

Manitoba Immigration Facts



2004 STATISTICAL REPORT

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MESSAGE FROM MINISTER ALLAN

Immigration is a priority for our province. Manitoba's Action Strategy for Economic Growth recognizes immigration as a key to strengthening growth in the province. As we welcome an increasing number of newcomers to Manitoba, we also benefit from their skills, knowledge and experiences, keeping us competitive in the global economy.

To share in the benefits of immigration, Manitoba actively attracts and settles newcomers in Winnipeg and welcoming communities throughout the province. Our flexible immigration and settlement strategies strengthen provincial priorities and build partnerships with many stakeholders.

Manitoba's Provincial Nominee Program (PNP) has new assessment streams that select newcomers with the strongest ability to successfully contribute and settle in our province. PNP has had a significant impact on immigration to Manitoba. I am pleased to report that in 2004 we welcomed over 7,400 newcomers, 54% as Provincial Nominees and that we are well on track to meeting our target of 10,000 newcomers annually.

Together with the work of our new Manitoba Immigration Council, our immigration policies and programs respond to the distinct needs of our communities, workplaces and newest Manitobans. Among our settlement priorities is Manitoba's Qualifications Recognition Strategy. Together with local and national partners we are addressing barriers to make it easier for highly skilled immigrants to find employment in occupations for which they have training and experience.

Manitoba Immigration Facts 2004 provides a statistical and analytical overview of immigration to Manitoba. Charts and tables have been included for comparison to previous years and additional Provincial Nominee tables have been included. I hope you find this immigration facts report both informative and comprehensive.

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Nancy Allan
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Growing Through Immigration 2004



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Immigration is one strategy to meet Manitoba's labour market and demographic challenges. "Growing Through Immigration" sets a target of 10,000 annual arrivals to strengthen diversity, social and economic development and recognition of the contributions that all immigrants and refugees bring to our province.

Innovative partnerships and an active role in attracting and welcoming immigrants have contributed to Manitoba's population increase of 10,161 in 2004, the highest in over twenty years. Manitoba Labour and Immigration supports many initiatives to strengthen immigration and integration including: redesigning the Provincial Nominee Program, developing Manitoba's Qualifications Recognition Strategy, creating new service models for Adult English as a Second Language and settlement services and expanding partnerships with communities, employers, service providers and other levels of government.

Supported by the Canada-Manitoba Immigration Agreement with Citizenship and Immigration Canada, we have increased our capacity to meet immigration goals through a redesigned Provincial Nominee

Program (PNP). Streamlined assessment processes fast track qualified applicants in response to employers needs while also supporting greater regional dispersion of immigrants, increased Francophone immigration and ties to family and communities.

Immigration growth of 14% in 2004 and 40% in 2003 reinforces Manitoba's international reputation as a great place to live, work and raise a family. In 2004, Manitoba received 7,427 newcomers, comprised of 67.3% Economic Class (837 Skilled Workers, 69 Business, 4,048 Provincial Nominees and 46 Live in Caregivers), 15.0% Family Class (1,116) and 16.86% Refugees (1,252) of which 548 were Government-Assisted and 608 Privately Sponsored Refugees. The top provincial destination for newcomers was Winnipeg, receiving 79.32% of Manitoba's (5,891) arrivals. The top source country was the Philippines with 20.6% or 1,529 people.

Canada's "Immigration and Refugee Protection Act" of June 2002, identifies who may apply to immigrate to Canada under one of three immigrant categories: Family Class, Economic Class and Refugees. Manitoba

works closely with federal partners, communities, business and services to support a balanced approach to immigration through all categories.

Family Class is comprised of close relatives who are sponsored by family members already established in Canada and are Canadian citizens or permanent residents. Along with welcoming communities and early settlement support, the connection with close family and friends is the strongest contributing factor to the successful integration of immigrants. Since 1998 the Philippines, India, USA, Mexico, Ethiopia and China have been the top source countries for family reunification to Manitoba, accounting for 56.6% of the total 1,116 immigrants sponsored through Family Class in 2004.

Economic Class includes immigrants who contribute to economic development including provincial nominees, skilled workers, business immigrants and live-in caregivers. Provincial Nominees are selected using Manitoba's criteria which reflect local labour market conditions and ties to the province. In 2004, 54.5% (4,048) of Manitoba's total immigrants came as Provincial Nominees, with 28.4% (1,150) choosing to live in communities outside Winnipeg. Since 1999, the Philippines and Germany have consistently been the top source countries of Manitoba Provincial Nominees accounting for 49.72% (2,013) of total Provincial Nominee immigration in 2004.

Refugees are Convention Refugees and others in refugee like situations that require protection under international law. Government-Assisted and Privately Sponsored Refugees, Refugees Landed in Canada and Dependents Abroad are included in this class. Building on Canada's international humanitarian commitment and an active refugee sponsorship community, Manitoba consistently welcomes more than

the provinces proportional share of all refugees entering Canada. In 2004, Manitoba settled 19.51% of Canada's Privately Sponsored Refugees and 7.39% of Canada's Government-Assisted Refugees. The top source countries for Government-Assisted Refugees to Manitoba include Sudan, Afghanistan, Congo, Somalia and Iraq. Privately Sponsored Refugees top source countries include Ethiopia, Sudan, Eritrea, Israel and Afghanistan.

Manitoba also receives temporary residents annually who arrive as Temporary Workers, International Students, Refugee Claimants and Visitors, which are not reported here. For statistics on this category, go to <http://www.cic.gc.ca> Citizenship and Immigration Facts and Figures Immigration Overview.



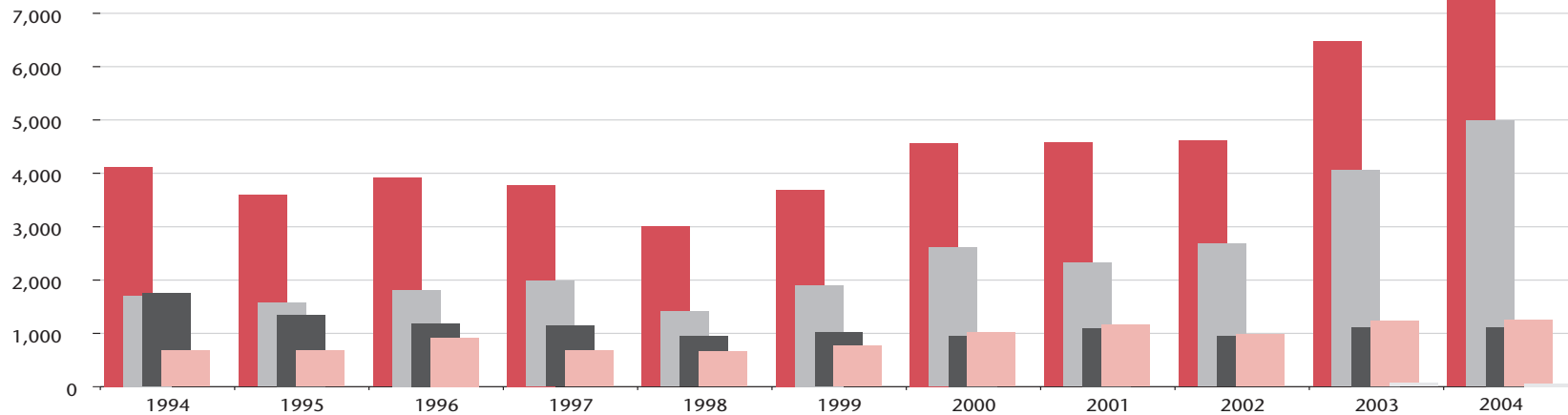
Changing trends in Immigration



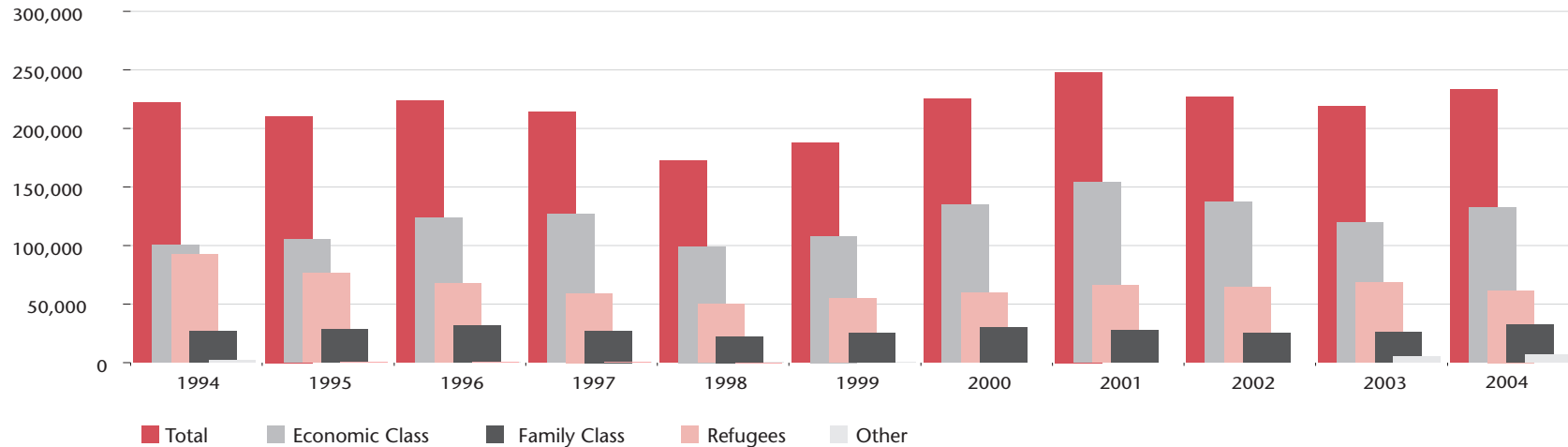
In 2004, 87.5% of Canada's immigrants chose destinations in Ontario, Quebec and British Columbia as their new home. Through innovative initiatives and community partnerships, Manitoba is working to increase immigration equal to 3.66% of Canada's total immigration intake, proportionate to Manitoba's share of Canada's total population. As of January 1, 2005 Statistics Canada estimated the countries population as 32,078,819 and Manitoba's as 1,174,645 (3.66% of the national population).

IMMIGRATION TO MANITOBA IN THE PAST DECADE

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IMMIGRATION TO CANADA IN THE PAST DECADE





Immigration Levels

Canada welcomed 235,824 immigrants in 2004, an increase of 6.5% over 2003 and within Canada's planned range of between 220,000 to 245,000. Manitoba received 7,427 immigrants, an increase of 14.4% over 2003, representing 3.15% of Canada's total intake. As a growing component of the Economic Class, the Provincial Nominee Program provides smaller cities and provinces such as Manitoba with the flexibility to respond to local needs and strengthen opportunities for economic growth. Family Reunification, Government-Assisted and Privately Sponsored Refugees are strong components of Manitoba immigration.

MANITOBA SUMMARY TABLE

Principal Applicants and Dependents	2002		2003		2004	
	No.	Per cent Cdn levels	No.	Per cent Cdn levels	No.	Per cent Cdn levels
Family Class	949	1.45	1,119	1.62	1,116	1.79
Economic Class	1,162	0.85	966	0.83	952	0.75
Provincial/Territorial Nominees*	1,527	71.79	3,106	70.30	4,048	64.79
Refugees	982	3.91	1,235	4.74	1,252	3.83
IRPA/Other/Missing/Unknown	1	2.63	66	0.12	59	0.72
TOTAL	4,621	2.02	6,492	2.93	7,427	3.15
Difference from previous year***	33	0.71	1,871	40.48	935	14.40

*** Total 2001 immigration arrivals were 4,588

Note 1: Percentages shown on the upper table represent Manitoba's share of Canada's total immigration levels. The lower table percentage represent the proportion of immigration classes of Canada's total immigration.

CANADA SUMMARY TABLE

Principal Applicants and Dependents	2002		2003		2004	
	No.	Per cent	No.	Per cent	No.	Per cent
Projected Level	210,000 - 235,000		210,000 - 235,000		210,000 - 235,000	
Actual Level						
Family Class	65,277	28.49	68,863	31.11	62,246	26.40
Economic Class	136,401	59.54	116,637	52.69	127,498	54.06
Provincial/Territorial Nominees*	2,127	0.93	4,418	2.00	6,248	2.65
Refugees	25,122	10.97	26,060	11.77	32,731	13.88
Other/Unknown	126	0.05	5,265	2.38	6,952	2.95
IRPA Other/Missing/Backlog	38	0.02	109	0.05	149	0.06
TOTAL	229,091	100.00	221,352	100.00	235,824	100.00
Difference from previous year***	-20,829	-8.32	-7,739	-3.49	14,472	6.54

* Provincial Nominees are a subcategory of the Economic Class. ** Other includes Retirees and Unknown. *** Total 2001 immigration arrivals were 250,484.

Manitoba Newcomers



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As defined by federal legislation, individuals apply to immigrate to Canada through Family Class, Economic or Refugee streams. Through the Canada-Manitoba Immigration Agreement, applicants to the Manitoba Provincial Nominee Program are nominated by the province for final permanent resident visa processing through federal immigration. In 2004, 54.50% of Manitoba's immigration was through the Provincial Nominee Program accounting for 80.96% of Manitoba's total Economic Class immigration. Manitoba works closely with Citizenship and Immigration Canada to address provincial priorities. As Provincial Nominee landings increase, it is expected that Family reunification will also increase through family sponsorship. As a smaller province, Manitoba annually receives a greater number of Government-Assisted and Private Sponsored Refugees than our provincial proportional share because of an active and committed refugee sponsorship community.



MANITOBA IMMIGRATION LEVELS REPORT

Principal Applicants and Dependents	2002		2003		2004	
	No.	Per cent	No.	Per cent	No.	Per cent
Family Class						
Immediate Family	661	14.30	768	11.83	814	10.96
Parents, Grandparents and Other	288	6.23	351	5.41	302	4.07
Subtotal	949	20.54	1,119	17.24	1,116	15.03
Economic Class						
Skilled Workers - Principal Applicant	423	9.15	431	6.64	302	4.07
Skilled Workers - Dependent	614	13.29	430	6.62	535	7.20
Business - Principal Applicant	25	0.54	39	0.60	21	0.28
Business - Dependent	72	1.56	33	0.51	48	0.65
Provincial/Territorial Nominees - Principal Applicant	466	10.08	1,705	26.26	1,313	17.68
Provincial/Territorial Nominees - Dependent	1,061	22.96	1,401	21.58	2,735	36.83
Live-in Caregiver - Principal Applicant	26	0.56	23	0.35	40	0.54
Live-in Caregiver - Dependent	2	0.04	10	0.15	6	0.08
Subtotal	2,689	58.19	4,072	62.72	5,000	67.32
Other						
Unknown	1	0.02	66	1.02	55	0.74
Backlog	0	0.00	0	0.00	4	0.05
Subtotal	1	0.02	66	1.02	59	0.79
Refugees						
Government Assisted Refugees	580	12.55	539	8.30	548	7.38
Privately Sponsored Refugees	360	7.79	597	9.20	608	8.19
Refugees Landed in Canada (Asylum)*	31	0.67	91	1.40	63	0.85
Dependents Abroad**	11	0.24	8	0.12	33	0.44
Subtotal	982	21.25	1,235	19.02	1,252	16.86
TOTAL	4,621	100.00	6,492	100.00	7,427	100.00

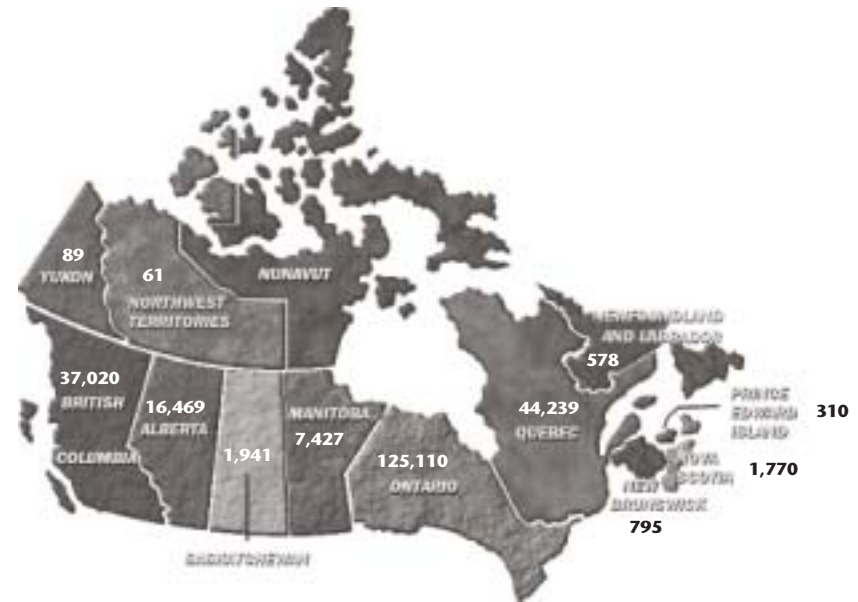
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*Refugees Landed in Canada (Asylum) are refugee claimants who have been granted asylum in Canada

**Dependents Abroad - Dependents of a refugee landed in Canada who lives abroad

Note: The percentage shown represents the proportion of immigration classes of the total Manitoba immigration intake.

Cross-Canada Perspective



The Government of Canada plans annual immigration levels in consultation with provinces and territories. Manitoba's increased immigration levels are supported by partnerships with welcoming communities and employers. The newly established Manitoba Immigration Council, representing communities, service providers, business and labour advises the Minister on immigration and integration issues.

CANADA IMMIGRATION LEVELS BY PROVINCE / TERRITORY

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Principal Applicants and Dependents	2002		2003		2004	
	No.	per cent	No.	Per cent	No.	Per cent
Ontario	133,641	58.34	119,741	54.09	125,110	53.05
Quebec	37,627	16.42	39,551	17.86	44,239	18.76
British Columbia	34,000	14.84	35,228	15.91	37,020	15.70
Alberta	14,729	6.43	15,830	7.15	16,469	6.98
Manitoba	4,621	2.02	6,492	2.93	7,427	3.15
Saskatchewan	1,665	0.73	1,670	0.75	1,941	0.82
Nova Scotia	1,419	0.62	1,476	0.66	1,770	0.75
New Brunswick	710	0.31	667	0.30	795	0.34
Newfoundland	405	0.18	359	0.16	578	0.25
Prince Edward Island	110	0.05	153	0.06	310	0.13
Yukon	49	0.02	57	0.02	89	0.04
Northwest Territories	70	0.03	94	0.04	61	0.03
Unknown	3	0.00	9	0.00	8	0.00
Missing	42	0.02	25	0.01	7	0.00
TOTAL	229,091	100.00	221,352	100.00	235,824	100.00

NOTE : The percentage shown represents the provincial proportional share of the total immigration to Canada.



In 2004, 34.18% of immigrants to Canada chose to live in Toronto, Montreal or Vancouver. In 2003 and 2004, Winnipeg was one of Canada's top ten immigrant receiving cities. Winnipeg last ranked in the top ten in 2000.

CANADA IMMIGRATION BY DESTINATION CITIES (TOP TEN)

	2002			2003			2004		
	No.	Per cent	Rank	No.	Per cent	Rank	No.	Per cent	Rank
Toronto	69,530	30.35	1	41,164	18.60	1	38,546	16.35	1
Montreal	26,417	11.53	2	23,402	10.57	2	25,957	11.01	2
Mississauga	10,823	4.72	4	14,676	6.63	3	16,118	6.83	3
Vancouver	16,894	7.37	3	12,673	5.73	4	12,656	5.37	4
Scarborough	8,835	3.86	6	11,576	5.23	5	11,316	4.80	5
Calgary	8,967	3.91	5	9,153	4.14	6	9,308	3.95	6
Brampton	4,698	2.05	9	6,447	2.91	8	7,583	3.22	7
North York	4,759	2.08	8	6,661	3.01	7	7,085	3.00	8
Winnipeg	3,782			5,120	2.31	9	5,891	2.50	9
Edmonton	4,029			4,562			4,810	2.04	10
Ottawa	5,615	2.45	7	4,185			4,789		
Surrey	4,079	1.78	10	4,610	2.08	10	4,644		
TOTAL TOP TEN CITIES	160,617	70.11		135,482	61.21		139,270	59.06	
TOTAL OTHER CITIES	68,474	29.89		85,870	38.79		96,554	42.71	
TOTAL IMMIGRATION	229,091			221,352			235,824		



Manitoba Provincial Nominees

Since 1998, Manitoba has been first among provinces in developing the Provincial Nominee Program as an effective immigration response to local labour economic and community needs. The Provincial Nominee Annex of the Canada-Manitoba Immigration Agreement expanded our provincial role to recruit, screen and nominate skilled individuals and their families. A business component of the Provincial Nominee program was established in cooperation with Manitoba Industry, Economic Development and Mines in 2000.

The province's strong immigration performance is the result of the success of the Provincial Nominee Program, accounting for 54.5 of Manitoba newcomers in 2004. From 1999, when the first Provincial Nominees landed in Manitoba to December 31, 2004, 11,168 principal applicants and their dependents have arrived in our province, significantly contributing to regional and community economic development.

PROVINCIAL NOMINEES BY PROVINCE

	2002		2003		2004	
	No.	Per cent	No.	Per cent	No.	Per cent
Manitoba	1,527	71.79	3,106	70.30	4,048	64.79
British Columbia	207	9.73	441	9.98	598	9.57
Alberta	24	1.13	178	4.03	425	6.80
Saskatchewan	73	3.43	173	3.92	323	5.17
Ontario	140	6.58	277	6.27	280	4.48
Newfoundland	37	1.74	37	0.84	171	2.74
New Brunswick	104	4.89	146	3.30	161	2.58
Prince Edward Island	12	0.56	44	1.00	141	2.26
Nova Scotia	0	0.00	0	0.00	64	1.02
Quebec	3	0.14	16	0.36	37	0.59
TOTAL	2,127	100.00	4,418	100.00	6,248	100.00

In 2004, approved Business Provincial Nominee applicants had an average investment of \$366,652. and created an average 2.18 jobs in Manitoba businesses.

MANITOBA PROVINCIAL NOMINEES BY LANDINGS BY YEAR AND APPLICANT STATUS

	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	Total
Principal Applicants - Skilled Worker	137	318	307	420	872	1,227	3,281
Spouse or Dependents - Skilled Worker	281	779	665	935	1,913	2,531	7,104
Principal Applicants - Business				46	86	86	218
Spouse or Dependents - Business				126	235	204	565
Total Provincial Nominee Landings	418	1,097	972	1,527	3,106	4,048	11,168
% Change over previous year		162.4	-12.80	57.10	103.40	30.32	

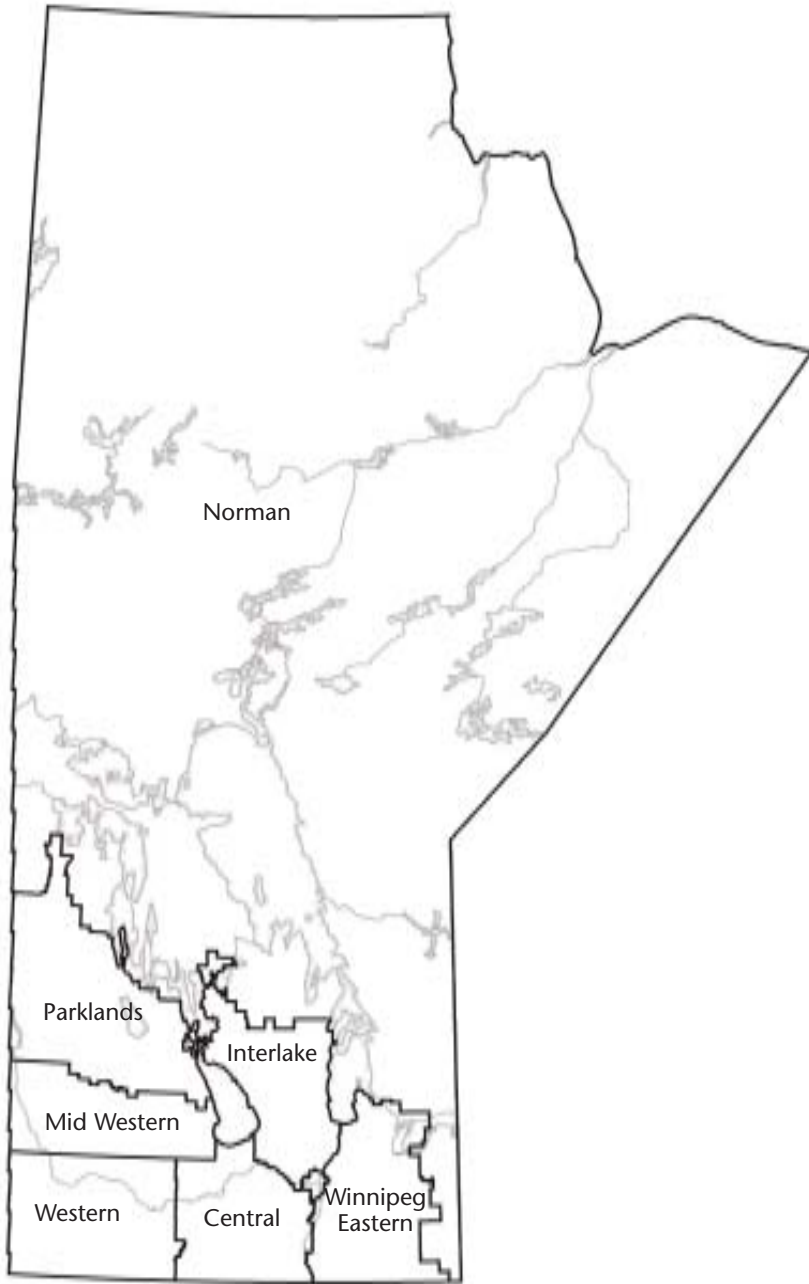


Manitoba Communities

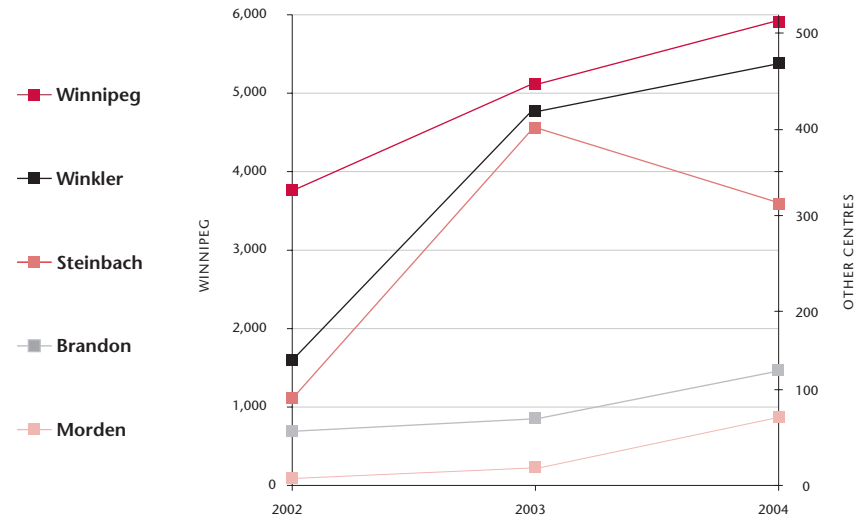
Currently, almost 80% of newcomers to the province settle in Winnipeg, Manitoba's capital city. In recent years more communities have benefited from immigration, in support of community economic development. Key destinations were the communities and surrounding areas of Winkler (Central Region), Steinbach (Eastern Region), Brandon (Mid Western Region), Morden and Altona (Central Region), Swan River (Parkland Region), Thompson, (Norman Region) and Arborg (Interlake Region).

MANITOBA IMMIGRATION BY COMMUNITY DESTINATION (TOP 10)

Principal Applicants and Dependents	2002			2003			2004		
	Total	Per cent	Rank	Total	Per cent	Rank	Total	Per cent	Rank
Winnipeg	3,782	81.84	1	5,120	78.87	1	5,891	79.32	1
Winkler	136	2.94	2	411	6.33	2	465	6.26	2
Steinbach	91	1.97	3	393	6.05	3	310	4.17	3
Brandon	53	1.15	4	77	1.19	4	130	1.75	4
Morden	6	0.13		24	0.37	5	73	0.98	5
Altona	32	0.69	5	23	0.35	6	36	0.48	6
Arborg	15	0.32	9	18	0.28	10	27	0.36	7
Plum Coulee	0	0.00		0	0.00		26	0.35	8
Stonewall	0	0.00		8	0.12		24	0.32	9
Grunthal	0	0.00		0	0.00		22	0.30	10
Swan River	12	0.26		20	0.31	9			
Thompson	22	0.48	6	22	0.34	7			
Niverville	6	0.13		22	0.34	8			
Morris	11	0.24							
The Pas	16	0.35	7						
Virden	16	0.35	8						
St Boniface	14	0.30	10						
TOTAL TOP TEN ONLY	4,177	90.39		6,130	94.42		7,004	94.30	
TOTAL OTHER DESTINATIONS	444	9.61		362	5.58		423	5.70	
TOTAL	4,621	100.00		6,492	100.00		7,427	100.00	



MANITOBA IMMIGRATION BY COMMUNITY DESTINATION TOP 5



MANITOBA IMMIGRATION BY REGIONS

	2002		2003		2004	
	No.	Per cent	No.	Per cent	No.	Per cent
Winnipeg	3,797	83.97	5,129	79.00	5,896	79.39
Central	310	6.7	502	7.73	663	8.93
Eastern	193	4.18	485	7.47	435	5.86
Western	101	2.19	117	1.80	175	2.36
Interlake	32	0.69	54	0.83	83	1.12
Parklands	30	0.65	61	0.94	50	0.67
Norman	50	1.08	42	0.65	32	0.43
Mid Western	16	0.35	23	0.35	23	0.31
Manitoba Not Elsewhere Stated	92	1.99	79	1.22	70	0.94
TOTAL	4,621	100.00	6,492	100.00	7,427	100.00

In 2004, close to one third (28.4) of Manitoba's Provincial Nominees chose to establish their families in communities outside of Winnipeg. To support regional immigration, four case studies were conducted by the Rural Development Institute with the support of Citizenship and Immigration Canada and Manitoba Labour and Immigration. They identify community approaches and best practices in immigration and settlement.



MANITOBA PROVINCIAL NOMINEES BY COMMUNITY DESTINATION (TOP TEN)

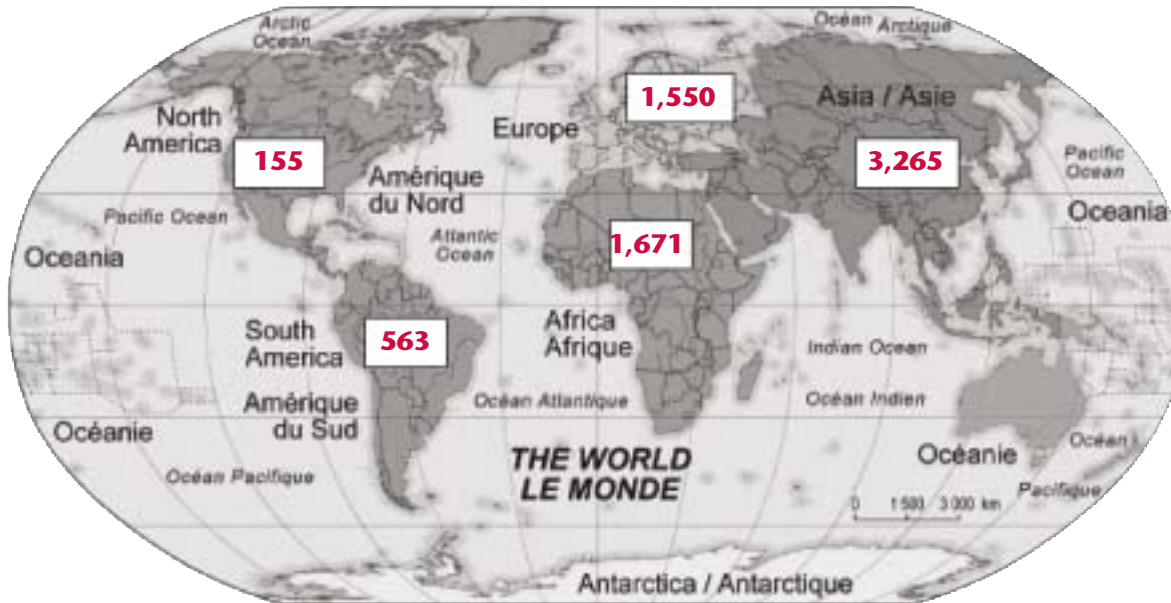
Principal Applicants and Dependents	2002			2003			2004		
	Total	Per cent	Rank	Total	Per cent	Rank	Total	Per cent	Rank
Winnipeg	1,038	67.98	1	2,124	68.38	1	2,898	71.59	1
Winkler	204	13.36	2	365	11.75	2	428	10.57	2
Steinbach	110	7.20	3	361	11.62	3	281	6.94	3
Brandon	26	1.70	5	21	0.68	4	65	1.61	4
Morden				19	0.61	5	65	1.61	5
Altona	42	2.75	4	11	0.35	8	30	0.74	6
Plum Coulee							25	0.62	7
Arborg	21	1.38	6				22	0.54	8
Richer							17	0.42	9
Stonewall				8	0.26		17	0.42	10
Swan River	8	0.52	8	17	0.55	6	16		
Thompson	11	0.72	7				13		
Niverville				15	0.48	7	9		
Kleefeld				11	0.35	9			
Ste Anne				11	0.35	10			
The Pas	6	0.39	9						
Sundown	6	0.39	10						
TOTAL TOP TEN ONLY	1,472	96.40		2,955	95.14		3,848	95.06	
TOTAL OTHER DESTINATIONS	55	3.60		151	4.86		200	4.94	
TOTAL PROVINCIAL NOMINEES	1,527	100.00		3,106	100.00		4,048	100.00	



Source Countries

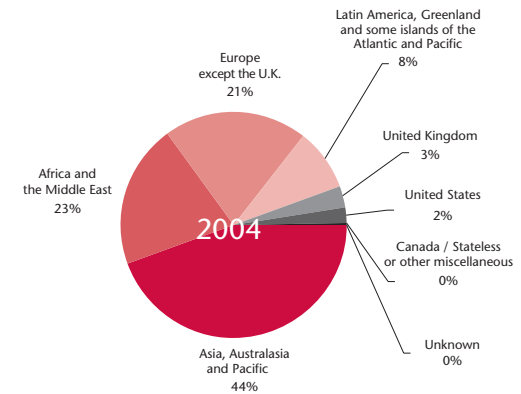
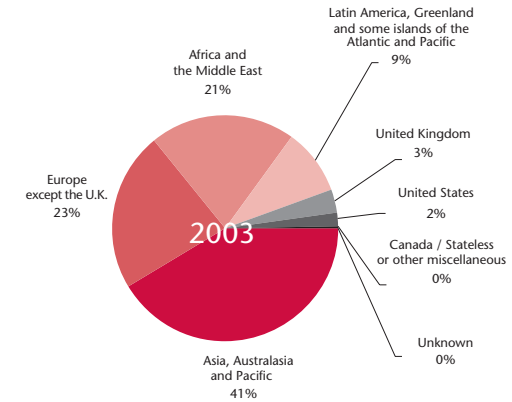
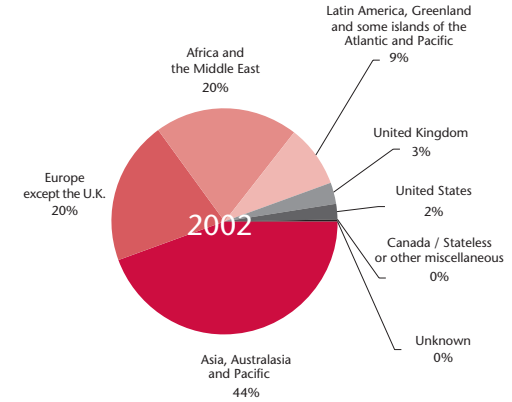
In 2004, a significant share of Manitoba's immigration arrived from Asian and Pacific regions (43.96). Newcomers from Africa, the Middle East, Europe and Latin America are also strongly represented. The Philippines, Germany, India and China ranked consistently, in the top five source countries for Economic immigration to Manitoba. National and provincial policies and priorities, changes in global events and family sponsorship all contributed to changes in Source Countries.

Manitoba Immigration 2004 by Source Area



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Manitoba Immigration by Source Area 2002 – 2004



MANITOBA IMMIGRATION BY SOURCE AREA

Principal Applicants and Dependents	2002			2003			2004		
	No.	Per cent	Rank	No.	Per cent	Rank	No.	Per cent	Rank
Asia, Australasia and Pacific	2,056	44.49	1	2,685	41.36	1	3,265	43.96	1
Africa and the Middle East	948	20.52	2	1,348	20.76	3	1,671	22.50	2
Europe except the U.K.	944	20.43	3	1,484	22.86	2	1,550	20.87	3
Latin America, Greenland, some islands of the Atlantic and Pacific	417	9.02	4	614	9.46	4	563	7.58	4
United Kingdom	137	2.96	5	210	3.23	5	218	2.94	5
United States	107	2.32	6	141	2.17	6	155	2.09	6
Canada or Stateless or other miscellaneous	9	0.19	7	10	0.15	7	4	0.05	7
Unknown	0	0.00		0	0.00		1	0.01	
*TOTAL	4,621	100.00		6,492	100.00		7,427	100.00	

MANITOBA IMMIGRATION BY *SOURCE COUNTRY (TOP 10)

Principal Applicants and Dependents	2002			2003			2004		
	No.	Per cent	Rank	No.	Per cent	Rank	No.	Per cent	Rank
Philippines	764	16.53	1	1,200	17.88	1	1,529	20.59	1
Germany	440	9.52	2	862	12.85	2	952	12.82	2
India	319	6.90	3	360	5.37	3	536	7.22	3
Korea	251	5.43	4	312	4.65	5	398	5.36	4
Israel	80			119			329	4.43	5
Ethiopia	123	2.66	8	352	5.25	4	305	4.11	6
China	205	4.44	5	296	4.41	6	290	3.90	7
Sudan	92			230	3.43	8	225	3.03	8
Ukraine	167	3.61	6	118			213	2.87	9
England	105			175	2.61	9	170	2.29	10
United States	107	2.32	10	141	2.10	10	155		
Argentina	75			266	3.96	7	152		
Afghanistan	164	3.55	7	134					
Viet Nam	108	2.34	9						
TOTAL TOP TEN ONLY	2,648	58.88		4,194	64.60		4,947	66.61	
TOTAL OTHER COUNTRIES	1,973	41.12		2,298	35.40		2,480	33.39	
TOTAL	4,621	100.00		6,492	100.00		7,427	100.00	

NOTE : The percentage shown represents the proportional share of immigration by Source Area and Country of the total Manitoba immigration intake.

*The Country of Last Permanent Residence is used to determine the Source Area and Source Country identified in the above tables.



In recent years Korea, Argentina, Ukraine and Israel have joined the Philippines, Germany, India and China as top Source Countries for Manitoba Provincial Nominees.

MANITOBA PROVINCIAL NOMINEES BY *SOURCE COUNTRY (TOP TEN)

Principal Applicants and Dependents	2002			2003			2004		
	No.	Per cent	Rank	No.	Per cent	Rank	No.	Per cent	Rank
Philippines	343	22.46	2	793	25.53	2	1,109	27.40	1
Germany	375	24.56	1	826	26.59	1	904	22.33	2
Korea, Republic of	182	11.92	3	264	8.50	3	368	9.09	3
India	65	4.26	5	133	4.28	4	287	7.09	4
Israel	39	2.55	9	102	3.28	8	275	6.79	5
China,	13	0.85		121	3.90	6	145	3.58	6
Ukraine	70	4.58	4	59	1.90		127	3.14	7
Argentina	57	3.73	7	118	3.80	7	118	2.92	8
England	47	3.08	8	87	2.80	9	92	2.27	9
Pakistan	24	1.57		46	1.48		47	1.16	10
Mexico	30	1.96	10	6	0.19		43	1.06	
Macedonia	12	0.79		122	3.93	5	25		
Vietnam	62	4.06	6	60	1.93	10	11		
TOTAL TOP TEN ONLY	1,270	83.17		2,626	84.55		3,468	85.67	
TOTAL OTHER COUNTRIES	257	16.83		480	15.45		580	14.33	
TOTAL PROVINCIAL NOMINEES	1,527	100.00		3,106	100.00		4,048	100.00	

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Linguistic Diversity



Tagalog is the top mother tongue for newcomers to Manitoba from the top source country, the Philippines. Linguistic diversity is a valuable resource as it strengthens international business, cultural and social development. Of the 7,427 new arrivals in 2004, 6.99% reported English as their mother tongue.

MANITOBA IMMIGRATION BY MOTHER TONGUE (TOP 10)

Principal Applicants and Dependents	2002			2003			2004		
	No.	Per cent	Rank	No.	Per cent	Rank	No.	Per cent	Rank
Tagalog	751	16.25	1	1,182	17.20	1	1,462	19.68	1
German	542	11.73	2	932	13.56	2	997	13.42	2
English	352	7.62	3	450	6.55	3	519	6.99	3
Korean	250	5.41	5	313	4.55	5	400	5.39	4
Spanish	254	5.50	4	450	6.55	4	391	5.26	5
Russian	147	3.18	9	240	3.49	10	380	5.12	6
Punjabi	240	5.19	6	298	4.34	6	375	5.05	7
Other African	75			274	3.99	7	343	4.62	8
Amharic	122			270	3.93	8	285	3.84	9
Mandarin	150	3.25	8	244			207	2.79	10
Ukrainian	138	2.99	10	111			195		
Arabic	156	3.38	7	270	3.93	9	149		
TOTAL									
TOP TEN ONLY	3,177	68.75		4,679	73.24		5,359	72.16	
TOTAL OTHER									
LANGUAGES	1,444	31.25		1,813	26.76		2,068	27.84	
TOTAL	4,621	100.00		6,492	100.00		7,427	100.00	

NOTE : The percentage shown represents the proportional share by Mother Tongue of the total Manitoba immigration intake.

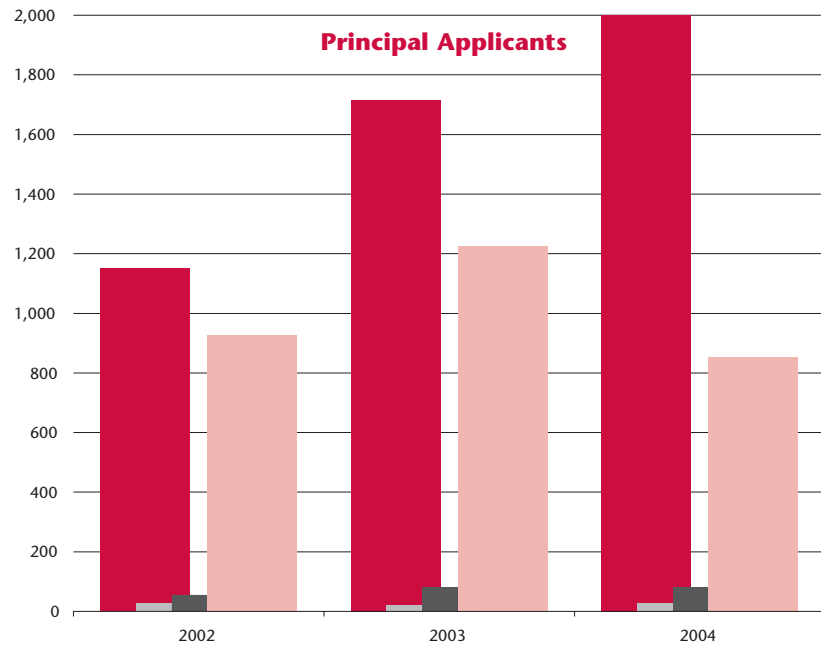


In 2004, over 4,600 learners accessed language training through Adult English as a Second Language (ESL) programs. Manitoba continues to develop language programming to meet the diverse needs of newcomers in schools, the community, at work and online. The new four week Entry program is Manitoba's unique orientation and English Language Training program available to newcomers prior to language assessment and referral to Adult ESL programs.

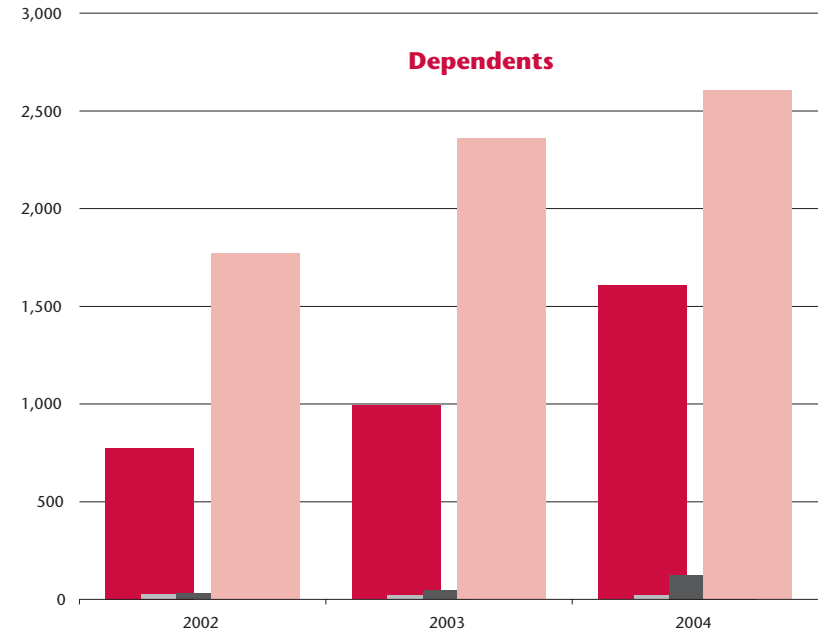


MANITOBA IMMIGRATION BY ENGLISH AND FRENCH LANGUAGE ABILITY

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English	1,157	1,732	2,196
French	20	28	33
Both English and French	42	79	104
Neither	938	1,213	833



English	694	994	1,592
French	22	17	24
Both English and French	19	35	73
Neither	1,729	2,394	2,569



Newcomer Education

Over 69.5 of immigrants to Manitoba over age 25 were highly educated with a broad range of skills and occupations in both professions and trades. This represents 2,769 persons with valuable post secondary training. Early entry into occupations for which immigrants have the training and experience is a Manitoba priority. Through the Manitoba Qualifications Recognition Strategy

new approaches for assessment, skills enhancement, and labour market integration are being developed. With the involvement of many stakeholders, Manitoba is committed to making it quicker and easier for immigrants to find and keep relevant employment.

MANITOBA IMMIGRATION BY LEVEL OF EDUCATION

Principal Applicants	2002		2003		2004	
	No.	Per cent	No.	Per cent	No.	Per cent
0 to 9 years of Schooling	126	2.73	164	2.53	129	1.74
10 to 12 years of Schooling	733	15.86	1,102	16.97	952	12.82
Some University	126	2.73	361	5.56	386	5.20
Trade Certificate	180	3.90	299	4.61	388	5.22
Non-university Diploma	213	4.61	138	2.13	115	1.55
Bachelor's Degree	548	11.86	746	11.49	918	12.36
Some Post-Grad. Education, no degree	53	1.15	42	0.65	32	0.43
Master's Degree	140	3.03	152	2.34	194	2.61
Doctorate	38	0.82	48	0.74	52	0.70
SUBTOTAL	2,157	46.68	3,052	47.01	3,166	42.63

Dependents						
0 to 9 years of Schooling	771	16.68	983	15.14	1,171	15.77
10 to 12 years of Schooling	1,149	24.86	1,711	26.36	2,091	28.15
Some University	84	1.82	133	2.05	179	2.41
Trade Certificate	78	1.69	131	2.02	197	2.65
Non-university Diploma	82	1.77	105	1.62	128	1.72
Bachelor's Degree	227	4.91	313	4.82	405	5.45
Some Post-Grad. Education, no degree	11	0.24	11	0.17	16	0.22
Master's Degree	50	1.08	46	0.71	61	0.82
Doctorate	12	0.26	7	0.11	13	0.18
SUBTOTAL	2,464	53.32	3,440	52.99	4,261	57.37
TOTAL	4,621	100.00	6,492	100.00	7,427	100.00

NOTE : The percentage shown represents the proportional share of immigration by Level of Education of the total Manitoba immigration intake.



Newcomer Occupations

Manitoba values the diverse skills, experience and contributions which all newcomers bring to our province's economic, social and cultural development. During the immigration selection process, only economic immigrant occupations, experience and business skills are assessed. In 2004,

67.3% (5,000) of Manitoba's total immigration landed as Economic immigrants. Manitoba's top ranked occupations include: Engineers, Welders, Farmers and Farm Managers and Motor Vehicle Mechanics.

MANITOBA ECONOMIC CLASS BY OCCUPATION (TOP 10)

Principal Applicants Only	2002			2003			2004		
	No.	Per cent	Rank	No.	Per cent	Rank	No.	Per cent	Rank
New Workers	16			84	8.77	3	195	11.63	1
Engineers	43	4.57	3	90	9.39	1	116	6.92	2
Welders	63	6.70	1	90	9.39	2	94	5.61	3
Farmers and Farm Managers	23	2.45	8	33	3.44	6	72	4.30	4
Motor Vehicle Mechanics				23	2.40	10	46	2.74	5
Carpenters	8	0.85		16	1.67		41	2.45	6
Computer Programmers	51	5.43	2	69	7.20	4	37	2.21	7
Truck Drivers	6	0.64		19	1.98		35	2.09	8
Financial Auditors and Accountants				11	1.15		34	2.03	9
Machinists & Machining & Tool				15	1.57		28	1.67	10
Sales, Marketing & Advertising Managers				27	2.82	9	26	1.55	
Sewing Machine Operators	21	2.23	9	32	3.34	7	26	1.55	
Motor Vehicle Mechanics & Technicians	41	4.36	4	35	3.65	5			
Computer Systems Analysts	33	3.51	6	28	2.92	8			
Other Services Managers	38	4.04	5						
Mechanical Engineers	25	2.66	7						
Electrical & Electronics	20	2.13	10						
TOTAL TOP TEN ONLY	358	38.09		511	53.34		698	41.65	
TOTAL OTHER OCCUPATIONS	582	61.91		447	46.66		978	58.35	
TOTAL	940	100.00		958	100.00		1,676	100.00	

*The Economic Class includes Federally selected Skilled Workers, Business Persons, Live-in Caregivers and Manitoba Provincial Nominees. **As Family Class and Refugee occupation skills are not assessed in the selection process individuals are usually categorized as New Workers to Canada. Although identified as New Workers, these individuals provide a pool of previous work skills and experience unrecorded in CIC's Landed Immigrant Database. *** To ensure privacy of personal information, cell sizes less than 5 have been rounded to 0.

Manitoba's Provincial Nominee Program recruits, screens and nominates skilled individuals and their family members who meet our provincial labour market and business needs. In 2004, 3,758 Skilled Worker Provincial Nominees and 290 Business Provincial Nominees landed in Manitoba, accounting for 80.9% of Manitoba's total Economic immigration.

MANITOBA PROVINCIAL NOMINEES BY OCCUPATION (TOP TWENTY)

Principal Applicants Only	2002			2003			2004		
	No.	Per cent	Rank	No.	Per cent	Rank	No.	Per cent	Rank
Welders	61	13.09	1	89	9.29	1	91	7.42	1
Farmers and Farm Managers	9	1.93	10	19	1.98	9	58	4.73	2
Carpenters	8	1.72	13	16	1.67	12	41	3.34	3
Motor Vehicle Mechanics				22	2.30	7	38	3.10	4
Truck Drivers				19	1.98	10	35	2.85	5
Financial Auditors and Accountants							33	2.69	6
Electrical & Electronics Engineering	6	1.29	19	16	1.67	13	27	2.20	7
Machinists & Machining & Tool				15	1.57	14	27	2.20	8
Sewing Machine Operators	11	2.36	8	31	3.24	5	26	2.12	9
Open Employment Authorization							26	2.12	10
Electrical & Electronics	6	1.29					26	2.12	11
Computer Programmers	20	4.29	4	43	4.49	3	24	1.96	12
Sales, Marketing & Advertising Managers				23	2.40	6	22	1.79	13
Cabinetmakers	18	3.86	5	20	2.09	8	22	1.79	14
Other Services Managers	38	8.15	3	12	1.25	16	20	1.63	15
Civil Engineers							15	1.22	16
Cooks							15	1.22	17
Bricklayers	7	1.50	17	11	1.15	18	13	1.06	18
Mechanical Engineers							13	1.06	19
Mechanical Engineering Technologists				6			13	1.06	20
Computer Systems Analysts	14	3.00	6	17	1.77	11			
Machinists	13	2.79	7	14	1.46	15			
Plumbers	6	1.29		12	1.25	17			
Heavy-duty Equipment Mechanics	9	1.93	9	10	1.04	19			
Retail Trade Managers				10	1.04	20			
Machine Tool Operators	9	1.93	11						
General Duty Registered Nurses	8	1.72	12						
Tailors and Dressmakers	8	1.72	14						
Farm Supervisors	8	1.72	15						
Accountants	7	1.50	16						
Industrial Eng & Manufacturing Technicians	6	1.29	18						
Tool and Die Makers	6	1.29	20						
Motor Vehicle Mechanics & Technicians	40	8.58	2	35	3.65	4			
TOTAL TOP TWENTY ONLY	306	65.67		510	53.24		585	47.68	
TOTAL OTHER OCCUPATIONS	160	34.33		448	46.76		642	52.32	
TOTAL	466	100.00		958	100.00		1,227	100.00	



Manitoba Economic Class by Skill type category

Economic Class immigrants are categorized into ten skill type categories using the National Occupation Classification (NOC) system. The categories define the type of work performed as well as the educational and work experience requirements. A wide range of skills and occupations are represented by Economic Class immigrants who choose Manitoba as their new home.

MANITOBA ECONOMIC CLASS BY SKILL TYPE CATEGORY

Principal Applicants	2002		2003		2004	
	No.	Per cent	No.	Per cent	No.	Per cent
0 - Management Occupations	67	7.14	115	8.59	122	7.28
1 - Business, Finance and Administration	57	6.07	90	6.72	115	6.86
2 - Natural and Applied Sciences and Related Occupations	293	31.20	338	25.24	338	20.17
3 - Health Occupations	59	6.28	62	4.63	80	4.77
4 - Occupations in Social Science, Education, Government Service and Religion	35	3.73	37	2.76	83	4.95
5 - Occupations in Art, Culture, Recreation and Sport	27	2.88	42	3.14	34	2.03
6 - Sales and Service	40	4.26	60	4.48	92	5.49
7 - Trades, Transport and Equipment Operators and Related Occupations	242	25.77	384	28.68	407	24.28
8 - Industry	40	4.26	40	2.99	86	5.13
9 - Occupations Unique to Processing, Manufacturing and Utilities	79	8.41	171	12.77	319	19.03
TOTAL	939	100.00	1,339	100.00	1,676	100.00

Demographics



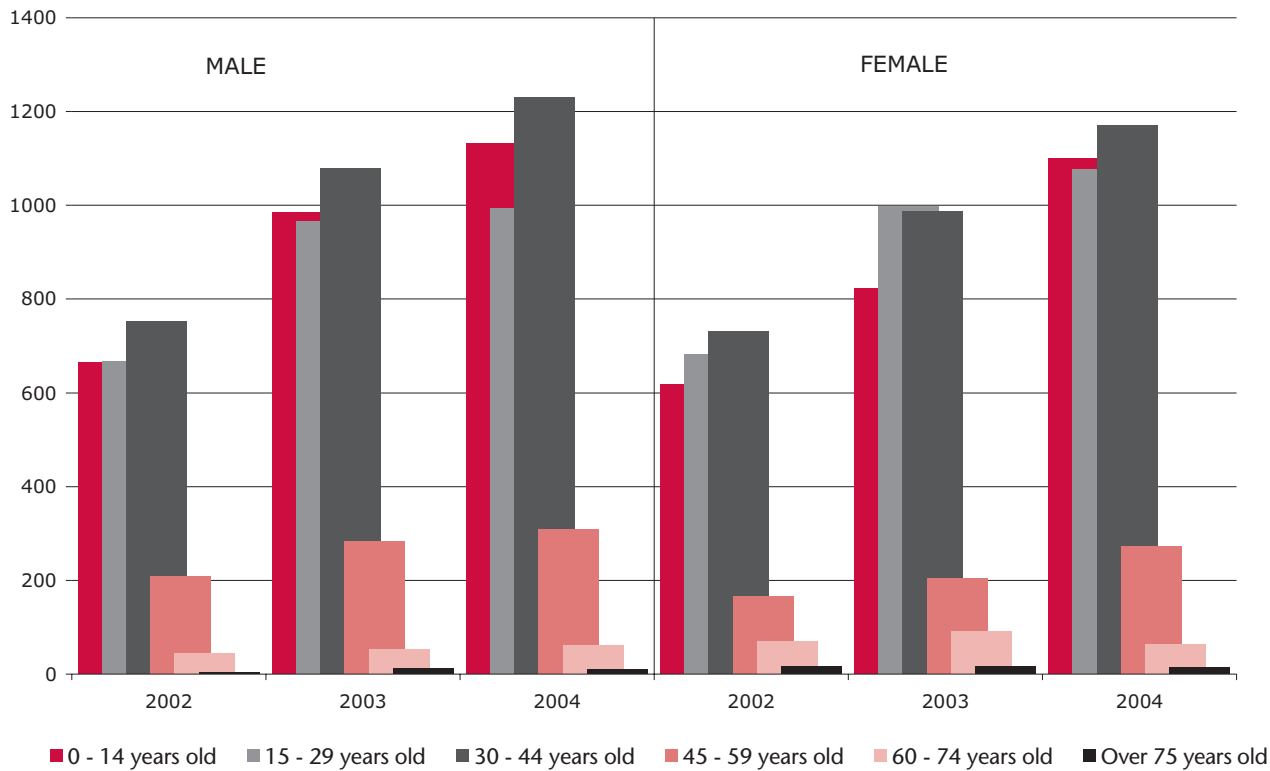
In 2004, 3,259 (81.7%) of Manitoba's adult newcomers were 25 - 44 years old. Their primary goal is to find work and contribute economically, socially and culturally to their new home. Manitoba Provincial Nominees are a large component of the younger demographics and many have families. Gender equality remains consistent across age groups over previous years.

In 2004, Manitoba immigration was equally distributed male and female. Although the ratio of male and female immigrants is comparable, the distribution of principal applicants across immigrant categories differs. By immigrant category 1,267 (75.6%) Economic principal applicants were males and 409 (24.4%) were females, 354 (40.0%) Family Class principal applicants were males and 530 (59.9%) were females and 355 (63.8%) Refugee principal applicants were males and 201 (36.1%) were females.

MANITOBA IMMIGRATION BY AGE AND GENDER

	2002		2003		2004	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
0 - 4 years old	187	178	258	219	329	299
5 - 9 years old	263	219	383	297	445	415
10 - 14 years old	215	221	343	307	357	386
15 - 19 years old	224	168	267	272	307	293
20 - 24 years old	167	214	270	314	286	324
25 - 29 years old	276	300	429	411	400	459
30 - 34 years old	289	286	459	412	480	486
35 - 39 years old	255	258	352	304	406	408
40 - 44 years old	208	187	267	271	344	276
45 - 49 years old	120	89	176	118	213	178
50 - 54 years old	54	49	71	47	65	48
55 - 59 years old	33	28	35	38	29	46
60 - 64 years old	22	35	23	31	29	29
65 - 69 years old	16	22	20	38	18	23
70 - 74 years old	6	12	9	22	14	12
75 - 79 years old	3	13	8	13	5	9
80 - 84 years old	0	2	2	3	1	4
85 - 89 years old	1	0	1	0	3	1
95 - 99 years old	0	1	1	1	0	0
TOTAL	2,339	2,282	3,374	3,118	3,731	3,696

MANITOBA IMMIGRATION BY AGE AND GENDER



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MANITOBA IMMIGRATION BY GENDER AND APPLICANT STATUS

	2002		2003		2004	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
Principal Applicants	1,321	836	1,947	1,105	1,996	1,170
Spouse or Dependents	1,018	1,446	1,427	2,013	1,735	2,526
TOTAL BY GENDER	2,339	2,282	3,374	3,118	3,731	3,696
TOTAL	4,621		6,492		7,427	

Notes





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