

Have a Heart!

Stop the Child Care Centre Closures

Windsor Child Care Fact Sheet

Number of regulated programs:

- Centres: 139 centres
- Family child care agencies: 3
- Eight “High 5” programs – recreation-based, for 6-12 year olds

Number of regulated spaces in 2008: 9,000 (Windsor and Essex):

Number of children receiving subsidies in 2008: 4800 children

Number of purchase of-service agreements 2008: 114 (78 non-profit, 36 for-profit)

Number of Spaces in 2008: (This was the period of Windsor’s highest unemployment)

- City capacity was: 545
- Enrolment April 2009: 513
- Enrolment Nov 2009: 425

Non-profit: Enrolment unknown

For-profit: Enrolment unknown

Who’s using the City centres?

50% of families are subsidized

Parent fees (2008)

City: \$60 infant, \$50 toddler, \$38 preschool-JK, SK, \$12 school-age

Non-profit: Unknown

For-profit: Sample \$52 infant, \$47 toddler, \$42 (age 3-5 The Children’s House Montessori)



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Expansion 2005-2009 (centres)

- City: Closed the municipal centre in Leamington in 2007
- Non-profit: 18
- For-profit: 20
- Expansion: 53% for-profit, (most of the for-profits are chains)

Qualifications: City: All staff have an ECE credential
Non-profit: Unknown
For-profit: Unknown

Wages: City: \$23.71 - \$27.88/hour (5 years experience) (\$41,000 – 48,000)
Non-profit: Unknown
For-profit: Unknown (Sample La garderie les petites mains \$10- \$14/hr)

Ontario-wide median wages in 2005 (all auspice):

Staff with an ECE credential: \$29,298

All staff: \$27,199

Other relevant facts

Windsor's unemployment rate last August was 15.2%, the highest in Canada. It has been steadily dropping, down to 12.7% in January-February 2010.

Note – The information in this Fact Sheet was compiled using information available from provincial data, City of Windsor data online, 2005 Consultant's Report, Jan 2010 City of Windsor Staff Report, other internet sources, OCBCC and *ECEC in Canada 2008*.



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