

TABLE 6.2

Federal expenses, 1979–2021 (\$ millions)

	TRANSFERS TO CITIZENS (BENEFITS)			TRANSFERS TO OTHER LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT			NATIONAL DEFENCE	OTHER PROGRAM EXPENSES	PUBLIC DEBT CHARGES	TOTAL	
	OLD AGE SECURITY	FAMILY ALLOWANCE/ CHILD TAX CREDIT	EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE	CANADA HEALTH AND SOCIAL TRANSFER/ OTHER	FISCAL TRANSFERS	OTHER					ALTERNATIVE PAYMENTS FOR STANDING PROGRAMS
1979–80	6,320	1,725	3,922	7,026	3,575			4,588	19,627	8,494	55,277
1984–5	11,418	2,418	10,052	12,340	6,208			7,900	33,943	24,887	109,166
1989–90	16,154	2,653	11,694	13,835	9,582			10,982	38,884	41,246	145,030
1994–5	20,143	5,322	14,815	17,443	8,870			10,580	46,065	44,185	167,423
1999–2000	22,856	6,000	11,301	14,891	10,721	56	-2,425	10,113	45,253	43,384	162,150
2004–5	27,871	8,688	14,748	28,031	13,467	3,779	-3,350	14,318	71,104	34,118	212,774
2009–10	34,653	12,340	21,586	35,678	16,789	7,772	-3,299	20,863	101,905	29,414	277,701
2014–15	44,103	14,303	18,052	44,696	20,505	5,688	-4,234	23,669	90,605	26,594	280,455
2019–20	56,227	24,344	21,750	55,457	23,841	26,451	-5,046	22,202	95,191	24,447	373,523
2020–1	58,529	27,370	58,356	60,903	24,881		N/A	22,857	199,255	20,358	644,175

Source: Data from Department of Finance Canada (2021b).

Note: The 2020–1 Other Program Expenses total includes \$80,166 billion for the Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy.