



STATE OF THE NORTH

RESPONDING TO NORTHERN ONTARIO'S DEMOGRAPHIC SHIFT



Welcome!

The Growth Plan for Northern Ontario is closing in on its 5 year anniversary.



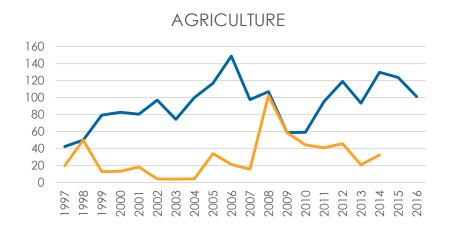
- Grow and diversify the economy;
- Enhance education, training and career opportunities;
- Support efficient and effective infrastructure investment and planning; and
- Ensure sustainable development and land use planning.

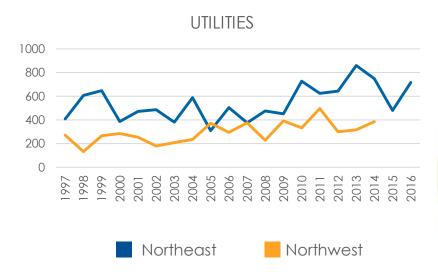




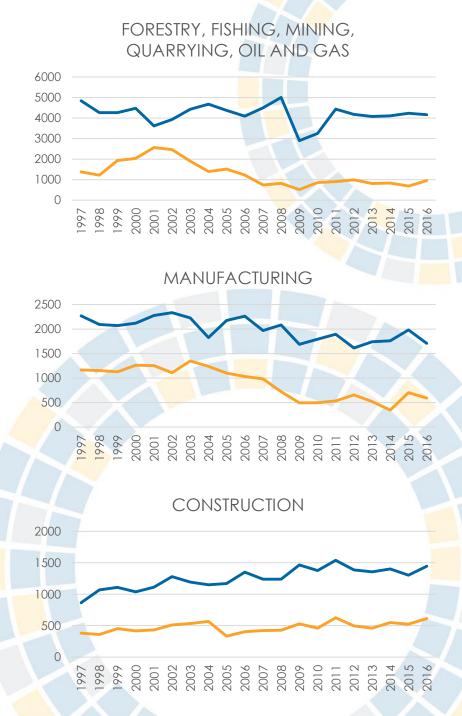
Now is a good time to assess progress, and step forward into solution-based discussions.

GDP by Goods-Producing Industry(Chained 2007 Dollars x1,000,000)



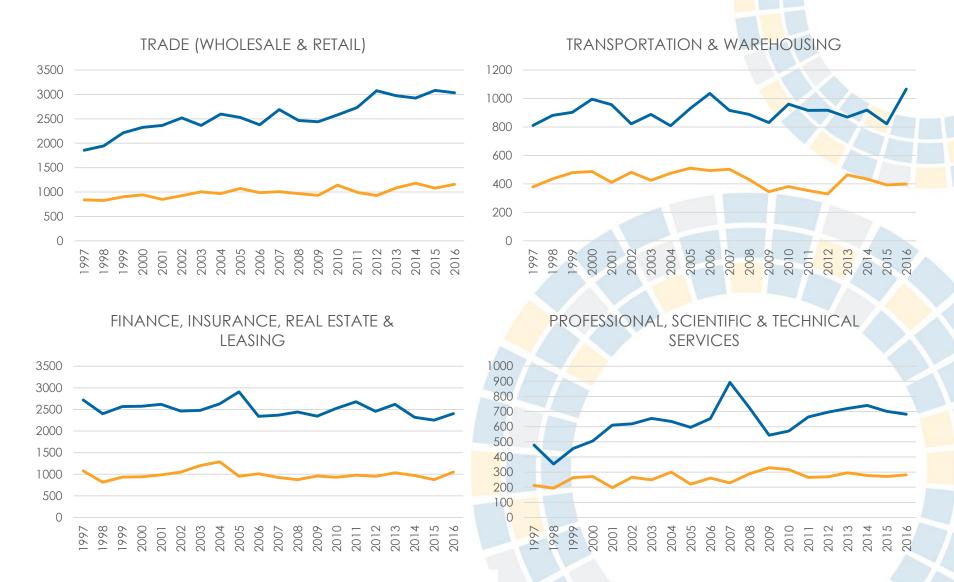


Source: Author's calculations based on Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey (Cansim Table 282-0125), and GDP estimations (382-0004)



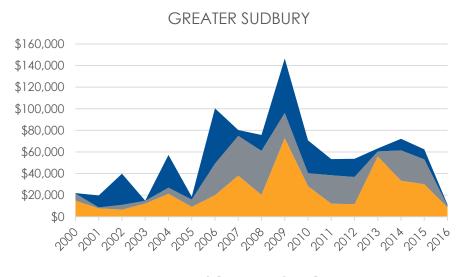
GDP by Service-Producing Industry (Chained 2007 Dollars x1,000,000) (1)

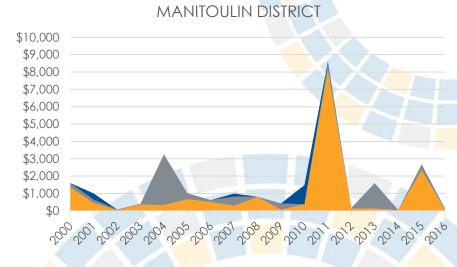


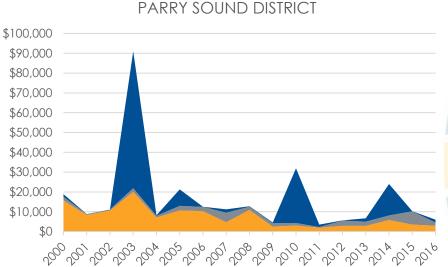


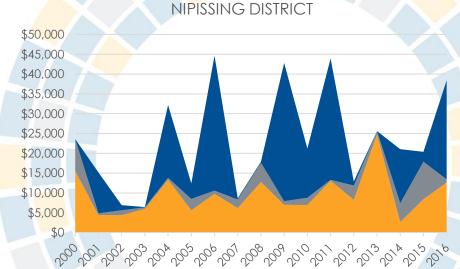
Value of Non-Residential Building Permits (In 2016 Dollars x1,000)







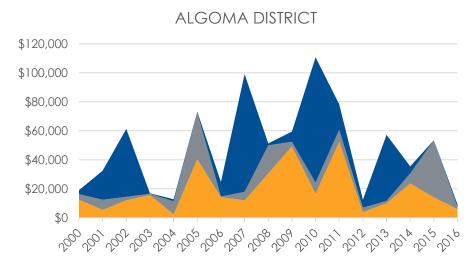


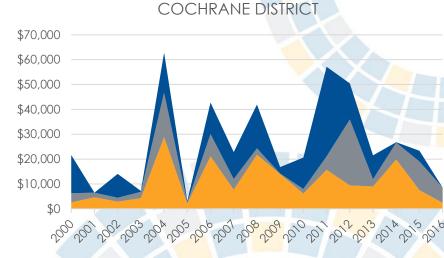


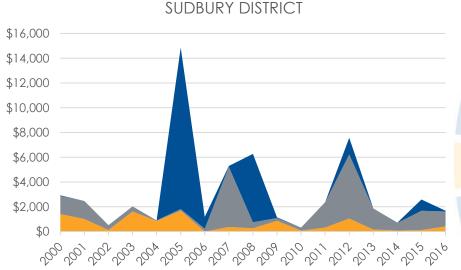
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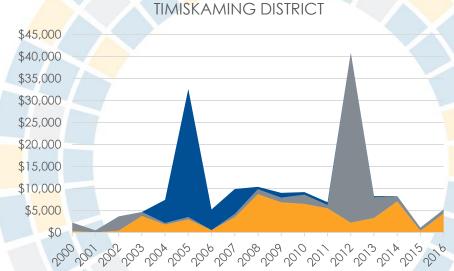
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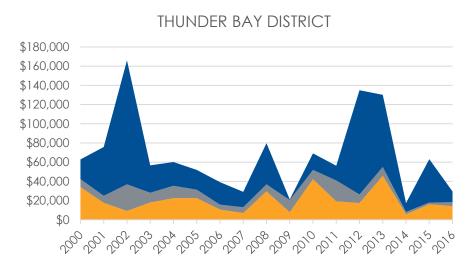


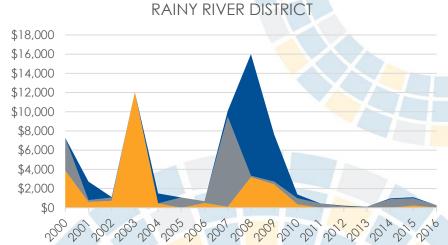


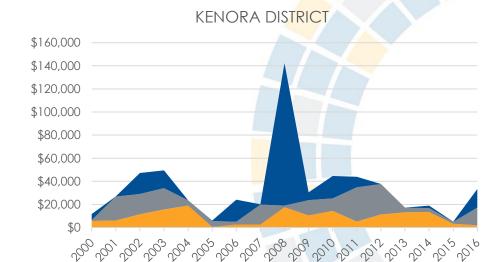


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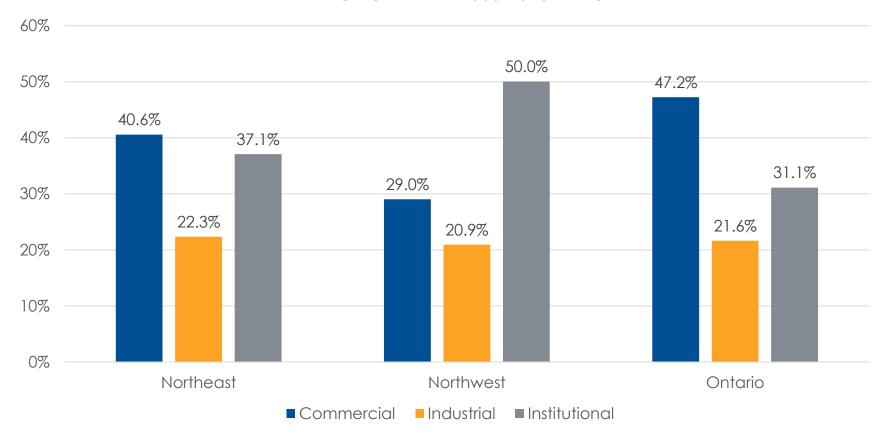




Investment and Business Attraction

More Investment in Institutional Buildings, less in Commercial than Ontario

DISTRIBUTION BY TYPES OF NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING PERMITS (VALUE), AVERAGE OVER THE 2000-2016 PERIOD



Source: Author's calculations based on Statistics Canada, Investment and Capital Stock Division, and Bank of Canada, Consumer Price Index

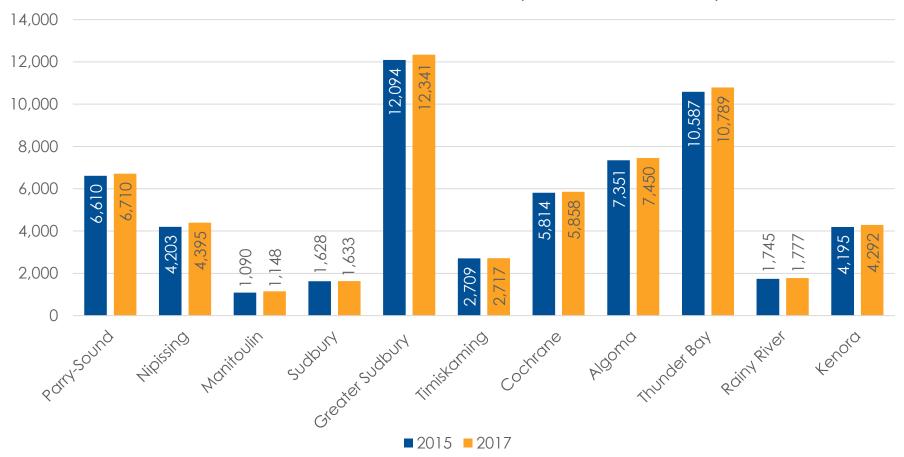


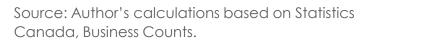


Investment and Business Attraction

Growth in Every District in the Total Number of Businesses

NUMBER OF BUSINESSES BY DISTRICT (JUNE OF EACH YEAR)





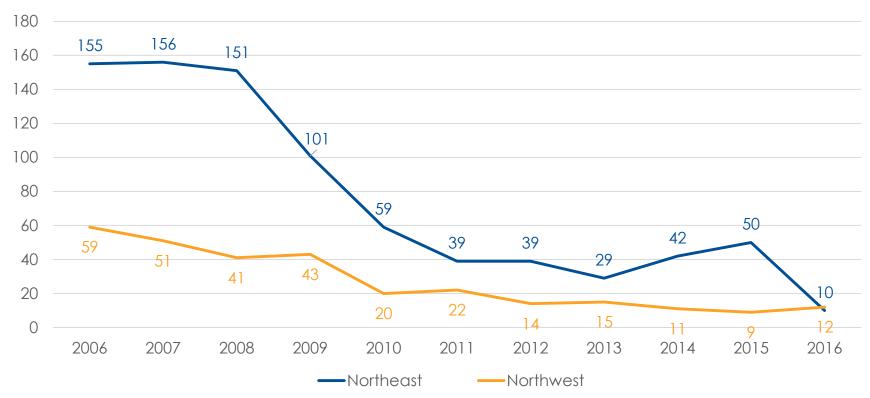




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A Decreasing Number of Bankruptcies

NUMBER OF BUSINESS BANKRUPTCIES

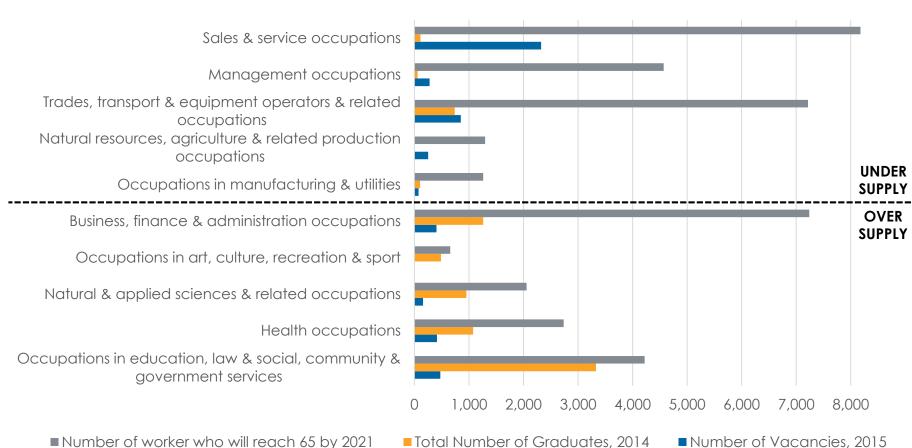




Education and Skills

Not Enough Workers to Replace Those Who Will Retire

JOB VACANCIES IN **NORTHEASTERN ONTARIO**, NUMBER OF WORKERS REACHING RETIREMENT AGE BY 2021 AND GRADUATES BY OCCUPATION



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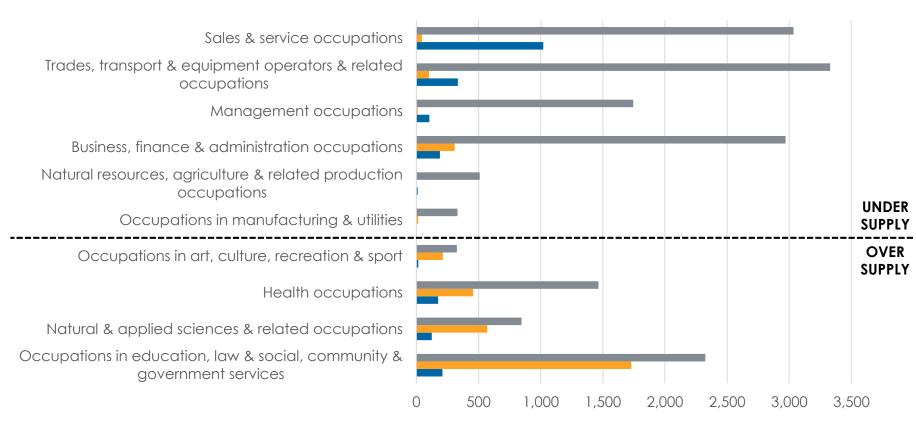




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■ Number of worker who will reach 65 by 2021

■Total Number of Graduates, 2014

■ Number of Vacancies, 2015

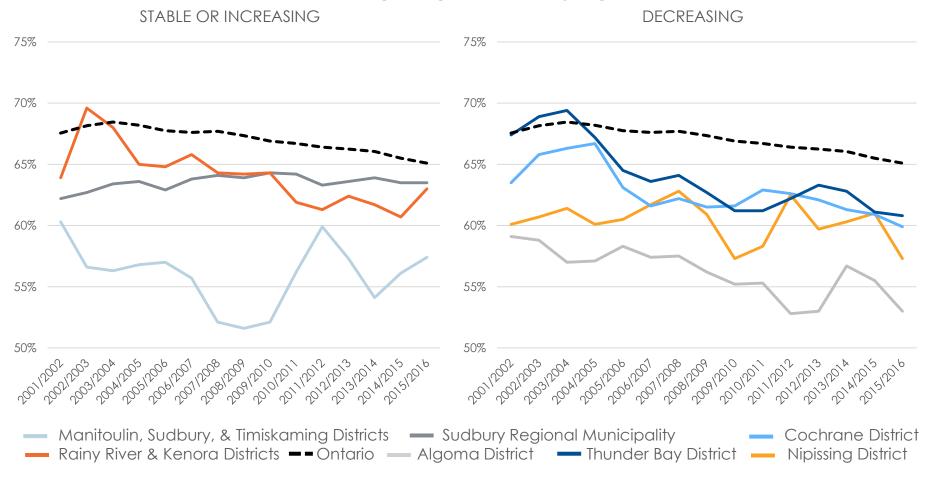
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Stable or Increasing Participation Rate in Greater Sudbury, Rainy River & Kenora, Manitoulin, Sudbury & Timiskaming Districts

PARTICIPATION RATE BY DISTRICT

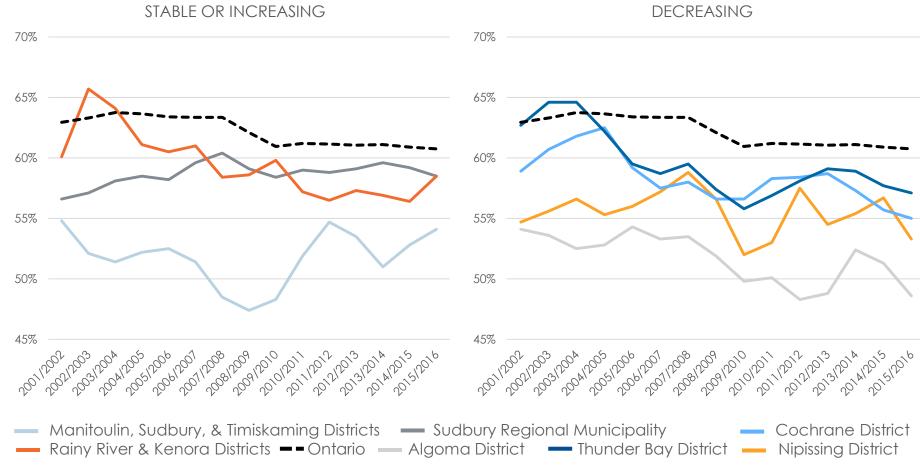






Stable of Increasing Employment Rate in Greater Sudbury, Rainy River & Kenora, Manitoulin, Sudbury & Timiskaming Districts

EMPLOYMENT RATE BY DISTRICT

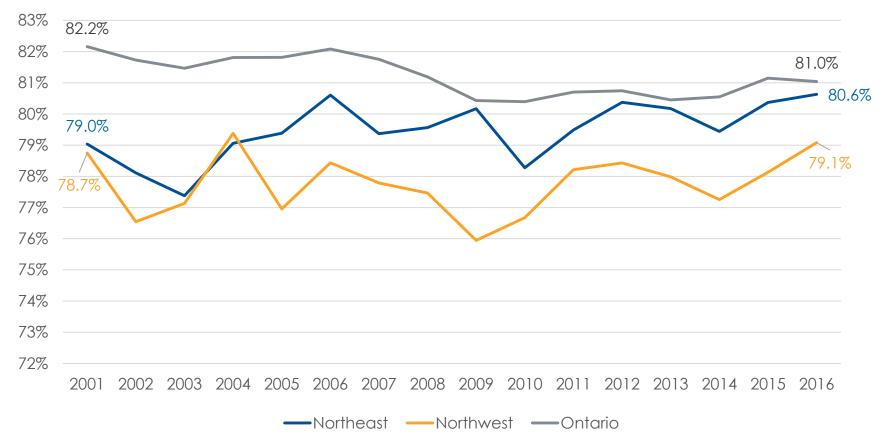






The proportion of full-time jobs increased in Northern Ontario

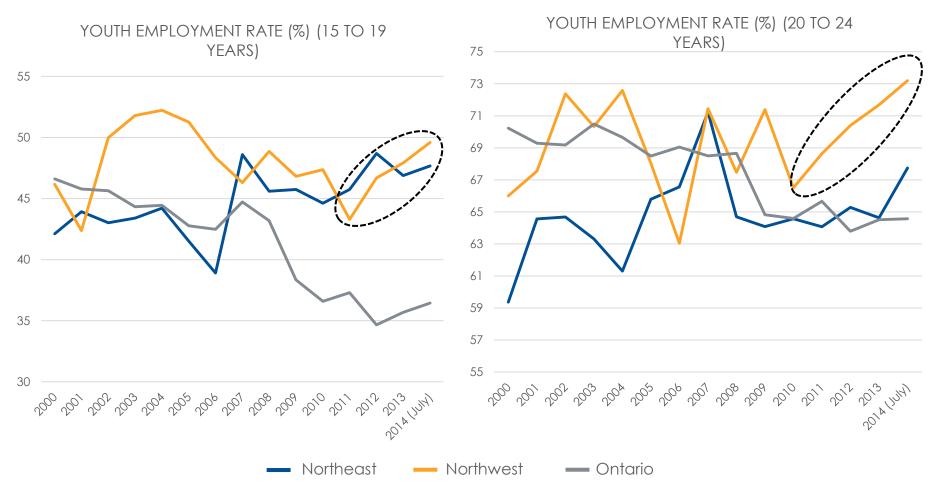
FULL-TIME EMPLOYMENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL EMPLOYMENT







A Bright Spot: Youth Employment Rates

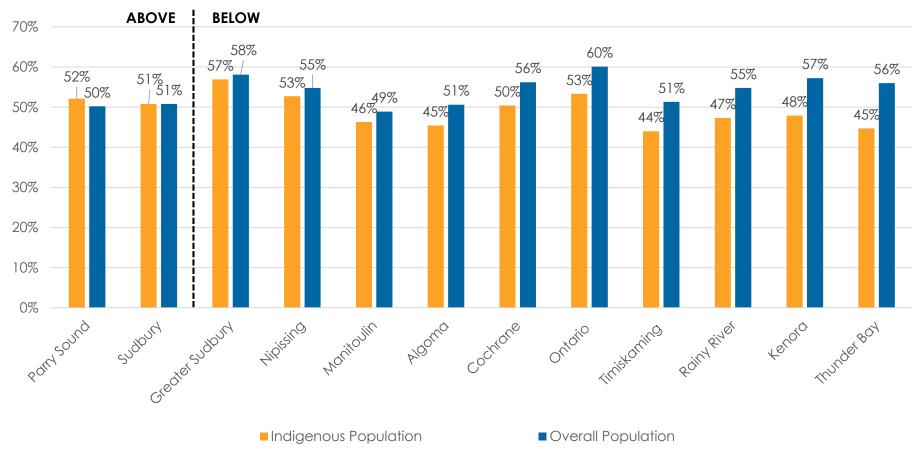






Indigenous Population

EMPLOYMENT RATE OF THE INDIGENOUS POPULATION COMPARED TO THAT OF THE OVERALL POPULATION, 2011



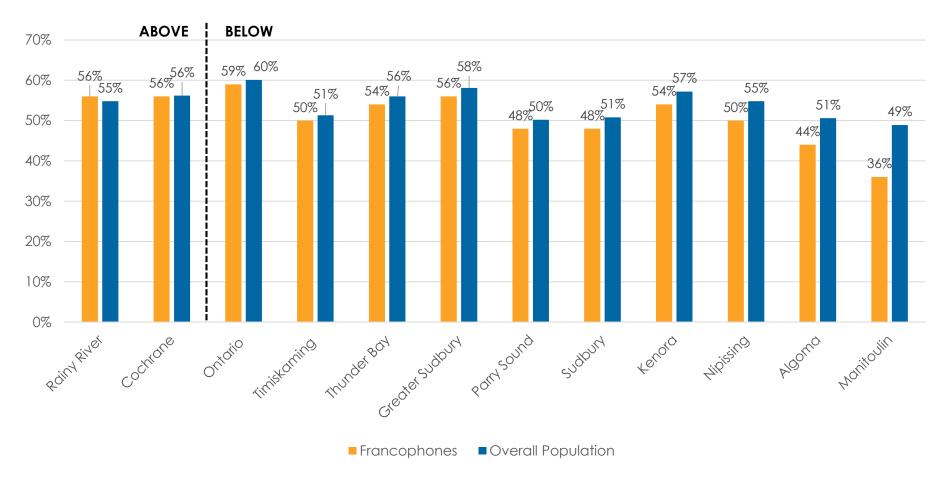






Francophone Population

EMPLOYMENT RATE OF FRANCOPHONES COMPARED TO THAT OF THE OVERALL POPULATION, 2011

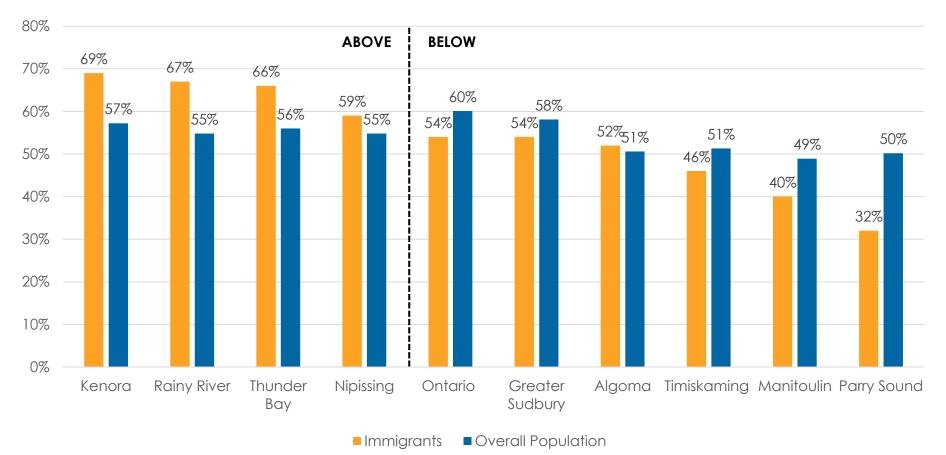






Immigrant Population

EMPLOYMENT RATE OF IMMIGRANTS COMPARED TO THAT OF THE OVERALL POPULATION, 2011



*Data for Sudbury District was not available

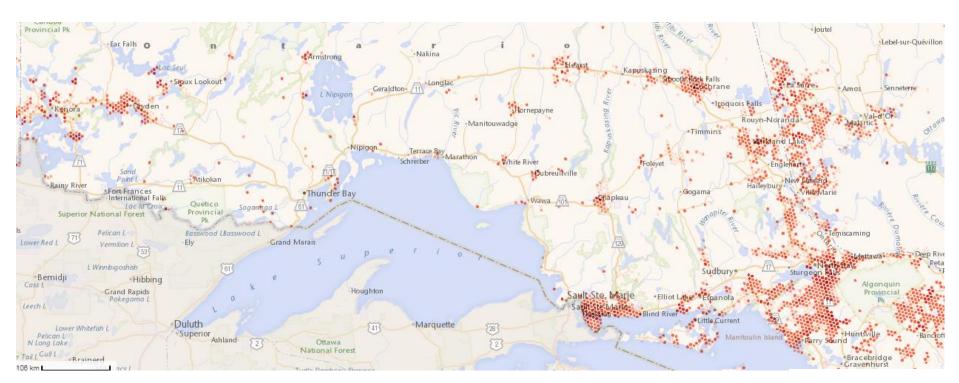
Source: Statistics Canada, National Household Survey, 2011, custom tabulation





Many Northerners Do Not Have Access to Speedy Broadband Internet

UNSERVED OR UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS IN NORTHERN ONTARIO, 2014 (1)

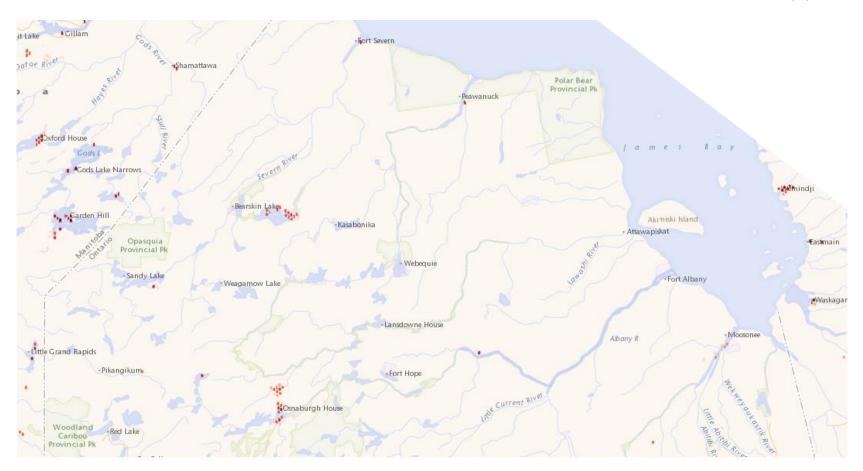






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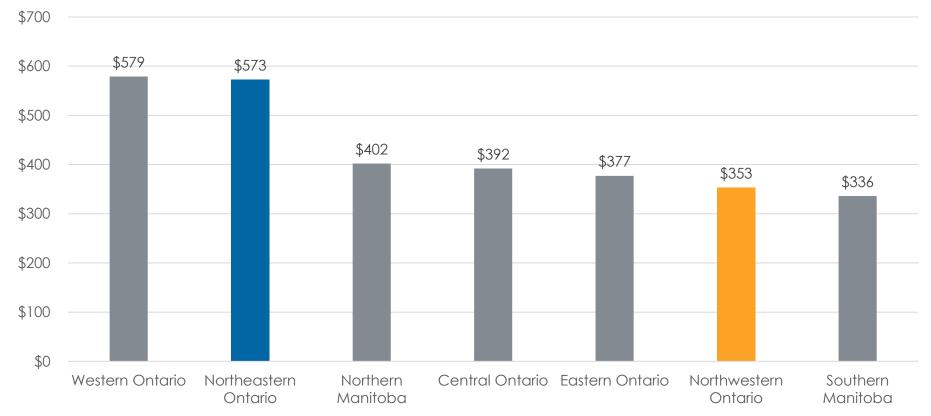
Source: Government of Canada. Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission.





In Ontario, Average Cost of Highways is the Lowest in the Northwest

AVERAGE COST OF HIGHWAY PER KM (IN THOUSANDS),2016

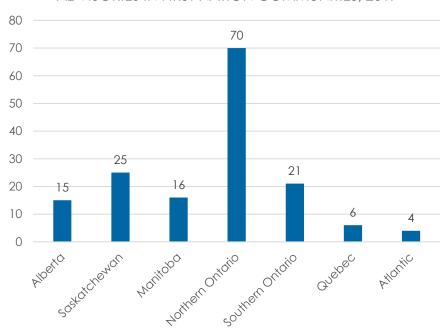






More Long-Term Drinking Water Advisories in Northern Ontario than in Canada

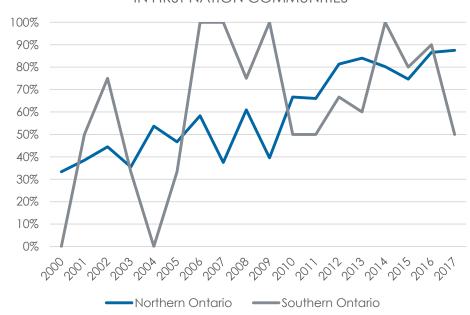




*Long term = more than a year

Source: Government of Canada. 2017. Drinking Water Advisories: First Nations South of 60°

PERCENTAGE OF BOILED WATER ADVISORIES DECLARED FOR **EQUIPMENT AND PROCESS CAUSES**, IN FIRST NATION COMMUNITIES



Source: Author's Calculations based on Health Canada, Drinking Water Advisories in First Nations Data

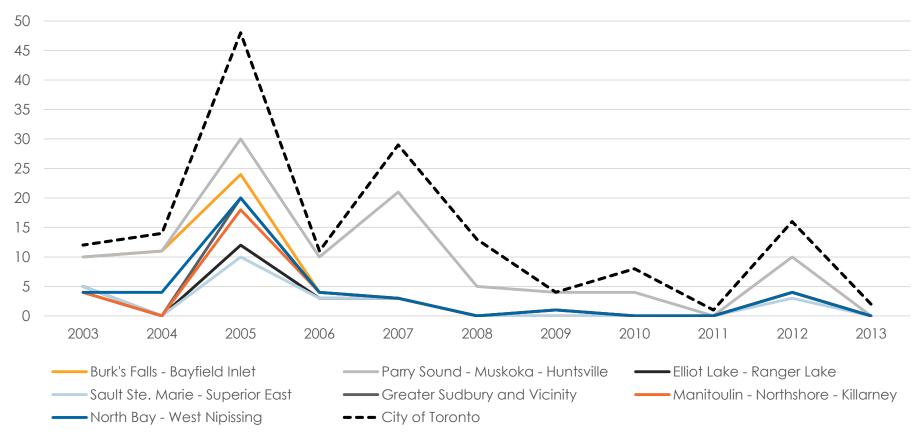




Air Quality

A Decreasing Number of Days Under Smog Advisories

NUMBER OF DAYS UNDER SMOG ADVISORIES*



^{*}Regions in Northern Ontario not mentioned in the graph did not experience any smog advisory over the period

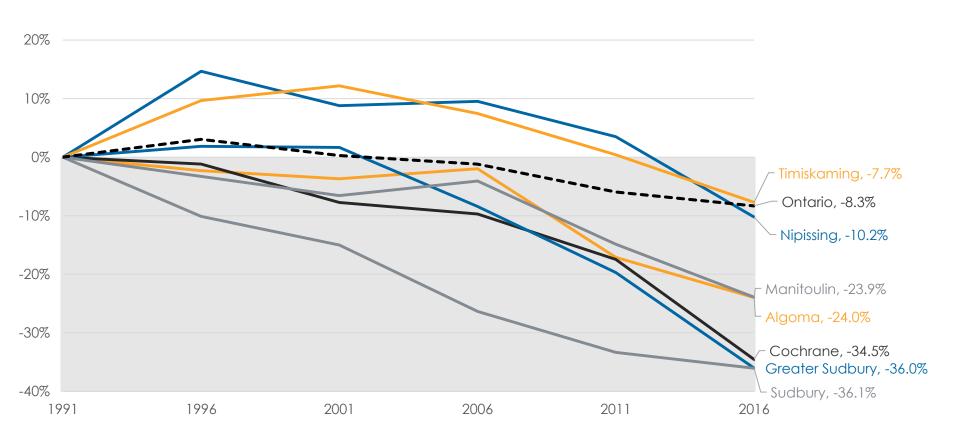




Farm Area

Farm Area in Timiskaming District Decreased Less Than in Ontario

CUMULATIVE GROWTH OF FARM AREA - NORTHEASTERN DISTRICTS



Source: Author's calculations based on Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, using data from Statistics Canada, Census of Agriculture

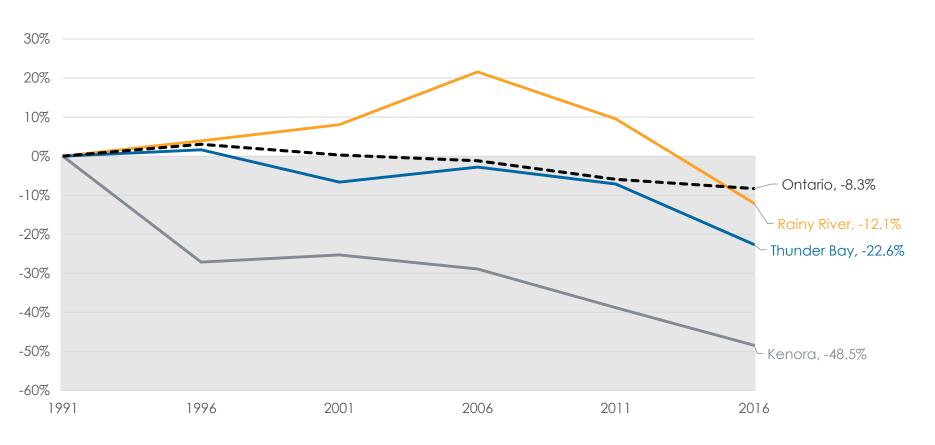




Farm Area

Farm Area in Rainy River Decreased Less Than in Other Northwestern Districts

CUMULATIVE GROWTH OF FARM AREA - NORTHWESTERN DISTRICTS



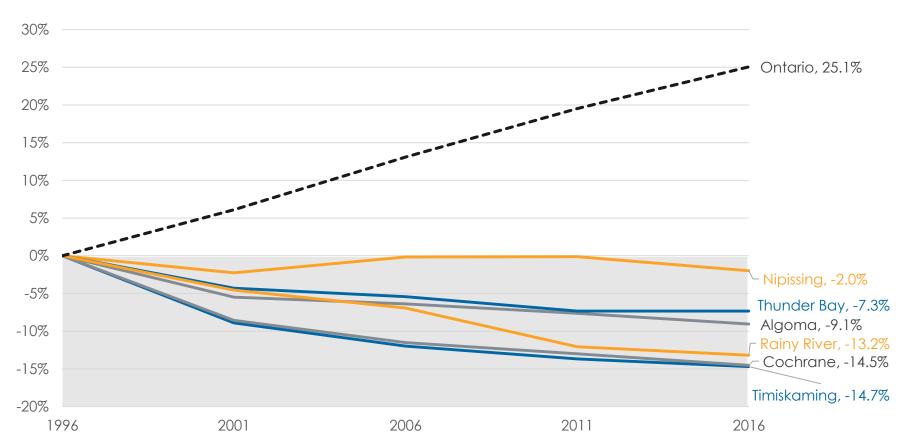
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Negative Population Growth in Some Districts...

CUMULATIVE POPULATION GROWTH SINCE 1996 BY DISTRICT



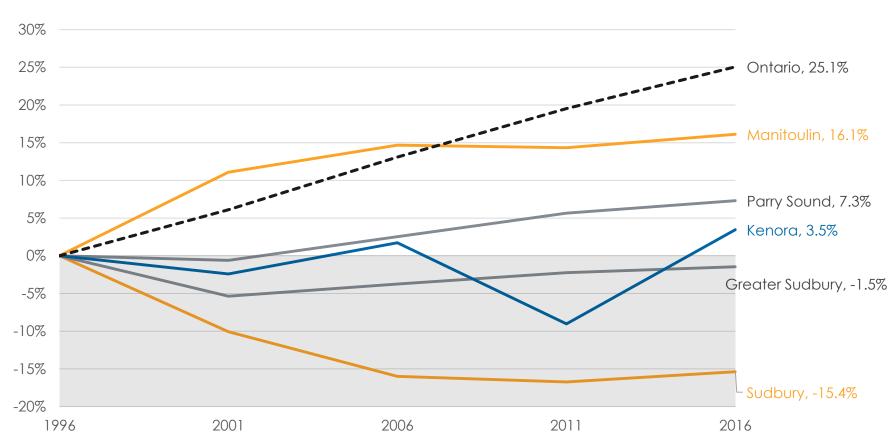
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... But Positive Growth in Others

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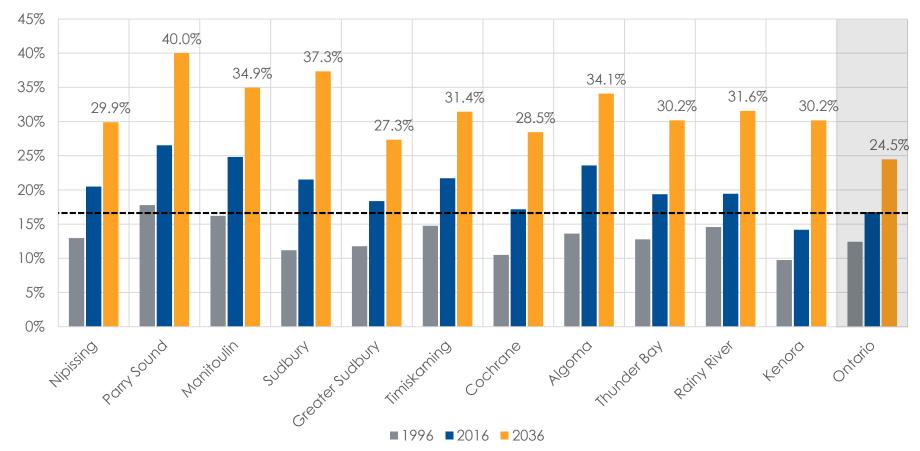
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An Aging Population in Every District

POPULATION 65 YEARS OLD AND OVER AS A PERCENTAGE OF THE TOTAL POPULATION



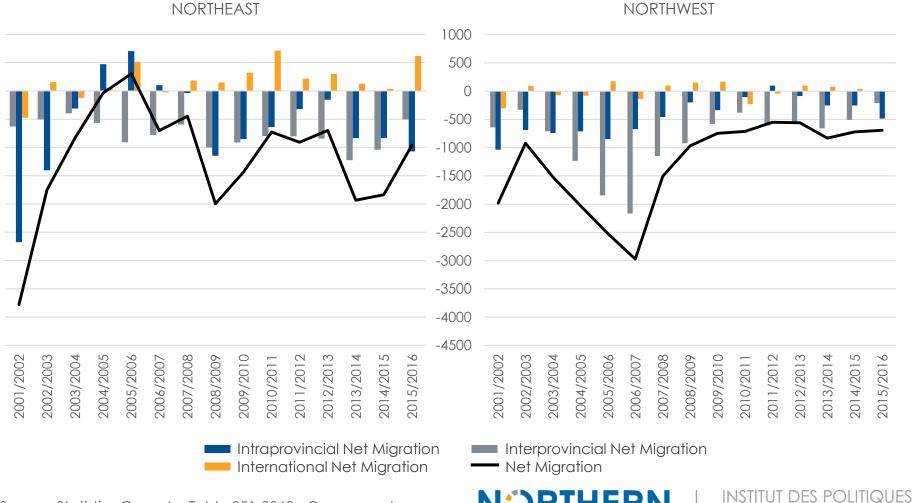






More People Leaving Northern Ontario than Coming to the Region

NET MIGRATION AND MIGRATION COMPONENTS



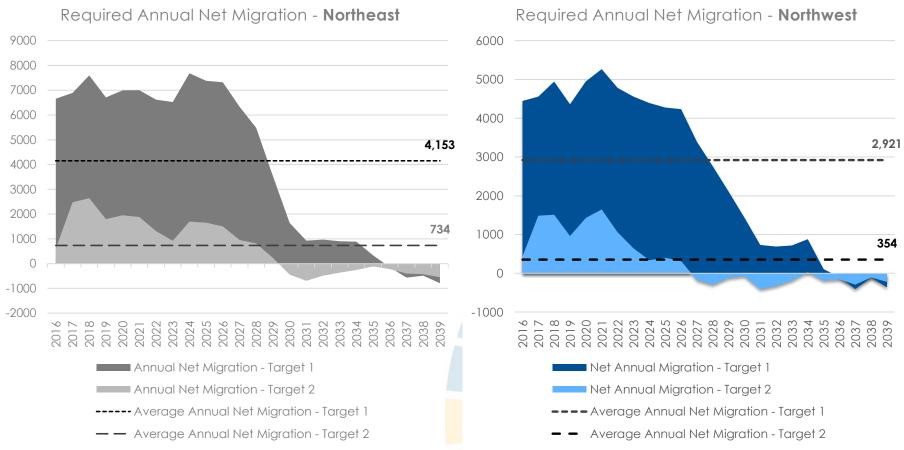
Source: Statistics Canada. Table 051-0060 - Components of population growth by economic region; and author's calculations.





Demographic Trends in Northern Ontario Newcomers needed by Economic Region





Source: Author's calculations based on Statistics Canada estimates for 2015, and Ontario Ministry of Finance population projections – Spring 2016

The Conference

Northern Ontario is facing a combination of a **declining and aging population**. These demographic shifts will have significant implications on Northern Ontario's economy and society, impacting the long term sustainability of all 11 districts in the region.

BUT Northern Ontario has **assets** it can use, from higher employment rates for youth to higher median income for immigrants, and from a young and growing Indigenous population to a growing number of businesses.





Enjoy the conference!

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