

# Saskatchewan Annual Population Report

Calendar Year 2008

## TOTAL POPULATION

Saskatchewan's population was estimated to be 1,023,810 as of January 1, 2009, according to Statistics Canada. This is an increase of 15,131 persons since January 1, 2008. Between January 1 and December 31, 2007, Saskatchewan's population increased by 14,693 persons.

Table 1 shows the annual population estimates and growth rates for Saskatchewan, Manitoba and Alberta over the past ten years.

**Table 1: Annual Population and Growth Rates, January 1, 2000 - January 1, 2009**

Date	Manitoba		Saskatchewan		Alberta	
	Population	Growth Rate	Population	Growth Rate	Population	Growth Rate
Jan-00	1,144,428		1,011,141		2,974,517	
Jan-01	1,148,456	0.35%	1,003,469	-0.76%	3,027,941	1.80%
Jan-02	1,153,051	0.40%	998,827	-0.46%	3,092,825	2.14%
Jan-03	1,158,511	0.47%	996,338	-0.25%	3,155,362	2.02%
Jan-04	1,167,997	0.82%	996,754	0.04%	3,210,199	1.74%
Jan-05	1,176,114	0.69%	996,047	-0.07%	3,277,348	2.09%
Jan-06	1,179,993	0.33%	992,295	-0.38%	3,371,821	2.88%
Jan-07	1,186,795	0.58%	993,986	0.17%	3,471,300	2.95%
Jan-08	1,200,478	1.15%	1,008,679	1.48%	3,541,232	2.01%
Jan-09	1,213,815	1.11%	1,023,810	1.50%	3,632,483	2.58%

Source: Statistics Canada

Saskatchewan's annual population growth rate was the fourth highest of all the provinces and territories. Alberta had the largest growth rates among all provinces and territories. Table 2 shows the January 1, 2009 population estimates for all provinces and territories along with their annual growth rates.

## NATURAL INCREASE

Saskatchewan experienced 12,835 births and 9,352 deaths during 2008 for a natural increase of 3,483. The natural increase for 2007 was 3,305.

## MIGRATION

Interprovincial migration is the largest component of population change in Saskatchewan. Revised data suggests that in 2008, 26,507 residents moved to Saskatchewan and 20,948 people left the province. The net interprovincial gain of 5,559 is the third highest of all the provinces and territories (only behind Alberta and BC) and is the second consecutive year of positive interprovincial migration.

The largest amount of Saskatchewan interprovincial immigrants were from Alberta (49.6%) while significant number of new Saskatchewan residents moved from Ontario, BC and Manitoba. The majority of Saskatchewan outmigrants (51.7 percent) relocated to Alberta. BC, Manitoba and Ontario were also common destinations for Saskatchewan outmigrants.

All data in this report are preliminary and subject to revision. For more details, contact the Saskatchewan Bureau of Statistics at (306) 787-6327 or visit [www.stats.gov.sk.ca](http://www.stats.gov.sk.ca)

**Table 2: Population and Growth Rates of Provinces and Territories - January 1, 2009**

	NFLD	PEI	NS	NB	PQ	ONT	MAN	SASK	ALTA	BC	YT	NWT	NVT
Population	508,990	140,402	939,531	748,319	7,782,561	12,986,857	1,213,815	1,023,810	3,632,483	4,419,974	33,442	42,940	31,556
Annual Growth Rate	0.24%	1.25%	0.25%	0.23%	0.86%	1.05%	1.11%	1.50%	2.58%	1.70%	2.10%	-1.14%	0.88%

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**Table 3: Origin and Destination of Interprovincial Migrants,  
January 1, 2008 to December 31, 2008**

Origin	Destination												
	NFLD	PEI	NS	NB	PQ	ONT	MAN	SASK	ALTA	BC	YT	NWT	NVT
NFLD	0	142	1,885	363	291	2,964	200	129	5,137	602	14	90	81
PEI	220	0	680	457	192	1,134	38	40	915	500	24	0	0
NS	1,839	586	0	2,796	1,100	6,443	333	368	5,491	2,088	67	117	84
NB	406	601	3,045	0	2,139	4,003	241	192	3,649	937	42	150	49
PQ	196	471	1,140	2,130	0	20,632	677	901	9,653	3,807	94	82	95
ONT	4,718	1,025	6,243	4,289	16,484	0	5,669	4,768	32,719	17,957	318	339	322
MAN	302	43	397	268	581	5,231	0	2,420	6,174	3,665	86	168	38
SASK	176	20	206	186	758	2,353	2,409	0	10,833	3,850	31	113	13
ALTA	4,097	705	4,544	3,023	3,344	17,061	5,269	13,145	0	28,988	307	775	92
BC	680	438	2,303	1,003	2,879	16,676	2,540	4,140	25,579	0	655	293	99
YT	8	16	58	52	51	120	19	55	304	657	0	52	0
NWT	158	82	193	35	75	332	179	276	1,206	619	92	0	283
NVT	179	36	125	52	75	223	139	73	306	65	10	223	0

	NFLD	PEI	NS	NB	PQ	ONT	MAN	SASK	ALTA	BC	YT	NWT	NVT
<b>In</b>	12,979	4,165	20,819	14,654	27,969	77,172	17,713	26,507	101,966	63,735	1,740	2,402	1,156
<b>Out</b>	11,898	4,200	21,312	15,454	39,878	94,851	19,373	20,948	81,350	57,285	1,392	3,530	1,506
<b>Net</b>	1,081	-35	-493	-800	-11,909	-17,679	-1,660	5,559	20,616	6,450	348	-1,128	-350
<b>Rate <sup>1</sup></b>	0.21%	-0.03%	-0.05%	-0.11%	-0.16%	-0.14%	-0.14%	0.56%	0.59%	0.15%	1.08%	-2.61%	-1.13%

Source: Statistics Canada

<sup>1</sup> Net Migration Rate is annual net interprovincial migration expressed as a percentage of provincial population at the start of the year.

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