# Innovation Systems Research Network City-Region Profile

# **Corner Brook**

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### **Summary and Highlights**

Key Indicators	1	Corner Brook	Cana	ada
Population, 2001		25,735	30,00	7,085
Population Change, 1996-2001		-7.9%		4.0%
% Foreign Born		1.7%		18.2%
% BA Degree or higher		10.0%	,	15.4%
Labour Force		21,210	23,90	1,360
Employment Rate		47.8%	(	61.5%
Unemployment Rate		17.6%		7.4%
% 'Creative' occupations		32.0%	:	29.2%
% Science & Tech. Occupations		4.5%		6.4%
'Bohemians' per 1,000 Labour Force		4.2		13.1
Number of Clusters		-		263
% Employment in Clusters		0.0%	:	22.1%
% Establishments in Clusters		0.0%		19.9%
Establishments		994	1,048	8,286
Compound Annual Growth, 1998-2005		1.6%		1.1%
Average Household Income	\$	47,998	\$ 58	8,360
Average Employment Income	\$	25,703	\$ 3	1,757

#### 1 - Demographics **Corner Brook**

Population	1996	2001	% Change 1996-2001
Corner Brook	27,950	25,735	-7.9%
Canada	28,846,770	30,007,085	4.0%

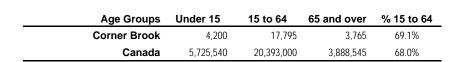


Figure 1.1 - Population by age and gender, 2001

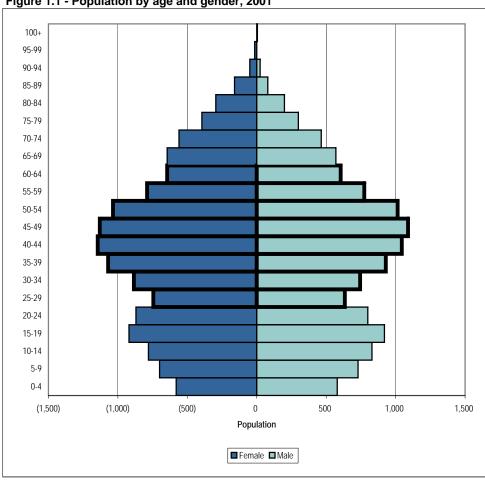


Figure 1.2 - Population by age group, 1996-2001

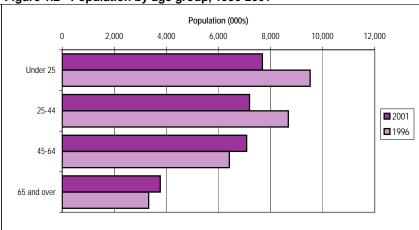
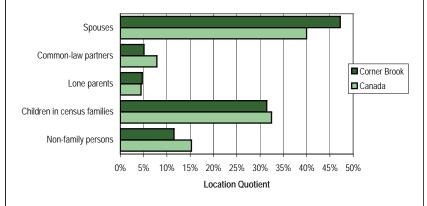


Figure 1.3 - Population by family status, 2001



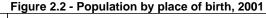
# 2 - Migration & Population Change

### **Corner Brook**

	Intra-	Inter-	
Domestic Migration	provincial	provincial	Total
In-flows, 1996-2001	1,625	905	2,530
Out-flows, 1996-2001	1,580	2,600	4,180
Net, 1996-2001	45	(1,695)	(1,650)

	% Foreign born	Migrated post-1991	Migrated pre- 1991
Corner Brook	1.7%	0.3%	1.5%
Canada	18.2%	6.1%	12.1%

Figure 2.1 - Domestic migration flows between 1996 and 2001 by age



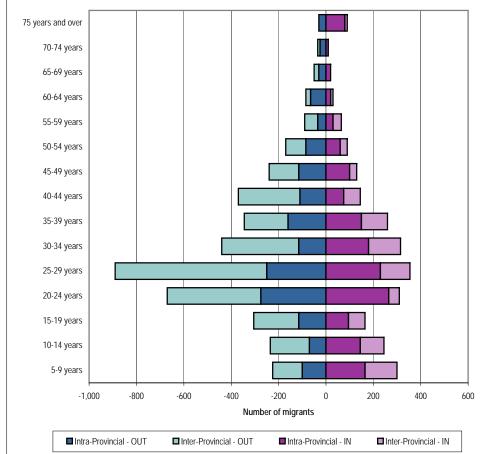
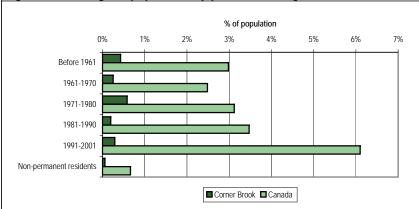




Figure 2.3 - Immigrant population by period of immigration, 2001



# 3 - Education Corner Brook

	% College degree or	% BA degree	% MA degree	PhDs per		Averag	ge years of sch	nooling <sup>1</sup>
	higher <sup>1</sup>	or higher <sup>1</sup>	or higher <sup>1</sup>	1,000 <sup>1</sup>		1991	1996	2001
Corner Brook	25.1%	10.0%	2.0%	4.7	Corner Brook	11.1	11.4	11.9
Canada	32.9%	15.4%	3.2%	5.4	Canada	12.0	12.3	12.8



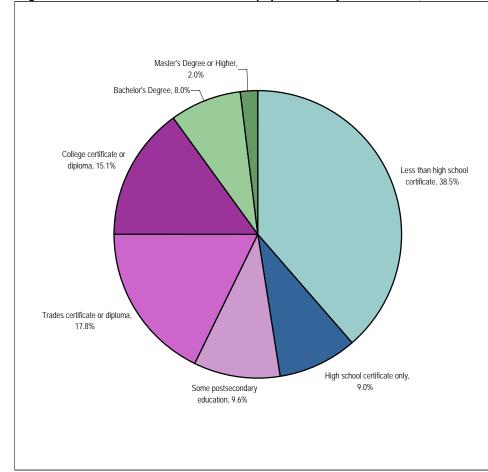


Figure 3.2 - Change in educational attainment, 1991-2001

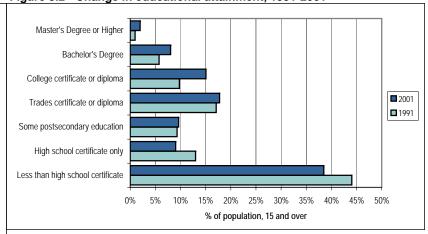
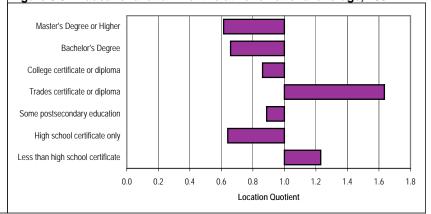
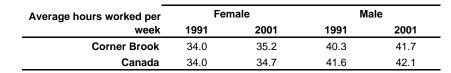


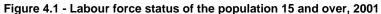
Figure 3.3 - Educational attainment relative to national average, 2001



# 4 - Employment Corner Brook

<del>-</del>	Employment Rate <sup>2</sup>		Unemploy	ment Rate <sup>3</sup>
	1991	2001	1991	2001
Corner Brook	49.0%	47.8%	20.6%	17.6%
Canada	61.0%	61.5%	10.2%	7.4%





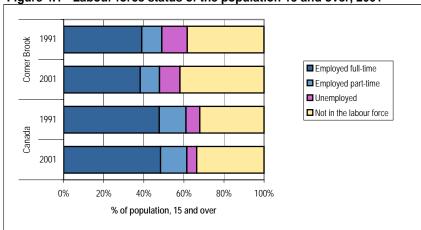


Figure 4.2 - Labour force status by gender, 2001

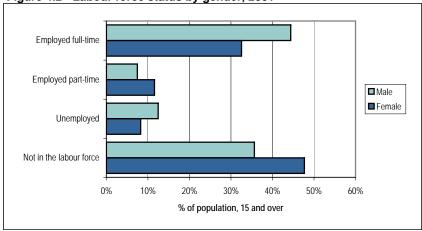


Figure 4.3 - Employment rate<sup>2</sup> by age, 2001

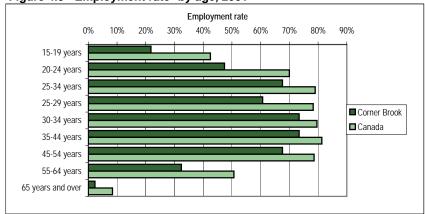
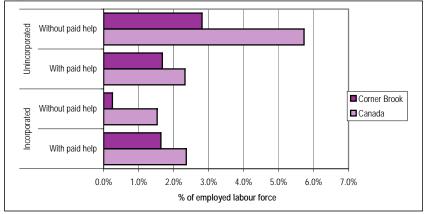
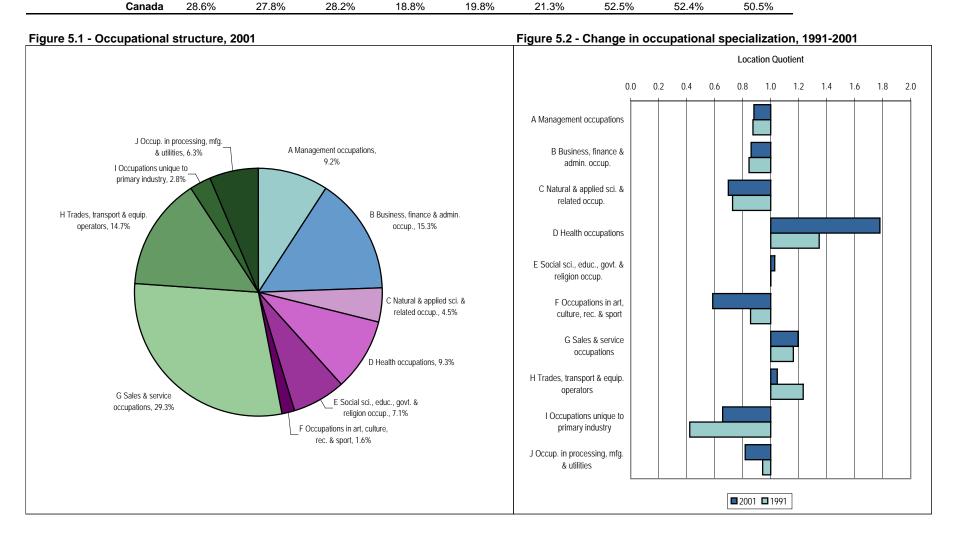


Figure 4.4 - Self employment by type<sup>4</sup>, 2001



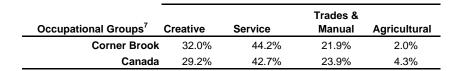
#### 5 - Occupational Structure **Corner Brook** A-B Management, business & finance C-F Natural/social science, health, G-J Sales/service, trades & manual education & artistic occupations occupations labour occupations 1991 1996 2001 1991 1996 2001 1991 1996 2001 **Corner Brook** 24.5% 22.6% 24.4% 18.9% 20.2% 22.5% 56.6% 57.2% 53.1%



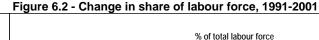
### 6 - Creative Occupations

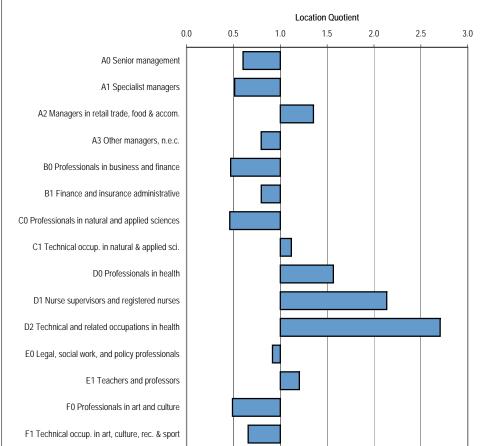
### **Corner Brook**

•		% S&T		
	<b>Bohemians</b>	per 1000 <sup>5</sup>	S&T Workers	Workers <sup>6</sup>
Corner Brook	50	4.2	530	4.5%
Canada	204,305	13.1	1,003,810	6.4%









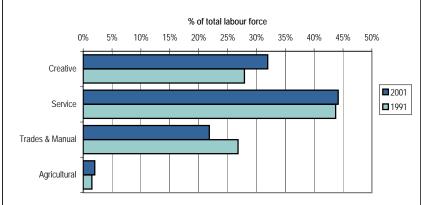
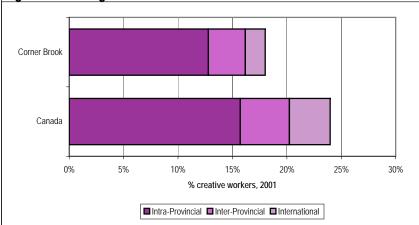


Figure 6.3 - In-migration of creative workers between 1996 & 2001

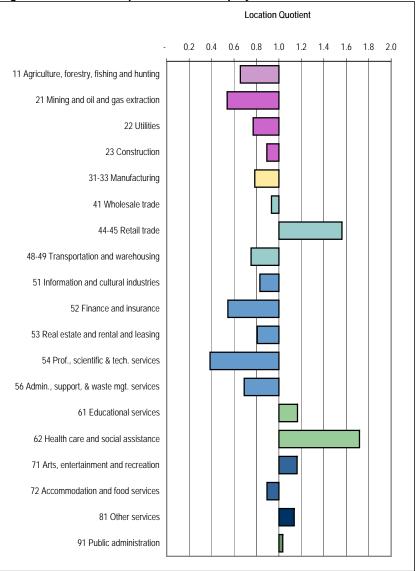


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#### 7 - Industrial Structure **Corner Brook**

Figure 7.1 - Industry characteristics # Labour % Labour % BA or % Creative Average force force higher occups. income \$ All industries 13,395 100.0% 14.2% 31.9% 25,944 11 Agr., forestry, fish. & hunt. 315 2.4% 14.3% 23.2% \$ 24,661 \$ 21 Mining & oil/gas extraction 95 0.7% 13.3% 13.3% 22 Utilities \$ 70 0.5% 0.0% 0.0% \$ 23 Construction 640 4.8% 2.5% 11.7% 27,920 31-33 Manufacturing 1,515 11.3% 6.5% 13.7% \$ 35,103 41 Wholesale trade 535 4.0% 5.1% 24.5% 26,175 \$ 44-45 Retail trade 2,330 17.4% 5.5% 23.6% 16,585 \$ 48-49 Transport & warehousing 485 3.6% 0.0% 7.8% 28,002 51 Information & cultural ind. 38.5% \$ 300 2.2% 13.2% 26,961 52 Finance and insurance 295 2.2% 13.0% 58.5% \$ 36,326 \$ 53 Real estate/rental & leasing 185 1.4% 9.4% 34.4% 54 Prof., sci. & tech. services 345 2.6% 33.9% 58.6% \$ 23,977 55 Mgmt. of companies 10 #DIV/0! #DIV/0! 0.1% 56 Admin./support, & wst. mgt. 370 4.7% \$ 11,223 2.8% 14.1% \$ 61 Educational services 1,040 7.8% 60.4% 67.6% 29,795 \$ 62 Health care & soc. assist. 2,100 15.7% 19.6% 52.9% 34,196 \$ 71 Arts, entertainment & rec. 7.5% 320 2.4% 43.4% 13,321 \$ 72 Accom. & food services 830 6.2% 2.8% 16.0% 14,534 81 Other services 805 6.0% 8.5% 19.2% \$ 14,904 91 Public administration 815 6.1% 23.9% 36.6% \$ 33,442

Figure 7.2 - Industrial specialization - Employment



# 8 - Clusters Corner Brook

Number of clusters<sup>8</sup> 0
% employment in clusters<sup>8</sup> 0.0%
% establishments in clusters<sup>8</sup> 0.0%

Figure 8.1 - Cluster characteristics, 2001<sup>8</sup>

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	# Labour force	Labour force LQ	% Industry LQs > 1	Cluster (yes/no)		
Resource-based						
Agriculture	80	0.14	6.7%	NO		
Mining	105	0.54	12.5%	NO		
Oil and Gas	65	0.47	11.1%	NO		
Wood & Wood Products	885	3.23	30.0%	NO		
Maritime	475	4.18	55.6%	NO		
Manufacturing					1	
Textiles & Apparel	10	0.07	0.0%	NO		
Food	525	1.58	41.7%	NO		
Steel	85	0.34	0.0%	NO		
Automotive	25	0.07	0.0%	NO	L	
Plastics & Rubber	35	0.11	7.1%	NO		
Biomedical	35	0.35	33.3%	NO	Į!	
ICT Manufacturing	25	0.13	11.1%	NO		
Service-based					1	
ICT Services	410	0.85	33.3%	NO		
Finance	370	0.57	6.7%	NO		
Business Services	670	0.68	31.3%	NO		
Creative & Cultural	210	0.62	31.3%	NO		
Higher Education	350	1.26	37.5%	NO		
Other					1	
Construction	260	0.66	33.3%	NO		
Logistics	455	0.77	30.8%	NO		
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Figure 8.2 - Employment by industry category, 20019

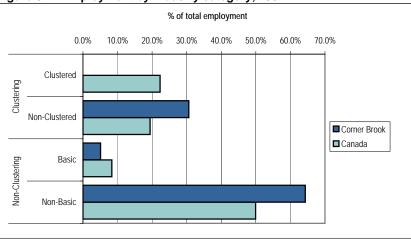
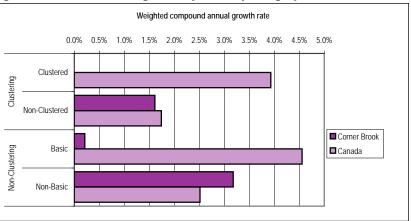


Figure 8.3 - Establishment growth by industry category, 1998-2005<sup>9,10</sup>



#### 9 - Establishments **Corner Brook**

	Establishments			
	1998 2005 Grow			
Corner Brook	923	984	0.92%	
Canada	1,001,517	1,048,286	0.65%	

	Less than 5 emp.	More than 500 emp.	
Corner Brook	53.3%	5 to 199 emp. 45.9%	4
Canada	56.5%	42.5%	2,916

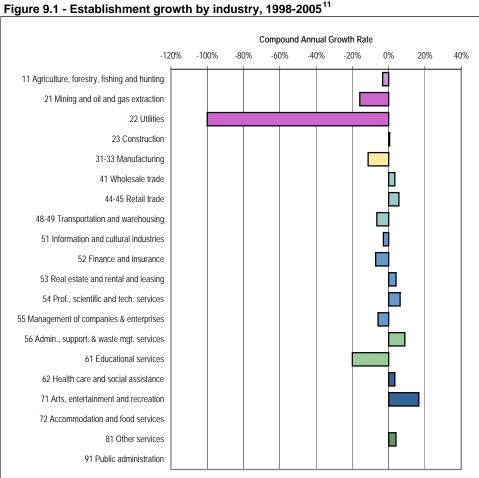


Figure 9.2 - Industrial specialization - Establishments, 2005

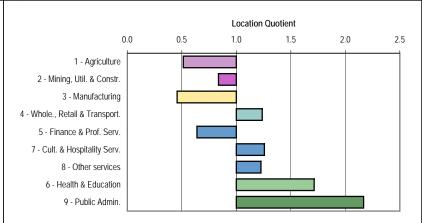
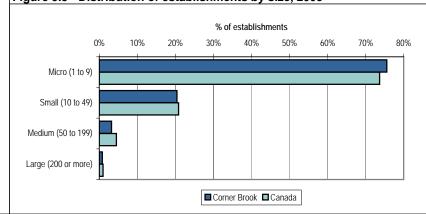


Figure 9.3 - Distribution of establishments by size, 2005



# 10 - Income Corner Brook

Household income <sup>12</sup>	Average Med			Median	% below LICO <sup>13</sup>
Corner Brook	\$	47,998	\$	38,455	17.8
Canada	\$	58,360	\$	46,752	16.2

Figure 10.1 - Sources of income for population 15 and over, 2000

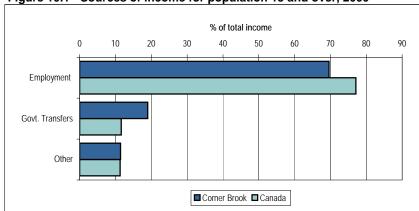


Figure 10.3 - Distribution of household income, 2000 18% 16% % of Households 12% 8% 6% 4% Under \$20K-\$30K-\$40K-\$50K-\$60K-\$70K-\$20K \$30K \$40K \$50K \$60K \$70K 80K \$90K \$100K \$100K ■ Corner Brook ■ Canada

Figure 10.2 - Distribution of total income for pop. 15 and over, 2000

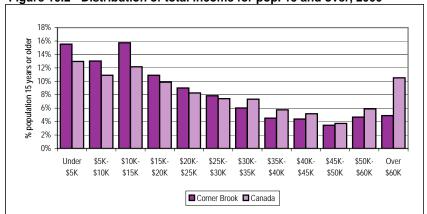
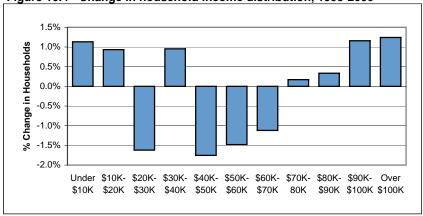


Figure 10.4 - Change in household income distribution, 1995-2000\*



<sup>\*</sup>Constant dollars (2000)

#### **Notes**

- <sup>1</sup> All educational attainment statistics are calculated for the population 15 years and over.
- <sup>2</sup> The employment rate refers to the number of persons employed expressed as a percentage of the total population 15 years of age and over (excluding institutional residents).
- <sup>3</sup> The unemployment rate refers to the number of unemployed persons expressed as a percentage of the total labour force 15 years of age and over.
- <sup>4</sup> Self-employment is defined as persons 15 years of age and over for whom the job reported consisted mainly of operating a business, farm or professional practice, alone or in partnership. Examples include: operating a farm; working on a freelance or contract basis to do a job (e.g. architects, private duty nurses); or operating a direct distributorship selling and delivering products (e.g. cosmetics, newspapers). Respondents were asked to specify if their business was incorporated or unincorporated, as well as if they had paid help or no paid help.
- <sup>5</sup> Bohemians are defined as artistic occupations and include the following occupational categories: F021 Authors and writers; F031 Producers, directors, choreographers and related occupations; F032 Conductors, composers and arrangers; F033 Musicians and singers; F034 Dancers; F035 Actors and comedians; F036 Painters, sculptors and other visual artists; F121 Photographers; F141 Graphic designers and illustrators; F142 Interior designers; F143 Theatre, fashion, exhibit and other creative designers; F144 Artisans and craftspersons; and F145 Patternmakers, textile, leather and fur products. See Florida (2002) and Gertler et al. (2002).
- <sup>6</sup> Science and technology workers include the following occupational categories: C0 Professional occupations in natural and applied sciences; and C1 Technical occupations related to natural and applied sciences. See Feinstein and McAlinden (2002).
- <sup>7</sup> Following the method outlined in Florida (2002), we have divided the Canadian occupational structure into four broad categories: creative occupations; service occupations; trade and manual labour occupations; and agricultural and related occupations. These are defined using the National Occupational Classification for Statistics (NOCS) at the 2-digit level.
- Creative occupations include: A0 Senior management occupations; A1 Specialist managers; A2 Managers in retail trade, food and accommodation services; A3 Other managers, n.e.c.; B0 Professional occupations in business and finance; B1 Finance and insurance administrative occupations; C0 Professional occupations in natural and applied sciences; C1 Technical occupations related to natural and applied sciences; D0 Professional occupations in health; D1 Nurse supervisors and registered nurses; D2 Technical and related occupations in health; E0 Judges, lawyers, psychologists, social workers, ministers of religion, and policy and program officers; E1 Teachers and professors; F0 Professional occupations in art and culture; and F1 Technical occupations in art, culture, recreation and sport.
- Service occupations include: B2 Secretaries; B3 Administrative and regulatory occupations; B4 Clerical supervisors; B5 Clerical occupations; D3 Assisting occupations in support of health services; E2 Paralegals, social services workers and occupations in education and religion, n.e.c.; and G Sales and Service Occupations.

- Trades and manual labour occupations include: H Trades, Transport and Equipment Operators and Related Occupations; I2 Primary production labourers; and J Occupations Unique to Processing, Manufacturing and Utilities.
- Agriculture and related occupations include: 10 Occupations unique to agriculture, excluding labourers; and I1 Occupations unique to forestry operations, mining, oil and gas extraction and fishing, excluding labourers.
- <sup>8</sup> The method for identifying and defining cluster is based on previous ISRN work (see Spencer and Vinodrai 2005). Clusters are defined as constellations of industries defined using the North American Industrial Classification Systems (NAICS) at the 4-digit level based on patterns of location and colocation within the Canadian space economy. Constellations of industries must meet three criteria within a particular place to be defined as a cluster: 1) there must be 1,000 or more employees; 2) the overall employment LQ must be greater than or equal to 1; and 3) at least half of the industries that comprise a particular cluster in a particular place must have an individual employment LQ greater than or equal to 1.
- <sup>9</sup> The method for identifying and defining cluster is based on previous ISRN work (see Spencer and Vinodrai 2005). We divide industries and employment into four categories: Non-basic, basic, non-clustered, and clustered. Non-Basic industries are those industries which do not demonstrate a pattern of geographic concentration in particular places. Basic industries are those industries which are geographically concentrated in particular places but do not exhibit patterns of systematic co-location with other industries. The remaining industries have the potential to cluster but do not always do so. Therefore, non-clustered employment is in those industries which do co-locate with other industries, but do not exhibit cluster characteristics in a particular location (see above). Clustered employment is that employment in industries which co-locate with other industries and exhibit cluster characteristics (see above).
- <sup>10</sup> Growth is calculated as a weighted compound annual growth rate (CAGR). The growth rate is weighted according to the size distribution of establishments within a particular group of industries in a place.
- <sup>11</sup> Growth is measured as a compound annual growth rate (CAGR).
- <sup>12</sup> Canadian censuses were conducted in 1996 and 2001. Income data relate to the calendar year prior to the census year, i.e. 1995 and 2000 respectively.
- <sup>13</sup> Low income cut-offs (LICO) are established by Statistics Canada based on national family expenditure patterns on food, shelter, and clothing. LICOs reflect a consistent and well-defined methodology that identifies those who are substantially worse-off than average.

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