

OVERVIEW OF GOVERNMENT SPENDING BY FUNCTION, 2024/2025



In 2024/2025, spending on social protection, health and education represented 60.9% of all government spending in Canada.

Per capita spending by federal, provincial/territorial and local governments combined^{1, 2, 3}

Function	2023/2024	2024/2025	Change
Environmental protection	\$795	\$946	+19.0%
Defence	\$587	\$665	+13.3%
Housing and community amenities	\$394	\$425	+7.9%
General public services	\$3,857	\$4,143	+7.4%
Health	\$6,185	\$6,468	+4.6%
Education	\$3,245	\$3,370	+3.9%
Public order and safety	\$1,279	\$1,319	+3.1%
Recreation, culture and religion	\$601	\$601	0.0%
Social protection	\$7,134	\$6,805	-4.6%
Economic affairs	\$2,817	\$2,590	-8.1%



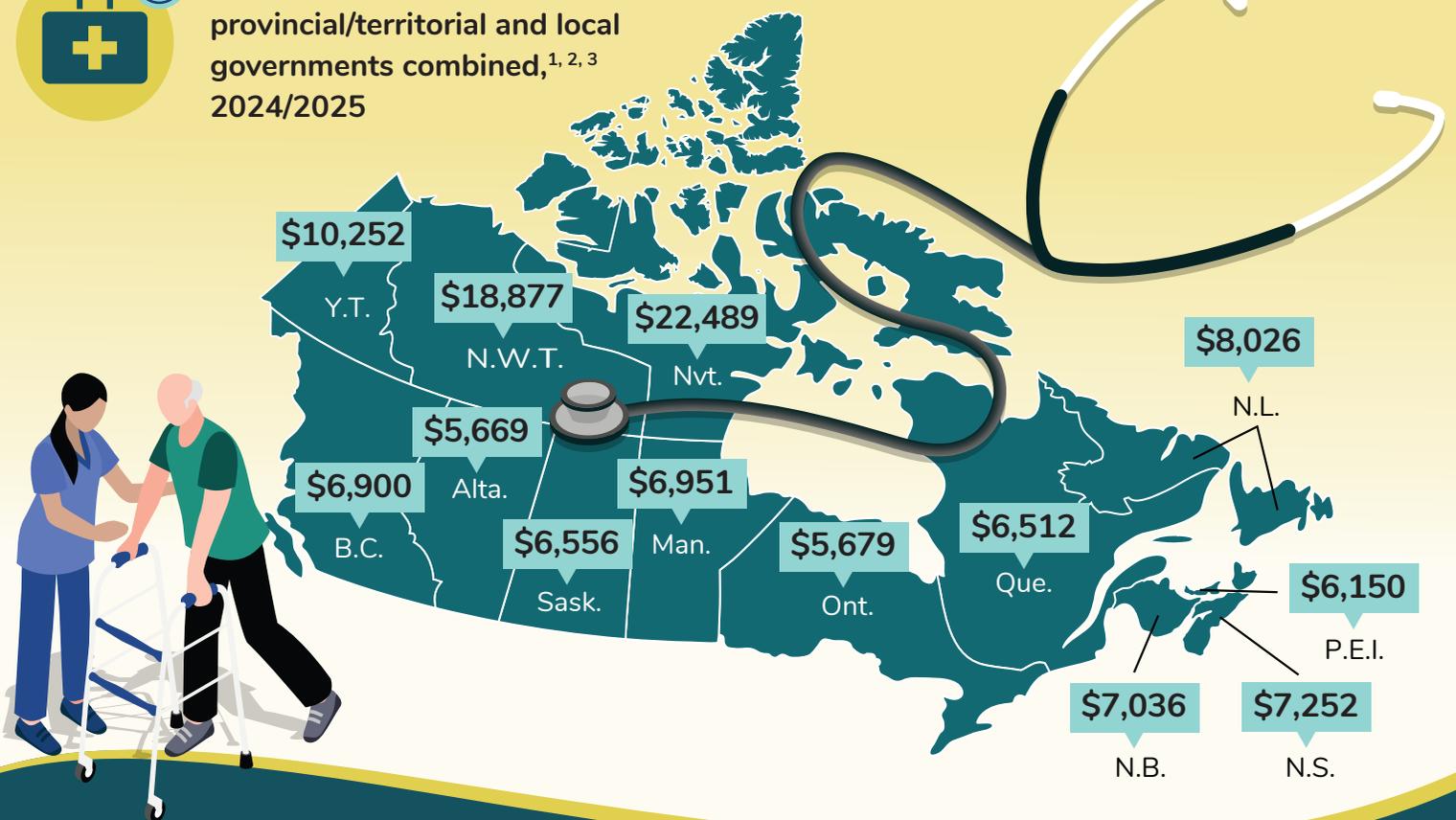
While spending on social protection

by federal, provincial/territorial and local governments combined decreased 3.2% in 2024/2025, spending in this area by provincial/territorial and local governments rose 5.7% to \$111.6 billion.

Provincial/territorial and local governments spent \$258.9 billion on health care—twice the amount spent on education (\$130.7 billion).



Per capita spending on health by provincial/territorial and local governments combined,^{1, 2, 3} 2024/2025



1. Includes other government entities.
 2. Consolidation eliminates transactions between levels of government.
 3. Excludes consumption of fixed capital and acquisition of non-financial assets.

Sources: Statistics Canada, table 17-10-0009-01 – Population estimates, quarterly, table 10-10-0024-01 – Canadian classification of functions of government, by general government component (x 1,000,000), and table 10-10-0005-01 – Canadian Classification of Functions of Government (CCOFOG) by consolidated government component (x 1,000,000).