

THE LAND

Total Area	651,900 square kilometres
Land	570,269 square kilometres
Fresh Water	81,631 square kilometres

Of the ten provinces, Saskatchewan ranks fifth in total land area, making up 6.5 percent of the Canadian total; sixth in forest cover with 352,000 square kilometres; sixth in population at 3.1 percent of Canada's population.

Principal Rivers and Lakes

Churchill, South Saskatchewan, North Saskatchewan, Saskatchewan Assiniboine, Battle, Fond du Lac, Athabasca, Reindeer, Wollaston, Cree, La Ronge, Peter Pond, Dore

Climate

Saskatchewan experiences considerable variations in climate conditions between areas and seasons. Temperatures are moderated significantly by low humidity.

THE PEOPLE

Population

July 1, 2005	994,126
2005 population per square kilometre - land area	1.74
Rural Population (%) 2001	35.7
Urban Population (%) 2001	64.3
Saskatchewan Population (%) of Canada - July 1, 2005	3.2
Number of Cities	13
Number of Towns	147
Number of Villages	346
Number of Rural Municipalities	296
Number of Census Divisions	18

Population by Age Group ('000) - July, 2005

Age	Male	Female	Total
0 to 9	62,904	59,891	122,795
10 to 14	36,860	35,005	71,865
15 to 24	78,789	73,559	152,348
25 to 34	61,892	60,661	122,553
35 to 44	67,733	67,662	135,395
45 to 54	72,858	71,213	144,071
55 to 64	48,763	49,234	97,997
65 to 74	33,211	36,357	69,568
75 & Over	30,751	46,783	77,534
TOTAL	493,761	500,365	994,126

Vital Statistics

	2004	2005
Births	12,107	12,145
Deaths	9,142	9,310
Marriages	5,113	5,146

Retail Trade

	Saskatchewan	Canada
Total 2004 (\$ million)	10,259	346,721
Total 2005 (\$ million)	11,033	362,402
Per Capita 2004 (\$ million)	10,318	10,844
Per Capita 2005 (\$ million)	11,098	11,230

Personal Income

	Saskatchewan	Canada
Total 2003 (\$ million)	25,275	930,093
Total 2004 (\$ million)	26,875	970,198
Total 2005 (\$ million)	27,778	1,017,885
Per Capita 2003 (\$)	25,414	29,369
Per Capita 2004 (\$)	27,029	30,343
Per Capita 2005 (\$)	27,942	31,542

THE GOVERNMENT

Lieutenant Governor - Honourable Lynda Haverstock

Premier - Honourable Lorne Calvert

Saskatchewan became a province in 1905. The Saskatchewan provincial legislature has 58 members. The present government is formed by the New Democratic Party.
Standings according to parties:

New Democratic Party	30
Saskatchewan Party	28
TOTAL	58

THE ECONOMY

Gross Domestic Product	(\$ Millions)
2004	40,079
2005	42,640
Per Capita Gross Domestic Product	(\$)
2004	40,309
2005	42,892

Value of Manufacturing Shipments, Saskatchewan

	2004	2005*
	(\$ Millions)	
Food	2,294	2,152
Beverages	34	33
Wood	697	814
Printing and related support activities	126	114
Metal	440	467
Machinery	792	856
Electrical Equipment	171	182
Non-metallic mineral products	80	87
Chemical and chemical products	918	962
Other	3,711	4,355
TOTAL ALL INDUSTRIES	9,263	10,022

Note: Figures are preliminary

* Saskatchewan Bureau of Statistics Estimate

Real Gross Domestic Product

	2004	2005
	(\$1997 Millions)	
Personal Expenditure	18,492	19,090
Government Expenditure	6,893	7,129
Investment	7,135	7,465
Government	880	867
Business	6,264	6,604
Inventory Change	1,587	1,907
Export of Goods	22,701	23,513
Import of Goods	23,753	25,042
Statistical Discrepancy	-113	-102
Gross Domestic Product in Chained (1997) Dollars	32,906	33,884
GDP Real Growth Rate	4.0	3.0

Private & Public Investment

Capital Expenditures	2003	2004	2005
	(\$ Millions)		
Primary and construction industries	2,848	3,122	3,044
Manufacturing	714	256	298
Transportation, communications and utilities	816	914	1,291
Trade, finance, and commercial services	981	1,057	993
Housing	1,127	1,223	1,259
Institutional services & government departments	757	895	923
TOTAL	7,242	7,467	7,807

Note: 2003 and 2004 are actual, 2005 is preliminary actual

Per Capita Capital Expenditures

	2003	2004	2005
Saskatchewan (\$)	6,797	7,284	7,511
Canada (\$)	6,757	7,032	7,681

Value of Mineral Sales - 2005 (Preliminary)

	(\$ Millions)	(%)
Potash	2,698	21.6
Petroleum	6,672	53.5
Other Minerals *	3,109	24.9
TOTAL VALUE	12,478	100.0

* Includes Potassium Sulphate, Ammonium Sulphate, Sodium Sulphate, Bentonite, Coal, Uranium, Natural Gas, Salt, Gold and other base metals.

Labour Force

	2004	2005
Total Labour Force ('000)	507	509
Total employed ('000)	480	484
Total unemployed ('000)	27	26
Unemployment rate (%)	5.3	5.1
Participation rate (%)	67.9	68.1

Employed by Industry

	2004	2005
	('000)	
Agriculture	47	47
Other Primary Industries	19	19
Manufacturing	29	30
Construction	24	26
Transportation, Warehousing and Other Utilities	28	30
Trade	77	78
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Leasing Services	27	26
Public Administration	204	201
Public Administration	26	27
TOTAL	480	484

Building Permits

	2004	2005
	(\$'000)	
Estevan	6,974	13,786
Humboldt	3,846	3,015
Melfort	3,788	2,444
Melville	2,641	1,236
Moose Jaw	30,746	31,016
North Battleford	7,628	17,731
Prince Albert	32,372	25,306
Regina	203,793	238,323
Saskatoon	217,473	276,392
Swift Current	14,682	54,126
Weyburn	8,797	6,073
Yorkton	22,067	7,334
Saskatchewan	769,955	907,262

Farm Cash Receipts

	2004	2005
	(\$ Millions)	
Wheat	1,288	1,077
Other Principal Grains	2,042	2,081
Livestock and Products	1,485	1,775
Miscellaneous	1,190	1,422
TOTAL CASH RECEIPTS	6,005	6,355

Forest Product Permits

	2002-03	2003-04
	(\$)	
Sawtimber	216,194	319,182
Pulpwood	25,153	40,368
Veneer	1,655	5,132
Other Softwoods	259,868	213,706
Other Hardwoods	56,931	33,848
TOTAL	559,801	612,236

COMMUNICATION

	2005
Primary telephone connections to SaskTel Network	604,279
Number of T.V. stations	58
Number of AM and FM radio stations	54
Number of daily newspapers	4
Number of weekly newspapers	92

TRANSPORTATION

	2005
	(kilometres)
Railway track	9,513
Highways, roads and streets	198,375
Provincial highway system	
Paved, two-lane	11,723
Paved, four-lane, divided	2,295
Oil treatments	6,185
Gravel and other	5,965
TOTAL PROVINCIAL HIGHWAYS	26,168

Note: Data may not add to totals due to rounding. Statistics provided in these tables have been obtained from Statistics Canada publications and other reliable sources.

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