

Out-of-Province Ministerial Travel
(including expenses of participants and general expenses associated with travel)

Ministry	Executive Council	
Title of Travel	Premier’s Mission to China and Japan	
Location	Beijing, China and Tokyo, Japan	
Date(s)	September 6-12, 2025	
Participants	Honourable Scott Moe, Premier of Saskatchewan Jodi Banks, Deputy Minister of Trade and Export Development Jared Dunlop, Chief of Staff to Premier Moe Ashley Anderson, Deputy Chief of Staff to Premier Moe	
Purpose of Travel	Advance Saskatchewan’s trade relations with China and Japan, advocate for SK industries impacted by Chinese tariffs, including canola, ensure diversified market access for SK goods, and showcase the role the province can play to support food and energy security in both countries.	
Total Travel Expenditures for Participants		
Air Travel (including airfare and airport service fees, baggage fees)		\$42,622.16
Ground Travel (including taxis, car rentals, trains and buses)		\$105.88
Accommodation (including room charges and all related taxes and fees)		\$7,251.97
Meals (personal per diem meal claims)		\$2,352.13
Conference & Registration Fees		\$0.00
Miscellaneous (including incidentals, parking, temporary cell phone upgrades, fax and internet charges, passport and visa fees, medical and vaccination fees, and other sundry expenditures)		\$1,294.18
Subtotal		\$53,626.32
General Travel Expenditures		
Business Hosting Expenses (expenses for luncheon and/or dinner meetings hosted by the Government of Saskatchewan, including food, beverages, catering staff, service charges, equipment, and entertainment)		\$0.00
Miscellaneous (Including meeting rooms, translator and interpreter fees, police security, publications, shipping charges, gifts)		\$0.00
Subtotal		\$0.00
TOTAL		\$53,626.32

Overview of Travel and Objectives

China is Saskatchewan's second-largest market (after the United States) and remains a priority market for the province. In 2024, Saskatchewan exports were valued at C\$4.4 billion and Saskatchewan has maintained strong linkages with China that has lasted several years.

- Saskatchewan is China's largest supplier of canola seed and canola meal and third largest supplier of potash.
- China has also been Saskatchewan's third-largest source country for international post-secondary students over the past five years (2020-2024).

Japan continues to be an important and valued trading partner for Saskatchewan – In 2024, Japan was Saskatchewan's fifth-largest export market, with exports valued at C\$929.1 million (M).

Japan is a key buyer of Saskatchewan's agri-food products and potash. Saskatchewan is Japan's largest supplier of durum wheat and second largest supplier of canola seeds and barley in 2024.

Mission objectives included:

- underscoring the significance of Saskatchewan's trade relationship with China and Japan and exploring opportunities to expand and diversify Saskatchewan exports into both markets;
- renewing engagement with China and Japan's agriculture sectors, showcasing Saskatchewan's global leadership in the agri-food industry including Saskatchewan's ability to be a trusted and reliable food security partner to both countries for the long term;
- advocating for Saskatchewan industries impacted by China's tariffs on Canadian/Saskatchewan commodities such as canola, pulses and pork, and highlighting the vital role Saskatchewan can play to support China's food security efforts through dialogue with government agencies and industry stakeholders;
- highlighting Saskatchewan's leadership in the energy sector and positioning Saskatchewan as a key partner in areas including energy transition and nuclear energy development; and
- promoting Saskatchewan's Japan and China offices as a resource to deepen Saskatchewan's linkages with both countries in meetings with industry and government and through participation in events.

Travel Activity

- While in China, the Premier Moe met with:
 - Ministry of Commerce;
 - China National Cereals, Oils and Foodstuffs Corporation to reinforce Saskatchewan's commitment to be a reliable supplier of agricultural products to China for the long term;
 - Chinese People's Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries to profile Saskatchewan's long-standing multi-faceted relationships with China and discuss opportunities for greater collaboration;

- Chinese Pea Industry, and China Chamber of Commerce of Import & Export of Foodstuffs, Native Produce & Animal By-Products (CFNA), to gain insights on current or forthcoming policy or regulatory shifts that may be affecting Saskatchewan exports;
- General Administration of Customs of China to highlight the importance of the Saskatchewan-China trade relationship and discuss Saskatchewan's market access goals in China;
- SINOCHEN Group, a longstanding buyer of Saskatchewan potash to discuss current and future Saskatchewan-China potash trade opportunities; and
- Canada's Ambassador to China.
- Premier Moe also participated in a roundtable with the Canada China Business Council to explore opportunities to deepen Saskatchewan-China engagement.
- While in Tokyo, Premier Moe met with:
 - Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries;
 - Ministry of Foreign Affairs;
 - Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry;
 - Japanese pork industry stakeholders to highlight Saskatchewan as a reliable and quality source for agri-food products;
 - Global trading companies with potential investment interest in Saskatchewan's critical minerals sector;
 - Major investors in Saskatchewan's agriculture sector to reinforce Saskatchewan's commitment to the relationship and explore opportunities for further collaboration;
 - two companies with significant investment interests in Saskatchewan's energy sector;
 - Agri-food industry associations including Japan Oil and Fat Importers and Exporters Association, Japan Flour Millers Association, and Japan Grain Importers Association to reinforce the province's commitment to continue to serve as a reliable supplier of high quality agri-food products to Japan for many years to come;
 - Japan Oil and Gas Organization for Metals and Energy Security to discuss ongoing collaboration in energy security and opportunities for further collaboration; and
 - Canada's Ambassador to Japan.
- Premier Moe also:
 - participated in a Canadian Chamber of Commerce in Japan Board of Governors Roundtable; and

- provided keynote remarks at a SK reception to profile SK's leadership in energy and agriculture and highlight opportunities for investment.