

IN BRIEF

EXPENDITURE
BUDGET
2025 • 2026

FOR A STRONG QUÉBEC

EXPENDITURE MANAGEMENT STRATEGY



Program spending growth in 2025-2026: nearly \$2.6 billion

Main initiatives:
\$2,150.9 million
Health · Education · Economy

Supporting Quebecers

\$1,399.5 million



Improving delivery
of health care and
social services

\$772.0 million



Promoting youth
education and
development

\$202.6 million



Showcasing
Québec culture
and identity

\$151.7 million



Supporting communities

\$58.8 million



Promoting the well-being
of vulnerable individuals

\$214.4 million

Stimulating wealth creation

\$751.4 million



Supporting
and stimulating
the Québec
economy

\$491.0 million



Increasing
our capacity
to innovate

\$80.8 million



Promoting
regional
contributions
to wealth creation

\$179.6 million

Government Performance

Streamline administrative processes

- Reduce bureaucracy in government departments and bodies
- Simplify the administrative processes for beneficiaries of government aid
- Better adaptation of programs to suit regional realities



Improve services to the public

- Streamline administrative processes
- Accelerate processing of requests



Improve performance monitoring

- Enhance the Tableau de Bord by adding some 30 bodies



Review of budgetary expenditures

Review all budgetary expenditures to ensure sound management of public finances

- Optimization of administrative expenditures and processes
- Cap independent labour rates in the health and social services sector
- Government transformation
 - Government administration space and lease optimization plan
 - Governance and management of government information resources
 - Creation of new purchasing groups

The efficiency measures identified will total **\$3.0 billion** by the end of the 2029-2030 fiscal year, including **\$0.6 billion** in the 2025-2026 fiscal year.

PUBLIC PROCUREMENT:



In 2023-2024, public procurement accounted for **32,892 contracts** of \$25,000 or more, for a total value of **\$31.6 billion**.

A major economic lever for promoting Québec-based purchasing

Contracts awarded to Québec companies



91%

Service contracts



99%

Construction work

Since the launch of the Stratégie gouvernementale des marchés publics in 2022, acquisitions of Québec goods have risen by

\$1.2 billion,

resulting in an increase of

\$2.1 billion

in Québec's real gross domestic product and an increase in private investment of

\$0.8 billion.

A gradual, measured and targeted response to U.S. tariffs

- 10% to 25% penalty for U.S.-based companies bidding on public tenders for certain procurement contracts
- Optimize the leeway offered by procurement liberalization agreements
 - reserve certain markets for Québec small businesses
 - specify a requirement for Québec products, services or construction work
 - requirements included in calls for tenders that can be met by local companies
- Tighten rules governing acquisitions via online purchasing platforms

