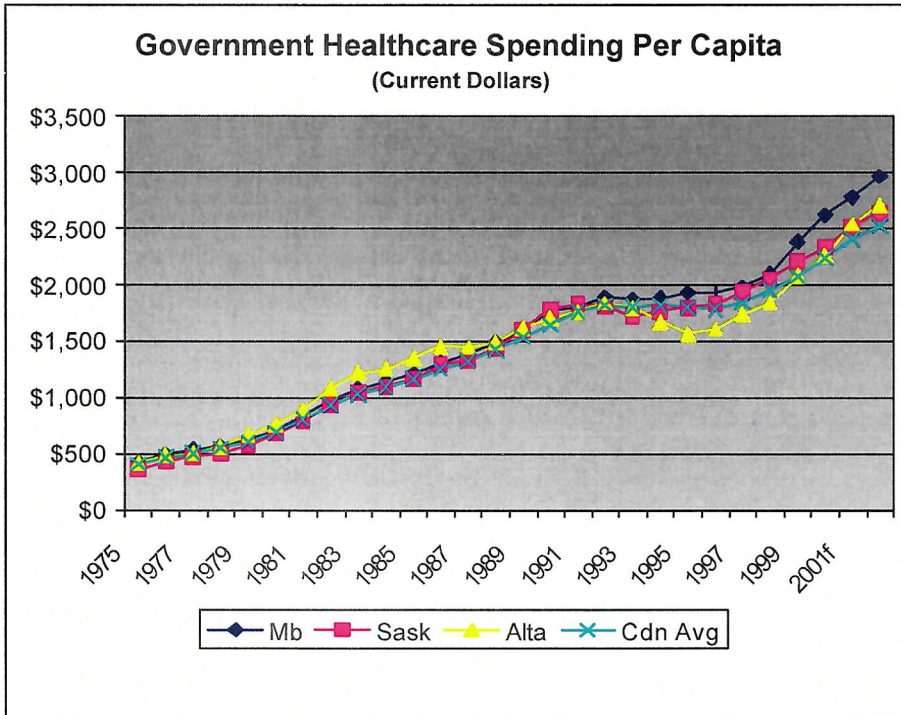




**MANITOBA HEALTH SPENDING STILL HIGHEST IN CANADA**



\$/Year	Mb	Sask	Alta	Cdn Avg
1975	414	358	419	402
1976	484	423	481	461
1977	534	470	503	499
1978	566	502	558	544
1979	611	567	664	601
1980	714	670	757	687
1981	835	782	890	804
1982	972	938	1083	934
1983	1075	1037	1214	1028
1984	1142	1096	1254	1092
1985	1211	1166	1348	1165
1986	1306	1288	1455	1246
1987	1394	1329	1443	1325
1988	1483	1428	1485	1424
1989	1607	1598	1615	1536
1990	1765	1779	1698	1641
1991	1808	1824	1758	1762
1992	1887	1812	1840	1822
1993	1868	1716	1797	1811
1994	1883	1762	1674	1815
1995	1929	1795	1563	1800
1996	1927	1827	1606	1782
1997	1982	1937	1740	1835
1998	2098	2055	1837	1953
1999	2380	2202	2079	2072
2000	2622	2328	2255	2240
2001f	2785	2515	2537	2403
2002f	2965	2642	2712	2526

**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.

Spending Reduction based on:			
	%	Per Capita	Tot Spending
Cdn Avg	17.4%	\$ 381	\$ 438,864,376
Sask	12.2%	\$ 323	\$ 372,046,141
Alta	9.3%	\$ 253	\$ 291,705,443

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