

The Government of Saskatchewan's 2007-08 investment for Immigration breaks down as follows:

- A total investment of \$8.5 million (an increase of 40 per cent from 2006-07) which includes:
 - \$5.7 million supports settlement and integration initiatives such as employment and language services, credential recognition, capacity building and funding supports to settlement agencies
 - \$2.8 million funds program and operating costs of the nominee program

The Saskatchewan Immigrant Nominee Program (SINP):

- The SINP is a provincially administered immigration program that provides an alternative and fast-tracked means of entry for immigrants who intend to settle in the province.
- For the 2006-07 fiscal year, the Province issued 1,255 nominations, which put it one year ahead of schedule in achieving its goal of welcoming 5,000 newcomers annually by 2008.
- Including family members, the 1,255 nominations represent 3,800 potential newcomers en route to Saskatchewan. Compared to last year's 454 nominations, this is an increase of 176 per cent.
- Over the past five fiscal years, there has been a consistent growth in SINP nominations:

➤ 2001-02	25
➤ 2002-03	52
➤ 2003-04	180
➤ 2004-05	242
➤ 2005-06	454
➤ 2006-07	1,255
- Of the 1,255 nominations issued in 2006-07, 511 or 41 per cent are destined for Saskatoon. The Saskatoon nominees hail from around the world, with the top four countries being the Philippines (35 per cent), Ukraine (16 per cent), United Kingdom (9 per cent) and China (9 per cent).

Other Important Terms:

- **Permanent Resident** – A person who lives legally in Canada as a landed immigrant but is not yet eligible to apply for Canadian citizenship or does not have Canadian citizenship yet.
- **Nominate** – The term used by the Province of Saskatchewan to describe the selection of individuals for the Saskatchewan Immigrant Nominee Program dependent on health, security and criminality screening by Citizenship and Immigration Canada.