

Child & Family Poverty in Canada

2021 national report card, No One Left Behind: Strategies for an Inclusive Recovery

Did you know?

Nearly 1 in 5 children are living in poverty.



That is...

17.7%

That is 1,313,400 children or 17.7%

0.5%

0.5% decline in national poverty rate.

The national child poverty rate declined by .5 of a percentage point between 2018-2019.

54 years

This is 24,170 lifted out of poverty.

At this rate, it would take **54 more years** to end child poverty.

What about the CCB?

The reduction in poverty associated with the Canada Child Benefit will continue to stall. The benefit cannot move eligible families in deep poverty out.

Depth of Poverty

For example, the average single parent family with 2 children living in low income was \$13,262 away from the CFLIM-AT in 2019, compared to \$9,612 away in 2015. To reach the poverty line, a parent earning \$15 per hour would need to work an additional 5.5 months full-time, assuming no taxes or deductions.

\$9,612 in 2015

\$13,262 in 2019

Want to learn more?

Read more in the 2021 National Report Card, **No One Left Behind: Strategies for an Inclusive Recovery**