

# Land Use

## Land Use Changes in the South Saskatchewan Region

Table 1a: Land Use in the South Saskatchewan Region.

Year	Area by Land Use Class (hectares)			
	Agricultural	Non-Agricultural	Rural Residential	Urban
2011	6,147,680	1,070,390	55,330	158,580
2012 <sup>1</sup>	6,128,200	1,077,610	55,840	164,360
2013	6,132,960	1,072,570	56,120	164,360
2014	6,144,480	1,058,160	54,450	164,450
2015	6,140,410	1,061,140	56,930	164,560

Table 1b: Land Use Change in the South Saskatchewan Region.

Year	Net Change in Area by Land Use Class (hectares)			
	Agricultural	Non-Agricultural	Rural Residential	Urban
2011-2012	-19,480	7,220	510	5,780
2012-2013	4,760	-5,040	280	0
2013-2014	11,520	-14,410	-1,670	90
2014-2015	-4,070	2,980	2,480	110
Total (2011-2015)	-7,270	-9,250	1,600	5,980

Table 2a: Area of Agricultural Land in the South Saskatchewan Region by Land Suitability Rating System Class.

Year	Area by LSRS Class (hectares)						
	2	3	4	5	6	7	0
2011	549,390	1,777,110	1,946,310	941,230	733,030	189,280	11,340
2012	548,350	1,767,910	1,943,970	939,800	730,550	186,150	11,480
2013	548,430	1,767,920	1,944,870	940,380	730,500	189,290	11,560
2014	548,000	1,773,900	1,944,000	938,900	737,630	189,210	12,830
2015	547,930	1,773,310	1,943,680	935,990	737,240	189,190	13,060

<sup>1</sup> 2012 land use/conversion data was revised on February 15, 2016.

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**Table 2b: Change in Area of Agricultural Land by LSRS Class in the South Saskatchewan Region.**

Net Change in Area by LSRS Class (hectares)							
Year	2	3	4	5	6	7	0
2011-2012	-1,040	-9,200	-2,340	-1,430	-2,480	-3,130	140
2012-2013	80	10	900	580	-50	3,140	80
2013-2014	-430	5,980	-870	-1,480	7,130	-80	1,270
2014-2015	-70	-590	-320	-2,910	-390	-20	230
<b>Total (2011-2015)</b>	<b>-1,460</b>	<b>-3,800</b>	<b>-2,630</b>	<b>-5,240</b>	<b>4,210</b>	<b>-90</b>	<b>1,720</b>

**Table 3a: Parcel Size Distribution in the South Saskatchewan Region.**

Parcel Size (acres) Distribution in the South Saskatchewan Region (number of parcels)						
Year	Total Parcels	>240	160-240	80-160	10-80	% < 80
2011	177,036	8	20,815	72,171	28,785	16.3
2012	187,004	7	19,583	72,990	29,233	15.6
2013	177,037	8	20,637	72,121	28,783	16.3
2014	177,684	10	20,755	72,144	28,850	16.2
2015	178,362	10	20,707	72,123	28,915	16.2

**Table 3b: Annual Change in Parcel Size Distribution in the South Saskatchewan Region.**

Annual Change in Parcel Size (acres) Distribution in the South Saskatchewan Region (number of parcels)						
Year	Total Parcels	>240	160-240	80-160	10-80	% < 80
2011-2012	9,968	-1	-1,232	819	448	-0.6
2012-2013	-9,967	1	1,054	-869	-450	0.6
2013-2014	647	2	118	23	67	0.0
2014-2015	678	0	-48	-21	65	0
<b>Total (2011-2015)</b>	<b>1,326</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-108</b>	<b>-48</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>0</b>

The data has been rounded to the nearest 10 in Tables 1a, 1b, 2a, and 2b and to the nearest tenth in the percentage column of Tables 3a and 3b.