

# Indigenous Contributions to the Manitoba Economy

At a Glance Summary

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Manitoba Keewatinowik  
Okimakanak Inc.



Established 1999

**southern chiefs'**  
**organization inc.**



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RURAL  
DEVEL PMENT  
INSTITUTE

# Indigenous Strong Manitoba Strong

Today's provincial economy is built on our original Indigenous economy. When Europeans arrived, our economy adapted and merged with theirs. Through our enterprises and efforts, our strong culture and our resilience, our economy is still growing and still adapting.

Who we are as Indigenous people, where we live and our work, is where this modern story begins. We examined our spending and calculated our impact on the Manitoba economy. We present highlights for one year: 2016. Now think of what we have contributed over many such years. Think of what we are contributing today and will be in the future.

# \$9.3 Billion

Spending by Indigenous businesses, governments, and households and spending on infrastructure. Indigenous includes First Nations, Métis & Inuit.

## \$6 Billion



**700 Indigenous  
Businesses**

## \$1.45 Billion



**First Nations, Métis,  
& Inuit Governments**

## \$1.38 Billion



**Indigenous  
Households**

## \$420 Million



**Spent by Federal,  
Indigenous, & Provincial  
Governments on  
Infrastructure**

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# Spending \$9.3 Billion

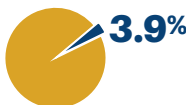
## Impacts on Manitoba Economy



Creating & Maintaining  
**Over 35,700  
Jobs**



Providing  
**\$1.3 Billion**  
in Wages & Salaries  
to Workers



Contributing  
**\$2.3 Billion**  
to Manitoba  
GDP



Contributing  
**\$231 Million**  
in Taxes

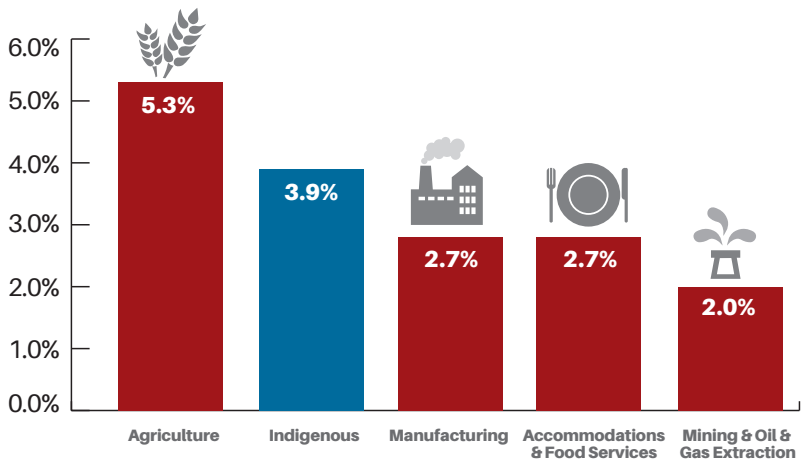


**57%** Federal  
Taxes



**43%** Provincial  
Taxes

### Components of provincial GDP: Major industries & Indigenous economy



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# Facts about Indigenous People in Manitoba 2016

## NORTH

**73%** of Northerners are Indigenous (52,350)

**66%** are First Nations  
(47,510)

**7%** are Métis & Inuit  
(4,495)

**79%** of First Nations live **ON Reserve** (37,425)

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**Fly-in**  
**Communities**

higher cost of living,  
traditional lifestyles,  
hunting, gathering,  
trapping, fishing



**Manitoba**  
**1.3 Million**

**18% Indigenous**  
(223,310)



**10.5%**  
First Nations  
(130,510)

**7.2%**  
Métis  
(89,355)

**0.05%**  
Inuit  
(610)

**0.2% Identified as more than one of the above.**  
(2,840)

## SOUTH

**15%** of Southerners are Indigenous (170,955)

**7%** are First Nations  
(82,995)

**8%** are Métis & Inuit  
(84,860)

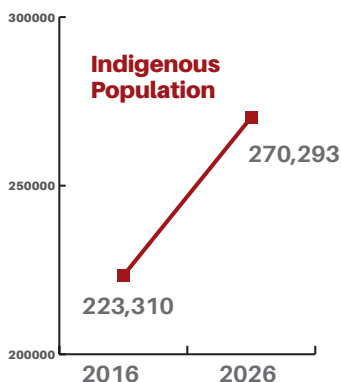
**69%** of First Nations live **OFF Reserve** (57,295)

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# Looking Forward

2016 to 2026

## Strong Indigenous Population Growth



**46,983**  
More Indigenous  
People

## Indigenous Labour Force

**NORTH**  
**16,375**  
**85%**  
First Nation

**SOUTH**  
**71,440**  
**36%**  
First Nation

## Industries Where First Nations People Work

 **20%** Healthcare & Social Assistance

 **10%** Construction

 **13%** Education

 **10%** Retail Trade

 **11%** Public Administration

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# Urban Reserves in Manitoba

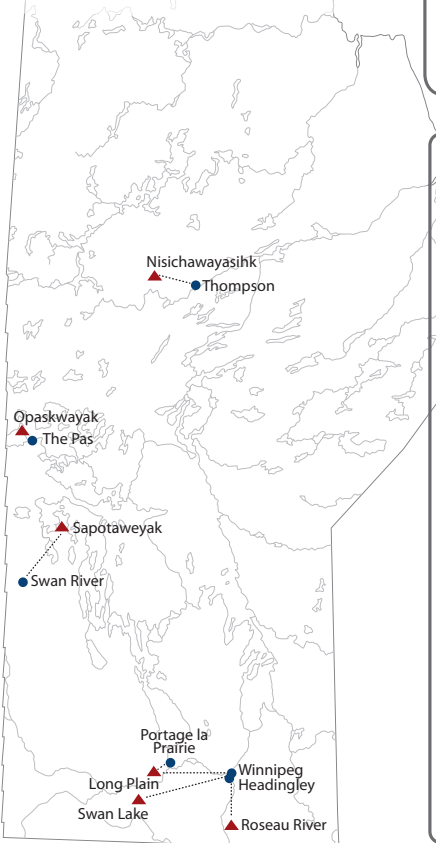
First Nation ▲      UR Location ●

## NORTH

Nisichawayasihk ..... Thompson  
Opaskwayak ..... The Pas  
Sapotaweyak ..... (2) Swan River

## SOUTH

Long Plain ..... Portage & Winnipeg  
Roseau River ..... Winnipeg  
Swan Lake ..... Headingley



## Benefits of Urban Reserves



### First Nations

- New own-source revenue
- Contribute to self-sufficiency
- Increased educational and employment opportunities



### Municipalities

- Revenue for services and taxes detailed in Municipal Development and Services Agreement (MDSA)
- Taxes from UR workers living in municipality

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## Manitoba Urban Reserves (May 2018)

Urban Reserve: Land in or adjacent to an urban municipality that has been set apart by the Federal Crown for the use and benefit of a First Nation.

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Created by Addition to Reserve (ATR) process

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Opaskwayak - existed prior to adjacent urban settlement

AND

# 0

Reserve became urban due to urban sprawl

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