

UK Childcare Changes for 2024 and 2025

The upcoming expansion

Starting from April 2024, existing childcare support will be expanded in phases. By September 2025, most working families with children under the age of 5 will be entitled to 30 hours of childcare support.

The changes are being introduced gradually to make sure that providers can meet the needs of more families. This means that:

From **April 2024**, eligible working parents of 2-year-olds will be able to access 15 hours childcare support.

From **September 2024**, 15 hours childcare support will be extended to eligible working parents of children from the age of 9 months to 3-year-olds.

From **September 2025**, eligible working parents of children under the age of 5 will be entitled to 30 hours of childcare a week.

Like the existing offer, depending on your provider, these hours can be used over 38 weeks of the year (during school term time), or up to 52 weeks if you use fewer than your total hours per week.



FAMILIES RECEIVING SOME ADDITIONAL FORMS OF GOVERNMENT SUPPORT

15 HOURS	15 HOURS	15 HOURS	15 HOURS
Now	APR 2024	SEP 2024	SEP 2025

WORKING FAMILIES

15 HOURS	15 HOURS	30 HOURS
APR 2024	SEP 2024	SEP 2025



ALL PARENTS

15 HOURS	15 HOURS	15 HOURS	15 HOURS
Now	APR 2024	SEP 2024	SEP 2025

WORKING FAMILIES

30 HOURS	30 HOURS	30 HOURS	30 HOURS
Now	APR 2024	SEP 2024	SEP 2025

More information can be found on:

<https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/upcoming-changes-to-childcare-support/>

<https://www.dudley.gov.uk/residents/early-years-and-childcare/for-parents-and-carers/time-for-twos-free-childcare/>