



City of Fort Saskatchewan 2009 Municipal Census



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Introduction

The 2009 Municipal Census was conducted by the City of Fort Saskatchewan, Corporate Services Department, Legislative Services Section. This report provides data collected between May 4 and May 19, 2009 on population, age, gender, household type, employment status and work location. More information on the 2009 Municipal Census can be obtained from:

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Methods

Under the supervision of the Legislative Services Section of the Corporate Services Department, enumerators entered the census information collected on individual households, institutions, unoccupied dwellings and dwellings under construction on a specially designed municipal census form (see Appendix 1).

The City contracted Pivotal Research Inc. to compile and analyze data collected during the 2009 municipal census. This report presents the results of the census in tables and figures. Where possible, census data from 2008, 2007, 2005 and 2003 are provided for comparison and to identify population trends.

Results



Total Population

The total population of Fort Saskatchewan as of May 4, 2009 was 17,469 as shown in Table 1.

The population increased by 676 residents from 2008 to 2009, which represents an annual increase of 4.03 percent (Table 2). This includes 374 residents of the Fort Saskatchewan correctional Centre.

Table 1. Total Population

Year	2009	2008	2007	2005	2003
Population	17,469	16,793	16,146	14,685	13,824

Table 2. Percentage Increase

Percent	4.03	4.01	4.98	3.12	1.25
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Population by Age and Gender



Table 3. Population by Gender

The gender ratio of Fort Saskatchewan residents is the same in 2009 as it was in 2008; 51.3 percent are male, 48.7 percent are female. This is also consistent with previous census results, as shown in Table 3.

Gender	2009		2008		2007		2005		2003	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Male	8,954	51.3	8,615	51.3	8,195	50.8	7,422	50.5	7,037	50.9
Female	8,507	48.7	8,178	48.7	7,951	49.2	7,263	49.5	6,785	49.1
Not Stated	8	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	0.0
Total	17,469	100.0	16,793	100.0	16,146	100.0	14,685	100.0	13,824	100.0

Table 4. Population by Age and Gender

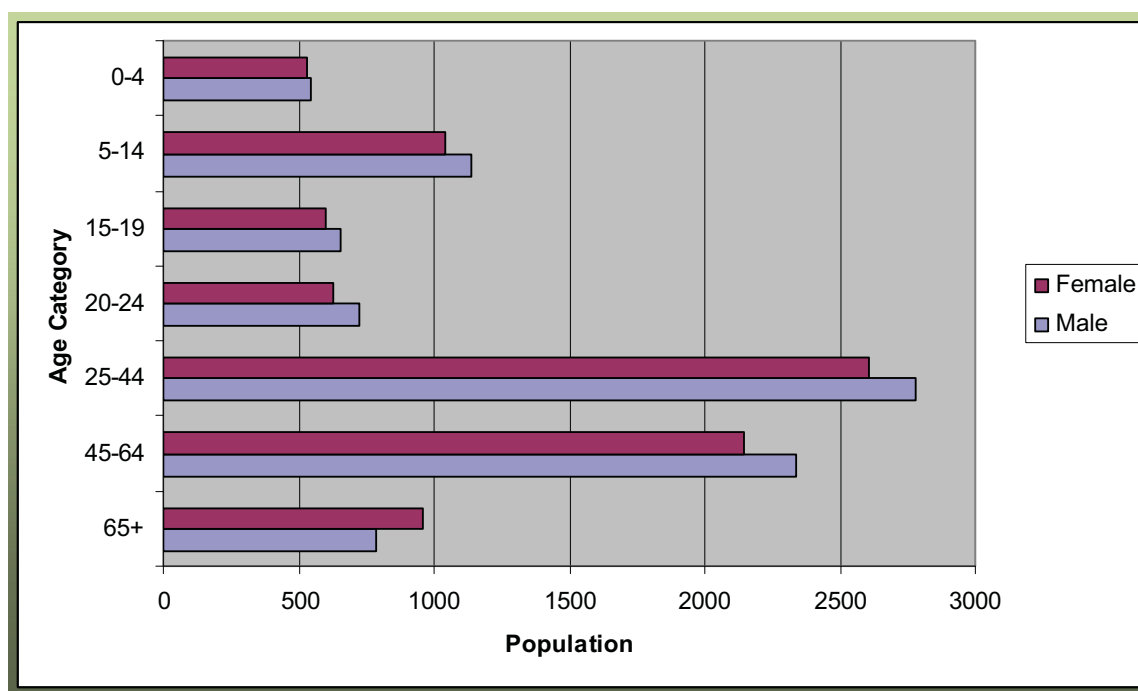
The 25-44 age group includes the most residents, followed by those who are 45-64 as Table 4 and Figure 1 show.

Gender	Age	2009		2008		2007		2005		2003	
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Male	0-4	542	3.1	520	3.1	471	2.9	427	2.9	387	2.8
	5-14	1,138	6.5	1,096	6.5	1,113	6.9	1,033	7.0	1,063	7.7
	15-19	652	3.7	654	3.9	672	4.2	642	4.4	601	4.3
	20-24	726	4.2	726	4.3	644	4.0	538	3.7	546	4.0
	25-44	2,779	15.9	2,502	14.9	2,409	14.9	2,029	13.8	2,125	15.4
	45-64	2,334	13.4	2,199	13.1	2,172	13.5	1,866	12.7	1,790	12.9
	65+	783	4.5	738	4.4	714	4.4	595	4.1	525	3.8
Female	0-4	528	3.0	484	2.9	452	2.8	395	2.7	367	2.7
	5-14	1,044	6.0	1,039	6.2	1,024	6.3	1,045	7.1	994	7.2
	15-19	600	3.4	602	3.6	615	3.8	560	3.8	524	3.8
	20-24	625	3.6	573	3.4	556	3.4	471	3.2	434	3.1
	25-44	2,606	14.9	2,397	14.3	2,320	14.4	2,106	14.3	2,055	14.9
	45-64	2,148	12.3	2,031	12.1	2,071	12.8	1,819	12.4	1,665	12.0
	65+	956	5.5	911	5.4	913	5.7	815	5.6	746	5.4
Not Stated		8	0.0	321	1.9	0	0.0	344	2.3	2	0.0
Total		17,469	100.0	16,793	100	16,146	100.0	14,685	100.0	13,824	100.0

Population by Age and Gender



Figure 1. Population by Age and Gender



Household Size



As in previous census periods, the most common household size is two people.

Table 5. Household Size

Size	2009		2008		2007		2005		2003	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
1 Person	1,345	20.6	1,294	20.7	1,225	20.5	1,018	19.1	902	18.4
2 People	2,413	36.9	2,298	36.8	2,192	36.6	1,911	35.9	1,707	34.8
3 People	1,101	16.9	1,051	16.8	994	16.6	901	16.9	820	16.7
4 People	1,096	16.8	1,060	17.0	1,055	17.6	978	18.4	972	19.8
5 People	413	6.3	388	6.2	371	6.2	388	7.3	369	7.5
6+ People	165	2.5	159	2.5	153	2.5	129	2.4	136	2.8
Total	6,533	100.0	6,250	100.0	5,990	100.0	5,325	100.0	4,906	100.0

Profile of Dwellings



The total number of dwelling units counted in 2009 was 7,406, as compared to 7,186 counted in 2008 (Table 6). The occupancy rate of all dwellings was 88.2 percent in 2009, and the vacancy rate was 7.3 percent. There were also 887 vacant lots, although this is not shown in Table 6.

Table 6. Profile of Dwellings

Status	2009		2008		2007		2005		2003	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Occupied	6,533	88.2	6,250	87.0	5,990	90.4	5,325	93.0	4,906	93.0
Vacant Dwelling	538	7.3	346	4.8	194	2.9	231	4.0	264	5.0
Under Construction	335	4.5	590	8.2	444	6.7	176	3.0	111	2.0
Total	7,406	100.0	7,186	100.0	6,628	100.0	5,732	100.0	5,281	100.0

Dwelling Type



Single detached homes comprise the majority of dwellings in Fort Saskatchewan (62.6%) as shown in Table 7. The number of single detached homes increased slightly over 2008 (97 units). The number of triplexes and quadraplexes almost doubled (from 55 to 105) over the past year.

Table 7. Dwelling Type

Type	2009		2008		2007		2005		2003	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Single Detached	4,637	62.6	4,540	63.2	4,360	65.8	3,869	67.5	3,688	69.8
Apartment	1,450	19.6	1,474	20.5	1,179	17.8	828	14.4	858	16.3
Duplex	610	8.2	553	7.7	440	6.6	296	5.2	253	4.8
Row House	546	7.4	560	7.8	564	8.5	691	12.1	419	7.9
Tri/Quadraplex	105	1.4	55	0.8	81	1.2	43	0.8	46	0.9
Mobile Home	0	0.0	1	0.0	1	0.0	2	0.0	4	0.1
Secondary Suite*	54	0.7								
Other**	4	0.1	3	0.0	3	0.1	3	0.0	13	0.2
Total	7,406	100.0	7,186	100.0	6,628	100.0	5,732	100.0	5,281	100.0

* Secondary Suite is a new reporting category in 2009. It includes separate suites in single detached houses, and single dwellings attached to non-residential structures.

** Other includes institutions and collective dwellings.

Employment



Questions regarding employment were asked in 2009. Employment statuses of Fort Saskatchewan residents are presented in Tables 8 and 9 and Figure 2.

Table 8. Employment Status of Males

Age	2009	
	N	%
Employed Full Time	5,019	56.1
Employed Part Time	389	4.3
Homemaker	2	0.0
Unemployed, seeking work	179	2.0
Permanently unable to work	59	0.7
Retired	879	9.8
Other	730	8.2
NA (under 15 years of age)	1,645	18.4
Not stated	52	0.5
Total	8,954	100.0

Table 9. Employment Status of Females

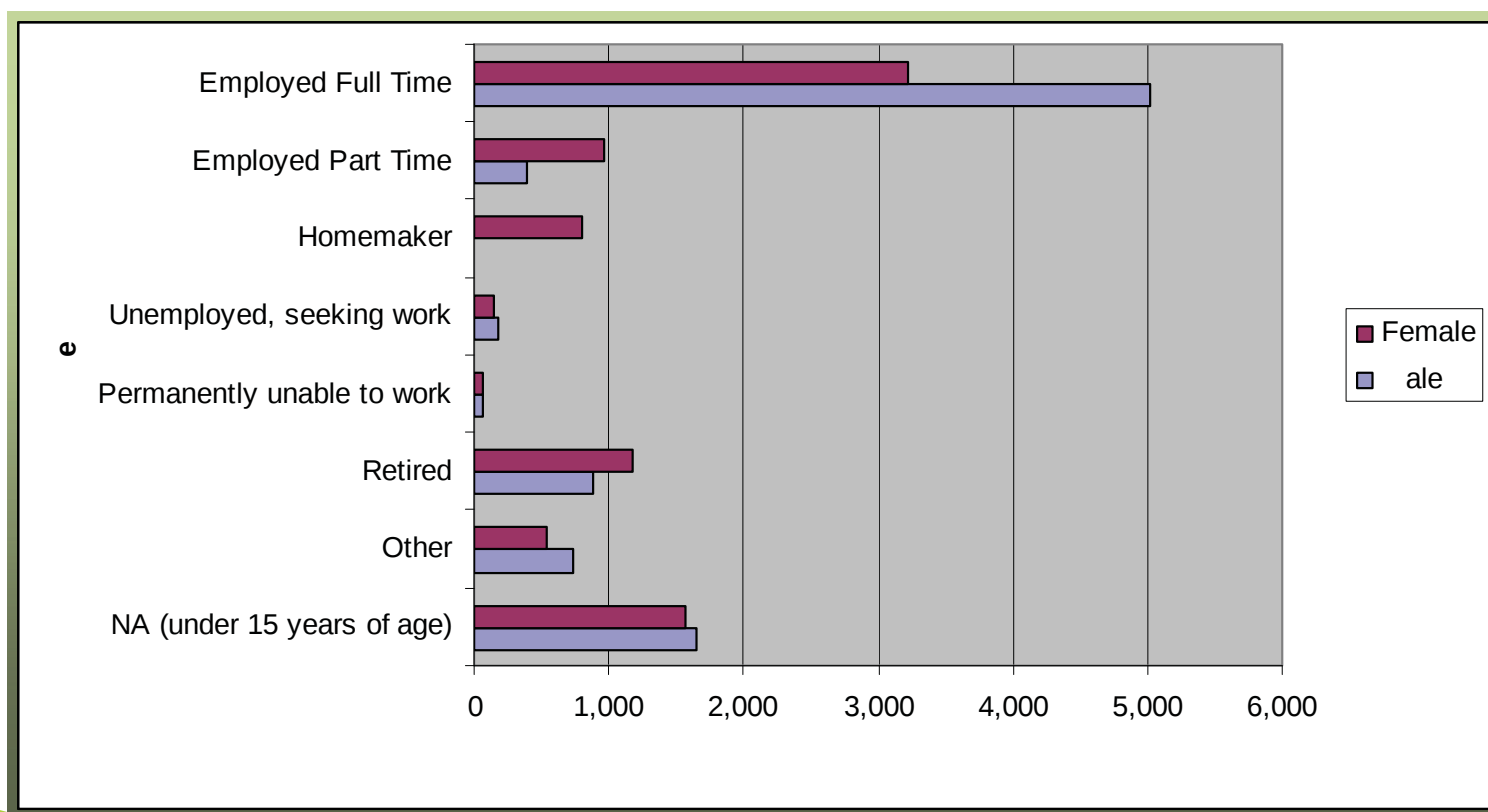
Age	2009	
	N	%
Employed Full Time	3,226	37.9
Employed Part Time	963	11.3
Homemaker	808	9.5
Unemployed, seeking work	146	1.7
Permanently unable to work	63	0.7
Retired	1,170	13.8
Other	534	6.3
NA (under 15 years of age)	1,563	18.4
Not stated	34	0.4
Total	8,507	100.0

These questions have not previously been asked.

Employment



Figure 2. Population by gender and employment status



Employment



Work Location

The proportion of residents who work in Fort Saskatchewan is almost the same as the proportion of residents who work elsewhere, as shown in Table 10. This question was not asked in previous census periods.

Table 10. Locations of residents' employment

Work Location	N	%
Fort Saskatchewan	4,798	50.0
Other	4,713	49.1
Unknown	86	0.9
Total	9,597	100.0

Route to Work

Residents who work outside of Fort Saskatchewan were asked which route they use to get to work. The options presented were Highway 21, Highway 15 and Manning Freeway. In some cases, residents indicated more than one route, and in other cases they identified a route that was not listed as an option. Some residents who work in Fort Saskatchewan also provided a response to this question. This question was not asked in previous census periods.

Table 11. Route residents use to travel to work outside Fort Saskatchewan

Route	N	%
Highway 21	2,578	53.6
Highway 15	1,188	24.7
Manning Freeway	1,044	21.7
Total	4,810	100.0



Information by Enumeration Area

Table 12 and Figures 3-6 present the number of residents and the count of non-occupied dwelling types by enumeration area.

A e	2009				200				200			
	Residents	Vacant	Under Construction	Empty Lot	Residents	Vacant	Under Construction	Empty Lot	Residents	Vacant	Under Construction	Empty Lot
101	208	2		7	192	4		14	200	1		
102	135	4			140				136	3		
103	129	2		1	125	4			135	1	1	1
104	127	1		2	111	5		2	127			1
105	113	1		1	117	1			112	1	1	
106	134	2		3	139	2		1	145		1	
107	157			2	163	1			161	1		
201	168	16		4	150	5			130	3	2	2
202	100				107				104			
203	168	4			182	2			188			
204	133	3			135	2			143	2		
205	57	1			53	2			53	2	1	
206	19				20	1			25			
207	181	2			187	2			180	2		
208	195	5			199	1			203	2		
301	155	2			154				149	4		
302	222	4			217	1			222	2		
303	151	1			136	4			138			
304	120				127				116	1		
305	406	8	1		420	9			418	3		
306	164	4	2		164	3			177	2		
307	120	1		2	116	2	2	2	123			4

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308	193	1		2	178	6			174	1		2
309	256	3		5	259	3	3	6	238	5	6	9
310	359	94			364	18	60		421	8		
401	278	13			297	4			309	4		
402	323	10			366				381			
403	184	11			208	1			204	1		
404	247				247	1			263			
405	210	3			219	2			212	3		
406	153	1			153	1			170			
407	136	1			137	2			143	1		
408	184	2			201	1			195	1		
409	86				84				84			
410	146	1			146	3			143	1		
411	132	1			131				128			
412	115	1			111				113	1		
413	118				114				120			
414	228				239				247	1		
501	223	5			220	4			231			
502	219	5			230	1			246	2		
503	331	1			323	1			335	1		
504	95				98				95			
505	187				186				187	1		

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A e	2009				200				200			
	Residents	Vacant	Under Construction	Empty Lot	Residents	Vacant	Under Construction	Empty Lot	Residents	Vacant	Under Construction	Empty Lot
506	73				70				62			
507	193	2			206	1			197	1		
508	206		1		208	1			222	1		
509	114				126				116	1		
510	207				198	2			218			
511	169				161				158	1		
512	185				193				196			
513	155				172	1			172	1		
601	449	2		1	441	4			443	2		
602	293				309	2			317	1		
603	253	1			269	1			290			
604	187				188	1			201			
605	203				197	1			196			
606	250	2			234	1			241	1		
607	171				174				162			
608	208	1			207				217			
701	124			4	128	1		3	129	2	1	3
702	374				439				388			
703	194	114		15	193	40	71	15	157	57	34	15
704	293	18			99	8	79		34	10	67	41
705	105	6	6	46	77	8	5	55	32	4	19	13
706	110	12	32	97	5	4	37	146			2	81