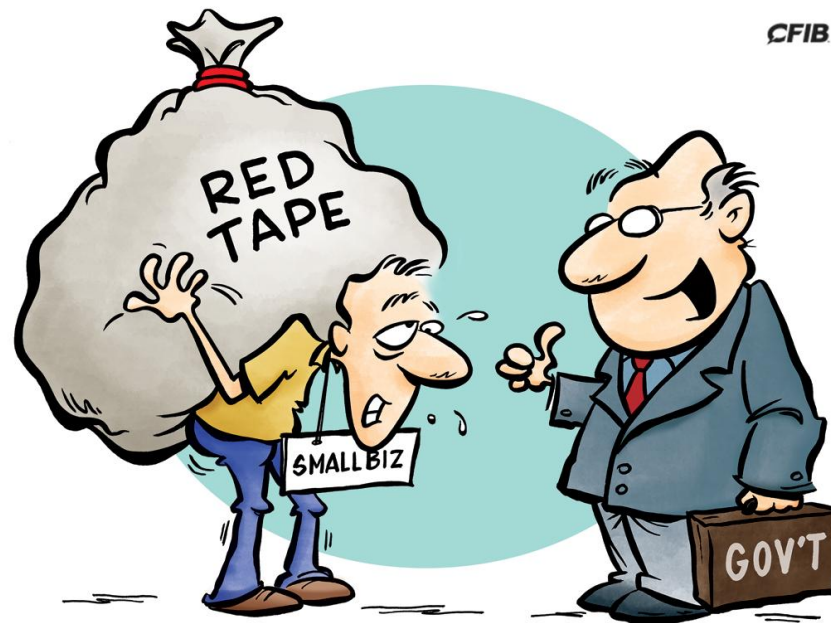


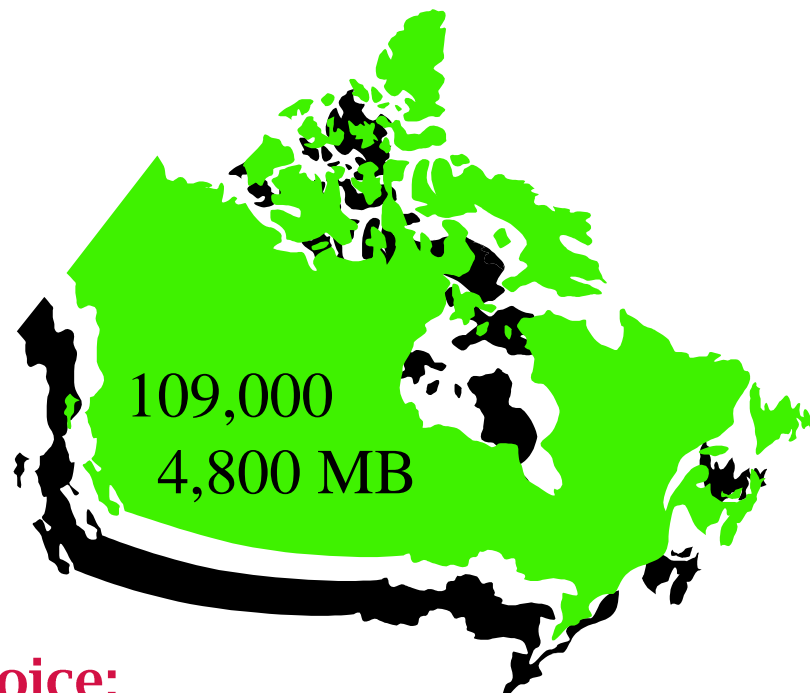
# Red Tape: Canada's Hidden tax



"You're the backbone of the economy, kid.  
Now get out there and create some jobs!"

# About CFIB

- **Non-partisan**
- **Members First**
- **Not-for-profit**



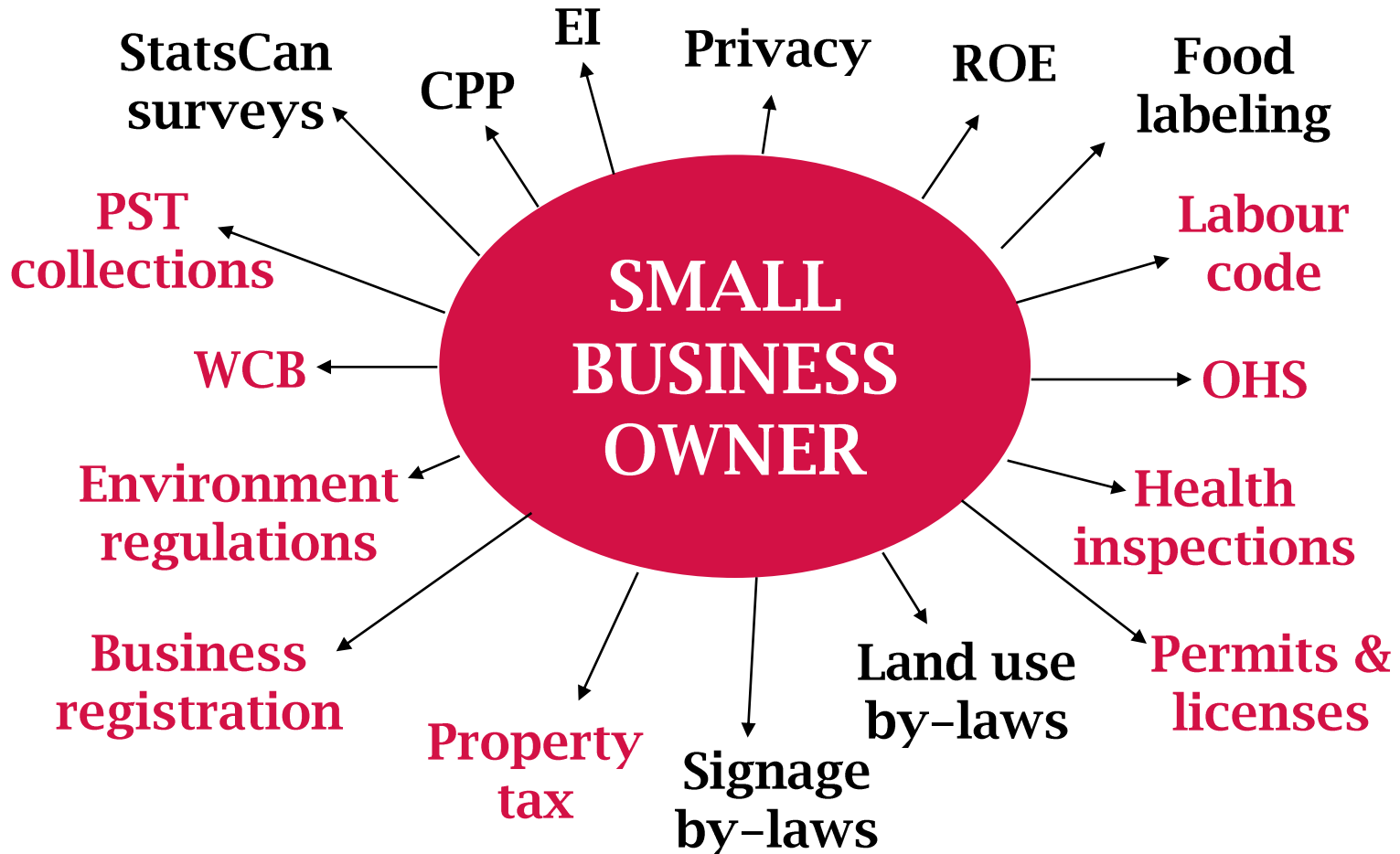
## How CFIB hears the your voice:

- ▶ We meet entrepreneurs in-person
- ▶ We take business owners' calls
- ▶ We ask small business owners' opinions – these are our marching orders

# What makes CFIB unique

- ▶ District Managers
  - ▶ *Meet with members and prospects every day*
- ▶ Business Resource Counsellors
  - ▶ *Provide information, interpretation and advocacy to members on business issues*
- ▶ Survey Research Based
  - ▶ *Member set policy in a 1 member = 1 vote system*
- ▶ Privilege programs

# Regulatory Environment

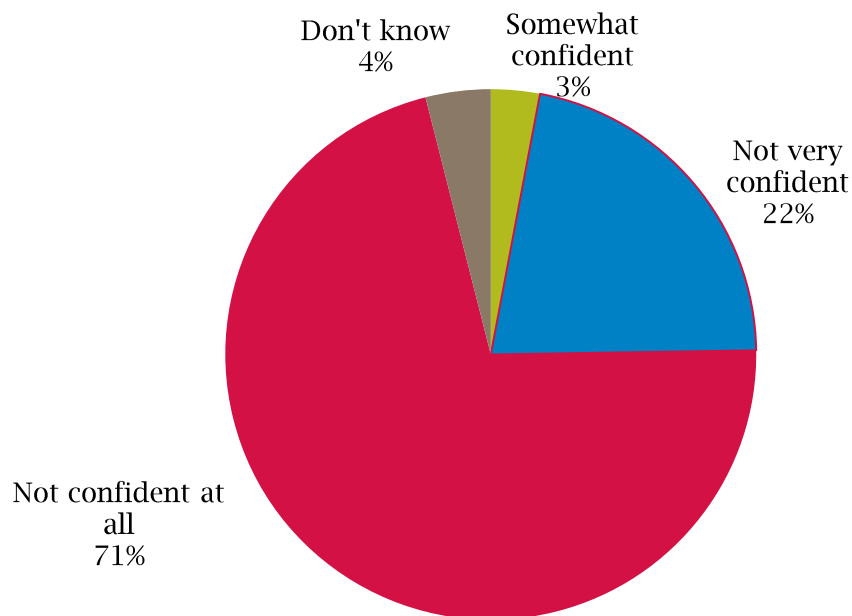


# 2015 Red Tape Report Card

| Jurisdiction         | 2014 Grade | 2015 Grade |
|----------------------|------------|------------|
| British Columbia     | A          | A          |
| Quebec               | B+         | B+         |
| Ontario              | B          | B+         |
| Federal Government   | B+         | B+         |
| Saskatchewan         | B          | B          |
| Nfld and Labrador    | C+         | C          |
| Prince Edward Island | D+         | D+         |
| Alberta              | D          | D          |
| Manitoba             | D-         | D          |
| Nova Scotia          | C-         | D-         |
| New Brunswick        | B          | NA*        |

\*too soon to evaluate the new government's performance on regulatory accountability

# How confident are you that the Manitoba government is committed to reducing red tape?



Source: CFIB Mandate Survey #255, July 2014. 309 respondents from Manitoba.

# Which PROVINCIAL government regulations are most burdensome to your business in terms of time and money spent on compliance? (Manitoba responses)



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# How to Combat Red Tape:

- ▶ Regulations should be outcome based rather than prescriptive
- ▶ Harmonize regulations where possible with other provinces (AIT, New West Partnership etc)
- ▶ Legislate Red Tape Accountability





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# Questions?

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