

# Saskatchewan Annual Population Report

Calendar Year 2015

## TOTAL POPULATION

Saskatchewan's population was estimated to be 1,142,570 as of January 1, 2016, according to Statistics Canada. This is an increase of 13,509 persons since January 1, 2015. In 2014, Saskatchewan's population increased by 14,885 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, 2007 - January 1, 2016**

| Date   | Manitoba   |             | Saskatchewan |             | Alberta    |             |
|--------|------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|------------|-------------|
|        | Population | Growth Rate | Population   | Growth Rate | Population | Growth Rate |
| Jan-07 | 1,184,433  | 0.38%       | 995,140      | 0.29%       | 3,472,643  | 2.99%       |
| Jan-08 | 1,193,399  | 0.76%       | 1,010,263    | 1.52%       | 3,548,699  | 2.19%       |
| Jan-09 | 1,201,724  | 0.70%       | 1,025,958    | 1.55%       | 3,638,623  | 2.53%       |
| Jan-10 | 1,214,008  | 1.02%       | 1,042,925    | 1.65%       | 3,702,578  | 1.76%       |
| Jan-11 | 1,227,261  | 1.09%       | 1,058,963    | 1.54%       | 3,754,621  | 1.41%       |
| Jan-12 | 1,242,398  | 1.23%       | 1,076,060    | 1.61%       | 3,830,341  | 2.02%       |
| Jan-13 | 1,258,434  | 1.29%       | 1,096,446    | 1.89%       | 3,939,437  | 2.85%       |
| Jan-14 | 1,272,220  | 1.10%       | 1,114,176    | 1.62%       | 4,061,774  | 3.11%       |
| Jan-15 | 1,287,687  | 1.22%       | 1,129,061    | 1.34%       | 4,159,630  | 2.41%       |
| Jan-16 | 1,303,896  | 1.26%       | 1,142,570    | 1.20%       | 4,231,959  | 1.74%       |

Source: Statistics Canada

Saskatchewan's annual population growth rate was the fourth highest of all the provinces and territories. Nunavut had the largest growth rates among all provinces and territories. Table 2 shows the January 1, 2016 population estimates for all provinces and territories along with their annual growth rates.

**Table 2: Population and Growth Rates of Provinces and Territories - January 1, 2016**

|                    | NFLD    | PEI     | NS      | NB      | PQ        | ONT        | MAN       | SASK      | ALTA      | BC        | YT     | NWT    | NVT    |
|--------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------|--------|--------|
| Population         | 528,336 | 146,933 | 945,824 | 754,735 | 8,294,656 | 13,873,933 | 1,303,896 | 1,142,570 | 4,231,959 | 4,707,021 | 37,193 | 44,291 | 36,102 |
| Annual Growth Rate | -0.07%  | 0.42%   | 0.25%   | -0.04%  | 0.66%     | 1.01%      | 1.26%     | 1.20%     | 1.74%     | 0.87%     | 0.71%  | 0.28%  | 2.24%  |

Source: Statistics Canada

## NATURAL INCREASE

Saskatchewan experienced 15,743 births and 9,846 deaths during 2015 for a natural increase of 5,897. The natural increase for 2014 was 5,790.

## MIGRATION

Interprovincial migration is the largest component of population change in Saskatchewan. Preliminary data suggests that in 2016, 19,540 people moved to Saskatchewan from other provinces and 23,184 residents left for other provinces; resulting in a net loss in population due to interprovincial migration of 3,644 people. Saskatchewan's largest net interprovincial gain was with Manitoba with a net increase on 521 people. Saskatchewan's largest net interprovincial loss was with Alberta with a net loss of 3,054 people.

Net international migration increased the Saskatchewan population by 11,256 in 2015 compared to a net international migration increase of 11,042 in 2014.

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**Table 3: Origin and Destination of Interprovincial Migrants,  
January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015**

| Origin      | Destination |     |       |       |        |        |       |       |        |        |     |     |     |
|-------------|-------------|-----|-------|-------|--------|--------|-------|-------|--------|--------|-----|-----|-----|
|             | NFLD        | PEI | NS    | NB    | PQ     | ONT    | MAN   | SASK  | ALTA   | BC     | YT  | NWT | NVT |
| <b>NFLD</b> | 0           | 162 | 1,541 | 573   | 251    | 2,318  | 82    | 217   | 3,316  | 552    | 0   | 15  | 68  |
| <b>PEI</b>  | 86          | 0   | 631   | 317   | 129    | 1,125  | 35    | 42    | 985    | 514    | 14  | 44  | 0   |
| <b>NS</b>   | 1,015       | 447 | 0     | 2,372 | 668    | 5,906  | 423   | 520   | 4,972  | 1,692  | 54  | 257 | 151 |
| <b>NB</b>   | 352         | 365 | 2,765 | 0     | 1,690  | 3,778  | 249   | 203   | 3,483  | 986    | 16  | 120 | 24  |
| <b>PQ</b>   | 228         | 107 | 709   | 1,436 | 0      | 19,803 | 447   | 625   | 7,017  | 3,563  | 143 | 116 | 199 |
| <b>ONT</b>  | 2,291       | 937 | 5,552 | 3,328 | 12,269 | 0      | 4,238 | 4,149 | 24,924 | 17,582 | 368 | 522 | 495 |
| <b>MAN</b>  | 216         | 31  | 280   | 184   | 392    | 5,387  | 0     | 2,483 | 6,237  | 4,582  | 43  | 68  | 85  |
| <b>SASK</b> | 92          | 45  | 425   | 192   | 422    | 3,864  | 1,962 | 0     | 11,198 | 4,689  | 81  | 102 | 112 |
| <b>ALTA</b> | 3,259       | 561 | 3,250 | 2,325 | 2,813  | 17,267 | 2,962 | 8,144 | 0      | 29,372 | 277 | 599 | 100 |
| <b>BC</b>   | 531         | 84  | 1,660 | 577   | 1,932  | 12,988 | 2,432 | 2,950 | 23,965 | 0      | 501 | 290 | 125 |
| <b>YT</b>   | 25          | 13  | 55    | 20    | 72     | 241    | 81    | 56    | 416    | 776    | 0   | 57  | 11  |
| <b>NWT</b>  | 126         | 31  | 252   | 48    | 38     | 344    | 56    | 135   | 1,120  | 377    | 161 | 0   | 124 |
| <b>NVT</b>  | 128         | 7   | 159   | 35    | 176    | 554    | 50    | 16    | 99     | 92     | 21  | 113 | 0   |

|                          | NFLD   | PEI    | NS     | NB     | PQ      | ONT    | MAN    | SASK   | ALTA   | BC     | YT     | NWT    | NVT   |
|--------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| <b>In</b>                | 8,349  | 2,790  | 17,279 | 11,407 | 20,852  | 73,575 | 13,017 | 19,540 | 87,732 | 64,777 | 1,679  | 2,303  | 1,494 |
| <b>Out</b>               | 9,095  | 3,922  | 18,477 | 14,031 | 34,393  | 76,655 | 19,988 | 23,184 | 70,929 | 48,035 | 1,823  | 2,812  | 1,450 |
| <b>Net</b>               | -746   | -1,132 | -1,198 | -2,624 | -13,541 | -3,080 | -6,971 | -3,644 | 16,803 | 16,742 | -144   | -509   | 44    |
| <b>Rate</b> <sup>1</sup> | -0.14% | -0.77% | -0.13% | -0.35% | -0.16%  | -0.02% | -0.54% | -0.32% | 0.40%  | 0.36%  | -0.39% | -1.15% | 0.12% |

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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