



**A Profile of the  
PUBLIC  
ADMINISTRATION SECTOR  
IN NEW BRUNSWICK**

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# Sector Definition

The Public Administration sector consists of establishments that are primarily engaged in activities of a governmental nature, that is, the enactment and interpretation of laws and their pursuant regulations, and the administration of programs based on them. Legislative activities, taxation, national defence, public order and safety, immigration services, foreign affairs and international assistance, and the administration of government programs are activities that are purely governmental in nature. Government owned establishments engaged in activities that are not governmental in nature are classified to the same industry as privately owned establishments engaged in similar activities.

The scope of this profile includes North American Industry Classification System (NAICS 2017) sector 91.

## Legend



Public Administration sector



New Brunswick



All sectors



Canada



Male



Female

# Current Business Environment

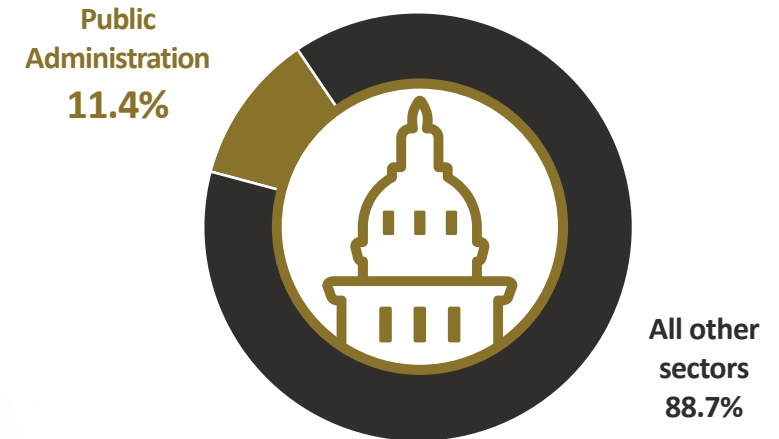
## GDP\* and Productivity

In 2018:

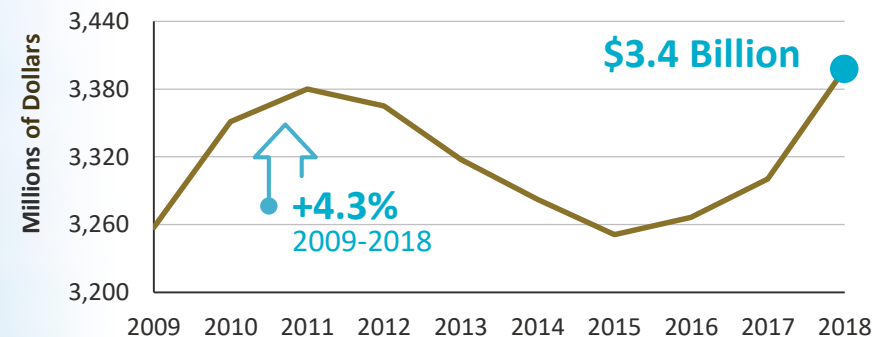
- The Public Administration sector represented 11.4% of New Brunswick's (NB) GDP, contributing \$3.4 billion (*chained 2012 dollars*)<sup>1, 2</sup>
- NB Labour Productivity<sup>2, 3</sup> (*a measure of productivity based on GDP per hour worked in the sector*):
  - This sector – \$57.57 output per hour of work (*chained 2012 dollars*)
  - Average of all sectors – \$47.57 output per hour of work (*chained 2012 dollars*)

\* Gross Domestic Product

Proportion of GDP in NB: 2018<sup>1</sup>  
Public Administration Sector



Real GDP<sup>2</sup>  
NB Public Administration Sector  
(at Basic Prices, Chained 2012 Dollars)





## Employment in New Brunswick

In 2018:

- 24,500 were employed in the NB Public Administration sector (97.6% full-time, 2.4% part-time)<sup>4</sup>
- 900 were unemployed<sup>4</sup>
- 6.9% of all employed in NB worked in this sector<sup>4</sup>
- 62.9% of employees in this NB sector were part of a union and/or covered by a collective agreement – versus 29.8% of all employees in the Province<sup>5</sup>



### NB Unemployment Rate: 2018<sup>4</sup> Public Administration Sector vs All Sectors

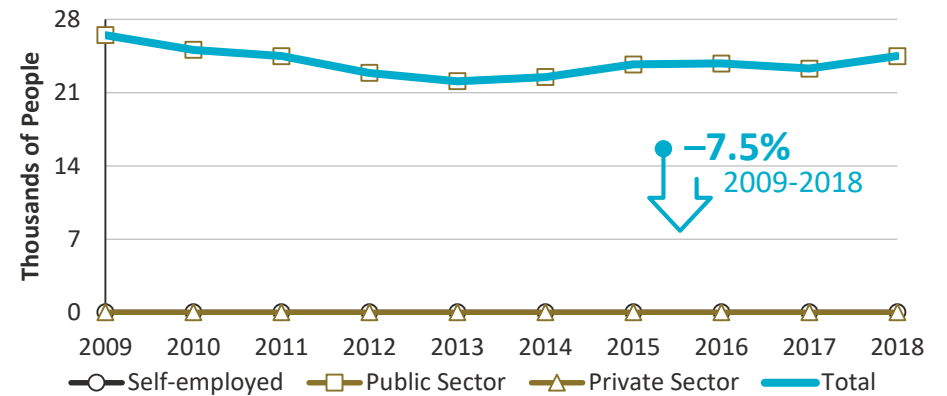


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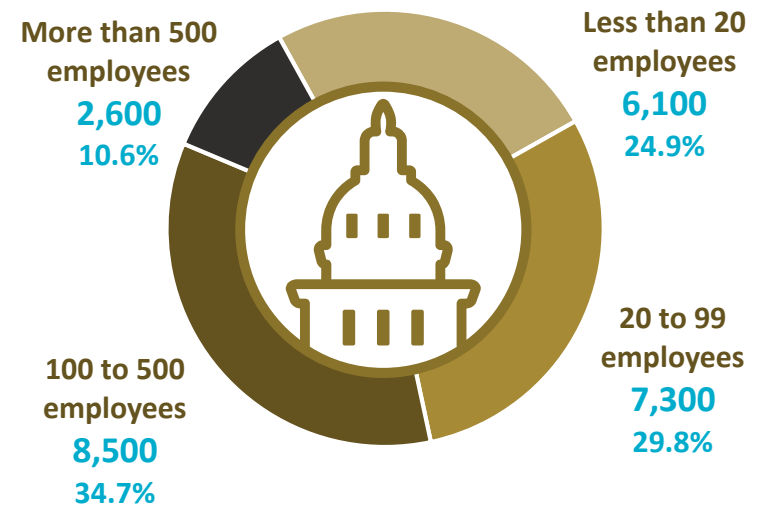


8.0%

### Employment: 2009-2018<sup>6</sup> NB Public Administration Sector



### Employment by Size of Employer: 2018<sup>7</sup> NB Public Administration Sector



\*This chart does not include the self-employed.

# Human Resources Profile

## Demographics

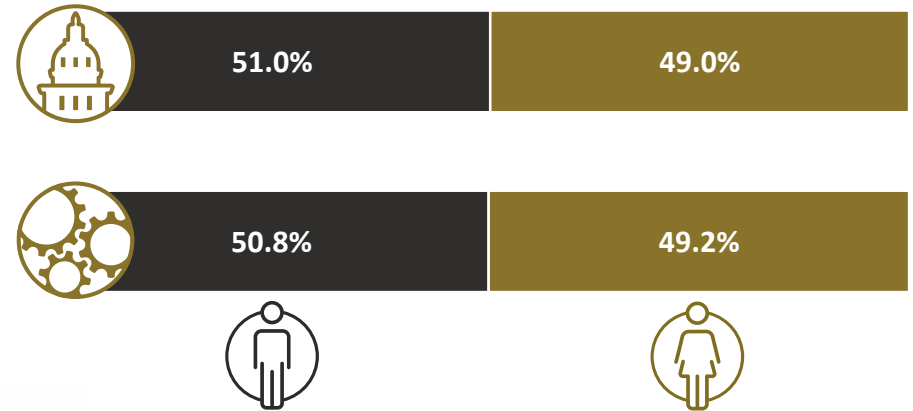
In 2018:

- 25,500 people were part of the labour force in the NB Public Administration sector, of which 24,500 were employed<sup>4</sup>

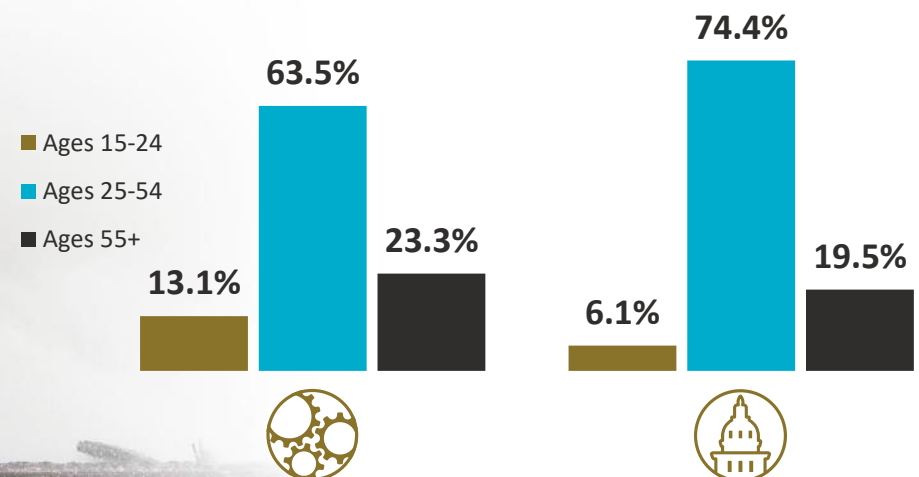
From 2009 to 2018:

- The percentage of females employed in the sector increased from 47.9% to 49.0%<sup>4</sup>
- The percentage of workers employed in this sector:<sup>4</sup>
  - Ages 15-24 decreased 0.7 percentage points
  - Ages 25-54 decreased 1.8 percentage points
  - Ages 55 and over increased 2.5 percentage points

**NB Employment by Sex: 2018<sup>4</sup>**  
Public Administration Sector vs All Sectors



**NB Employment Age Distribution: 2018<sup>4</sup>**  
Public Administration Sector vs All Sectors



## Major Occupations

In 2018:

- 24.6% of those working in the NB Public Administration sector worked in one of the five National Occupation Code (NOC) occupations listed in the table to the right<sup>8</sup>
- These 5,900 employees represented 1.6% of all employed in NB<sup>8</sup>



Major Occupations: 2018 <sup>8</sup> NB Public Administration Sector		
Occupation	Employed	NOC
Non-commissioned ranks of the Canadian Forces	2,400	4313
Police officers (except commissioned)	1,000	4311
Administrative assistants	900	1241
Human resources professionals	800	1121
General office support workers	800	1411

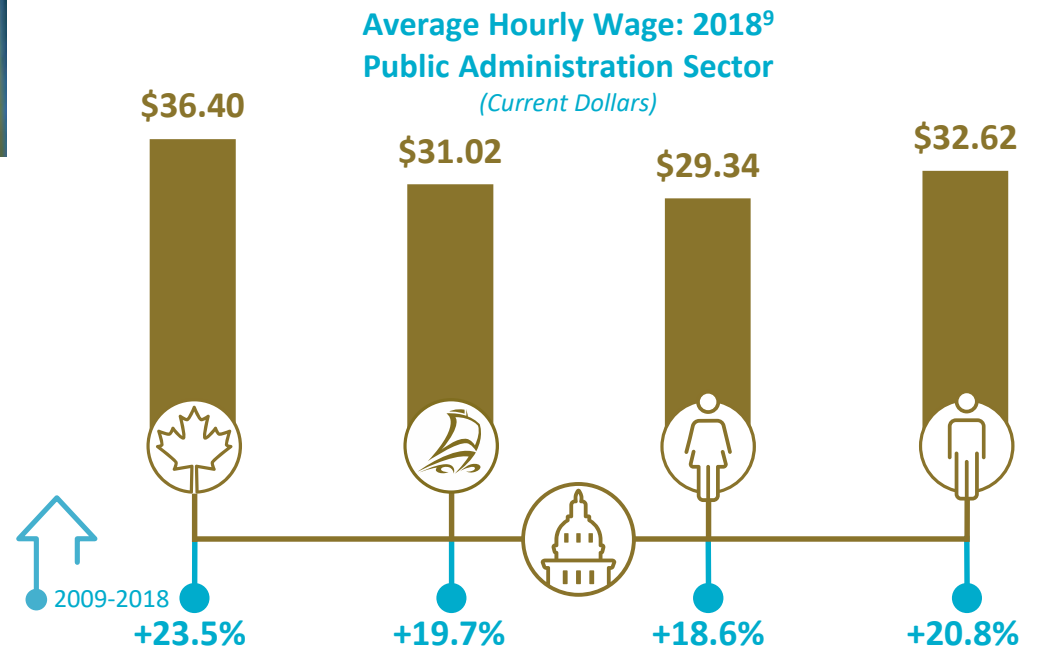
## Wage and Salary Information

In 2018:

- The average wage in the NB Public Administration sector (\$31.02) was greater than the average NB wage across all sectors (\$22.89)<sup>9</sup>

From 2009 to 2018:

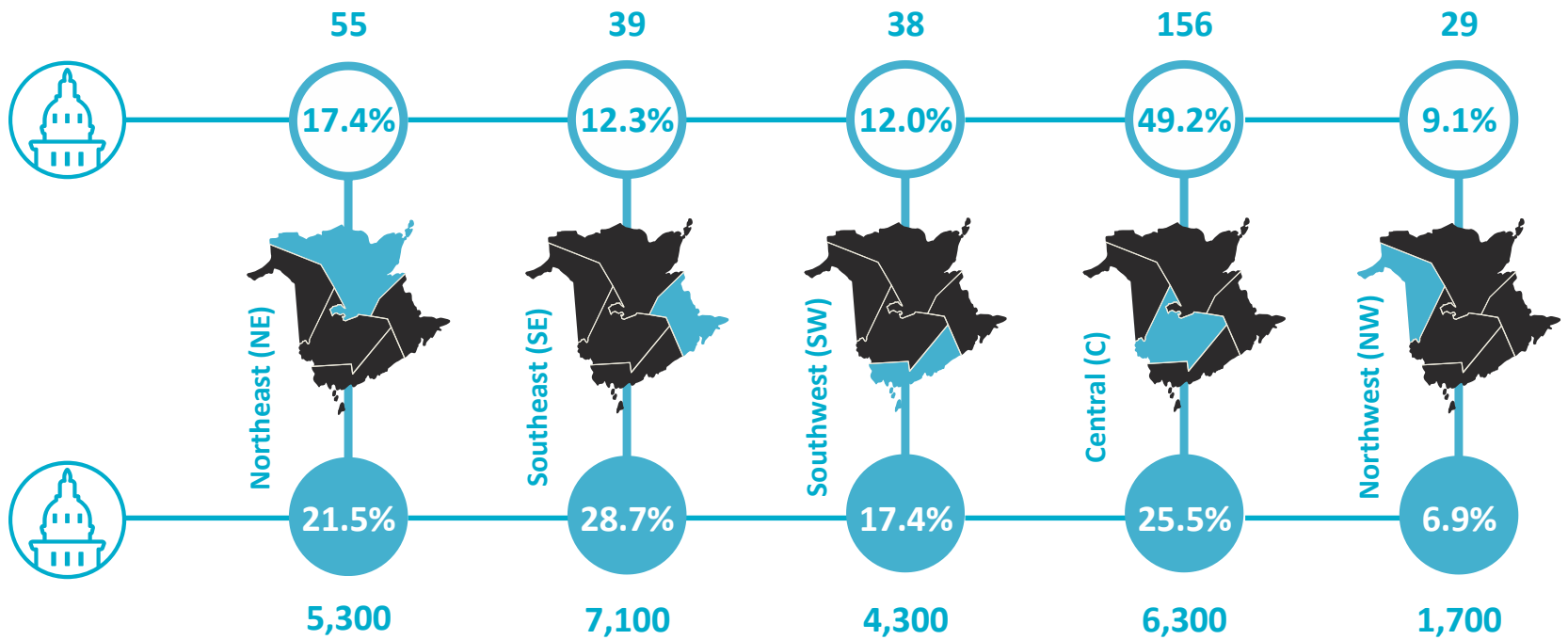
- The relative change in the sector's average wage (+19.7%) was less than the relative change in the average NB wage across all sectors (+22.4%)<sup>9</sup>



# Regional Highlights

## Employers

Regional Distribution: 2018<sup>10</sup>



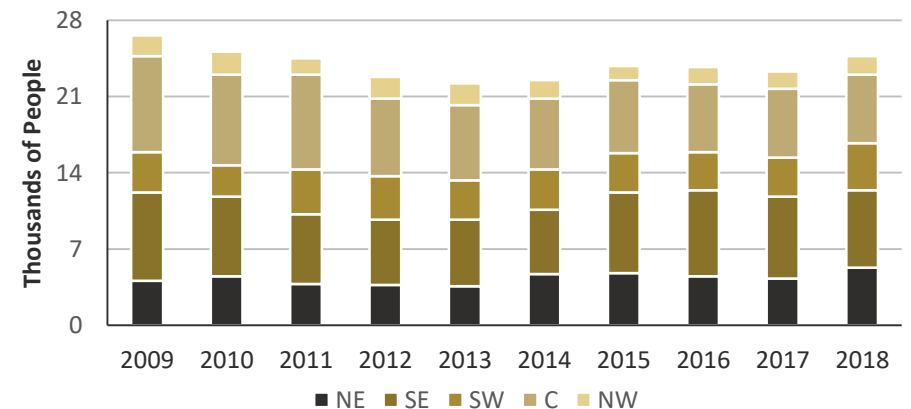
## Employed

Regional Distribution: 2018<sup>11</sup>

**Number of Regional Employers by Employment Size: 2018<sup>10</sup>  
NB Public Administration Sector**

Region	1-9	10-49	50-199	200+	Total
NE	20	24	8	3	55
SE	9	22	4	4	39
SW	9	20	7	2	38
C	37	62	35	22	156
NW	11	11	5	2	29
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>317</b>

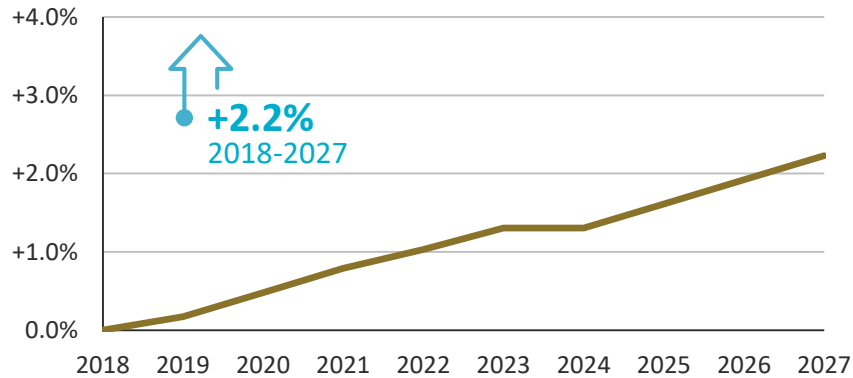
**Employment by Economic Region: 2009-2018<sup>11</sup>  
NB Public Administration Sector**



# Business Outlook 2018-2027

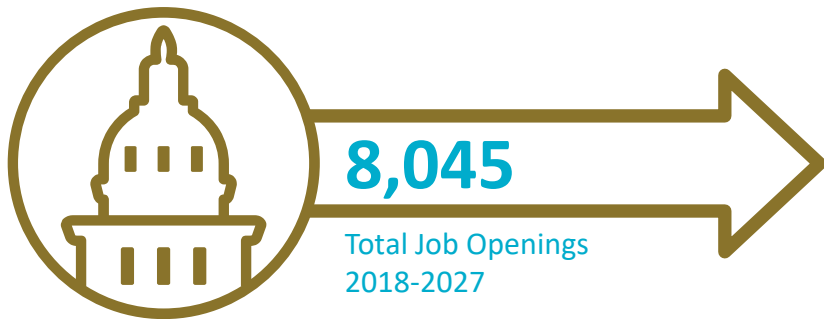
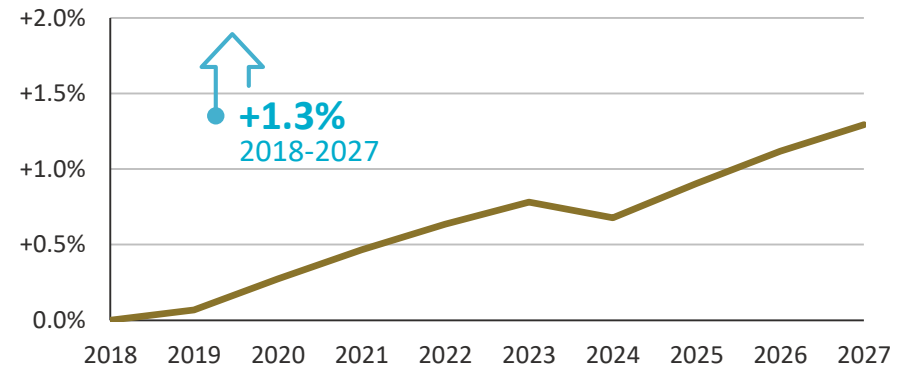
## GDP Forecast

**Forecasted Change in Real GDP<sup>8</sup>  
NB Public Administration Sector**  
*(Relative to 2018)*

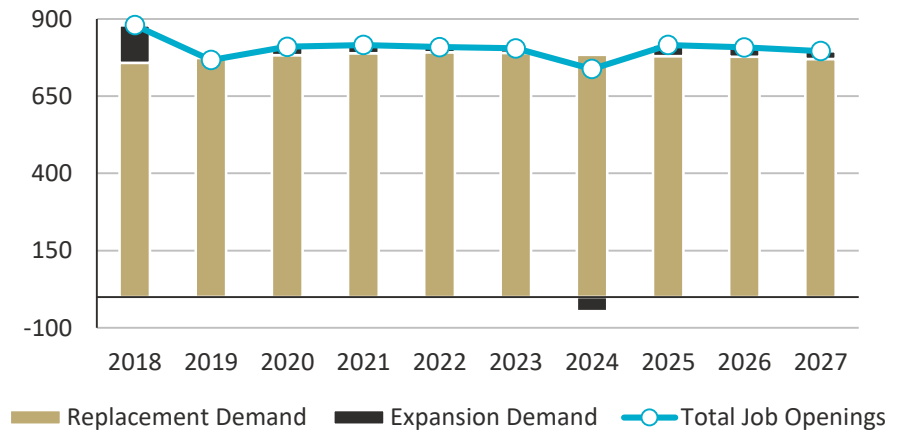


## Employment Forecast

**Forecasted Change in Employment<sup>8</sup>  
NB Public Administration Sector**  
*(Relative to 2018)*



**Forecasted Job Openings<sup>8</sup>  
NB Public Administration Sector**





# Links for Further Information

## Government Sources

- NBjobs.ca
- Labour Market Information
- Sector Definitions - North American Industry Classification System, 2017 (NAICS)
- Classification of Occupations - National Occupational Classification, 2016 (NOC)

## Sector Associations

- Canadian Police Association
- Canadian Union of Public Employees – New Brunswick
- Institute of Public Administration of Canada
- International Association of Administrative Professionals
- New Brunswick Association of Fire Prevention Officers
- New Brunswick Police Association

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## Data Sources

- <sup>1</sup> Statistics Canada, Table 36-10-0400-01
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- <sup>7</sup> Statistics Canada, Table 14-10-0068-01
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- <sup>10</sup> Statistics Canada via the Community Data Program
- <sup>11</sup> Statistics Canada, Table 14-10-0092-01