

COVID-19: Significant Financial Support for Businesses, by Province

Province	Significant financial support	Details
British Columbia	Emergency Benefit for Workers	One-time payment of \$1,000 issued in May, 2020. Employees, self-employed, and non-EI eligible workers are able to apply. Applications not yet open.
	Provincial property tax reduction	Province reducing the provincial portion of property taxes on commercial properties, reflecting an average tax bill decrease of 25%
Alberta	Waving of 50% of 2020 WCB premiums for SMEs	Waving of 50% of 2020 WCB premiums for SMEs < \$10 million in assessable payroll, equal to \$350 million in savings. Details here.
Manitoba	Removing PST on insurance	Removing \$75 million of annual PST from residential and business properties, effective July 1, 2020.
	WCB credit	In May, eligible employers will receive a credit to their account based on 20 per cent of their 2019 premium.
	Gap Protection Program (MGPP)	Available to any businesses in who do not qualify for federal programs and wage subsidies. Non-interest loan of \$6,000. The loan is forgiven on Dec. 31, 2020, if business has not received any major non-repayable federal supports.
Saskatchewan	Small Business Emergency Payment	One-time grant based on 15% of a business' monthly sales revenue, to a maximum of \$5,000 and can be used for any business purpose. Program totals \$50 million, businesses with less than 500 employees are eligible. Eligibility details and application here.
Ontario	No significant support measures	N/A
Quebec	Emergency aid for SMEs	Up to \$50,000 in emergency financing in the form of a loan or loan guarantee for businesses who have temporarily closed. Contact your local MRC for more information.
Newfoundland and Labrador	No significant support measures	N/A
New Brunswick	No significant support measures	N/A
PEI	Commercial Leases: rent deferral program	Up to a maximum of \$50,000 per landlord and \$15,000 per tenant, program details here.
Nova Scotia	Small Business Impact Grant	One-time grant totaling 15% of revenues from sales (from either April 2019 or February 2020), up to a maximum of \$5,000 that can be used for any business purpose. Program totals \$20 million, businesses with fewer than 200 employees and anticipated revenue loss of 30% or more in April are eligible. Eligibility details and application here.
	Worker Emergency Bridge Fund	One-time \$1,000 payment to anyone who has lost their job (employee or self-employed) on or after March 16, 2020 because of COVID-19. Record of Employment or 2018 tax return needed to apply, the toll-free phone line for the fund (1-800-863-6582) is now open.
Yukon	Paid Sick Leave Rebate for Employers	Rebate covers a maximum of 10 days of wages up to \$378.13 per day per employee to allow for sick leave or 14-day self-isolation. Applications open here.
Northwest Territories	No significant support measures	N/A