



News release

Canada Child Tax Benefit

Ottawa, Ontario, March 20, 2008... The Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) issued the March Canada Child Tax Benefit (CCTB) payments today. The payments totalling more than \$815 million were issued to over 2.9 million recipients across Canada.

Recipients who are expecting a benefit payment and have not received it by March 31 should call the Agency's CCTB enquiry service at **1-800-387-1193**. This service is available weekdays from 8:15 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., local time.

To receive or continue to receive CCTB payments, recipients and their spouses or common-law partners must each file a tax return every year even if there is no income to report. Please note that there is still time to file your 2006 Income Tax and Benefit Return.

Benefit recipients who are moving or have a new address should inform the Agency as soon as possible to ensure that their CCTB payments are not disrupted even if they use direct deposit and their bank account does not change. The **Change my address** service at www.cra.gc.ca/myaccount makes it easier for clients to notify the CRA of a change of address.

The CRA administers child benefit programs on behalf of some provinces and territories. The following provincial and territorial amounts are combined with the CCTB into a single monthly payment:

- BC Family Bonus
- New Brunswick Child Tax Benefit
- Newfoundland and Labrador Child Benefit
- Northwest Territories Child Benefit
- Nova Scotia Child Benefit
- Nunavut Child Benefit
- Yukon Child Benefit

Recipients can have their CCTB payments deposited directly into their account at their financial institution. To take advantage of this option, **Form T1-DD(1), Direct Deposit Request**, must be completed. This form can be downloaded from the CRA's Web site or obtained by calling CRA at **1-800-959-2221**.

Information on the CCTB can also be found on the **Child and Family Benefits** pages on the CRA's Web site at www.cra.gc.ca.

