

# Saskatchewan Quarterly Population Report

First Quarter 2010

## TOTAL POPULATION

Saskatchewan's population was estimated to be 1,041,729 as of April 1, 2010, according to Statistics Canada. This is an increase of 3,711 persons since January 1, 2010, and an increase of 16,091 persons from April 1, 2009. The first quarter (January 1 – March 31) saw Saskatchewan population rise 0.36 per cent during the quarter, fifth 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, April 2008 - April 2010**

Date	Manitoba		Saskatchewan		Alberta	
	Population	Growth Rate	Population	Growth Rate	Population	Growth Rate
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%
Jan-10	1,228,984	0.23%	1,038,018	0.29%	3,711,845	0.21%
Apr-10	1,232,654	0.30%	1,041,729	0.36%	3,724,832	0.35%

Saskatchewan's annual population growth rate was the fifth highest of all the provinces and territories. Nunavut (followed by Yukon and British Columbia) had the largest growth rates among all provinces and territories. Table 2 shows the April 1, 2010 population estimates for all provinces and territories along with their quarterly and annual growth rates.

## NATURAL INCREASE

Saskatchewan had 3,351 births and 2,486 deaths during the first quarter of 2010 for a natural increase of 865. The natural increase over the same time period last year was 822.

## MIGRATION

Interprovincial migration is the largest component of population change in Saskatchewan. Preliminary data suggests that in the first quarter of this year, 6,243 residents moved to Saskatchewan as 4,946 people left the province. The net interprovincial gain of 1,297 is 535 more than the fourth quarter of 2009 and is 752 more than the first quarter of 2009.

Ontario was the primary source for net interprovincial population change (736 persons in the first 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 January 1 to March 31 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](http://www.stats.gov.sk.ca)

**Table 2: Population and Growth Rates of Provinces and Territories - April 1, 2010**

	NFLD	PEI	NS	NB	PQ	ONT	MAN	SASK	ALTA	BC	YT	NWT	NVT
Population	510,901	141,551	940,482	751,273	7,886,108	13,167,894	1,232,654	1,041,729	3,724,832	4,510,858	34,246	43,529	32,900
Annual Growth Rate	0.66%	0.93%	0.29%	0.31%	1.04%	1.10%	1.36%	1.57%	1.60%	1.64%	2.05%	0.42%	2.93%
Quarterly Growth Rate	0.02%	0.23%	-0.03%	0.08%	0.20%	0.25%	0.30%	0.36%	0.35%	0.37%	0.75%	0.57%	1.05%

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**Table 3: Origin and Destination of Interprovincial Migrants,  
January 1, 2010 to March 31, 2010**

Origin	Destination												
	NFLD	PEI	NS	NB	PQ	ONT	MAN	SASK	ALTA	BC	YT	NWT	NVT
NFLD	0	52	438	151	37	729	104	12	948	147	0	49	63
PEI	69	0	164	165	14	224	26	12	94	157	0	15	8
NS	410	216	0	768	224	1,660	70	83	1,363	433	0	42	0
NB	163	155	612	0	382	782	95	72	745	144	11	11	0
PQ	51	62	228	499	0	3,734	286	174	934	749	6	36	64
ONT	1,208	214	1,541	1,025	3,095	0	1,423	1,184	4,831	3,878	95	216	120
MAN	86	22	100	73	155	1,236	0	788	1,189	735	0	69	70
SASK	0	8	98	68	51	448	567	0	2,790	906	6	4	0
ALTA	752	139	945	662	936	4,276	1,201	3,205	0	6,565	50	252	45
BC	133	42	527	132	463	3,444	668	688	6,023	0	143	25	16
YT	0	0	5	0	8	21	0	0	73	136	0	20	26
NWT	75	0	19	0	0	70	17	25	332	96	21	0	68
NVT	12	0	11	25	7	137	25	0	18	0	0	61	0

	NFLD	PEI	NS	NB	PQ	ONT	MAN	SASK	ALTA	BC	YT	NWT	NVT
<b>In</b>	2,959	910	4,688	3,568	5,372	16,761	4,482	6,243	19,340	13,946	332	800	480
<b>Out</b>	2,730	948	5,269	3,172	6,823	18,830	4,523	4,946	19,028	12,304	289	723	296
<b>Net</b>	229	-38	-581	396	-1,451	-2,069	-41	1,297	312	1,642	43	77	184
<b>Rate <sup>1</sup></b>	0.04%	-0.03%	-0.06%	0.05%	-0.02%	-0.02%	0.00%	0.12%	0.01%	0.04%	0.13%	0.18%	0.57%

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<sup>1</sup> 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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