



Quick Facts



Manitoba

Demographics

- Population: 1,178,348 (Jan 2006)
Canadian Population: 34.2 million
- Population Growth (2004-2005): 0.6%
Canadian Population Growth: 0.9%
- Median Age (2001): 36.8 years
Canadian Median Age: 37.6 years
- Visible Minority Population: 7.9% (2001)
Canadian Minority Population: 13.4%
- Urbanized: 72.9% (2001)
Canadian Average: 79.7%

Aboriginal Population

- Aboriginal Population in MB: 150,040
Percentage of Canadian Aboriginal Population: 15.4%
- Average Age: 22.8 years
Canadian Average: 24.7 years
- Unemployment Rate: 19.0%
- Median earnings: \$12,994
- Percentage over 15 years with a formal education of high school diploma or greater: 44%

Source: Statistics Canada Aboriginal Peoples Survey 2000

Key Economic Indicators

Year	2003	2005	2006	2007f
GDP at Basic Prices (\$ Millions 1997)		33,657	34,656	35,633
Percentage change		2.5	2.9	3.4
Canada (\$ Millions 1997)		1,155,947	1,190,410	1,227,209
Percentage change		2.8%	3.0%	3.1%
Inflation Rate (CPI-based)		2.7	1.8	1.9
Inflation Rate Canada		2.4%	2.5%	2.0%
Retail Sales (\$ Millions)		12,579	13,247	13,809
Percentage Change		7.6	5.3	4.2
Unemployment Rate		4.8	4.8	4.9
Unemployment Canada (per cent)		6.7%	6.7%	6.9%
Employment (000s)		580	587	596
Percentage Change		0.7	1.2	1.5
Average Weekly Wages (\$)		660.90	688.90	705.40
Percentage Change		4.5	4.2	4.4
Housing Starts (Number of Units)		4,731	4,560	4,470
Percentage Change		6.6	-3.6	-2.0

Source: Conference Board of Canada Metropolitan Outlook: Winter 2006

Top Five Exports by Commodity Groups (\$ millions)

	2003	2004	% Change
Cereals	803	959	19.4%
Mineral Fuels & Oils	953	830	-12.9%
Motor Vehicles and Parts	646	755	16.9%
Machinery	660	709	7.4
Oil seeds	697	608	-12.8%

Source: Provincial Pocket Facts November 2005 ITC Canada Website