

Table 1. National Curriculum Policy Frameworks (NCPFs) in selected countries/regions

Country/Region	Framework	Year of Publication	Age Group
Australia	Belonging, Being and Becoming: The Early Years Learning Framework	2009	Birth to 5
Canada (Ontario)	How does learning happen? Ontario' pedagogy for the early years	2014	Under age 6
China (Mainland)	Guidelines for 3-6 Children's Learning and Development	2012	3-6
Denmark	The strengthened pedagogical curriculum: Framework and content	2020	0-6
England	Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS)	2017 ¹	0-5
Finland	National Core Curriculum for Early Childhood Education and Care	2018	0-5/6
Hong Kong SAR	Kindergarten Education Curriculum Guide	2017	2-6
Ireland	Aistear: The Early Childhood Curriculum Framework	2009	Birth to 6
New Zealand	Te Whāriki (Updates)	2017	0-6
Northern Ireland	Learning to Learn: A framework for early years education and learning	2013	0-6
Norway	Framework Plan for Kindergartens	2017	0-5
Scotland	Pre-Birth to Three: Positive Outcomes for Scotland's Children and Families	2010	Pre-birth to 3
Singapore	Early Years Development Framework for Childcare Centres	2013	0-3
South Africa	The South African National Curriculum Framework	2015	Birth to 4
Sweden	Curriculum for the Preschool Lpfö 18	2019	1-5
Taiwan	Curriculum Framework for Kindergarten Education and Care Activities	2012	2-6
US (California)	Infant/Toddler Curriculum Framework	2012	Birth to 3
US (New York)	Early Learning Guidelines	2012	Birth to 5
Wales	Early Years Outcomes Framework	2015	0-7

¹ This study was conducted before the 2021 version of EYFS was published.