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## Provincial Point of View June 1, 2016

### 2016-17 Budget Will Keep Saskatchewan Strong

#### 2016-17 BUDGET WILL KEEP SASKATCHEWAN STRONG THROUGH A CHALLENGING YEAR

*Keep Saskatchewan*  
**Strong**  
*Provincial Budget 2016-17*

**NO TAX INCREASES**

- Since 2007, nearly \$6 billion in tax reductions to families, individuals, and businesses

**CONTROLLING SPENDING**

- Modest expense growth of 2.0%
- Focus on sustainability, managing costs and transformational change

**INVESTING IN PEOPLE**

- Priority investments to reduce surgery wait times, support seniors' care, strengthen K-12 education, support people with disabilities, and help post-secondary graduates buy their first homes

**INVESTING IN INFRASTRUCTURE**

- Record \$3.5 billion for: Long-term care facilities, upgrades to hospitals and schools, to fix more roads, build new overpasses, twin more highways, and add new passing lanes

Learn more at [saskatchewan.ca/budget](http://saskatchewan.ca/budget)

Government  
of  
Saskatchewan

Finance Minister Kevin Doherty today tabled Saskatchewan's 2016-17 Budget which will keep Saskatchewan strong by controlling operational spending and investing in people and infrastructure. This year's Budget contains no tax increases and no new taxes.

“By keeping taxes low, controlling spending and investing in much needed infrastructure projects like highways, schools and hospitals, we will help Saskatchewan's economy through a difficult year before the economic recovery which is expected next year,” Doherty said.

Read the entire news release [here](#).

**I ENCOURAGE YOU TO CLICK ON THE FOLLOWING LINKS TO  
READ MORE ABOUT THE 2016-17 PROVINCIAL BUDGET!**

**SUPPORTING PEOPLE IN NEED KEEPS SASKATCHEWAN STRONG**

**BUDGET MAINTAINS STRONG SUPPORT FOR FIRST NATIONS AND METIS  
PROGRAMMING**

**RECORD HIGHWAYS BUDGET TOPS \$1 BILLION**

**RECORD \$5.17 BILLION INVESTMENT IN HEALTH CARE**

**2016-17 BUDGET REAFFIRMS GOVERNMENT'S STRONG COMMITMENT TO  
MUNICIPALITIES**

**BUILDING SCHOOLS, HOSPITALS, HIGHWAYS AND CROWN UTILITY PROJECTS WILL  
KEEP SASKATCHEWAN STRONG**

**GOVERNMENT KEEPING SASKATCHEWAN STRONG BY INVESTING IN STUDENT  
SUCCESS**

**INCREASED INVESTMENT TO KEEP AGRICULTURE STRONG**

**STRONG SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS IN 2016-17 PROVINCIAL BUDGET**

**Check our coming events for information regarding Finance Minister, the  
Honourable Kevin Doherty's visit to Saskatoon Friday - June 3!**

**SASKATCHEWAN TOURISM WEEK SHOWCASES INSPIRING  
EXPERIENCES AND STRONG ECONOMIC BENEFITS**



The Government of Saskatchewan is proclaiming May 29 to June 4 as Saskatchewan Tourism Week. The week is part of a broader national initiative called Tourism Week in Canada, which brings attention to the impact of the country's tourism sector and the economic opportunities available through travel and tourism. Saskatchewan Tourism Week highlights the importance of tourism in this province.

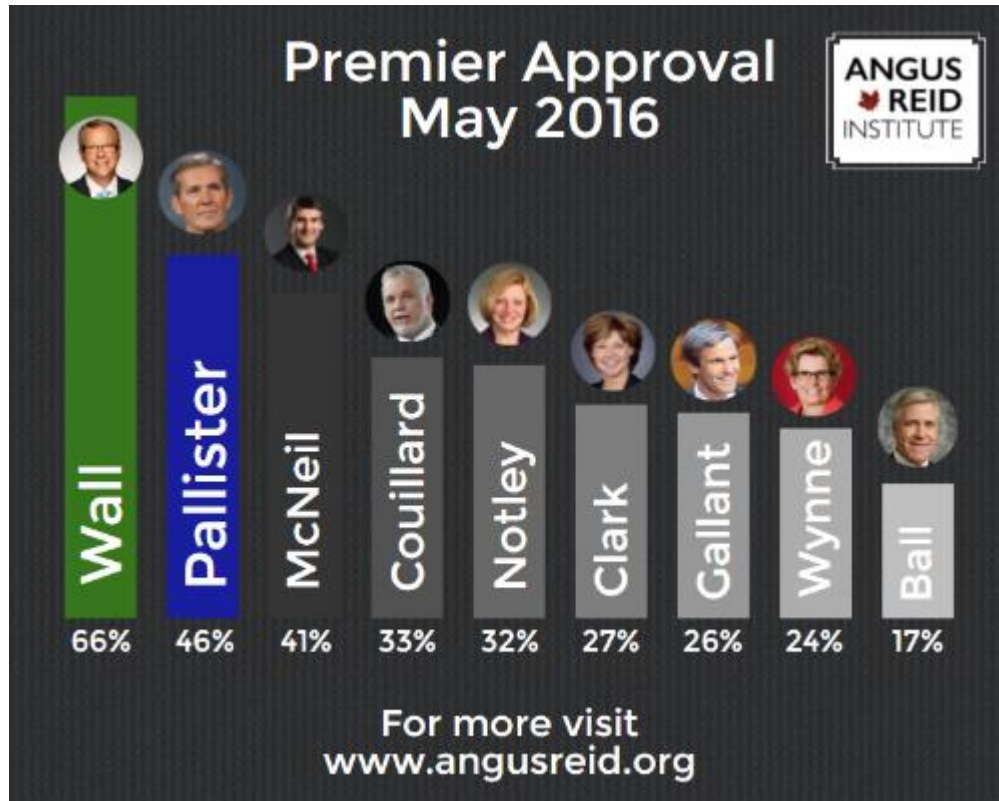
Tourism is a significant contributor to the Saskatchewan economy:

- Annually, tourism generates more than \$2.15 billion in travel expenditures.
- Nearly 65,000 residents are employed in tourism or tourism-related jobs.
- In 2014, more than 12.5 million visits were made to and within the province.
- Saskatchewan's tourism sector is 95 per cent small- or medium-sized businesses.

"Saskatchewan Tourism Week brings awareness to the many contributions the tourism sector makes to our strong economy and exceptional quality of life," Minister responsible for Tourism Saskatchewan Jeremy Harrison said. "This is a week to celebrate and discover remarkable experiences in our province, from beautiful parks and outdoor adventure to colourful community events and lively urban centres."

Read the entire news release [here](#).

**CONGRATULATIONS PREMIER BRAD WALL - THE MOST  
POPULAR PREMIER IN CANADA!**



The latest Angus Reid Institute analysis of quarterly survey results from more than 5,000 Canadian adults shows the mantle of most-popular premier remains – as it has for years – with Saskatchewan’s Brad Wall. Congratulations to our outstanding Premier!

### **SASKATCHEWAN MINING WEEK SHOWCASES IMPORTANCE OF MINING TO PROVINCIAL ECONOMY**

The prominent role of the mining industry in the province’s continued growth is the focus of Saskatchewan Mining Week, which was officially proclaimed today by Economy Minister Bill Boyd in Regina.

Organized by the Saskatchewan Mining Association, the theme of this year’s Mining Week is “Mining: Pillar of Saskatchewan’s Economy”.

“With almost \$30 billion in total potash and uranium capital investment since 2007, the importance of mining to Saskatchewan’s diversified economy is worth taking a look at,” Boyd said. “Mining Week is an opportunity for people to discover that there is much more to this industry in Saskatchewan than meets the eye.”

Click [here](#) for more information.

## POTASHCORP CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL OF SASKATCHEWAN



Mark your calendars for another fantastic event happening in Saskatoon June 4 - 7 at Kiwanis Park. The PotashCorp Children's Festival of Saskatchewan is an action packed three days of incredible entertainment for your family! From magic shows to dance performances and crafts, there is something to entertain everyone! I urge you to check the schedule by clicking [here](#).

## CHANGES TO ADOPTION ACT INTRODUCED

The Government of Saskatchewan introduced changes May 30 that will strengthen *The Adoption Act, 1998* to better serve Saskatchewan children and their families.

“We know that the needs of children and their families are constantly evolving and we must ensure that our legislation, practices, and programs evolve along with them,” Social Services Minister Donna Harpauer said.

Read the proposed changes to the Act [here](#).

## CITIZENS' DECORATION DAY SUNDAY, JUNE 5

Citizens' Decoration Day will be celebrated at the Soldiers' Cairn located at the Woodlawn Cemetery on Sunday, June 5, 2016. The annual event provides citizens with an opportunity to pay tribute to those brave individuals who lost their lives in the service of our country.

Citizens who require transportation to Woodlawn Cemetery may call one of the following Legion offices before 4:00 p.m. on Friday, June 3, to make arrangements:

- Legion Branch No. 63: 306-244-7575
- Nutana Branch No. 362: 306-374-6303
- ANAVETS No. 38: 306-652-3171

The day will begin with a parade at 2:30 p.m., including Legion members, ANAVET members, and members of the Armed Forces, starting from the Woodlawn Cemetery Office gate (north end of Memorial Avenue) and proceeding into the cemetery shortly thereafter. The service is at 3:00 p.m. Citizens are urged to place floral tributes from their gardens in Woodlawn Cemetery and at the Soldiers' Cairn.

For more City of Saskatoon news, program information, Service Alerts, Traffic Detours, and links to our social media channels, please visit [saskatoon.ca](http://saskatoon.ca).

## **PUTTING PATIENTS FIRST: LEGISLATION TO IMPROVE PROTECTION OF HEALTH INFORMATION**

Saskatchewan residents will benefit from strengthened protection of personal health records and increased accountability of trustees and employees responsible for protecting those records, effective June 1. Trustees are individuals and organizations that have personal health information under their custody and control.

Amendments to *The Health Information Protection Act (HIPA)* result from government's support of recommendations from the Health Records Protection Working Group. The group's report, released in 2014, included recommended changes to HIPA to help enforce trustees' responsibilities under the Act, to address possible gaps in the legislation, and to put a system in place to deal with the discovery of unsecured health records.

"We take seriously our responsibility to protect the privacy of Saskatchewan residents' personal health information," Health Minister Dustin Duncan said. "I want to thank the working group for their commitment to ensuring patient records are kept secure and confidential. We share that commitment and are making the changes needed to strengthen the privacy of personal health records of Saskatchewan residents."

To read what amendment to HIPA include, click [here](#).

## **COMING EVENTS**

**Luncheon Featuring Kevin Doherty (NSBA)**

Topic: Post-Budget Address

**When: June 3, 11:30 - 1 pm**

**Where: Travelodge Hotel, Galaxy A**

[Click Here for More Information](#)

**Decoration Day Service 2016**

**When: Sunday, June 5 beginning at 3:00 p.m.**

**Where: Woodlawn Cemetery in the area of the Soldiers' Cairn**

**Saskatoon Pride Festival**

**When: June 3 - 12**

**Where: Various locations throughout Saskatoon**

For information click [here](#)

**PotashCorp Children's Festival of Saskatchewan**

**When: June 4 - 7**

**Where: Kiwanis Memorial Park (Spadina Crescent & 22nd St. E)**

Click [here](#) to see the website with additional details

**Junior Achievement Saskatchewan Business Hall of Fame Honouring W. Brett Wilson and Shelley Brown**

**When: Monday, June 6**

**Where: TCU Place**

**Tickets: [www.bhofsask.ca](http://www.bhofsask.ca) or call 306-955-5267**

**World Professional Chuckwagon Races**

**When: June 9 - 12**

**Where: Marquis Downs, Prairieland Park**

Click [here](#) for additional information

**Autism Annual Walk**

**When: June 12, 10 am**

**Where: Wanuskewin Heritage Park**

Click [here](#) for additional information

**Zoogala**

**When: June 17**

**Where: Saskatoon Forestry Farm and Zoo**

Click [here](#) for details

**2016 Abex Awards**

**When: October 22**

**Where: TCU Place**

**For information, click [www.saskchamber.com](http://www.saskchamber.com).**

**THOUGHT OF THE DAY**



apologies don't  
mean anything  
if you keep  
doing what  
you're sorry for

*Ken Cheveldayoff #SPEAKLIFE*

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**KEEP IN TOUCH**

**I appreciate the many opportunities to make a positive difference in my constituency. Your phone calls, letters, and emails make a big difference in keeping me informed on the issues that matter to you.**

**If you would like me to recognize anyone or have your event mentioned in this newsletter, please don't hesitate to call or email me.**

**"From a Provincial Point of View" is a weekly message from Ken Cheveldayoff, MLA Saskatoon Willowgrove. Your opinions are important and your letters, emails, and phone calls on any issues relating to the provincial government are welcomed.**

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