

Saskatchewan Annual Population Report

Calendar Year 2020

TOTAL POPULATION

Saskatchewan's population was estimated to be 1,178,832 as of January 1, 2021, according to Statistics Canada. This is a decrease of 322 persons since January 1, 2020. In 2019, Saskatchewan's population increased by 10,693 persons.

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

**Table 1: Population and Growth Rates
January 1, 2012 - January 1, 2021**

Date	Alberta		Saskatchewan		Manitoba	
	Population	Growth Rate	Population	Growth Rate	Population	Growth Rate
Jan-12	3,825,072	1.88%	1,074,265	1.44%	1,242,141	1.22%
Jan-13	3,920,499	2.49%	1,091,547	1.61%	1,257,940	1.27%
Jan-14	4,029,951	2.79%	1,106,374	1.36%	1,271,562	1.08%
Jan-15	4,116,047	2.14%	1,118,181	1.07%	1,286,453	1.17%
Jan-16	4,169,830	1.31%	1,127,773	0.86%	1,302,544	1.25%
Jan-17	4,217,855	1.15%	1,143,313	1.38%	1,324,129	1.66%
Jan-18	4,268,853	1.21%	1,156,659	1.17%	1,344,418	1.53%
Jan-19	4,330,698	1.45%	1,168,461	1.02%	1,361,632	1.28%
Jan-20	4,402,045	1.65%	1,179,154	0.92%	1,377,004	1.13%
Jan-21	4,436,258	0.78%	1,178,832	-0.03%	1,380,935	0.29%

Source: Statistics Canada

Saskatchewan's annual population growth rate was the ninth highest of all the provinces. Alberta and Prince Edward Island had the largest growth rates among the provinces. Table 2 shows the January 1, 2021 population estimates for all provinces and territories along with their annual growth rates.

Table 2: Population and Growth Rates of Provinces and Territories - January 1, 2021

	BC	AB	SK	MB	ON	QC	NB	NS	NL	PE	YT	NT	NU
Population	5,153,039	4,436,258	1,178,832	1,380,935	14,755,211	8,575,944	782,078	979,449	520,438	159,819	42,192	45,136	39,407
Annual Growth Rate	0.42%	0.78%	-0.03%	0.29%	0.45%	0.23%	0.26%	0.36%	-0.61%	0.75%	1.10%	0.04%	1.76%

Source: Statistics Canada

NATURAL INCREASE

Saskatchewan experienced 14,364 births and 10,107 deaths during 2020 for a natural increase of 4,257. The natural increase for 2019 was 4,587.

MIGRATION

Preliminary data suggests that in 2020, 13,460 Canadian residents moved to Saskatchewan and 23,778 Canadian residents left the province, resulting in a net loss in population due to interprovincial migration of 10,318 persons. Alberta was the primary source of Saskatchewan's interprovincial migration movement (41.63 per cent of in-migration and 40.29 per cent of out-migration). Table 3 provides origin and destination flows of interprovincial migrants for the January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020 period.

Net international migration increased the Saskatchewan population by 5,739 persons in 2020 compared to a net international migration increase of 16,601 persons in 2019.

All data in this report are preliminary and subject to revision. For more details, contact the Saskatchewan Bureau of Statistics at (306) 787-6330 or visit www.Saskatchewan.ca/stats

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**Table 3: Origin and Destination of Interprovincial Migrants,
January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020**

Origin	Destination												
	BC	AB	SK	MB	ON	QC	NB	NS	NL	PE	YT	NT	NU
BC	0	17,668	2,294	1,955	11,649	2,233	869	1,823	521	205	479	151	102
AB	25,883	0	5,604	2,125	16,195	2,803	1,875	2,589	1,535	425	344	687	130
SK	4,879	9,581	0	1,676	5,932	580	283	398	202	31	122	50	44
MB	4,173	4,629	1,554	0	5,588	846	209	435	26	63	13	27	52
ON	17,815	16,149	3,015	3,343	0	15,787	3,999	6,838	2,130	1,362	431	298	682
QC	4,106	2,502	349	507	17,054	0	1,623	774	152	177	43	71	84
NB	837	1,842	103	147	2,837	1,836	0	2,001	212	381	0	40	7
NS	1,438	2,034	292	272	4,546	854	1,907	0	785	576	29	115	172
NL	650	2,224	79	92	2,011	352	329	1,126	0	76	47	31	79
PE	331	262	30	33	1,474	199	406	649	83	0	6	0	6
YT	467	268	84	19	235	93	18	101	6	3	0	91	0
NT	315	752	56	21	362	56	116	125	57	23	59	0	73
NU	49	132	0	58	478	107	35	324	81	0	26	113	0

	BC	AB	SK	MB	ON	QC	NB	NS	NL	PE	YT	NT	NU
In	60,943	58,043	13,460	10,248	68,361	25,746	11,669	17,183	5,790	3,322	1,599	1,674	1,431
Out	39,949	60,195	23,778	17,615	71,849	27,442	10,243	13,020	7,096	3,479	1,385	2,015	1,403
Net	20,994	-2,152	-10,318	-7,367	-3,488	-1,696	1,426	4,163	-1,306	-157	214	-341	28
Rate ¹	0.41%	-0.05%	-0.88%	-0.54%	-0.02%	-0.02%	0.18%	0.43%	-0.25%	-0.10%	0.51%	-0.76%	0.07%

Source: Statistics Canada

¹ Net Migration Rate is annual net interprovincial migration expressed as a percentage of provincial population at the start of the year

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