
Background

GAS TAX FUND: DELIVERING RESULTS FOR CANADIANS

On April 1st, 2009, the federal Gas Tax Transfers to the provinces and territories for municipal infrastructure doubled to \$2 billion annually. The Gas Tax Fund (GTF) will remain at that level beyond 2014, when the Government makes it a permanent measure, providing municipalities with stable funding for their long-term infrastructure priorities. The federal government is accelerating the first payment of the Gas Tax Fund, making up to \$1 billion available to municipalities almost three months early.

The Gas Tax Fund is part of an ongoing commitment from the Government of Canada to create jobs and stimulate the economy through modern public infrastructure. It is also an example of all levels of government working together to improve infrastructure and the quality of life of Canadians.

The GTF makes capital investments in water, wastewater and solid waste infrastructure, public transit, community energy systems, and local roads and bridges. The Gas Tax Fund combines predictable, long-term funding with local decision making and planning to enable municipalities to build and rehabilitate their core public infrastructure. The first payment will be made in April, in the past, payments have been made in July and then November.

Gas tax funding is provided through negotiated bilateral agreements, between the Government of Canada and each province and territory, as well as the City of Toronto. The money is allocated based on population, with set amounts for Prince Edward Island and the territories to ensure they have access to sufficient funds for significant projects. The Association of Municipalities of Ontario and the Union of British Columbia Municipalities are the delivery partners in their two provinces.

Gas Tax Fund Allocations by Province/Territory

Province or Territory	Gas Tax Funds through 2014
British Columbia	\$1.638 Billion
Alberta	\$1.275 Billion
Saskatchewan	\$372 Million
Manitoba	\$431.9 Million
Ontario	\$4.853 Billion
Quebec	\$3.005 Billion
New Brunswick	\$294.5 Million
Nova Scotia	\$368.9 Million
Prince Edward Island	\$97.5 Million
Newfoundland and Labrador	\$206.95 Million
Yukon	\$97.5 Million
Northwest Territories	\$97.5 Million
Nunavut	\$97.5 Million

Gas Tax Fund Allocations by Province/Territory between 2008-2010:

Province or Territory	2008-2009	2009-2010
British Columbia	127.1 Million	254.2 Million
Alberta	95.4 Million	190.8 Million
Saskatchewan	29.5 Million	59.1 Million
Manitoba	33.5 Million	66.9 Million
Ontario	373.1 Million	746.2 Million
Quebec	230.2 Million	460.4 Million
New Brunswick	23.2 Million	46.4 Million
Nova Scotia	29 Million	58 Million
Prince Edward Island	7.5 Million	15 Million
Newfoundland and Labrador	16.5 Million	32.9 Million
Yukon	7.5 Million	15 Million
Northwest Territories	7.5 Million	15 Million
Nunavut	7,500,000	15 Million
Fist Nations	12.5 Million	25 Million
Total	1 Billion	2 Billion

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<http://www.infc.gc.ca/ip-pi/gtf-fte/gtf-fte-eng.html>