

Saskatchewan Quarterly Population Report

Third Quarter 2009

TOTAL POPULATION

Saskatchewan's population was estimated to be 1,034,974 as of October 1, 2009, according to Statistics Canada. This is an increase of 4,845 persons since July 1, 2009, and an increase of 16,080 persons from October 1, 2008. The third quarter (July 1 – September 30) saw Saskatchewan population rise 0.47 per cent during the quarter, fourth highest of the thirteen provinces and territories.

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

Table 1: Quarterly Population and Growth Rates, October 2007 - October 2009

Date	Manitoba		Saskatchewan		Alberta	
	Population	Growth Rate	Population	Growth Rate	Population	Growth Rate
Oct-07	1,197,204	0.27%	1,005,083	0.49%	3,533,340	0.58%
Jan-08	1,199,778	0.22%	1,007,507	0.24%	3,548,649	0.43%
Apr-08	1,201,942	0.18%	1,010,218	0.27%	3,567,294	0.53%
Jul-08	1,206,100	0.35%	1,013,620	0.34%	3,595,867	0.80%
Oct-08	1,209,111	0.25%	1,018,894	0.52%	3,622,025	0.73%
Jan-09	1,212,549	0.28%	1,022,258	0.33%	3,643,752	0.60%
Apr-09	1,216,137	0.30%	1,025,638	0.33%	3,666,196	0.62%
Jul-09	1,221,964	0.48%	1,030,129	0.44%	3,687,662	0.59%
Oct-09	1,226,196	0.35%	1,034,974	0.47%	3,703,979	0.44%

Source: Statistics Canada

Saskatchewan's annual population growth rate was the fifth highest of all the provinces and territories. Nunavut (followed by Alberta and British Columbia) had the largest growth rates among all provinces and territories. Table 2 shows the October 1, 2009 population estimates for all provinces and territories along with their quarterly and annual growth rates.

NATURAL INCREASE

Saskatchewan had 3,691 births and 2,196 deaths during the third quarter of 2009 for a natural increase of 1,495. The natural increase over the same time period last year was 1,439.

MIGRATION

Interprovincial migration is the largest component of population change in Saskatchewan. Preliminary data suggests that in the third quarter of this year, 6,983 residents moved to Saskatchewan as 6,160 people left the province. The net interprovincial gain of 823 is 273 more than the second quarter of 2009 but is 1,241 less than the third quarter of 2008.

Ontario was the primary source for net interprovincial population change (656 persons in the third quarter). Saskatchewan also had the fourth highest net migration rate of the provinces and territories. Table 3 provides origin and destination flows of interprovincial migrants for the July 1 to September 30 period.

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

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

	NFLD	PEI	NS	NB	PQ	ONT	MAN	SASK	ALTA	BC	YT	NWT	NVT
Population	510,272	141,374	940,397	750,457	7,856,881	13,119,251	1,226,196	1,034,974	3,703,979	4,479,934	33,963	43,244	32,435
Annual Growth Rate	0.52%	0.75%	0.32%	0.37%	1.02%	1.03%	1.41%	1.58%	2.26%	1.64%	1.64%	-0.85%	2.33%
Quarterly Growth Rate	0.26%	0.28%	0.24%	0.13%	0.36%	0.38%	0.35%	0.47%	0.44%	0.56%	0.92%	-0.45%	0.78%

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**Table 3: Origin and Destination of Interprovincial Migrants,
July 1, 2009 to September 30, 2009**

Origin	Destination												
	NFLD	PEI	NS	NB	PQ	ONT	MAN	SASK	ALTA	BC	YT	NWT	NVT
NFLD	0	19	350	184	93	697	114	50	703	91	0	7	31
PEI	8	0	190	105	84	489	43	30	173	229	18	0	0
NS	441	158	0	569	372	1,850	196	137	993	503	6	7	6
NB	171	114	730	0	727	1,452	73	28	631	233	0	39	7
PQ	19	76	298	663	0	5,788	181	254	1,193	1,020	6	66	25
ONT	1,261	382	2,063	1,401	5,300	0	1,408	1,571	5,912	5,187	107	114	15
MAN	81	18	185	84	228	1,665	0	854	1,469	1,072	22	0	15
SASK	24	48	90	44	223	915	616	0	2,942	1,138	6	67	47
ALTA	883	164	1,152	984	1,537	5,746	1,436	3,015	0	7,995	188	214	11
BC	200	98	460	202	852	4,147	805	985	6,295	0	158	19	32
YT	0	0	0	0	0	102	15	30	133	99	0	0	0
NWT	79	9	29	7	32	90	94	29	337	143	42	0	38
NVT	35	0	11	0	21	32	0	0	9	0	0	39	0

	NFLD	PEI	NS	NB	PQ	ONT	MAN	SASK	ALTA	BC	YT	NWT	NVT
In	3,202	1,086	5,558	4,243	9,469	22,973	4,981	6,983	20,790	17,710	553	572	227
Out	2,339	1,369	5,238	4,205	9,589	24,721	5,693	6,160	23,325	14,253	379	929	147
Net	863	-283	320	38	-120	-1,748	-712	823	-2,535	3,457	174	-357	80
Rate ¹	0.17%	-0.20%	0.03%	0.01%	0.00%	-0.01%	-0.06%	0.08%	-0.07%	0.08%	0.52%	-0.82%	0.25%

Source: Statistics Canada

¹ Net Migration Rate is quarterly net interprovincial migration expressed as a percentage of provincial population at the start of the quarter.

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