

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

Ministry	Executive Council	
Title of Travel	Premier’s Mission to China	
Location	Beijing, China	
Date(s)	January 15-19, 2026	
Participants	Honourable Scott Moe, Premier of Saskatchewan Ashley Anderson, Deputy Chief of Staff to Premier Moe	
Purpose of Travel	Support the Government of Canada’s efforts to strengthen diplomatic and economic ties with China and promote diversified market access for Saskatchewan goods.	
Total Travel Expenditures for Participants		
Air Travel (including airfare and airport service fees, baggage fees)		\$20,818.62
Ground Travel (including taxis, car rentals, trains, and buses)		\$81.84
Accommodation (including room charges and all related taxes and fees)		\$1,937.19
Meals (personal per diem meal claims)		\$561.73
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)		\$259.39
Subtotal		\$23,658.77
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		\$23,658.77

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 \$4.4 billion, and Saskatchewan has maintained strong linkages with China over the years.

- In 2024, Saskatchewan was China's largest supplier of canola seed and canola meal and its 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).

Mission objectives included:

- supporting the Government of Canada's efforts to advance constructive engagement with China by joining Prime Minister Mark Carney in China for planned meetings with Chinese officials and industry leaders;
- reinforcing Saskatchewan's continued engagement to advance Saskatchewan's trade relationship with China, and to explore opportunities to expand Saskatchewan-China economic cooperation; and
- showcasing Saskatchewan's global leadership in agriculture and energy, and the province's ability to be a trusted and reliable partner to support China's food and energy security efforts.

Travel Activity

- While in Beijing, the Premier joined Prime Minister Carney and the Government of Canada officials in:
 - a meeting with China's Premier LI Qiang;
 - a signing ceremony at which several memorandums of understanding between Canada and China were signed;
 - an official dinner hosted by Premier Li; and
 - a business dinner hosted by Canada China Business Council.
- The Premier also met with:
 - Chinese People's Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries to profile Saskatchewan's long-standing multi-faceted relationship with China and discuss opportunities for greater collaboration.
- The delegation helped strengthen diplomatic and economic ties between China and Canada and find a path toward resolution of tariffs, which resulted in a preliminary agreement to remove all tariffs from canola meal and peas – as well as reduced tariffs on canola seed to 15 per cent.