

## Saskatchewan Economic Checklist July 2008

Economic Indicator	Values	Year-over-year % Growth	Canadian Average %	Rank in Canada % Growth
Population	1,010,146	1.8	1.0	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Average Economic Growth (GDP) 2008*	--	3.3	1.5	1 <sup>st</sup>
Average Weekly Earnings	\$751.40	5.5	3.2	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Unemployment Rate	--	3.4	5.6	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Number of People Employed	521,100	2.2	1.8	6 <sup>th</sup>
Wholesale Trade	\$1.84B	37.6	5.7	1 <sup>st</sup>
Retail Sales	\$1.2B	14.4	7.1	1 <sup>st</sup>
Construction Overall Building Permits	\$217.7M	34.5	-8.0	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Construction Residential Building Permits	\$140.5M	37.5	-8.0	1 <sup>st</sup>
New Vehicle Sales	5,013	17.6	4.0	2 <sup>nd</sup>

\*Average based on eight forecasts

Figures are as of July 11, 2008 – and except where indicated are the most recent monthly statistics available.

For more information, see Statistics Canada at [www.statcan.ca](http://www.statcan.ca) and the Saskatchewan Bureau of Statistics at [www.stats.gov.sk.ca](http://www.stats.gov.sk.ca)