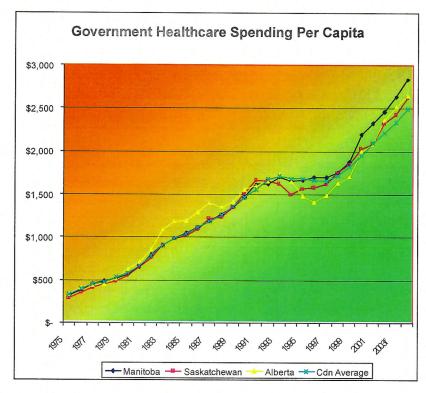
GRAPHICAL ANALYSIS FROM THE FRONTIER CENTRE FOR PUBLIC POLICY

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MANITOBA HEALTH SPENDING MUCH HIGHER THAN AVERAGE



SUMMARY:

Manitoba continues to spend the most per capita on healthcare of the Canadian provinces, except Newfoundland Labrador.

OBSERVATIONS:

- The Manitoba government spends 12.0% more per capita on health care than the Canadian average. If per capita spending was at the Canadian average, it would spend about \$391 million less than it presently does.
- Manitoba spends 7.6% more per capita on health care than Saskatchewan and 6.8% 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.

\$/Year	Mb	Sask	Alta	Canada
1975	309	286	323	324
1976	387	343	403	393
1977	452	406	442	445
1978	489	444	453	475
1979	511	476	520	524
1980	563	548	623	579
1981	654	650	707	665
1982	788	751	849	779
1983	901	907	1085	908
1984	982	982	1185	985
1985	1043	1015	1192	1037
1986	1109	1093	1288	1108
1987	1182	1220	1397	1187
1988	1265	1228	1348	1258
1989	1353	1343	1412	1359
1990	1469	1518	1556	1468
1991	1614	1662	1597	1554
1992	1614	1653	1647	1677
1993	1701	1625	1732	1712
1884	1649	1499	1646	1686
1995	1661	1561	1477	1684
1996	1696	1577	1411	1664
1997	1697	1618	1493	1655
1998	1756	1752	1632	1716
1999	1879	1848	1701	1822
2000	2196	2027	2001	1950
2001	2325	2091	2088	2097
2002	2462	2325	2366	2223
2003f	2632	2425	2520	2342
2004f	2837	2621	2645	2496

Spending Reduction based on:					
12.		Per	Total		
	%	Capita	Spending		
Cdn Avg	12.01%	\$341	\$390,956,449		
Sask	7.61%		\$247,689,546		
Alta	6.75%	\$191	\$219,738,668		

Source: Public Sector Health Expenditure, by Province/Territory, Health Care in Canada 2003. Canadian Institute for Health Information

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