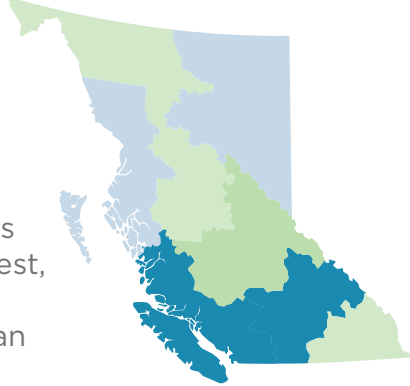


CPABC Regional Check-Up 2017

DEMOGRAPHICS

Population in BC: 4,751,612 residents or

+1.2%



90% of BC's residents live in Mainland/Southwest, Vancouver Island/Coast, and Thompson-Okanagan

- Mainland/Southwest (+1.6%)
- Vancouver Island/Coast (+1.3%)
- Thompson-Okanagan (+0.7%)
- Northeast (+0.3%)
- Kootenay (+0.2%)
- Cariboo (-0.8%)
- Northwest BC* (-1.3%)

FORECAST

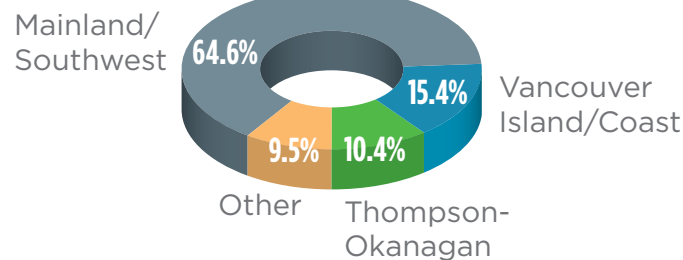


WORK

New Jobs in BC: **+73,300**

Greatest job increase in at least 10 years

Total Jobs in BC: 2.3 million



Unemployment Rate across BC:

| | 2015 | 2016 | Change |
|------------------------|------|------|--------|
| Northeast | 5.9% | 9.7% | +3.8% |
| Kootenay | 7.4% | 8.0% | +0.6% |
| Thompson-Okanagan | 6.4% | 7.8% | +1.4% |
| Northwest BC | 7.0% | 7.7% | +0.7% |
| Cariboo | 7.0% | 7.4% | +0.4% |
| Vancouver Island/Coast | 6.3% | 5.8% | -0.5% |
| Mainland/Southwest | 6.0% | 5.5% | -0.5% |
| BC | 6.2% | 6.0% | -0.2% |

~ **94%** of new jobs created in Mainland/Southwest



Unemployment in BC: **-0.2% to 6.0%**



Youth Unemployment in BC: **-1.2% to 8.7%**

Youth unemployment is highest in Kootenay, Northwest BC, and Northeast, due to job cuts

INVEST



341 major projects valued at **\$76.6 billion** are currently under construction (or -3.7%)

The value of all major projects in BC fell



-2.7% to **\$437.6 billion**

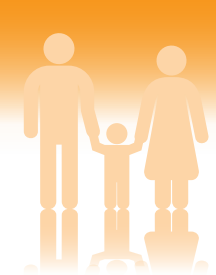
Business Bankruptcies in BC:

-3.2% to **149 reports**

Thompson-Okanagan saw the highest increase in business bankruptcy reports

Note: Major projects data is based on Q3 2016. +/- are in comparison to Q3 2015 data.

LIVE



Educational Attainment in BC:

69.4% of BC's labour force has a post-secondary certificate/diploma or higher (-0.8 ppt)

- #1 Mainland/Southwest (71.4%)
- #2 Vancouver Island/Coast (69.7%)
- #3 Kootenay (67.7%)
- #4 Thompson-Okanagan (63.8%)
- #5 Northwest BC (62.9%)
- #6 Cariboo (59.6%)
- #7 Northeast (53.8%)

Consumer Insolvencies in BC:



Personal Bankruptcies:

1.2 per 1,000 adults or **-20.0%**

Consumer Proposals:

1.6 per 1,000 adults or **+6.7%**

The Northeast saw the largest increase in the number of consumer insolvencies

*Northwest BC is made up of the Nechako and North Coast development regions. Source: CPABC Regional Check-Up 2017. All numbers are from 2016. +/- are in comparison to 2015 data.