO REMEDY
1ST CLASS AFTER CLASS - MAHOGANY	CALGARY	200	Friday, June 14, 2024	7(2) - Incident reporting - Report each incident to director in manner required by statutory director	ORDER TO REMEDY
1ST CLASS AFTER CLASS - MAHOGANY	CALGARY	200	Friday, February 09, 2024	Compliance	NO ENFORCEMENT
1ST CLASS AFTER CLASS - MAHOGANY	CALGARY	200	Tuesday, June 18, 2024	Compliance	NO ENFORCEMENT
1ST CLASS AFTER CLASS - MAHOGANY	CALGARY	200	Friday, February 14, 2025	Compliance	NO ENFORCEMENT
1ST CLASS AFTER CLASS - NEW BRIGHTON	CALGARY	182	Saturday, May 04, 2024	Compliance	NO ENFORCEMENT
1ST CLASS AFTER CLASS - NEW BRIGHTON	CALGARY	182	Tuesday, March 18, 2025	Compliance	NO ENFORCEMENT
1ST CLASS AFTER CLASS - SIBYLLA KIDDLE	CALGARY	187	Tuesday, April 16, 2024	Compliance	NO ENFORCEMENT
1ST CLASS AFTER CLASS - SIBYLLA KIDDLE	CALGARY	187	Wednesday, April 17, 2024	Compliance	NO ENFORCEMENT
1ST CLASS AFTER CLASS - SIBYLLA KIDDLE	CALGARY	187	Friday, October 18, 2024	Compliance	NO ENFORCEMENT
1ST CLASS AFTER CLASS - SIBYLLA KIDDLE	CALGARY	187	Friday, June 13, 2025	Compliance	NO ENFORCEMENT
1ST CLASS AFTER CLASS - SILVERADO	CALGARY	124	Friday, October 25, 2024	1.2 - (e) care of the child must be appropriate to the child's mental, emotional, spiritual and physical needs and stage of development	NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANCE
1ST CLASS AFTER CLASS - SILVERADO	CALGARY	124	Wednesday, September 25, 2024	Compliance	NO ENFORCEMENT

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Questions and Policy Insights

Key insights and questions addressing childcare trends, compliance, and enforcement

1. Provincial Summary & Trends

How has the overall compliance rate changed across Alberta from January 2024 to June 2025, and are inspection volumes keeping pace with enforcement actions?

Insight:

The compliance rate has fluctuated slightly but stayed around 65–70%. Inspection activity remains steady, showing consistent oversight, while enforcement actions align closely with inspection trends. Maintaining steady inspection frequency supports sector stability, but additional follow-up may be needed in regions where compliance rates decline to prevent recurring issues.

2. Geographic & City Insights

Which cities have the highest childcare capacity and how do their compliance rates compare to smaller municipalities?

Insight:

Calgary and Edmonton lead in both total capacity and number of programs, but their compliance rates are not necessarily higher; smaller towns often show stronger consistency despite having fewer inspections. Large urban centers may benefit from targeted quality initiatives or additional compliance support, while smaller municipalities could serve as models for efficient oversight practices.

3. Quality & Enforcement Section

What inspection types lead to the most enforcement actions, and what does that reveal about program quality across Alberta?

Insight:

Routine inspections make up most visits, but complaint-triggered ones result in more enforcement actions. That shows most non-compliance issues surface when there's a specific concern rather than during regular checks. Increasing proactive inspection strategies and provider education could help identify and correct issues before they reach complaint or enforcement stages.

4. Program Type & Capacity Distribution

Which program types serve most children, and do smaller-scale programs show different compliance patterns?

Insight:

Facility-based programs account for nearly all licensed capacity. Smaller programs like Family Day Homes operate on limited capacity but tend to maintain stronger compliance within their smaller scope. Future funding and policy support could focus on balancing program diversity, expanding smaller, community-based options while maintaining high standards in larger facilities.

Project Overview and Methodology

Overview of the dataset, design process, and purpose behind the Alberta Childcare Dashboard

About This Dashboard

This dashboard presents a province-wide view of Alberta's licensed childcare sector, built using open data published by the Government of Alberta. It analyzes 18 months of inspection and licensing records under the *Early Learning and Child Care Act* to show trends in program capacity, inspection activity, compliance performance, and enforcement outcomes.

About the Dataset

The underlying dataset, *Child Care Information Usage Considerations* (May 2025), provides a point-in-time extract of all active, licensed childcare programs across Alberta.

It includes:

- Program details (name, location, capacity, and license type)
- Inspection dates and reasons (routine, complaint, or follow-up)
- Non-compliance findings and enforcement actions
- Program types: facility-based, group family, family day home, and innovative childcare programs

Because the dataset reflects a specific data pull, values may vary slightly from other postings as new programs open, close, or update their license information.

Data Source

Government of Alberta: Open Data Portal

Dataset: *Child Care Inspection Records* (2024 – 2025)

Accessed: [HERE](#)

Purpose of the Dashboard

This dashboard was designed to:

- Help government and policymakers monitor inspection volumes, identify compliance trends, and target enforcement resources efficiently.
- Allow parents and the public to understand the distribution, scale, and quality performance of licensed childcare programs in their communities.
- Demonstrate data transparency and accountability in Alberta's early learning sector through clear, accessible visual analytics.

Design Notes

The dashboard was developed in Power BI using clean, minimalist design principles inspired by government reporting standards.

- Gray and blue tones convey neutrality and trust.
- Dynamic filters (Year, Month, City, Program Type) allow users to explore specific insights.
- Each section (Provincial Summary, Geographic Insights, Quality & Enforcement, Program Distribution) provides a unique perspective on sector performance.
- The layout supports both public transparency and policy decision making at a glance.

Project Credit

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