

Saskatchewan Population by Age and Sex Report

2016 Census of Canada

POPULATION BY SEX

50.3% of the Saskatchewan Census population for 2016 was female while 49.7% was male. The comparable values for the 2011 Census population were 50.5% female and 49.5% male.

POPULATION OF SENIORS

Saskatchewan's Census population of seniors (individuals aged 65 and over) for 2016 was 170,425, according to Statistics Canada. This represents an absolute increase of 16,720 persons or 10.9% from the 2011 Census population of 153,705 seniors. This represents the lowest rate of growth for this age group among all provinces.

Table 1 shows the Census population estimates and growth rates for the population of Saskatchewan seniors for the past 55 years.

Table 1: Census Population of Seniors, 1961 - 2016

Saskatchewan		
Date	Population	Growth Rate
1961	85,570	
1966	88,882	3.9%
1971	94,805	6.7%
1976	102,175	7.8%
1981	116,170	13.7%
1986	128,600	10.7%
1991	139,925	8.8%
1996	145,605	4.1%
2001	147,565	1.4%
2006	149,300	1.2%
2011	153,705	3.0%
2016	170,425	10.9%

In the 2006 Census, amongst provinces, Saskatchewan had the highest share of its population over the age of 65 at 15.4%. In the 2016 Census, amongst provinces, Saskatchewan had the second-lowest share of its population over the age of 65 at 15.5%. Table 2 presents the percentage of seniors by province.

However, Saskatchewan has the distinction of having the highest proportion of centenarians of any province at 370 individuals or 0.034% of the total population.

WORKING AGE POPULATION

The working age population is defined as individuals between the ages of 15 and 64. The Saskatchewan Census population for 2016 of this age group was 712,240, or 64.8% of the total population. The Saskatchewan Census population for 2011 of this group was 681,815 or 66.0% of the total population. The absolute increase between 2011 and 2016 was 30,425 or 4.5%, representing the second-highest growth rate among the provinces.

The average age of the Saskatchewan Census population increased from 40.1 in 2011 to 41.0 in 2016.

Table 3 presents a breakdown by broad age groups for the 2016 Census population for each province and territory as well as Canada as a whole.

Table 2: Percentage of Canadians Aged 65 and Over by Province or Territory, 2011 and 2016 Censuses

	CAN	NFLD	PEI	NS	NB	QUE	ONT	MAN	SASK	ALTA	BC	YT	NWT	NVT
2011	14.8%	16.0%	16.3%	16.6%	16.5%	15.9%	14.6%	14.3%	14.9%	11.1%	15.7%	9.1%	5.8%	3.3%
2016	16.9%	19.4%	19.4%	19.9%	19.9%	18.3%	16.7%	15.6%	15.5%	12.3%	18.3%	11.9%	7.7%	3.8%

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POPULATION OF CHILDREN

Saskatchewan's Census population of children (individuals under the age of 15) for 2016 was 215,685. This represents an increase of 17,830 or 9.0% from the 2011 census population of 197,855 children, the second-highest rate of increase among all provinces.

Table 3: 2016 Census Populations by Province or Territory and Age Group

	Age Group					
	0-14		15-64		65 and Over	
	Count	% of Total	Count	% of Total	Count	% of Total
Canada	5,839,570	16.6%	23,376,530	66.5%	5,935,635	16.9%
Newfoundland and Labrador	74,440	14.3%	344,250	66.2%	101,025	19.4%
Prince Edward Island	22,685	15.9%	92,510	64.7%	27,715	19.4%
Nova Scotia	133,830	14.5%	605,950	65.6%	183,820	19.9%
New Brunswick	110,495	14.8%	487,820	65.3%	148,785	19.9%
Quebec	1,333,255	16.3%	5,335,910	65.4%	1,495,190	18.3%
Ontario	2,207,975	16.4%	8,988,870	66.8%	2,251,655	16.7%
Manitoba	243,825	19.1%	835,580	65.4%	198,965	15.6%
Saskatchewan	215,685	19.6%	712,240	64.8%	170,430	15.5%
Alberta	779,155	19.2%	2,787,800	68.5%	500,220	12.3%
British Columbia	691,385	14.9%	3,107,680	66.9%	848,990	18.3%
Yukon Territory	6,280	17.5%	25,335	70.6%	4,260	11.9%
Northwest Territories	8,875	21.2%	29,690	71.1%	3,220	7.7%
Nunavut	11,690	32.5%	22,895	63.7%	1,365	3.8%

All data in this report are based on the 2016 Census of Canada. The Census population counts are not comparable to quarterly population estimates from the Statistics Canada Demography Division. Census population does not include net undercount (number of persons missed by the Census less the number of persons counted twice) and other adjustments made by Demography Division to the Census data. All data in this report are preliminary and subject to revision.

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