

2020-21 ESTIMATES

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Minister's Message

- Public health and safety is Government's top priority
- 3.1% increase in spending and a \$2.7 billion capital plan to stabilize and stimulate the economy
- All the resources required to respond to COVID-19 will be available when needed
- Saskatchewan in strong position to meet this challenge
 - Low debt and \$1.3 billion of liquid cash reserves

Estimates Summary

- The 2020-21 Estimates represent planned expenditures of the General Revenue Fund (GRF), including grants to third parties
- \$14.15 billion of government expense, an increase of 3.1 per cent from 2019-20
- New investments in health, education, support for the vulnerable
- Includes \$1.0 billion in Executive Government and \$1.7 billion in Crowns for capital expenditures

Health - \$5.77 billion

up \$211 million (3.8%) from 2019-20 Budget

\$3.7B for Saskatchewan Health Authority, \$140.6M increase

\$435M for Mental Health and Addictions

- \$12.0M increase for targeted supports

\$142M for Infrastructure and Equipment

- \$15.0M for planning, design and procurement activities for the Prince Albert Victoria Hospital project
- \$15.7M for a new, 72 bed long-term care facility in Meadow Lake

Other Highlights

- \$18.4M increase for the Saskatchewan Cancer Agency
- \$15.9M for Jim Pattison Children's Hospital of Saskatchewan
- \$7.9M for 36 new, permanent acute care medical beds at Royal University Hospital

Education - \$2.56 billion

up \$86 million (3.5%) from 2019-20 Budget

\$42.1M increase for 2020-21 School Operating (\$1.940B Total)

- Provides for enrolment growth, inflationary pressures and Teachers' CBA

\$34.8M increase for School Capital (\$130.4M Total)

- Provides for new schools, major renovations, continuation of existing school capital projects, relocatables and maintenance.

\$1.4M increase for Early Years (\$98.4M Total)

- Provides for child care, early childhood intervention, KidsFirst and other pre-K programming

\$135K increase for Provincial Library and Literacy (\$14.4M Total)

- One percent operating grant increase to library system

Social Services - \$1.29 billion

up \$51 million (4.0%) from 2019-20 Budget

\$30M increase for Child and Family Programs

\$10.9M increase for third-party service providers (CBOs)

\$6.1M net increase to support persons with disabilities

- \$10.9M for needs of people with intellectual disabilities
- \$1.0M for Camp Easter Seal repairs and improvements
- \$764K increase for Autism Spectrum Disorder individualized funding
- \$350K to enhance DeafBlind Intervenor and ASL services

\$10M increase for SAID utilization (\$243.8M Total)

\$3.4M increase for the new Saskatchewan Housing Benefit

Advanced Education - \$739 million

up \$11 million (1.5%) from 2019-20 Budget

\$684M for Post-Secondary Institutions, \$11M increase

- \$472M for the University of Saskatchewan, University of Regina, and federated and affiliated colleges
- \$158M for Saskatchewan Polytechnic, Saskatchewan Indian Institute of Technology, and Dumont Technical Institute
- \$31M for Regional Colleges
- \$23M for capital repairs and maintenance

\$34M for Student Supports, \$1M increase

- Increase funds student loan utilization pressure

Government Relations - \$661 million

down \$30 million (4.3%) from 2019-20 Budget

\$278M for Municipal Revenue Sharing, \$27M increase

\$166M for Infrastructure Programs, \$64M decrease

- Decrease due to timing of New Building Canada Fund projects

\$89M for Public Safety, \$2M increase

- \$85M for Saskatchewan Public Safety Agency

Highways & Infrastructure - \$648 million

down \$58 million (8.2%) from the 2019-20 Budget

\$358M for Capital Investments

- Decrease is attributed to the completion of the Regina Bypass
- Over 1,000 km of improvements
- 24 sets of passing lanes in various communities
- Second year of five-year \$65.0M Enhanced Intersection Safety Program

Other Highlights:

- \$15.0M to support economic growth and safety on rural municipal roads
- \$7.3M for construction and maintenance partnerships with urban municipalities
- \$850K to support community airport improvements
- \$1.5M increase in pavement marking; 10 per cent more pavement marking

Justice System - \$683M

up \$24 million (3.6%) from 2019-20 Budget

Corrections and Policing - \$417M, increase of \$13M or 3.2%

Justice and Attorney General - \$155M, increase of \$6M or 3.7%

Integrated Justice Services - \$111M, increase of \$5M or 4.9%

- \$8.8M increase for the RCMP contract including First Nations Policing
- \$1.7M increase for Gang Violence Reduction Strategy (\$3M total)
- \$1.5M increase for the Legal Aid Commission
- \$0.6M increase for Public Guardian and Trustee
- \$0.4M increase for Public Complaints Commission (independent observers, utilization)
- \$0.3M increase for programming to support Children Exposed to Violence

Various Ministry Highlights

Innovation Saskatchewan \$26M, increase of \$1M or 5.4%

- \$1M in new funding for a new agricultural technology funding program
- \$400K in new funding toward VIDO-Intervac Vaccine Facility
- \$125K increase for Co. Labs

Energy and Resources - \$46M, unchanged

- Overall, the industry levy continues to fund about 90% of all regulatory costs
- \$28.75M, decrease of \$5M (cash, not expense impact), for the continued remediation of the Gunnar Mine and satellite sites

Various Ministry Highlights

Trade and Export Development - \$27M, increase of \$6M or 30.6%

- \$4.2M for three new international trade and investment offices
- \$1.5M to advance pipeline projects, including those that increase Indigenous participation in the natural resource industries
- \$300K reduction to STEP grant (\$3.268M remaining)

Immigration and Career Training - \$170M, increase of \$2M or 1.2%

- \$1.3M increase to Workforce Development to support a variety of programs to address barriers to employment and successful career development
- \$325K increase for Foreign Qualification Recognition (\$578K total)

Various Ministry Highlights

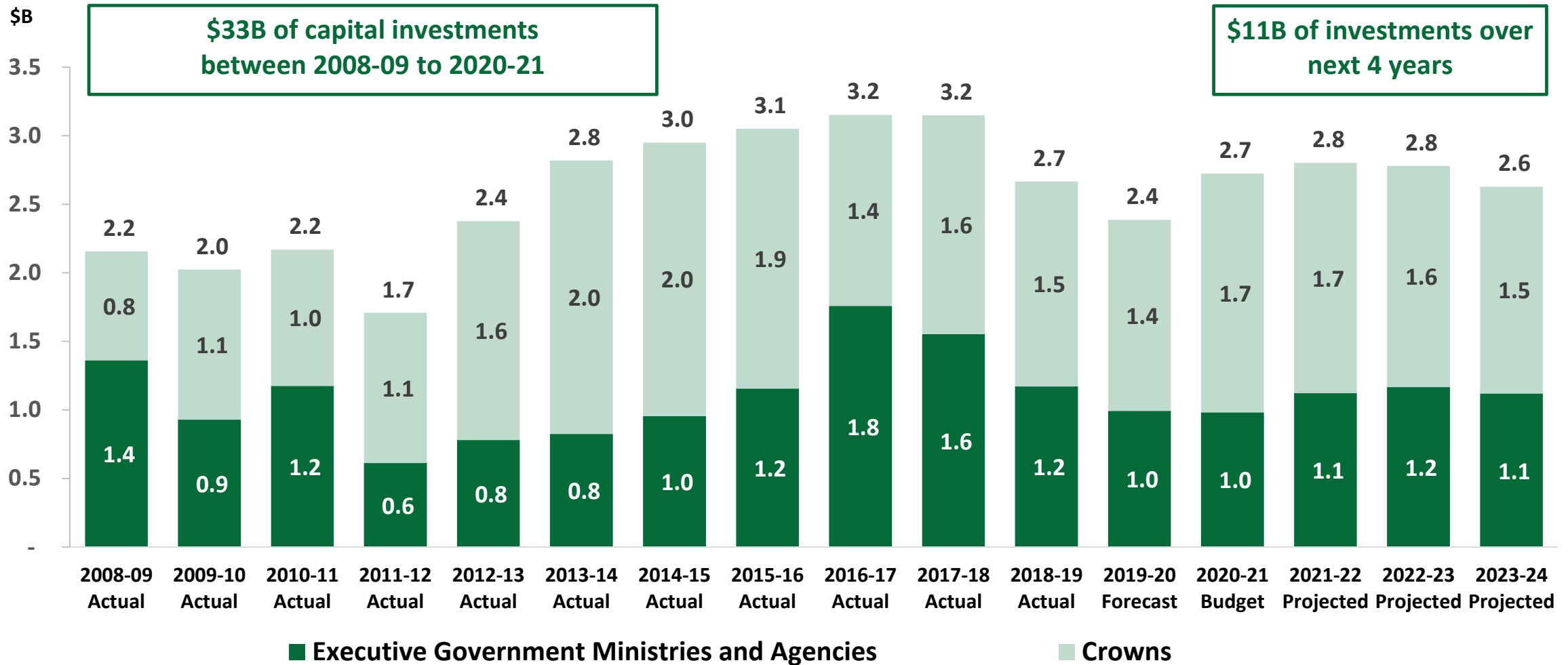
Agriculture - \$369M, decrease of \$22M or 5.8%

- \$15.9M decrease for crop insurance premiums (\$139M total)
- \$15.8M decrease for AgriStability based on federal forecast (\$20M total)
- \$100K increase for AgriInvest (\$33M total)
- \$5M in new funding to further analyze and identify opportunities for irrigation expansion.

Parks, Culture and Sport: \$65.3M (unchanged)

- \$10.0M for Parks Capital, increase of \$530K
- \$300K increase for RSM exhibits and operating

Saskatchewan Capital Plan



2020-21 Capital Plan Highlights

Over \$2.7B of investments in provincial infrastructure in 2020-21:

- \$377M for transportation infrastructure
- \$166M for municipal infrastructure
- \$142M for health capital
 - \$97M for maintenance, equipment and electrical system upgrades
 - \$16M for a new 72-bed long-term care facility in Meadow Lake
 - \$15M to expand and redevelop Prince Albert Victoria Hospital
 - ongoing planning for replacement of Weyburn General Hospital
- \$130M for school capital
 - \$63M for capital maintenance
 - \$56M for 4 on-going major school projects, 7 new schools, 3 major renovations
- \$1.7B of Crown sector investments in Saskatchewan's public utility infrastructure

Growth Incentives

Regulatory measures to foster improved competitiveness and investment, while improving affordability for SK families

- Oil Infrastructure Investment Program
- PST Rebate for New Home Construction
- PST exemption for mineral exploration and mine-site drilling
- PST filing frequency and due date

Debt

Public Debt (as at March 31)

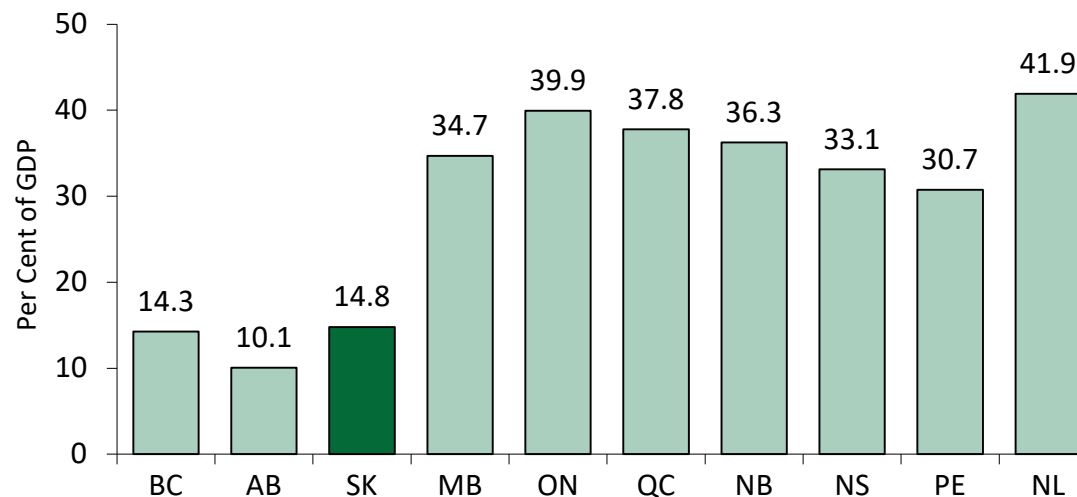
(\$M)	2019-20 Budget	2019-20 Forecast	2020-21 Budget
GRF			
- Operating	6,150.0	6,150.0	6,150.0
- Saskatchewan Capital Plan	5,404.0	5,403.6	6,391.4
Other GSO Debt	380.1	422.8	370.0
GSO Debt	11,934.1	11,976.4	12,911.4
GBE Debt	9,757.8	9,405.8	9,829.1
Public Debt	21,691.9	21,382.2	22,740.5

Public Debt up \$1.36B from 2019-20

- \$988M increase for capital plan
- \$423M increase in GBE debt
- \$53M net decrease in GSO debt

Third lowest net debt as a % of GDP among provinces

Net Debt as a % of GDP (as at March 31, 2020)



Sources: Jurisdictions most recent data as of March 3, 2020; Statistics Canada, Conference Board of Canada

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