**SUMMARY:**
Of the provinces in Canada, Manitoba spends the most per capita on healthcare.

**OBSERVATIONS:**
- The Manitoba government spends 17.4% more per capita on health care than the Canadian average. If per capita spending was at the Canadian average, it would spend about $439 million less than it presently does.
- Manitoba spends 12.2% more per capita on health care than Saskatchewan and 9.3% more than Alberta. Although Alberta’s population is younger on average, no demographic disparity explains the spread between health-care spending in Manitoba and Saskatchewan.
- Data on the current state of hospital crowding, waiting lists, delays and denials of medical procedures do not yet indicate a significant increase in health-care outcomes, despite significantly higher spending levels.

**Source:** Public Sector Health Expenditure, by Province/Territory, Health Care in Canada 2002, Canadian Institute for Health Information