

**Question 2: Child Care – New Spaces**

*The Premier made a milestone announcement last fall of 10,400 spaces funded. The minister later clarified that only about 2,055 of those were actually operating. But I assume that more have opened since, and I'm simply wondering if the minister could tell us how many of the 10,400 are actually functioning today.*

**Response:** As of May 2020, the province has funded just over 16,500 spaces and, of these, 3,490 are operational as of May 20, 2020.

Many child care providers have reported delays in their projects and the ability to become operational as a result of COVID-19. Examples of delays reported include shortage of construction materials and the inability to acquire city permitting or licensing. This has impacted many projects and their ability to become operational in a timely manner.

**Question 3: City of Vancouver Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)**

*Of the 2,300 spaces committed to in the MOU, how many are actually functioning today?*

**Response:** The projects currently covered by the MOU are primarily school-based projects that have significant lead times to allow for needed planning and permitting. As such, none of the 2,300 spaces are currently open and operational. The first expected opening is in 2021.

The MOU is a living document, and new sites are expected to be added to the agreement, which could result in spaces opening sooner.